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Photo Caption: 4-H Volunteer, Connie Louder (right) presents the 2011 Michael Everline Memorial 4-H Leadership Award to Melanie Jackson of the MidState 4-H Club.

Melanie Jackson Receives the 2011 Michael Everline Memorial 4-H Leadership Award

Melanie Jackson of the MidState 4-H Club was chosen as the recipient of the 2011 Michael Everline Memorial 4-H Leadership Award.

Melanie was selected for this award from applications submitted to the Kent

County 4-H Office. The award is presented for outstanding leadership participation, activities, and accomplishments at the local, county and state 4-H levels. The award is presented in memory of Michael Everline, a very active 4-H'er in Kent County who displayed outstanding leadership qualities in his 4-H project work at all levels of the Delaware 4-H program.

Melanie Jackson of Felton, is 16-years old and a 6-year member of the MidState 4-H Club. She has been active in several 4-H project areas with an emphasis on goats, swine, clothing, foods, photography, citizenship and leadership. She recently served as President of the Kent County 4-H Junior Council and also served in other officer capacities for this group. She served in all offices of her local 4-H club including President, and currently is serving as President for the State 4-H Teen Council. On the county level, Melanie has been involved with the 4-H Exchange Group, 4-H National Issues Action Team, served as a counselor for 4-H Day Camps and Younger Member Weekends and has provided leadership to county committees and events. Melanie was selected as a delegate to the 2010 National 4-H Congress and 2010 National 4-H Conference.

The 4-H program is open to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, handicap, age or national origin. If you would like to be part of the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension 4-H youth educational

program as a member or adult volunteer, call the Kent County Extension Office at 730-4000.