



Ohio FFA Association

2007 Annual Report



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The FFA

The FFA is a national organization dedicated to preparing members for leadership and careers in the science, business, and technology of agriculture. Local, state, and national activities and award programs provide opportunities to apply knowledge and skills acquired in the classroom.

FFA Mission:

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education.

FFA Motto:

Learning to Do,
Doing to Learn,
Earning to Live,
Living to Serve.

2006-2007 Ohio FFA Board of Trustees:

The Ohio FFA Board of Trustees serves as the policy-making body for the Ohio FFA Association. All new programs or major revisions of existing programs and activities are approved by the board of trustees. The board of trustees determines what items of business will be forwarded to the convention for delegate action, and all actions taken by the delegates at the state FFA convention shall be summarized and placed on the agenda of the next board meeting for ratification.

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Blue Jackets - Gold Standards

In 1933, a gentleman named Dr. Gus Lintner unknowingly made history. Dr. Lintner, a native of Fredericktown, Ohio, contacted Van Wert Manufacturing/Universal Uniform Company with a simple request—to design and produce a jacket for the Fredericktown FFA Band members to wear while performing at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. The blue corduroy jacket design that emerged from this request caught the eye of those who saw it outfitting the boys from Fredericktown at the national convention that year. Before long, the FFA jacket designed in Ohio was adopted as the organization’s “official dress.”

Over time, the jacket has evolved—snaps have been replaced with zippers, embroidered emblems gave way to sewn-on patch emblems, and round pockets have been substituted with square pockets. One thing, however, has remained the same. The gold standards embodied by those who wear the FFA jacket have been uncompromised since the National FFA Organization was formed in 1928.

Ohio, in particular, has experienced many of the rewards of these “gold standards.” Among other achievements, in 2006-2007, the Ohio FFA Association:

- Reached a statewide membership of 23,709 FFA members.
- Congratulated 281 American FFA Degree recipients.
- Donated more than \$15,000 to Children’s Hospital and CROP/Church World Services.
- Honored 598 members with the State FFA Degree.
- Enjoyed record-breaking attendance at the 79th Ohio FFA Association.

It is evident the agricultural education and FFA program in Ohio is thriving. Members and teachers of agricultural education from across the state continue to raise the bar—setting high standards for “premier leadership, personal growth and career success.”

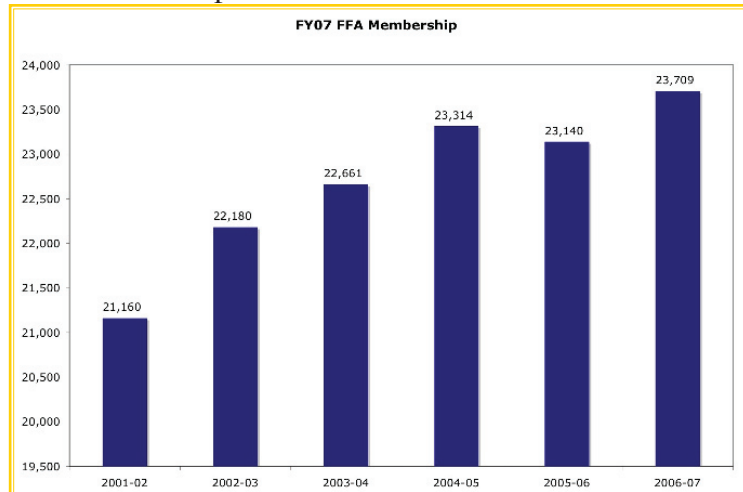
Congratulations Ohio FFA! Let’s continue the tradition of Blue Jackets—Gold Standards.

*Submitted by Dr. Isaac Kershaw, State FFA Advisor and
Dr. Steve Gratz, State Executive Secretary*



Membership & Financial Report

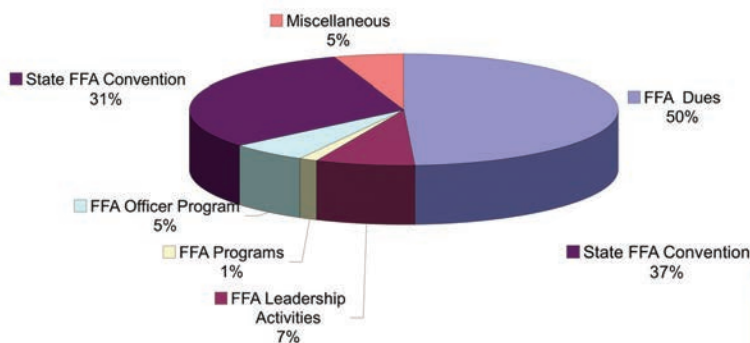
Today, there are 500,823 FFA members, aged 12-21 in 7,358 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. During the 2006-2007 academic year, the Ohio FFA Association had 23,709 members in 314 chapters.



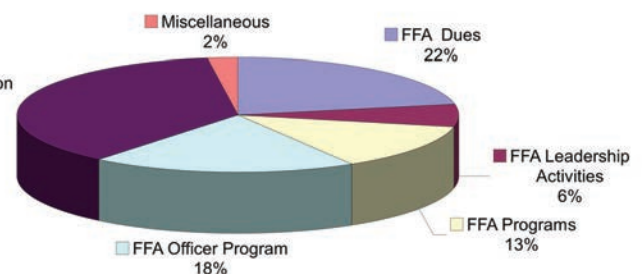
Here are some statistics about membership nationwide:

- 38% of FFA members are female; women hold more than 50% of state leadership positions.
- 77% of our membership is Caucasian; 17% is Hispanic and 4% is African-American.
- 89% of FFA members are in grades 9-12; 6% are in grades 7-8; 5% are graduates.
- 27% of members live in farm areas; 39% in rural, non-farm areas; 34% in urban and suburban areas.
- The top five membership states are California, Texas, Georgia, Oklahoma and Ohio.

Revenue



Expenses



FY07 Ohio FFA Association Summary

Category	Revenues	Expenses
FFA Dues	\$297,392.00	\$119,060.00
FFA Leadership Activities	\$44,460.00	\$34,559.00
FFA Programs	\$8,082.00	\$70,849.00
FFA Officer Program	\$35,411.00	\$106,128.00
State FFA Convention	\$186,614.00	\$200,258.00
Miscellaneous	\$31,881.00	\$12,235.00
	\$603,840.00	\$543,089.00

Chapter Officer Leadership Training

Sponsored by Mathile Foundation

Many chapter officers from across the state of Ohio had a unique opportunity to attend the fall Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT Conference) in September. Held at the Franklin County Veterans Memorial in Columbus, participating students were exposed to workshops geared toward helping them reach their leadership potential. Many were inspired by a presentation from Stewart Kennedy, president of Kennedy Foods and inventor of sliced peanut butter. Stewart's intriguing story of his quest to invent the first peanut butter slice served as a real-life example of how dedication and hard work can lead to success. Enthusiasm was in high supply as FFA members engaged in mixers that allowed them to meet peers from different chapters and discovered exciting ways to make their own chapter successful.

Following the morning presentations, members attending the COLT Conference had the opportunity to visit the Ohio Statehouse. While meeting with state legislators, students were able to serve as advocates for Agricultural Education. After spending the day at the fall Chapter Officer Leadership Training, FFA officers set goals for their futures and looked forward to a year ahead of serving their FFA chapters.



The spring district meetings and chapter officer leadership trainings provided an experience for newly-elected chapter officers to be enlightened on areas of responsibility for the upcoming year. Similar to the fall conference, students at these meetings gained knowledge of the skills and duties they would require while serving in a leadership position. Topics presented covered a wide range of diversity; from the importance of keeping updated record books to problem solving in a group. Whether they attended the fall or spring conferences, students were able to take a vital step in enhancing their year as an officer.

*Submitted by Hanna Lemle
2006-2007 Ohio FFA Treasurer*

2006 National Convention Report

The convention hall darkens, the lights flash, and music pulses through the sea of blue jackets, which can only mean that the 2006 National FFA Convention is underway. On October 25th – 28th, FFA members flooded the streets of Indianapolis, Indiana for the first time. They were welcomed with banners, signs, and even their very own street: “FFA Way.” Making the move was difficult after seven years of celebration in Louisville, Kentucky, but Indy greeted the 79th National FFA Convention with open arms and excitement. The city was full of life as more than 55,000 FFA members from all over the country poured into Conseco Fieldhouse, which served as the coveted convention hall.

