

197 FFA'ers To Receive Keystone Degree At Farm Show

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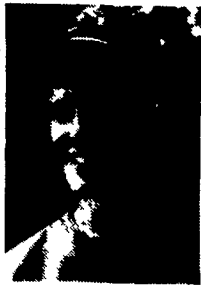
Jonathan Smiley

Jonathan Smiley, 17, son of Jeff and Jane Smiley, of Berlin, has served as treasurer, parliamentarian and president of Brothers-valley FFA chapter and also vice president of the county organization. Named Somerset County Pomona Grange outstanding agricultural graduate, he earned his greenhand, and chapter degrees and served on a number of committees, including the scholarship, flower bulb sales, citrus fruit sales, parents and members banquet, window exhibit, program of work, degrees committee, calendar, Food for America, Building Our American Communities, hospital benefit, parliamentary procedure, FFA sports, public speaking, tractor fundraiser, sweetheart, apple butter and cider, proficiency award, and blood drive committees. Jonathan also has been involved local, state and national activities. He said he would like to own a large registered Holstein herd and milk at least 250 cows, and also have a businesses offering custom combining, chopping, and round baling and wrapping services, and also raise crops, in a partnership with his brothers and parents.



Chris Smith

Chris Smith, 19, son of Charles and Alverna Smith, of Aspers, has been reporter, vice president, student advisor and president of the Apple City FFA chapter, where he's been a member for five years. Chris has earned his greenhand, chapter and county degrees, was named outstanding freshman, received a star chapter degree, was named outstanding senior, and was chairman of the chapter's seed corn committee. He has attended a number of livestock and dairy cattle shows and helped with KILE tours, attended the 1991 and 1993 national FFA conventions, was a Penn State delegate, attended the AFY Leadership Conference, competed in county dairy judging, county livestock shows, attended a business seminar for teens, was a winner of a state trip (Co-op) Adams County Rep, and served on the poinsetta sales, citrus and bulb sales, the petting zoo, FFA Week pig roast, Farm Show, county cooperative, pie sale and seed corn sale committees. He said he would like to someday own a dairy farm.



Jason Shuller

Jason Shuller, 17, of Somerset, has been a member of the Somerset County AVTS FFA for three years and has had a tech-prep meeting, the AVTS banquet, and a Berlin banquet as his FFA projects. The son of Sharon Basehore, he has earned a greenhand and chapter farmer degrees, and took a first and a second competing in the county envirothons. Jason has been a member the chapter's banquet, BOAC, county contest, scrapbook, tree seedling, National FFA Week, citrus sales, demonstration, program of work, sweetheart, and sports committees. In addition to envirothons, he has competed in public speaking, forestry knowledge, project book, salesmanship, and demonstration contests. He said he intends to pursue a college degree in landscaping from Penn State University and eventually own and operate a landscaping and lawn grooming business.



Jeremy Schilling

Jeremy Schilling, 17, son of Stephen and Barbara Gnag-ey, of Salisbury, was named junior forester of the year and served as student advisor, reporter and sentinel for the Somerset County AVTS FFA chapter. The recipient of the greenhand and chapter farmer degrees, Jeremy has been involved in Building Our American Communities program, attending the FFA leadership conference, county and state forestry contests, public speaking, serving on the demonstration team, the



parliamentary procedure team, county envirothon, and project book contests, and he has served on committees such as the sports, tree seedling, banquet, sweetheart, dues and program of work. A three-year member of FFA, he said he would like to find a career in the landscaping industry.

Andy Smith

Andy Smith, 18, son of Leon and Jean Smith, of New Oxford, has served as secretary and student advisor for the New Oxford FFA chapter. His achievements include winning the county and area

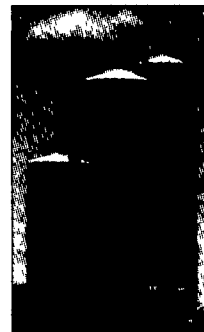
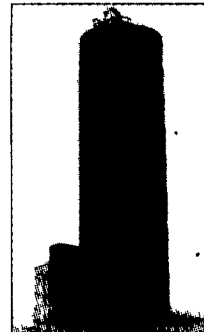
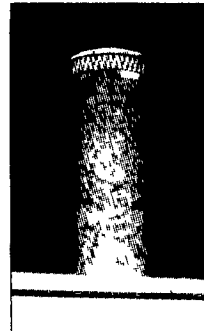
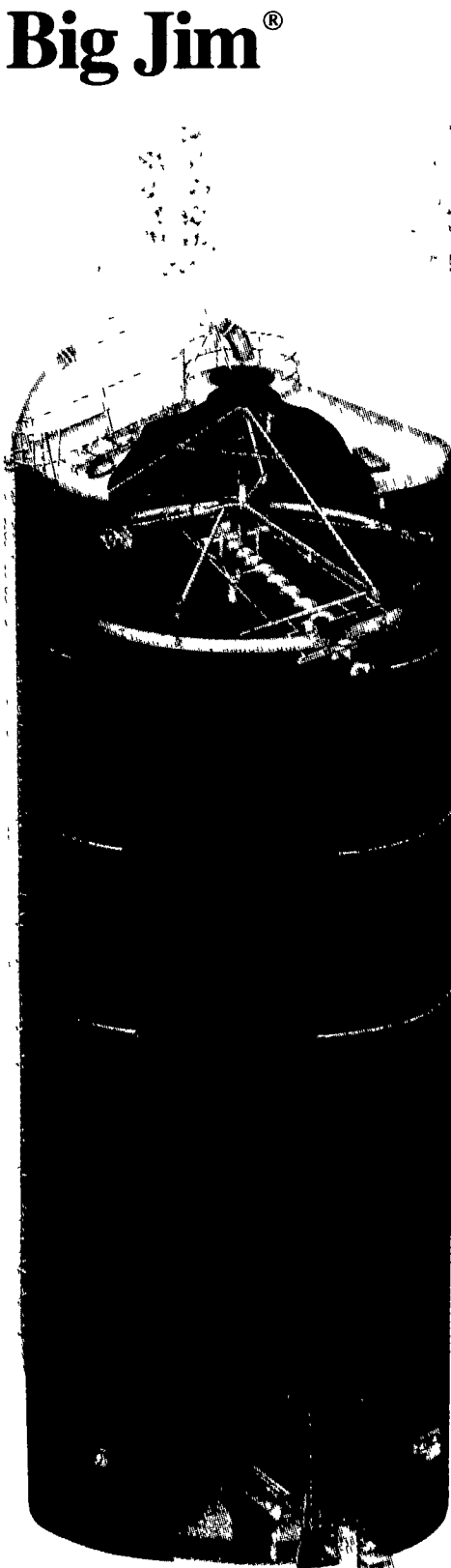


small engine contest, winning a bronze medal at state competitions in agricultural mechanics and received proficiency awards in ag mechanics and agricultural processing, in addition to earning his greenhand and chapter degrees. A member of the chapter's executive committee, and serving as chairman of the state and national committee, he has work experience on and off the farm for his FFA projects. The four-year member said he would like to open his own business repairing lawnmowers.

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