Dobrosky Named Citation Winner

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York Co. Correspondent SEVEN VALLEYS (York Co.)

- For 34 years, he led, applauded, advised, prodded, taught, suggested, arranged, judged, chaperoned and otherwise did whatever was in his power as a "county agent" to promote the 4-H members and programs of York County.

But, even after retirement, Anthony G. "Tony" Dobrosky continued as an avid supporter, promoter, livestock buyer and fundraiser for his beloved 4-H'ers. Members of the York County 4-H Beef Club saluted him for his nearly four decades of support by naming him their Citation Award winner for 1997, presented at the club's annual dinner, January 25 at the Seven Valleys Fire Hall.

"There have been an awful lot of kids that you have helped over the years," summed up presenter and beef club leader Gordon Shive of Tony Dobrosky's major focus as a Penn State Agriculture Extension Agent.

Dobrosky came to York County in 1957 as a summer assistant in the extension program, then was hired by in 1958 as a permanent position. One of his first assignments was to work with the livestock programs, with particular emphasis on the Beef Club. Under Dobrosky's guidance, the Beef Club's membership quadrupled in size, and Beef Breeding was added as a project area.

Judging and juging teams have benefited from Dobrosky's coaching expertise and he established the first regional livestock judging

contest in Pennsylvania. Both Livestock Judging and Meats Judging teams have won numerous state and national honors under his training and leadership. Many of the current 4-H livestock leaders and parents were part of his clubs and judging teams.

Dobrosky retired from extension work in July 1991 --- and two days later went to work for the Glatfelter Agribusiness Firm. In that capacity, he continued to avidly support 4-H livestock activities, as well as fill numerous other agriculture leadership roles.

He serves on the Farm Show sale committee and the Farm Show's Scholarship Committee, and has been instrumental in generating widespread support for these youth programs. Dobrosky (Turn to Page A39)



Tony Dobrosky, left, was named the 1997 Citation Winner by the York County 4-H Beef Club. Presenting the award was Gordon Shive, one of Dobrosky's 4-H members when he began extension work and a long-time Beef Club leader.

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