This year’s convention theme – Blue Jackets, Gold Standards – allowed FFA members to take a closer look at the most recognized symbol of a youth organization in the world, the FFA jacket, as well as celebrate their many accomplishments. Several keynote speakers, including Clark Kellogg and Terry Bradshaw, entertained and inspired convention goers, while their fellow FFA members showed off their musical talents through the National FFA Band and Choir. Ohio was even represented by National FFA Talent including Steven Moore, from the Union Local FFA Chapter, who mesmerized the audience with his quick-handed banjo picking. Members were also able to hear a retiring address from each of the national officers and cheer on Rose Dudgeon, Ohio’s National Officer Candidate. Once the convention sessions let out, members could stock up on FFA apparel at the FFA Shopping Mall or learn about agricultural occupations at the Career Show.



National Convention was marked by many accomplishments for Ohio FFA members, especially in proficiency awards and career development events. The buckeye state was proud to be represented by two national proficiency award winners. Kurt Ellis of the Ridgewood FFA Chapter placed first in the area of Agricultural Processing, and David Carr from Miami Trace took top honors in the area of Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production. Ohio was also first in the nation in two Career Development Events. Miami Trace FFA member Sam McKay placed first in the National Dairy Handlers CDE, while Elizabeth Heitkamp from Versailles was the national winner in the Job Interview Career Development Event. Earning the highest degree given through the FFA, Ohio was proud to have 281 American FFA Degree recipients, who went above and beyond to excel in their FFA experience.

The state officers for the Ohio FFA Association played a big part in convention by serving as National FFA Convention delegates. Arriving in Indy on Sunday, each member of the officer team had researched and prepared his or her assigned issue and attended delegate meetings with other FFA members from all over the country. The topics this year ranged from whether or not

to provide FFA chapters with start-up grants, to whether female FFA members should be permitted to wear pants as part of their official dress. The six issues that were brought before the delegates were decided on at the State Presidents' Conference in Washington, D.C. earlier in the summer. Each state was allowed to bring forth matters that pertained to the National FFA Organization. The Ohio FFA Officers spent a majority of the week deciding on these topics and presenting testimony on behalf of Ohio FFA members. Once convention began, the officers attended delegate sessions in the convention hall to hear debate and vote upon the proposed amendments to the national constitution, giving them the unique opportunity to make a difference in this organization.



National Convention isn't all business for Ohio FFA members, who get the chance to put on their dancing shoes and attend the annual Buckeye Bash on the Thursday night of convention. This year there was a record number of Ohio State fans that turned out to dance the night away. Trading in their blue jackets for the day, Ohio FFA members demonstrated their Buckeye pride with red jerseys, painted faces, wigs, slippers, and singing to "Hang on Sloopy."



Though it only lasts a few days, there is no doubt that attending National FFA Convention is a highlight for FFA members and guests alike. Meeting other members from all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands is an opportunity that is not to be missed and builds friendships between students that are thousands of miles away from one another. Ohio FFA members may have left their "O-H's" and "I-O's" in Indy, but they brought countless memories home with them that will last a lifetime.

*Submitted by Hannah Crossen
2006-2007 Ohio FFA President*

2006 National Proficiency Winners

The Ohio FFA Association was proudly represented at the 2006 National FFA Convention. Ten members competed in the National Proficiency Award program. Winners in their respective areas receive \$500 and an opportunity to attend an all-expense paid international travel seminar. Congratulations to all who competed!

National Proficiency Award Program

Nathan Arnold, Warren FFA
Home and/or Community Development

Laura Bruner, Pettisville FFA
Food Science and Technology

David Carr, Miami Trace FFA
Fiber and/or Oil Crop (National Winner)

Eric Cook, Greenville FFA
Agricultural Communications

Kurt Ellis, Ridgewood FFA
Agricultural Processing (National Winner)

Katie Miller, Wauseon FFA
Specialty Crop Production

Travis Regula, Ridgewood FFA
Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance

Ryan Rethman, Versailles FFA
Beef Production

John Vance, Miami Valley CTC FFA
Environmental Science

Kodie Weaver, Upper Sandusky FFA
Diversified Crop Production



Other National Convention Results

National Career Development Event Results

Miami Trace FFA

Dairy Handlers, 1st Place Individual- Sam McKay
Agronomy, 3rd Place Team

Wynford FFA

Agricultural Mechanics, 7th Place Team

Lucas FFA

Dairy Foods, 6th Place Team

Edgewood- Butler Tech FFA

Food Science and Technology, 7th Place Team
7th Place Individual- Kelly Shaw

Versailles FFA

Job Interview, 1st Place- Elizabeth Heitkamp
Ag Communications, 11th Place Team
8th Place Individual- Joanna Puthoff

Northwestern Wayne FFA

Dairy Cattle, 4th Place Team
2nd Place Individual- Jason Miley

Margaretta FFA

Poultry, 5th Place Team
8th Place Individual- Matt Ring

Honorary Degrees

Mr. Carl Berg

Mr. Wade Lyons

National Model of Innovation Finalist

Canal Winchester FFA, Student Division

National Chapter Award Program

Three-Star Chapters

Blanchester

Bowling Green

Canal Winchester

Delphos

Fairfield

Fayetteville

Miami East

National Trail

Versailles

Two-Star Chapters

Anna

Ansonia

Archbold

Clyde

East Clinton

Edgewood-Butler Tech

Greenfield-McClain

Greenville

Indian Valley

Marysville

Mississinawa Valley

Mowrystown

Otsego

Smithville

2006 American FFA Degrees

Rich Adams, Waterford
Tim Andre, Wauseon
Nathan Arnold, Warren
Matt Ayres, Northwestern Clark
Albert Babcock, Archbold
Mike Bartel, Miami East
Amber Bashaw, East Clinton
Amy Bauman, Margaretta
Jared Bauman, Norwayne
Cody Beacom, Big Walnut
David Beery, Lancaster
Laura Belles, Wilmington
Drew Bender, River Valley
Doug Bensman, Minster
James Bensman, Fairlawn
April Bentley, Ohio Valley
Kiara Bishop, Cardington-Lincoln
Dean Blakley, Talawanda-Butler Tech
Kyle Blakley, Talawanda-Butler Tech
Ashley Bloom, Sentinel
Christopher Bohn, Margaretta
Cory Boliantz, Mapleton
Kellan Bolton, Miami East
Robert Booher, Oak Harbor
Anthony Borchers, Versailles
Jake Bornhorst, Fort Loramie
Brad Bowers, Amanda Clearcreek
Susan Bowersox, Sentinel
Chelssie Breece, Tri-Rivers CC
Dustin Brown, Bowling Green
Justin Brown, New Bremen
Dale Brunswick, Fort Recovery
Chad Buchanan, Bowling Green
Jamie Bucher, Fairbanks
Leslie Burnett, Spencerville
Kyle Burns, Fairbanks
Kevin Burwinkel, Fayetteville
David Cline, Elmwood
Katie Clipp, West Holmes
Ryan Cole, Benjamin Logan
Ryan Conklin, Fairbanks
Kristine Conner, Bowling Green
Matt Cosler, Wilmington
Justin Cowman, Wilmington
Kyle Croft, River View
Isaac Crout, Edgewood-Butler Tech
Sam Cunningham, Harrison Central
Beth Custer, Versailles

