

Keystone FFA Recipients

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"The idea of reaching all of my goals, and the fun you have with all your friends reaching each goal" are what she most enjoys.

Jacob Steinfelt

Jacob Steinfelt, 17, son of Michael and Linda Steinfelt, of Little Marsh, has been a 3-year member of Cowanesque FFA Chapter, having served as its treasurer. Also involved with the chapter Float and Fruit committees, his projects include raising beef, finishing and breeding sheep, and maple production.

He was on the national land judging team, and earned chapter proficiency awards for beef, and agricultural mechanics. He won a silver award in the state land judging contest, a gold state recordbook contest, and a regional star farmer award in specialized agriculture.

He has greenhand, chapter, area and now state degrees. In the future he said he would like to go west as part of a harvesting team. He said he likes the challenges of FFA, being involved, the contests, and the variety of interests all possible through FFA.



Chad Stiffey

Chad W. Stiffey, 17, son of Kevin and Suzanne Stiffey, of Robinson, is currently serving as president of the United FFA, where he has been a member for four years. He has also served as sentinel and student advisor.

He has been chairman of the chapter's Food For America Committee for three years, and also served on the chapter's Tree Planting and Fish Stocking committees. His projects include involvement with the Food for America program, field trips, and stream improvement projects.

He has won a star greenhand award, as well as awards for community development, beef production, and poultry production. He has his greenhand and chapter degrees. Stiffey said he intends to pursue a career as a paramedic specializing in farm rescue.

He said he most enjoys his SAE project serving as a member of a volunteer fire company. "This helps me to put agriculture together with my future plans."



Jason Stoner

Jason Matthew Stoner, 18, son of Nelson and Jane Stoner of Lititz, is a 4-year-member of the Manheim FFA Chapter where he has served as a committee chairman for three years. His projects include Camp Oswegatchie, and supporting a children's tent at the Manheim Farm Show. He has earned a scholarship award. He earned greenhand and chapter degrees, and works on the family dairy farm.



Valerie Stover

Valerie Stover, 17, daughter of Mindy and Edward Fox of New Berlin, is a 4-year-member of the Mifflinburg FFA chapter, where she serves as chairman of its Public Relations and Exhibits/Demonstrations committees. She is also a member of its Dues and FFA Week committees.

Stover's project is off-farm work experience. She has won proficiency awards for public speaking, in demonstrating, and



won a gold state award in public speaking as well as a gold state award for SAE CDE. She has earned greenhand, chapter and SUN Area degrees. In addition, she has been involved in forestry and land judging, and her high school field hockey team and french club. She said she plans to pursue a degree in botany at Penn State University.

Tyler Swanson

Tyler Swanson, 17, son of John and Deborah Swanson of Conestoga, is a 4-year-member of Manor FFA, where he has served as chaplain, student advisor, and vice president. He has been a member of the chapter's Agricultural Awareness, Public Relations, and SAE committees.

His projects include market lambs, market hogs, raspberry production, and work experience. Swanson has won a Star Red Rose award, as well as national awards for poultry evaluation and tractor restoration. He has greenhand and chapter farmer degrees. He said that he would like to grow and market his own produce and berries.

Jennifer Sweinhart

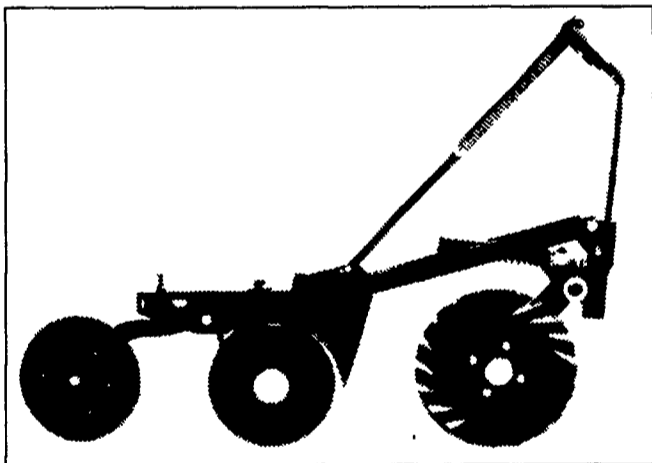
Jennifer Sweinhart, 17, daughter of Curt and Thelma Sweinhart, of New Enterprise, has been a member of Northern Bedford FFA for six years, currently serving as its treasurer.



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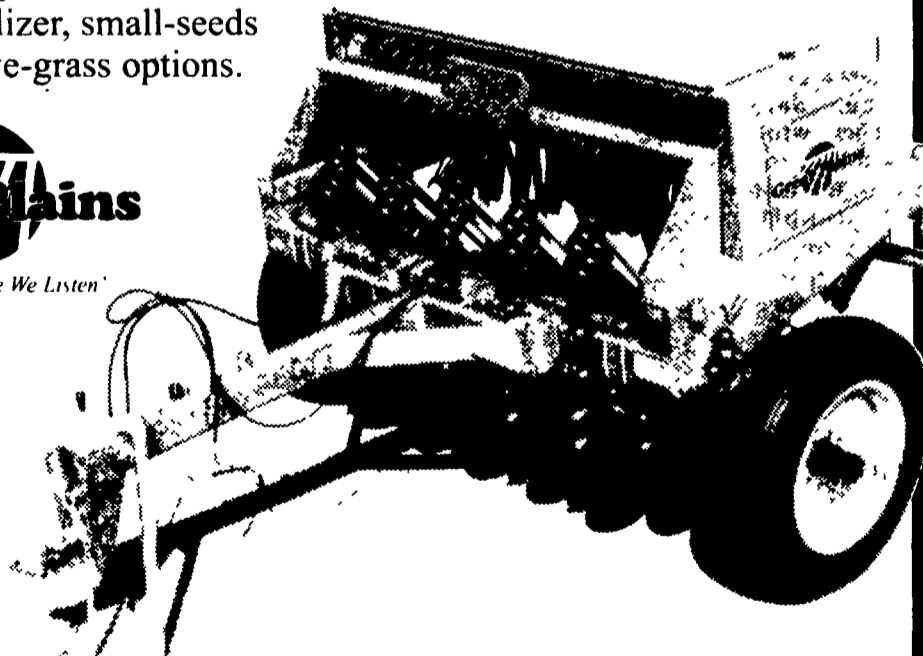
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