## West Snyder FFA Chapter Ranked #1

BEAVER SPRINGS (Snyder Co.) — Eighteen members of the West Snyder FFA Chapter attended FFA Activities Week at Penn State University from June 12-14. Members competed with

nearly 1,300 other FFA members from across Pennsylvania. For a record breaking eighth consecutive year, West Snyder FFA Chapter was ranked first in Pennsylvania based on their Pro-



West Snyder FFA Members at FFA Activities Week Row 1, left to right, Amanda Shaffer, Tiffany Esbenshade, Spencer Etzler, Heather Hollenbach. Row 2, Jennifer McWilliams, Heidi Good, Jodi Fetterolf, Kate Heeter, Melissa McWilliams. Row 3, Doug Hollenbach, Jenna Briggs, Phaedra Wray, and Hannah Etzler. Row 4, Chuck Kessler, Brad Novinger, Jess Harper, Derek Fetterolf, and James Wright.

gram of Work and Chapter Activities. This program is designed to recognize FFA Chapters who excel in membership, chapter and community development. Their application has been forwarded to the National FFA Center for further competition.

Heidi Good, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Good, of R.D. 1, Beavertown, and Robin Soki, of York, and a 2000 graduate of West Snyder High School, served as the North Central Regional Vice President of the Pennsylvania FFA Association. She presided over the Summer PA FFA Convention as a member of the PA FFA and as a member of the state officer team.

Phaedra Wray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wray, of McClure, and placed sixth in the state FFA Conservation Public Speaking CDE, earning a gold medal.

James Wright, son of Dale and Teresa Wright, of McClure, served as president of the West Snyder FFA Parliamentary Procedure Team, which placed fourth in the state winning a gold medal for the sixth consecutive year. Other members of the team included Phaedra Wray, Jodi Fetterolf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Fetterolf, of Beavertown; Kate Heeter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Heeter, of Bea-

vertown, Tiffany Esbenshade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Briggs, of Beaver Springs; Jennifer McWilliams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clair Esbenshade, of Beaver Springs; Derek Fetterolf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Fetterolf, of Beavertown; and Amanda Shaffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Shaffer, of Beavertown. James Wright also earned a gold medal in the FFA talent competition.

Heather Hollenbach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hollenbach, of Beaver Springs, served as the official delegate for the West Snyder Chapter at the summer convention which was held in conjunction with the career development events at FFA Activities Week. Heather served as chairman of the Nominating Committee to select the 2001-2002 PA FFA State Officers.

Melissa McWilliams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester McWilliams of Spring Mills, placed 13th in the Dairy Showmanship Career Development Event. She earned a bronze medal for her efforts. Jennifer McWilliams, also the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester McWilliams, of Spring Mills, attended the summer FFA Convention.

The West Snyder FFA Livestock Judging Team consisted of

Doug Hollenbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hollenbach of Beaver Springs; and Hannah Etzler and Spencer of Mr. and Mrs. James Etzler of Beavertown.

C h u c k Kessler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kessler, of Beavertown, and Brad Novinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Freed, of Beavertown, participated in the state Ag Mechanics Career Development Event. Jessica Harper, daughter of Mrs. Jamie Harper of McClure participated in the Interview CDE.

The West Snyder FFA Chapter Scrapbook placed third in the state earning a gold medal in the competition.

Twin Valley FFA Members Win State Creed Speaking Event

MORGANTOWN (Berks Co.)

— Twin Valley FFA members
Ashley Austin, first place, and
Mandy Stoltzfus, second place,
were top winners in the State
FFA Creed Speaking Career Development Event during the
Pennsylvania State FFA Summer
Convention June 12-14.

Austin will go on to compete at the National FFA Creed Speaking Career Development Event Oct. 24-27 in Louisville, KY during the 74th National FFA Convention.

"I'm excited about placing first at the state level," said Austin. "I am looking forward to competing at the National FFA Convention." Austin is the daughter of Jeff and Sandy Austin of Elverson. She will be entering her sophomore year at Twin Valley High School. She plays piano and enjoys gardening.

Stoltzfus is the daughter of Scott and Bertha Stoltzfus of Geigertown. She is also entering her sophomore year at Twin Valley High School. She is involved in the 4-H Swine Club and plays softball and field hockey.

Creed speakers are required to recite The FFA Creed and then answer a series of questions related to the creed presented by a panel of judges. The answers are based on the participant's interpretation of The FFA Creed.

The Twin Valley FFA Chapter is the second largest FFA chapter in Pennsylvania.