Kyle Damschroder, Oak Harbor
Carrie Davidson, Lynchburg-Clay
Kelsey Deaton, Miami East
Amanda Delaney, Southeastern
Kevin Dillon, Lynchburg-Clay
Joshua Dryden, Buckeye CC
Angela Dudon, Miami East
Devin Dye, Upper Scioto Valley
Matt Eagon, Mt. Gilead
Jennifer Earley, Blanchester
Josh Eirich, Marysville
Kurt Ellis, Ridgewood
Megan Erf, Bellevue
Bill Ernst, Fort Loramie
Vanessa Ferris, Paulding
Josh Fiebigler, Miami East
Stephany Fielding, Centerburg
Matt Fiely, St. Henry
Derek Fisher, Madison Plains
Hollie Fluharty, Morgan
Doug Fredritz, Carey
Alex Fritz, Ayersville
Hyatt Frobose, Eastwood
Brandon Fullenkamp, Spencerville
Joshua Funk, Waynesfield-Goshen
Janene Gahler, Oak Harbor
Nathan Gambill, Madison Plains
Ross Garber, Franklin-Monroe
Samuel Gerber, Norwayne
Kassie Glasener, Northwestern Clark
Zach Gould, Mechanicsburg
Jameson Gower, Clear Fork Valley
Darrell Grimwood, Hillsdale
Chris Grunert, Fairbanks
Robert Gunckle, Greenville
Kathryn Hall, Northmor
Lynette Hamilton, Hillsboro
Mark Hanson, Kenton
Jayna Harpest, Benjamin Logan
Wayne Harpster, Upper Scioto Valley
Brian Hartschuh, Wynford
Derek Hastings, Teays Valley
Matthew Haun, Benjamin Logan
Elizabeth Hawkins,
Greene County Career Center
Devon Heacock, Cardington-Lincoln
Thomas Heckman, Minster
Brad Heimerl, Johnstown-Monroe

Jeff Heimerl, Johnstown-Monroe
Nathan Heller, Edon-Northwest
Annie Henderson, Sheridan
Jake Henkle, Madison Plains
Cody Herman, Delphos
Brian Herringshaw, Bowling Green
Kelly Hershberger, Hiland
Michael Hessel, Lincolnview
Joshua Hiller, Ashland
Erin Hines, Fairfield Union
Brittany Hoffman, Northmor
Christian Hoffman,
Amanda Clearcreek
Dale Hogue, Tri-valley
Casey Holton, Eastern Brown
Jeffery Holtzauer, Spencerville
Gary Homan, New Bremen
Randi Hopkins, Highland
Brad Hughes, East Clinton
Jeremy Hupman, Greenville
Bradley Hurst, Archbold
Kyle Hutchison, Carrollton
Dwight Inkrott, Leipsic
Mike James, Arcadia
Brittany Jasko, Firelands
Kristen Johnson, Otsego
Jesse Jones, Waterford
Tiffany Kalleker, Marlinton
Patrick Karnes, Greenfield-McClain
Brooke Keller, Liberty Union
Kristen Keys, Elmwood
Gina King, Archbold
Philip Klopfenstein, Wayne Trace
Jake Knapke, Fort Recovery
David Krumnow, Clyde
Ashley Kruse, New Bremen
Jason Kurtz, Hiland
Michelle Lahmers, Hillsdale
Brittany Lambert, Fairbanks
Courtney Lang, Upper Sandusky
Ryan Laroche, Mt. Gilead
Jon Larsen, Benjamin Logan
Jason Layman, Georgetown
Jeremy Leaders, Oak Harbor
John Lecklider, Greenville
Amanda Lee, Cardington-Lincoln
Megan Leiter, Triad
Jackie Lennartz, Fort Recovery

Michela Lewis, Southeastern
Richie Litzenberg, Centerburg
Emily Lockwood, Benjamin Logan
Rusty Lowe, North Union
Patrick Luthman, Fort Loramie
Amanda Luttrell, East Clinton
Josh Main, River Valley
Cami Manecke, Elmwood
Jill Mantey, River Valley
Brandon Marchal, Fort Loramie
Marc Marshall, Marysville
Robin Marshall,
Clermont-Northeastern
Amanda Mason, Anthony Wayne
Ashlee Mattox, Liberty Union
Dale Mayer, Miami Trace
Ryan McChesney, Mt. Gilead
Kayla McCormick, Buckeye Trail
Michael McCoy, Utica
Jennifer McNamee, North Union
Jenna Meeks, Alexander
Alisha Miller, Liberty Union
Ben Miller, Benjamin Logan
David Miller, West Liberty-Salem
Jeff Miller, Wynford
Jillian Miller, South Central
Sheldon Miller, Oak Harbor
Jami Miner, Alexander
Brett Moore, Federal Hocking
Steven Moore, Buckeye Trail
Stephen Morczek, Madison Plains
Amber Morgart, Elmwood
Ryan Morris, Fairfield Union
Andrew Morrison, Licking Valley
Richard Morrison, Smithville
Megan Mullet, Miami Valley CTC
Tyler Mumford, Miami East
Jeanette Musselman, Madison Plains
Zach Mutchler, Ayersville
Daniel Myers, Greenville
Tana Myers, Mapleton
Marvin Neer, Indian Lake
Abby Nelsh, Mechanicsburg
Mark Nessler, Arlington
Nicholaus Nessley, Lancaster
Justin Newton, East Clinton
Seth Nibert, Madison Plains
Andrew Nicol, Fairbanks

Jenae Noblet, Colonel Crawford
Mark Nye, Edgerton
Misty Offenberger, Waterford
Hickory Ogle, Logan
Joseph Olinger, Ridgewood
Calen Osborne,
Talawanda-Butler Tech
Debra Osborne, Wilmington
Brad Oyer, Carrollton
Marcus Pitsenbarger, Versailles
Nicole Pleiman, Fort Loramie
Kelly Podolak, Otsego
Chad Poeppelman, Fort Loramie
Laura Pohlman, Versailles
Holly Post, Miami Valley CTC
Missy Radel, Cardington-Lincoln
Andrew Rager, Paulding
Luke Redmond, Fairbanks
Amanda Reed, Canal Winchester
Travis Regula, Ridgewood
Jodi Reutter, West Holmes
Chad Reynolds, Elmwood
Jeff Riethman, Minster
Andrew Riffle, Ansonia
Fred Risch, Oak Harbor
Mark Rismiller, Versailles
Lane Ritchey, Upper Scioto Valley
Bryan Robson, Edison
Kyle Rode, Delphos
Brooke Ruffing, Monroeville
Esther Rupp, Norwayne
Travis Russell, Fort Loramie
Jordan Sattler, Van Buren
Kendal Schaefer, Miami East
Chris Schilling, Madison Plains
Adam Schlegel, Paulding
Cindy Schriener, Archbold
Blake Schroeder, Leipsic
Evan Schrote, Cardington-Lincoln
Kristen Schulte, Eastwood
Stacy Setty, Fairfield
Wendy Sewell, Alexander
Devin Shaffer, Mt. Gilead
Ben Shawler, Miami East
Brian Sheets, Logan
Joe Shively, Miami East
Christina Shoemaker, Fairbanks
Taysha Short, Millcreek-West Unity

Joshua Skolmutch, West Holmes
Jessica Slone, National Trail
Amanda Smith, Arlington
Dusty Smith, Cardington-Lincoln
Andrew Snyder, Bowling Green
Brad Spangler, Leipsic
Alexa Spencer, Benjamin Logan
Justin Spengler, Union Local
Ryan Stachler, St. Henry
Kelli Stanley, Edon-Northwest
Jeremy Steffan, Leipsic
Matthew Steinmetz, Bellevue
Andy Stickel, Eastwood
Laken Stocker, Indian Valley
Nick Stuckman, Colonel Crawford
Hannah Sundberg, Pymatuning Valley
Seth Taylor, Mechanicsburg
Matt Thomas, Fairfield Union
Michelle Thompson, Benjamin Logan
Dean Throckmorton, Fairfield Union
Kyle Titus, Benjamin Logan
Shelly Toops, Northeastern
Aaron Touroux, Marlinton
Todd Trentman, Delphos
Kerri Turner, Kenton
Kyle Uhlenhake, Coldwater
John Vance, Miami Valley CTC
Cierra Walker, East Clinton
Mark Walter, Colonel Crawford
Clint Warner, Anthony Wayne
Julie Watson, Buckeye Trail
Kodie Weaver, Upper Sandusky
Justin Welter, Crestview
Abby Wensink, Bowling Green
Jennifer Westrick, Miller City
Timothy Whitcomb, Hillsdale
Jamie Wilhelm, Miami East
Grant Wilson, United
Chase Winland, Canal Winchester
Sean Wonder, Old Fort
Adam Wood, Benjamin Logan
Jeff Wood, Edison
Brad Wuebker, St. Henry
Russell Wulber, Versailles
Jessica Ziegler, Bellevue

Leadership Nights

Although they weren't found lurking around the hedges in all black, the Ohio FFA Officers gave FFA members across the state the opportunity to test their skills as leaders in the "Mission Possible: FFA" workshop. This slogan was part of the 2006-2007 Ohio FFA Leadership Night series, hosted by nearly 30 schools. Each program included workshops on decision making, goal setting, and the values of strong leaders. The program concluded with an interactive balloon popping relay race event including all teams.



