

# Yost is L.D.'s Star Farmer

HUMMELSTOWN — At their annual awards banquet, held on April 24 at the high school, the Lower Dauphin Future Farmers of America announced the selection of Tammy Yost as the Star Chapter Farmer.

Yost, who was chairperson of this year's banquet celebrating 20 years of vocational agriculture at Lower Dauphin, also received the special chapter award for leadership and the

Dekalb Award for leadership, scholarship, and community activities.

A senior at Lower Dauphin, Yost lives with her parents, Vernon and Janet Yost, at R1 Hershey. Her parents were elected as this year's Honorary Chapter Members, along with Jay Book, a teacher at the school.

Yost has been in the FFA since her freshman year, and served as the Chapter

treasurer in 1979. She said she would like to run for a State FFA office next year, and hopes to be a candidate for the dairy princess crown.

She keeps busy helping out on her uncle's dairy farm, where she lends a hand with milking about 70 Holsteins. She said she would like to go on to college and get her degree in dairy science.

Yost said she'll be gone for a short time this summer. She will be one of 25 students who will be traveling to Kansas as part of a 4-H exchange.

The chapter's Star Agribusinessman is Todd James, R5 Elizabethtown.

The son of Zale and Donna James, Todd said he would like to go to college and eventually farm. Although he doesn't live on a farm now, the junior at Lower Dauphin said he finishes about 8 Duroc swine each year.

The Star Greenhand Degree went to Duane Herr, R1 Hershey.

The son of Robert and Ruth Herr, the Lower Dauphin freshman explained that they raise milking goats on their small farm. This year's Star Greenhand is a member of the parliamentary procedures team, and raises



Receiving their special chapter awards last Thursday evening were, from left, Tammy Yost, Star Farmer; Todd James, Star Agribusinessman; and Duane Herr, Star Greenhand.



Kenneth Staver, right, receives a special award from FFA'er Tammy Yost.

goats for both FFA and 4-H projects.

A special award was given to Kenneth Staver, dean of students at Lower Dauphin, in appreciation of his dedicated service to the FFA.

Chapter Project Book Awards went to the following:

**Blue Ribbon**  
Todd James, R5 Elizabethtown; Ty Long, R1 Hershey; Zantha Weaver, R1 Hershey; and Debbie Capp, R1 Hershey.

**Red Ribbon**  
Rick Cordero, R1 Middletown; Bill Capp, Jr., R1 Hershey; Bernice Finkey, R1 Middletown; Steve Aldinger, R1 Hershey; Todd James; and Craig Cassel, Hummelstown.

**White Ribbons**  
Ken Brandt, R1 Hershey;

and Dave Bleacher, R5 Elizabethtown.

County awards went to: Clark Miller; Debbie Capp; Darryl Rode; Chris Strohecker; Todd James; Neal Leffler; Debbie Fleck; Mike Zeller; Clark Miller, and Leonard Waldron, Dauphin County Star Farmer.—SM

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