# **Dover FFA presents** chapter farmer degrees

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DOVER - John Thorton and Fred Hotchkiss, both of Ashcombe Dairy, Dover, were the recipients of 1980 Honorary Chapter Farmer Degrees at the 28th Annual **Dover FFA Chapter Banquet** held recently.

Speaker for the evening was Don Trimmer, of Woodsboro, MD, the National Eastern Region Vice-President of the FFA. Trummer said he got his start in the FFA by working on his grandparent's Angus farm. According to Trummer, the two most precious resources this nation has are: Agriculture - "We've yet to reach our limit," and the Youth - "They are the leaders of tomorrow and are preparing for progress." He said the FFA has both of these resources. This is why last July, President Carter stated, "FFA must take the lead among all the Youth of America for energy conservation."

Outgoing FFA Sweetheart, Linda Green, spoke on what she has done as she held her honor. Linda then crowned the 1980 Dover FFA Sweetheart, Brenda Spangler. Brenda is the 15 year old daughter of Bonnie and Paul Spangler, Dover.

Awards were then presented to the members. The 1979-1980 Chapter Farmer Degrees were awarded to Jerry Atland, Jack Shoemaker, John Hilbert, Mark Shoemaker, Harvey Myers, and Bob Livingston.

Foundation awards were presented to: Jerry Atland, sheep; Steve Nelson, beef, Marvin Kunkle, swine, Brian Lighty, poultry; Steve Nelson, crops; and Mark Mummert, dairy.

Also Brad Shoemaker, vegetable; Mark Shoemaker, livestock; Keith Ross, wildlife management; Randy Clegg, ag sales and service; Bryan Ross, ag mechanics; and Shane Becker, forestry.

Tim Strouse, ag eléc-



Shown presenting the Honorary Chapter Farmer degree are from left: Randy Montag, club president, Fred Hotchkiss, recipient, and Don Trimmer, National Vice-President, Eastern Region. John Thornton who also received an Honorary degree was absent.



Winners of Chapter Farmer Degrees were from left: Jerry Altand. Jack Shoemaker, John Hilbert, Mark Shoemaker, Harvey Myers, and Bob Livingston.



Show are winners of Foundation Awards from left: Brian Lighty, poultry; Brad Shoemaker, vegetable; Marvin Kunkle, swine; Mark Shoemaker, livestock and Star Greenhand; Jerry Altand, sheep; and Steve Nelson, crop.

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trification; Ronald Storm, placement in ag production; Randy Montag, extemporaneous public speaking; Jacob Helfrich, soil and water management; Mark Shoemaker, Star Greenhand; and Randy Montag, Chapter Star Farmer.

installed at the banquet. They are: Harvey Myers. president; Jacob Helfrich, vice-president; Jack Shoemaker, treasurer; John Hilbert, secretary; Robert Livingston, reporter: Brian Lighty, sentinel; Gerald Lighty, chaplain; Marvin Kunkle, parliamentarian.





Shown with her new Dover FFA Sweetheart crown is Brenda Spangler. Linda Green, last year's sweetheart, is shown adjusting the crown.

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