Each Leadership Night program began by dividing FFA members into teams. These teams would travel to three different stations together as a part of their secret spy mission. To facilitate team bonding and allow members to show their spirit throughout the evening, Ohio FFA Officers helped each team select team cheers and a team name.

The first breakout session covered the topic of goal setting. Members worked within their teams to come up with group and individual goals. By discussing some of their ideas, members were able to brainstorm goals for other areas of their life and learn about the difference between long-term and short-term goals.

While traveling to their second session, the "mission possible FFA members" filled the hallways with their cheers. During this session, they participated in a decision making game designed to narrow the group down to one. This event allowed students to carefully analyze the repercussions of difficult decisions they may encounter on their missions throughout life.

To wrap up the workshop, members examined the values of will power, hard work, being industrious, and persistence as a team. They developed ideas of how each of these values can aid in leadership and propel one to success.



"Mission Possible: FFA" was a sure success around the state this year, showing FFA members they truly have the tools to set attainable goals, make good decisions, and possess the values of an effective leader. Mission: Complete.

*Submitted by Stacie Wenig
2006-2007 District 1 President*

Made for Excellence

Sponsored by Wendy's International, Inc.

Ray Kroc was born in Illinois in 1902. During the First World War he worked as an ambulance driver, and afterward he would find employment as a paper cup salesman, pianist, and eventually milkshake mixer salesman. It was his work as a milkshake mixer salesman that led him to a small, family owned hamburger restaurant. Impressed by some of the innovations the restaurant employed, Kroc would eventually buy the restaurant. Through his ingenuity and salesmanship, that small hamburger restaurant would go on to become McDonalds, the world's largest fast food chain.

Of course, if you attended the Ohio FFA's Made for Excellence conference, you already knew all this. The theme for this year's conference was, "Great American Success Stories," a title Ray Kroc certainly embodies. Conferences were held at the Marriott in Columbus, and at three high schools: Elmwood, Union Local and Hillsboro. During the conferences, sessions were led by national FFA presenters. Students had the opportunity to interact with their fellow FFA members around the state, and activities like swimming and dancing were available.

Topics like values, teamwork, goals, time management, and communication were addressed and built around the theme. The story of Ray Kroc illustrates someone who was goal oriented and used his communication skills to achieve success. FFA members participated in leadership training involving everything from assessing their top strengths to how to give a good hand shake. FFA members also learned to apply these skills in their chapter, their community, and their future careers.

Made for Excellence, or MFE, is a two day leadership conference geared toward high school students and focuses on leadership and personal growth. The conference addresses members' plans for the future, getting students to better understand themselves and consider choices ahead.

The stories of Americans who had achieved success framed the overall messages of the Made for Excellence conference of growth and leadership. Whether it was Sylvester Stallone, who achieved box office success as an actor, director, producer and screen writer; Henry Ford who founded the Ford Motor Company and ushered in the assembly line production technique; or the Wright Brothers who are accredited with developing the first successful airplane, FFA members were provided with popular examples of achievement. And, although Rocky Balboa, the Ford Motor Company, the airplane, and McDonalds already exist, we certainly can expect nothing less than excellence from the Ohio FFA members who had the opportunity to participate in MFE.

*Submitted by Abby Snyder
2006-2007 District 7 President*

Career Development Events

For students who ask their teachers “When will I ever use this in the real world?” Career Development Events (CDEs) are the answer. FFA has worked to create CDEs that demonstrate the meaningful connections between classroom instruction and real-life scenarios. CDEs build on what is learned in agricultural classes and the FFA. The events are designed to help prepare students for careers in agriculture. Classroom instruction truly comes alive as students demonstrate their skills in a competitive setting.

Congratulations to all members who participated in a CDE in the 2006-2007 school year; your efforts will continue to reap benefits in the future. Here is a listing of all CDEs, along with the winning team and top-scoring individual. For a complete listing or for more information on Ohio’s Career Development Events, visit www.ohioffa.org or contact:

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Career Development Coordinator
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Contest	Top Team	Top Individual	Individual's School
Ag Communications	Amanda Clearcreek	Stacey Sams	Amanda Clearcreek
Ag Engineering	Crestview Convoy	Bill Casey	Elmwood
Ag Mechanic Skills	Elmwood	Bill Casey	Elmwood
Ag Sales	West Holmes	Justin Rismiller	Versailles
Agronomy	North Union	Adam Conrad	North Union
Animal Health	Miami Valley CTC	Martin Samyra	Northwest Career Center
Animal Management	Butler Tech	Janelle Janes	Butler Tech
Aquarium Management	Trumbull County CTC	Amy Davis	Medina County CTC
Cooperative Education	Benjamin Logan	Rebekah Dodson	Benjamin Logan
Dairy Cattle	Hillsdale	Greg Heiby	Hillsdale
Dairy Handlers		Bree Niedemier	Monroeville
Dairy Products	Ashland	Steve Plank	Ashland
Dog Grooming I	Live Oaks CDC	Destiney Bogan	Akron Ellet
Dog Grooming II	Live Oaks CDC	Erica Kwiatkowski	Toledo Ag Ed Center
Dog Obedience	Northwestern Wayne	Miranda Shields	Hardin-Northern
Environment Natural Resources	East Knox		
Equine Management	Marysville	Annie Lord	Big Walnut
Farm Business Management	Crestview Convoy	Keli Howland	Talawanda
Floriculture	Upper Valley JVS	Elliott Kazimer	Trumbull County CTC
Food Science Technology	Canal Winchester	Andrew Wilhelm	Bowling Green
Forestry	Southeastern Ross	Ross Meeker	Southeastern Ross
General Livestock	Benjamin Logan	Heather Bradford	St. Mary's
Grain Merchandising	Elmwood	John Schoenhals	Archbold
Greenhand Quiz	Elmwood	Jr. Laborie	Elmwood
Job Interview			
Division 1		Kristy Klingenberg	Logan
Division 2		Carlos Cruz	Bloom-Carroll
Division 3		Addie Runkle	Hillsdale
Division 4		Josh Ebert	Cardington-Lincoln
Division 5		Julia Faeth	New Reigel
Meat Science	Ashland	Samantha Hinkle	Ashland
Nature Interpretation	Hardin-Northern	Shane Brodnick	Miami Valley CTC
Nursery and Landscaping	Jackson	Aaron Kurucz	Sylvania Southview
Parliamentary Procedure	Marysville		
Poultry	Hillsdale	Hannah Fulk	Hillsdale
Public Speaking			
Creed		Miranda Frump	Hillsboro
Beginning Prepared		Jessica McKinley	Logan
Extemporaneous		Krystin Bachman	Bloom-Carroll
Prepared		Dustin Homan	Anna
Rural Soils	Elmwood	Daniel Jackson	Eaton
Skills Classic Northeast	Ohio Hi Point	Jeff Hatfield	Ohio Hi-Point
Skills Classic Southeast	Indian Valley	Kirk Kreinbihl	Indian Valley
Skills Classic Southwest	Miami Valley CTC	Zach Snyder	Greenville
Small Gas Engines	Elmwood	Matt Casey	Elmwood
Tractor Troubleshooting	Greenville		
Urban Soils	Talawanda	Alicia Jacquemin	Talawanda
Wildlife Management	Vinton County	Heath Tennant	Vinton County

2007 State Convention

Every year during the first weekend of May, the Celeste Center at the Ohio State Fairgrounds is transformed into a convention hall for the State FFA Convention. On May 3rd – 5th, FFA members from all across the Buckeye State traveled to Columbus to celebrate the 79th Annual Ohio FFA Convention. This year’s theme – Blue Jackets, Gold Standards – gave members the opportunity to look into the rich history of FFA in our state and to celebrate their accomplishments.

