Cumberland County 4-H Celebrates Achievements

CARLISLE (Cumberland Co.) The Cumberland County 4-H Achievement Night was Oct. 5 at the Penn Township Fire Hall in Huntsdale.

This annual program and banquet recognized the achievements of 4-H members, leaders, and volunteers throughout Cumberland County, as well as others in the community who

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have helped make the county 4-H program a success.

A brief business meeting was conducted to elect new county council officers. The results were president, Zachary Travis; vice president Mary Strasbaugh; secretary, Amy Kaucher; treasurer, Abby Zarichansky; and news reporter, Melissa Detman. At the conclusion of the business meet-

Outstanding 4-H'er awards presented to seniors Nikki McCaffrey, Bolling Springs; and Heidi Evelhoch, Shippensburg; and junior, Melissa Detman, Carlisle.

ing, many awards and recognition were given.

Robert Holtry of Shermans Dale presented the Gladys Holtry Award in honor of his late wife for outstanding leadership by a 4-H volunteer leader. The award was presented to Sylvania Negley, Carlisle. Negley is the 4-H leader for the North Middleton Explorers 4-H Club.

Outstanding officer awards were presented to County Council President Amy Kaucher, Mechanicsburg; Conodoquinet 4-H Sheep Club Secretary Jake Zeigler, Carlisle; Treasurer John Witter, Mechanicsburg; and Countywide 4-H Horse and Pony Club news reporters Carrie McLaughlin, Newville and Michelle Thomas, Carlisle.

The 4-H Spirit Award was presented to the Rotary Club of Carlisle. The club's financial advocacy has supported many 4-H members participation in county, regional, state, and national events.

The Outstanding Junior 4-H'er Award was presented to Melissa Detman, Carlisle. The Outstanding Senior 4-H'er Awards were presented to Nikki McCaffrey, Boiling Springs and Heidi Evelhoch, Shippensburg.

Recognition was given to all



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4-H members completing 4-H recognition forms, all 4-H teen leaders, and all 4-H members who participated in county, regional, state, and national activities.

4-H leaders were also recognized for their commitment to the 4-H program and those celebrating an anniversary year were individually mentioned. Retiring

4-H Advisory Council member Kathy Walton was given an appreciation gift for her service with the council.

For more information about 4-H or becoming a 4-H leader, contact the Cumberland County Cooperative Extension at (717) 240-6500 or visit the Website, t t р cumberland.extension.psu.edu.





New Exhibition **Showcases** Ag Powerhouse

WASHINGTON, D.C. --- On Thursday, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman helped open a new Smithsonian exhibition about the North American prairie from its unique mix of flora and fauna to its huge agricultural out-

"Listening to the Prairie: Farming in Nature's Image," which opens to the public today, describes the evolution of the vast grasslands region as well as the progressive prairie farmers and ranchers who have found innovative new ways to farm the land and protect the environment.

Glickman, himself from the prairie state of Kansas said, "The prairies are the heart of America's breadbasket, producing much of the nation's corn, wheat, and soybeans. I hope this exhibit helps Americans better understand the

quality of life we can all enjoy together." As a member of Congress, Glickman was the lead initial author in the House of Representatives of legislation to create a prairie designation

system. The exhibit will run though March, 2001. It will travel to 20 libraries across the country.