



**Cassidy Moles
FCCLA Delegate**

Moles attends FCCLA leadership conference

Cassidy Moles, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Cameron Moles, attended the 2001 Missouri Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) State Leadership Conference March 29-31 at the Holiday Inn Select in Columbia. The delegates from across the state represented approximately 14,000 members of Missouri FCCLA. Local chapter advisor Elizabeth Honse also attended.

The conference centered on the student-developed theme "Conquer the Jungle". Participants were challenged to utilize the skills learned through FCCLA to guide them as they explore and conquer in life.

Mr. Marcus Engel, keynote speaker from Chesterfield, delivered the keynote address. He challenged delegates with his thought-provoking presentation entitled "In the Blink of an Eye."

In 1993, Mr. Engel was a victim of a drunk driver and in

addition to losing his eyesight, ever bone in his face was broken. After two years of rehabilitation, he achieved his goals of returning to and graduating college. He now shares his story, inspirations and motivations with others.

Conference members also learned to direct their leadership skills into projects resulting in personal achievement and the accomplishment of chapter goals that affect the family, school and community. Activities focused on helping members strengthen and expand their abilities as public speakers, project planners, chapter organizers and responsible citizens.

The Missouri FCCLA youth-centered leadership helps members develop those "skills for life" -- planning, goal setting, problem solving, decision making, and interpersonal communication -- necessary in the work place and in the home.