Thursday evening marked the beginning of the convention with the Blue and Gold Banquet. This session was dedicated to allowing the sponsors of the Ohio FFA Foundation to witness the success made achievable through their contributions to Ohio FFA members. Many business and industry representatives were also present to be recognized, because without their dedication and support, countless activities of our state association would not be possible.



FFA members turned up their competitive spirit on Friday morning, as they competed in the last remaining Career Development Events of the year. Students put on their thinking caps and challenged themselves to use their acquired knowledge in the Greenhand Quiz, Farm Business Management, Agricultural Engineering, Cooperative Education, Meats Evaluation and Grain Merchandising CDEs. Following the competitions, the second session of convention officially kicked off and winners were announced for the writing

and poster contests. Chapters that donated to Children’s Hospital and CROP/Church World Services were recognized, as well as those students receiving Washington Leadership Conference scholarships.

Between convention sessions, FFA members had the chance to attend leadership and teambuilding workshops, or tour the career/trade show to discover the different facets of the agricultural industry. As always, Universal Lettering Company was there to readjust members’ blue corduroy and take orders for those students in need of a brand new FFA jacket. Students also had the opportunity to view displays from the top 10 chapters in the community, chapter, and student divisions of the National Chapter Award, as well as observe projects by the participants in the Agriscience Fair.

Friday afternoon students were inspired by our state proficiency award winners and brought to their feet by the message of Mark Sanborn, past National FFA President and author of “The Fred Factor.” Along with encouraging FFA members that you don’t need a title to be a leader,



Mr. Sanborn also took time to dedicate a new scholarship fund to past Ohio FFA Executive Secretary, Dr. Earl F. Kantner. With the help of the Ohio FFA Association and its supporters, Mr. Sanborn hopes to raise \$100,000 for the Kantner Scholarship Fund that will benefit students involved in agriculture. During the same convention session, those chapters that completed the National Chapter Award were recognized and the winners of the state Creed Speaking and Extemporaneous Speaking Career

Development Events were given the opportunity to wow the audience.

The fourth session of the 79th Ohio FFA Convention took place Friday evening with the Honorary State FFA Degree Ceremony, and the acknowledgement of Ohio's national winners in various proficiency areas and CDEs. After recognizing the Star American FFA Degree and Star State FFA Degree winners, FFA members were entertained by the comical guitar virtuoso Mike Rayburn. Mr. Rayburn encouraged students to ask "what if?" and "why not?" when grasping opportunities and taking risks. FFA members took his words to heart later that evening as they line-danced and swung the night away at the annual convention dance.

State Career Development Event winners and Officer Awards were presented bright and early Saturday morning at the fifth convention session, as well as the Agriscience Student and Teacher of the Year. FFA members also had the chance to witness the Agri-Entrepreneurship Award and recognize the Agriscience Fair participants. Finally, the audience heard an inspiring message



from National FFA President, Beau Williamson. At noon, the sixth and final session of state convention kicked off with a bang, as State FFA President, Hannah Crossen presented her retiring address and encouraged FFA members to "Commit, Act, and Never look back." Following the parent recognition of the 2006-2007 Ohio FFA Officers, a brand new officer team was announced for the upcoming year, with Dustin Homan from the Anna FFA Chapter as the new State FFA President. Convention would not be complete without conferring the highest honor that a state association may bestow upon a member, the State FFA Degree. This year, Ohio was proud to have 598 recipients, a new record. Upon installing the 2007-2008 Ohio FFA Officer Team and tapping the gavel, the 79th Ohio FFA Convention came to a close and FFA members braced themselves for another year of excellence.

*Submitted by Hannah Crossen
2006-2007 Ohio FFA President*

National Chapter Awards

Congratulations to Ohio's top FFA chapters, as determined by the National Chapter Award application. Applications were scored at State Evaluation, with the top ten chapters in each area presenting to a panel of judges at State Convention. All gold medal chapters had their applications forwarded on for further evaluation at the national level.

Top Ten Chapters

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Blanchester	Miami East
Bowling Green	Mowrystown
Delphos	Ridgemont
Edgewood-Butler Tech	Versailles
Hardin Northern	Wauseon

Gold Medal Chapters

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Amanda Clearcreek	Hillsboro
Anna	Indian Valley
Clyde	Marysville
Crestview-Ashland	Mississinawa Valley
East Clinton	National Trail
Elida	New Bremen
Fairfield	New London
Fayetteville	Otsego
Fort Recovery	River Valley
Greenfield-McClain	Smithville
Greenville	Talawanda-Butler Tech

Top Ten Student Division
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Anna	Greenville
Blanchester	Indian Valley
Fairfield	Miami East
Fayetteville	Versailles
Fort Recovery	Wauseon



Top Ten Chapter Division
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Blanchester	Miami East
Bowling Green	Otsego
Delphos	Ridgemont
Edgewood-Butler Tech	Versailles
Hardin Northern	Wauseon



Top Ten Community Division
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Blanchester	Indian Valley
Bowling Green	Miami East
Delphos	Mowrystown
Elida	Ridgemont
Hardin Northern	Versailles



2007 Chapter Officer Awards

Chapter officer awards are provided to encourage excellence in chapter leadership. Each chapter may enter its secretary, treasurer, and reporter books for competition. Books are evaluated on the district level and rated gold, silver, or bronze. The following officers earned a gold rating on their officer books and were recognized at State FFA Convention.

Gold-Rated Secretaries

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Rebecca White, Big Walnut
Brittany Gabbard, Blanchester
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Jarryd Stump, Franklin-Monroe
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Jessica Eubanks,
Greenfield-McClain
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Miranda Shields, Hardin-Northern
Meggan Spencer, Hiland
Megan Farquhar, Hillsdale
Alicia Moss, Indian Valley
Caitlyn Dever, Johnstown-Monroe

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Megan Timmons, Loudonville
Jonni Rohr, Mapleton
Jennifer Nath, Margaretta
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Amber Johnson, Miami East
Amy Higgins, Monroeville
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Hannah Hartman, Mt. Gilead
Geraldyn Morgan, National Trail
Justin Shreve, New London
Laura Bradford, North Union
Lindsey Woosley, Northridge
Jessi Wilcox, Northwestern
Tricia Bauman, Norwayne
Stephanie Behlmer, Oak Harbor
Sarah English, Oregon-Clay
Megan Thomas, Otsego
Megan Monroe, Parkway
Wes Meadows, Ridgedale
Jill Jones, Ridgemont
Kimmie Schott, Ridgewood
Ryan Gibson, River Valley
Tessie Richards, River Valley
Jennifer Covert, Sentinel CC
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Alissa Armstrong, Southeastern
Caitlyn Russell, Southern Local
Karen Hein, St. Henry
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Katie Greve, Wapakoneta
Justin Fager, Wauseon
Melissa Fuquay, Wellington
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Josh Arnett, Bellevue
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Samantha Lane, East Clinton
Scott Jackson, Fairfield Union
Bethany Young, Hillsdale
Alicia Dysert, North Union
Sarah Sandberg, Pymatuning Valley
Victoria Snodgrass, Wynford

Baritone

Whitney Chamberlain,
Anthony Wayne
Ashley Jett, Bloom-Carroll
Andrea Wigal, Buckeye Valley
Tanner Kline, Chief Logan
Paul Snyder, Minerva
Scott Milner, Wilmington

Bass Clarinet

Kayla Chapel, East Clinton
Lindsay Daniels, Symmes Valley
Mariah Wilson, Upper Sandusky

Bassoon

Emily Rogalinski, Clyde
Kristin Heil, Kenton

Clarinet

Sam Showalter, Buckeye Trail
Jerica Baker, Buckeye Trail
Amanda McKibben, East Clinton
Jastyn Hamilton, Fairbanks
Stephanie Taylor, Fairfield Union
Karley Schwenn, Graham
Shelbi Boyd, Lynchburg-Clay
Katie Phelps, Mowrystown
Amanda Forsthoefel, National Trail
Danielle Begley, Preble Shawnee
Lindsey Ramsey, Preble Shawnee
Amanda Hoover, Tiffin - Sentinel

