

# Mifflin County Holstein Club Holds Banquet

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The Mifflin County Holstein Club met recently at the Country Village Restaurant in Allensville for its annual meeting.

The Club honored Jim Hostetter of Lewistown with the Distinguished Service Award. James O. Reed of Reedsville received recognition for having the highest herd BAA in the county.

Hostetter then had the honors of introducing featured speaker, former Mifflin Countian and long-

time friend Jay Houser, president of the State Holstein Club Association.

Houser, a Centre County Holstein breeder and owner of Penn-Dell Farm in Spring Mills, outlined what he thought should be priorities in building a good herd of cows.

"No one builds a Super Bowl winner overnight, and no one builds a good herd overnight," Houser began. "The first decision is what do you want — an outstanding type cow, outstanding milk cow or a combination of

both."

Houser also believes in finding the family of cows best suited for what you want, and building from there.

"I've had more success breeding out of a great family — more success over the long run. Being successful means breeding the type of cows you want."

In other business, Mark Byler, Matt Kline and Ed Glick were voted in as directors. Mike Ammon gave the Pennsylvania Holstein Association Report. Vernon Yoder reported on the youth and open show at the fair this past year.

Sue Sellers, in her Junior Membership report, said that 30 junior members showed at the fair this summer and several showed more than one animal.



Mark Byler, Matt Kline and Ed Glick were elected to serve on the Mifflin County Holstein Club board of directors.



James O. Reed of Reedsville accepted this award for having the highest herd BAA.



James Hostetter (right) was honored by the Mifflin County Holstein Club with the Distinguished Service Award. He is joined by Centre County dairyman Jay Houser who spoke at the banquet.

## 4-H Dairy To Meet March 14

**VIRGINVILLE (Berks Co.)** — The Berks County 4-H Dairy Program will honor its members and volunteer leaders at its annual awards banquet to be held on Friday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Virginville Grange Hall.

Outstanding record books, herd project journals, and round champions will be recognized as well as participants in dairy bowl and dairy judging.

Volunteer 4-H leaders will be recognized for their service. The winners of the Joyce Miller 4-H Career Advancement Award and the Charles D. Care Memorial Rookie of the Year Award will be announced.

The entertainment for the evening will be a presentation by Miss Angela Werley, Berks County and Pennsylvania State Dairy Princess.

Tickets can be obtained by contacting Gary Kurtz at (610) 944-7204. Ticket prices are \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for children 6 to 12 years and free for children 5 years and under. The deadline for ordering tickets is March 1.

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