Flute

Angela Yingling, Bellevue
Lindsay Collart, Buckeye Trail
Alicia Chagnon, Clyde
Chrissy Heishman, Clyde
Brook Osborne, Clyde
Billie Strunk, Lynchburg-Clay

Carley Sorrell, National Trail
Sara Brill, North Union
Amanda Haddix, Northeastern
Kala Summers, Pymatuning Valley
Brittany Carnein, Westfall
Nicole Snodgrass, Wynford

French Horn

Brooke Beam, East Clinton
Victoria Miller, Hillsdale

Oboe

Aubry Fowler, Bloom-Carroll

Percussion

Brittney Gabbard, Blanchester
Nathan Vent, Colonel Crawford
Dan Jackson, Eaton
Cody Rausch, Fairbanks
Troy Kunkler, Fairfield Union
Michael Rouch, Graham
Abbi Hastings, Hardin Northern
Michael Dyer, Hillsdale
Donovan Rippstein, Lynchburg-Clay
Macy Kimble, Mowrystown
Andrew Smeck, Racine Southern
Isaac Sampson, Riverdale
Shawn Mann, St. Marys

Tenor Sax

Danielle Knowles, Graham
Elizabeth Border, Smithville

Trombone

Patricia Cumbo, Bloom-Carroll
Sarah Prunty, Clyde
Lyndsey Lawlis, Liberty Union
Monica Palmer, Mowrystown
Amber Hatfield, Smithville
Daniel Nething, Southeast
Greg Brantmeier, Waterford
Tim Allion, West Unity
Devin Clark, Westfall

Trumpet

Michael Yingling, Bellevue
Ashley Waltermann, Canal Winchester
Josh Brewster, Bellevue
Clay Garrett, Eastern Brown

Sherry Mayer, Fairbanks
Allison Conklin, Fairbanks
Alyssa Swinehart, Fairfield Union
James Covert, Lynchburg-Clay
Megan Miller, Margaretta
Emily Anderson, McComb
Alyssa Herber, Monroeville
Brian Simmons, Mowrystown
Greg Foust, Oak Harbor
Brian McCoy, Preble Shawnee
Nick Schwentz, Pymatuning Valley
Dustin Smeck, Southern Local
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Devin Fausnaugh, Westfall

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Alisha Baker, East Clinton
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Morgan Burns, Fairbanks
Kelly Thien, Fort Recovery
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Kristin Heil, Kenton
Amber Hoffman, Lakota
Alissa Hunter, Lakota
Rebecca Leatherman, Liberty Center
Azia Alexander, Marysville
Tasha Gregory, Mowrystown
Heather Thompson, Mowrystown
Kendra Powell, Patrick Henry
Kara McBride, St. Mary's
Ann Randall, Urbana
Courtney Ransdell, Urbana
Katie Waggoner, West Unity
Mandy Cooper, Wynford
Sara Knapp, Wynford
Nikki Main, Wynford

Bass

Travis Wright, Bellevue
James Wood, Edison
Matt Archer, Fairfield Union
Kris Ashbaugh, Fairfield Union
Dylan Herd, Fairfield Union
Anthony Meade, Highland
Anthony Hoffman, Lakota
David Lewis, Lakota
Isaac Sampson, Riverdale
Josh Eley, Southeastern
Logan Yelton, St. Mary's



Soprano

Samantha Heaston, Arcadia
Julie Boies, Bellevue
Nicole Steinmetz, Bellevue
Caitlin Carter, Bloom-Carroll
Katherine Jones, Bloom-Carroll
Sarah Jewell, Canal Winchester
Meagan McKinney, Canal Winchester
Amber Allen, Clermont
Chelsea Carter, Clermont
Alyssa Loch, Clermont
Sierra Dimberg, Clyde
Samantha Harner, Coldwater
Lia Seibert, Colonel Crawford
Kayla Alexander, East Clinton
Bryana Baker, East Clinton
Abby Burns, Fairbanks
Devon Burns, Fairbanks
Kristin Burns, Fairbanks
Jessica Clarkson, Fairfield Union
Jenna Jutte, Fort Recovery
Beverly Lennartz, Fort Recovery
Leah Scott, Fort Recovery
Mulaya Pokhylko, Hardin Northern
Becky Wolford, McComb
Kate Hubschman, Mt. Gilead

Ashley Robinson, North Central
Becca Smith, North Union
Emily Blessing, Northwestern
Rebecca Eagen, Northwestern
Crystal Spurgeon, Patrick Henry
Beth Taylor, Symmes Valley
Tara McManaway, West Holmes
Afton Randolph, West Holmes
Cheyenne McNutt, West Liberty
Deanna Arthur, Westfall
Donielle Crall, Wynford
Jennifer Miller, Wynford

Tenor

Jeremy Brown, Canal Winchester
Rob Cunningham, Canal Winchester
Braxton Bute, Colonel Crawford
Nathaniel Diekman, Genoa
Robert Gault, Hardin Northern
Nick Whittington, Liberty Union
Seth Kohut, Northwestern
Michael Braun, River View
Broderick Norris, Westfall

State Star Farmer

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Christina Egner, daughter of Kevin and Jackie Egner, is a member of the Shelby FFA Chapter, where her advisor is Randall Eisenhauer. Christina's SAE includes 26 head of Registered Angus Cattle, along with 10 embryos. She uses artificial insemination, embryo transfer, vaccinations, and EPD's to improve her herd. In FFA, Christina has been active in livestock judging, parliamentary procedure, and public speaking. Christina is currently pursuing a degree in animal sciences from The Ohio State University. She plans to become a beef scientist and return to the family farm.



District Star Farmers

- District 1- Caleb Bernath, Wauseon
- District 2- Christina Egner, Shelby
- District 4- Melissa Reinhart, Mohawk
- District 6- Alex McCullough, Ridgemont
- District 7- Joseph Julian, Johnstown
- District 8- Jesse Hoobler, Ridgewood
- District 9- Josh Roe, Fairfield

State Star in Agribusiness

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Brock Williamson, son of Jason and Wendy Williamson, is a graduate of Wayne Trace, where his advisor is Lori Heiby. He owns and operates BW2 Produce where he produces sweet corn, green peppers, cabbage, okra, pumpkins, gourds, cantaloupe, and seedless watermelon, along with market hogs, geese and ducks. In FFA, Brock served as his chapter president, attended State and National Conventions, and participated in soil judging. Outside FFA, he is a member of 4-H and the Ohio Farmers Union. Brock is currently pursuing a degree in Agribusiness from The Ohio State University and plans to return to the family farm.



District Stars in Agribusiness

District 4- Brock Williamson, Wayne Trace

District 5- Tyler Church, Miami East

District 6- Wesley Vanscoy, Ridgemont

District 9- Andy Swisshelm, Greene County Career Center

State Star in Agricultural Placement

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Corey Ledley, son of Tom and Susie Ledley, is a member of the Ridgemont FFA Chapter where his advisor is Stephanie Jolliff. His SAE includes working nearly 11,000 hours as a dairy herdsman for Ledley Valley Farms. Corey's FFA activities include participating in soil judging and farm business management, and serving as chapter president. His future goals include expanding herd numbers to 180 head of cows and becoming part owner and operator in Ledley Valley Farms.



District Stars in Placement

- District 1- Katy Corkle, Wauseon
- District 2- Brad Heinlen, Wynford
- District 3- Timothy Gresser, Smithville
- District 4- Jesse Noffsinger, Wayne Trace
- District 5- Kyle Brockman, Fort Recovery
- District 6- Corey Ledley, Ridgemont
- District 7- Todd Rickenberg, Northridge
- District 8- Cody Carnes, Ridgewood
- District 9- Cory Sloas, Western Brown

2006-2007 Ohio FFA Officer Team



Front Row, Left to Right

Stacie Wenig
District 1 President
Bowling Green FFA

Esther Mast
State Secretary
Hiland FFA

Katie Croft
District 8 President
River View FFA

Renee Gerber
District 9 President
East Clinton FFA

Hannah Crossen
State President
Hillsdale FFA

Maria Goubeaux
District 5 President
Versailles FFA

Back Row, Left to Right

Callie Crum
State Sentinel
Cardington FFA

JD Bethel
District 6 President
Mechanicsburg FFA

Hanna Lemle
State Treasurer
Anthony Wayne FFA

Abby Snyder
District 7 President
Zane Trace FFA

Lucas Shammo
District 4 President
Gibsonburg FFA

Dustin Homan
State Vice President
Anna FFA

Amanda Hill
State Reporter
Miami East FFA

2007 Honorary State Degrees

Honorary membership in the FFA is awarded to farmers, school superintendents, principals, members of boards of education, chapter advisors, teachers, staff members in agricultural education, business people, and others who are helping to advance agricultural education and the FFA, and who have rendered outstanding service to the organization.

Tod Baldwin, Principal, Butler Tech Natural Science Center

Rodney Bemiller, Agent/Owner, Nationwide Insurance Company

Neal Bond, Farmer, Pioneer Seed Dealer

Doug Dyer, Retired Agricultural Education Instructor

Jim Ford, Information Systems Manager, Ohio University

Paul & Mary Heilmann, Alumni Members, Anthony Wayne FFA

Jeffery Jarvis, President, The University of Northwestern Ohio

Robert Lyons, Retired Agricultural Education Instructor

Bruce & Mitzi Martin, Alumni Members, Edgewood FFA

Ricky Joe Morrison, Director of Admissions, The University of Northwestern Ohio

Tom Oglesby, OAAE Past President, Hillsboro High School Agricultural Education Instructor

Gerald Oney, Dairy Farmer & South Central FFA Supporter

Jim Phillips, Board of Education Member, Tolles Technical Center

Jeff Stachler, Program Specialist, OSU Horticulture & Crop Science

Andy Stoner, Retired Agricultural Education Instructor

Marlene von Stein, Retired Ohio FFA Intern

Tim Williams, Principal, Miami East High School



2007 State Degrees

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The State FFA Degree is the highest degree the Ohio FFA Association can bestow upon its membership. In 2007, 598 deserving members received this honor. The golden charm, which each state degree recipient receives, is symbolic of growth and development in the FFA member's chosen occupation. Congratulations to all members who excelled to reach this monumental achievement.

Garett Oestreich, Ada
Dustin Risser, Ada
Jarrett Bright, Alexander
Brent Kasler, Alexander
Robert Sickels, Alexander
Kayla Sinclair, Alexander
Heather Stack, Alexander
Judd Ellinger, Amanda Clearcreek
Kyle Kennedy, Amanda Clearcreek
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Jodi Roush, Amanda Clearcreek
Jason Buehler, Anna
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Luke Warner, Anthony Wayne
Katie Miller, Archbold
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Tyler Short, Archbold
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Mitchell Wilson, Arlington
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David Leaders, Ayersville
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Heather Carbary, Bellevue
Kory Keegan, Bellevue
Laura Miller, Bellevue
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Aaron Bleining, Benjamin Logan
Elizabeth Boysel, Benjamin Logan
Dillion Delong, Benjamin Logan
Rebekah Dodson, Benjamin Logan
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Krystal Thompson, Benjamin Logan
Brandon Hildreth, Big Walnut
Christie Lucas, Big Walnut
Brad Piper, Big Walnut
Andy Roy, Big Walnut
Courtney Sexton, Big Walnut
Thomas Stroud, Blanchester
Krystin Bachman, Bloom Carroll
James Maynard, Bloom Carroll
Evan Sharp, Bowling Green
Brock Trumbull, Bowling Green
Amy Wensink, Bowling Green
Dana Wilson, Bowling Green
Amanda Domsitz, Brookville
Ethen Cleeton, Buckeye CC
Jonathan Day, Buckeye CC
Joshua Groves, Buckeye CC
Ethan Moore, Buckeye CC
Stephanie Olinger, Buckeye CC
Sara Parker, Buckeye CC
Dwayne Starkey, Buckeye CC
Cody Westhoefer, Buckeye CC
Michelle Kerschner, Buckeye
Amy Miller, Buckeye
Lindsay Collart, Buckeye Trail
Casey Frame, Buckeye Trail

Sarah Nichols, Buckeye Trail
Nicole Overholt, Buckeye Trail
Michelle Downerd, Buckeye Valley
Andrea Wigal, Buckeye Valley
Dustin Davis, Cardington
Stephanie Maccready, Cardington
Sierra Mcavoy, Cardington
Megan Yake, Cardington
Leann Johnson, Carrollton
Melanie Vance, Carrollton
Katherine Higgins, Centerburg
Philip Lifer, Clear Fork Valley
Jeb Miller, Clear Fork Valley
Meghan Burdsall,
Clermont-Northeastern
Chelsea Carter, Clermont-Northeastern
Robert Ruehrwein,
Clermont-Northeastern
Katherine Sullivan,
Clermont-northeastern
Sarah Baker, Clyde
Gregg Homan, Coldwater
Dan Garvin, Colonel Crawford
Emely Phelps, Colonel Crawford
Amanda Wagner, Colonel Crawford
Kelli Prowant, Continental
Charles Inbody, Cory-Rawson
Alex Jones, Cory-Rawson
Travis Siferd, Cory-Rawson
Brent Von Stein, Cory-Rawson
Miles Vonstein, Cory-Rawson
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Scott Eickholt, Crestview
Alyssa Lehman, Crestview
Amanda Ream, Crestview
Mike Sloan, Crestview

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Caleb Holton, Eastern Brown
Sean Polhemus, Eastern Brown
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Quinten Scott, Eastern Brown
Matthew Wells, Eastern Brown
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Hallie Frobose, Eastwood
Courtney Moenter, Eastwood
John Moser, Eastwood
Matt Obrock, Eastwood
Benjamin Fornshell, Eaton
Danny Jackson, Eaton
Aaron Appel, Edgerton
Samuel Krill, Edgerton
Adam Riehle, Edgerton
Stacey Sindel, Edgerton
Daniel Hoit, Edgewood-Butler Tech
Samantha Schaefer,
 Edgewood-Butler Tech
Kelly Shaw, Edgewood-Butler Tech
Lee Grafton, Edison

Bobby Hickle, Edison
Andrew Ramsey, Edison
Kyle Zimmerman, Edison
Cody Zimmerman, Edison
Jared Dick, Edon-Northwest
Travis Hake, Edon-Northwest
Kyle Wheeler, Edon-Northwest
Kyle Brenneman, Elida
Jordan Fricke, Elida
Joe Gossard, Elida
Michelle Kohli, Elida
Jaden Overholt, Elida
Brad Siefker, Elida
Doug Siefker, Elida
Sarah Troyer, Elida
Mike Blasius, Elmwood
Ashley Davies, Elmwood
Megan Morgart, Elmwood
Cariann Newby, Elmwood
Trent Reynolds, Elmwood
Nick Strausbaugh, Elmwood
Tim Strausbaugh, Elmwood
Nicole Boerger, Fairbanks
Kristin Burns, Fairbanks
David Grunert, Fairbanks
Annie Nicol, Fairbanks
Daniel Nicol, Fairbanks
Katie Wilhelm Fairbanks
Janice Barrett, Fairfield
Brandy Burgess, Fairfield
Andy Daye, Fairfield
Doug Klein, Fairfield
Hannah Larrick, Fairfield
Barrett Leslie, Fairfield
Jessica Vandervort, Fairfield
Lacey Goodman, Fairfield Union
Tyler Hillyard, Fairfield Union
Isaac Lacey, Fairfield Union
Wade Litt, Fairfield Union
Rebecca Mohler, Fairfield Union
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Morgan Staley, Federal Hocking
Justin Williams, Federal Hocking
Jamie Hazenfield, Felicity-Franklin
Amber Oney, Felicity-Franklin
Courtney Wehrum, Felicity-Franklin
Renee Fannin, Firelands
Ross Krieg, Firelands
Amanda Barhorst, Fort Loramie
Derek Barhorst, Fort Loramie
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Adam Gehret, Fort Loramie
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Tyler Huelskamp, Fort Recovery
Melanie Lennartz, Fort Recovery
Jeremy Siegrist, Fort Recovery
Ben Tobe, Fort Recovery
Adam Tobe, Fort Recovery
Mike Steele, Four County JVS
Zane Fessler, Franklin-Monroe
Curt Ashcraft, Fredericktown
Corey Prosser, Fredericktown
Malkom Kidd, Frontier
Kaitlin Angell, Gallia Academy
Nate Diekman, Genoa Area
Andrew Sander, Genoa Area
Karra Conrad, Georgetown
Joe Cropper, Georgetown
Mercedes Fussnecker, Georgetown
Elizabeth Shade, Graham
Zeke Dicke, Greene County CC
Sarah Hawkins, Greene County CC
Lucas Hawkins, Greene County CC
Emily Heller, Greene County CC
Lyndsey Faulconer,
 Greenfield-Mcclain
Samantha Matthews,
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Clark Siddle, Greenon	Rosa Christophel, Lynchburg-Clay	Kyle Maust, Miami Trace
Kacey Whipp, Greenon	James Covert, Lynchburg-Clay	Robert Benham, Miami Valley CTC
Sidney Garber, Greenville	Colleen Dillon, Lynchburg-Clay	Emma Short, Millcreek-West Unity
Justin McBride, Hardin-Northern	Josh Hawk, Lynchburg-Clay	Melissa Grubb, Minerva
Jaci Messmer, Hardin-Northern	Brenda Keltner, Lynchburg-Clay	Eric Gusching, Minster
Alexandra Knight, Harrison Central	Carrie Matthews, Lynchburg-Clay	Emily Heckman, Minster
Cylene Smith, Harrison Central	Chad Moore, Lynchburg-Clay	Alex Schmiesing, Minster
Janelle Valdinger, Harrison Central	Eli Osborn, Lynchburg-Clay	Brittany Breymier,
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Josh Michael, Hillsboro	Kara Hughes, Madison Plains	Sara Schmitz, Mississinawa Valley
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Lauren Jacobs, Hillsdale	Daniel Elwood, Margaretta	Andy Hivnor, Morgan
Addie Runkle, Hillsdale	Alissa Malott, Margaretta	Rikki Amburgey, Mowrystown
Christopher Schwan, Hillsdale	Lindsay Schaeffer, Margaretta	Nathanael Young, Mowrystown
Adam Dague, Johnstown-Monroe	Adam Yetter, Margaretta	Kaycee Smith, Mt. Gilead
Ashley Dotson, Johnstown-Monroe	Christy Bohlman, Marysville	Margaret Mccoy, Mt. Vernon
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Joseph Julian, Johnstown-Monroe	Jarisah Carl, Marysville	Heather Drew, National Trail
Natalie Linger, Johnstown-Monroe	Emily Jewell, Marysville	Doug Harris, National Trail
Daniel Ulry, Johnstown-Monroe	Jennifer Wickline, Marysville	Matt Sullivan, National Trail
Mallory Bloom, Kenton	Logan Class, Mechanicsburg	Daniel Brown, New Bremen
Ethan Hershberger, Kenton	Vincent Link, Mechanicsburg	Curt Brown, New Bremen
Kathryn Mccullough, Kenton	Jessica Mcdonald, Mechanicsburg	Seth Dabbelt, New Bremen
Anthony Hoffman, Lakota	Melissa Teets, Mechanicsburg	Kurt Flaute, New Bremen
Megan Debruin, Liberty Union	Jessika Violet, Mechanicsburg	Lana Hoffman, New Bremen
Jacquie Keller, Liberty Union	Megan Bartel, Miami East-MVCTC	Jonathon Scheer, New Bremen
Derek Schmitt, Liberty Union	Andrew Christian,	Nick Wendeln, New Bremen
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Jon Sforza, Licking Valley	Casey Hess, Miami East-MVCTC	Josh Weaver, New London
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Eric Edwards, Logan	Miami East-MVCTC	Craig Reinhart, New Riegel
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Shane Meyer, Logan	Corey Claypool, Miami Trace	Emily Davis, North Union
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Kayla Thompson, Logan	Nathan Conn, Miami Trace	Blake Mcelroy, North Union
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Sarah Keen, Northmor
Adam Smith, Northmor
Tori Binckley, Northridge
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Nina Geiling, Northridge
Todd Rickenberg, Northridge
Frank Baker, Northwestern
David Baker, Northwestern
Andrew Castella, Northwestern
Jillian Hastings, Northwestern
Janessa Hill, Northwestern
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Jason Miley, Northwestern
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Bob Neer, Northwestern
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Cassie Wellert, Northwestern
Jessica Wilcox, Northwestern
Stephanie Yost, Northwestern
Jeff Chambers, Oak Harbor
Rudy Hanzel, Oak Harbor
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Paul Semple, Ohio Valley
Justin Dickey, Otsego
Nicole Fox, Otsego
Lee Grobrogge, Otsego
Megan Thomas, Otsego
Ethan Hayes, Parkway
Abbae Hoehamer, Parkway
Sara King, Parkway
Daniel Knapke, Parkway
Melinda Miller, Parkway
Michelle Thomas, Parkway
Crystal Spurgeon, Patrick Henry
Robyn Sunderman, Patrick Henry
John Fickel, Paulding
Amber Gebers, Paulding
Elizabeth Gottke, Paulding
Jerrod Knodel, Paulding
Caleb Schlatter, Paulding
John Bruner, Pettisville
Michael Bruner, Pettisville
Brad King, Pettisville
Isaac Weber, Pettisville
Mandy Burrer, Plymouth
Tyler Polchin, Pymatuning Valley
John Zaebst, Pymatuning Valley
Camilla Myers, Ridgedale
Kristi Roszman, Ridgedale
Kyle Cronley, Ridgemont
Krystin Gibson, Ridgemont
Micah Heilman, Ridgemont
Mallory Linebaugh, Ridgemont
Mike McCullough, Ridgemont
Alex McCullough, Ridgemont
Wesley Vanscoy, Ridgemont
Devon Braniger, Ridgewood
Danielle Deshong, Ridgewood
Tarra Greer, Ridgewood
Ryan Michael, Ridgewood
Justin Pigman, Ridgewood
Ben Pulley, Ridgewood
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Cassey Gilliam, Ripley
Justin Hilderbrand, Ripley
Cody Mcconnell, Ripley
Ryan Waterfield, Ripley
Jason Bayles, River Valley
Cody Price, River Valley
Justin Saxton, River Valley
Spencer Swonger, River Valley
Adam Fisher, River View
Derek Weatherwax, River View
Jesse Wright, River View
Jenny Buxton, Riverdale
Jason Weatherholtz, Riverdale
Daniel Baughman, Riverside
Kevin Beatty, Riverside
Christa Lierer, Ross-Butler Tech
Ryan Trader, Ross-Butler Tech
Wesley Cox, Sentinel CC
Amanda Hoover, Sentinel CC
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Brian Catron, Shelby
Cassie Claytor, Shelby
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Natalie Miller, Shelby
Sam Potts, Shelby
Maria Zappa, Shelby
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Travis Arnold, Smithville
Paul Mercer, Smithville
Terry Nickles, Smithville
Steven Peppard, Smithville
Frank Gannett, South Central
Lance Isaac, South Central
Cory Isaac, South Central
Olivia Miller, South Central
Kevin Poth, South Central
Stephanie Spoerr, South Central
Brian Brown, Southeastern Ross
Whitney Wolfe-Riffle, Southern
Greg Smith, Southern Local
Melissa Heidlebaugh, Spencerville
Bridget Schaad, Spencerville
Diane Brackman, St. Henry
Jake Dirksen, St. Henry
Karen Hein, St. Henry
Kaye Hemmelgarn, St. Henry
Ryan Lange, St. Henry
Joseph May, St. Henry
Cory Mescher, St. Henry
Scott Moeder, St. Henry
Kevin Rose, St. Henry
Daniel Stammen, St. Henry
Todd Wuebker, St. Henry
Heather Bradford, St. Marys
Kendra Chappuis, Stryker
Amanda Frey, Stryker
Jared Brosey, Talawanda-Butler Tech
Ben Hackney, Talawanda-Butler Tech
Brent Hicks, Talawanda-Butler Tech
Alicia Jacquemin,
Talawanda-Butler Tech
Gregg Janos, Talawanda-Butler Tech

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Mike Moran, Talawanda-Butler Tech	William Hoovler, Upper Scioto Valley	Sarah Lodwick, Western Brown
Lauren Moss, Talawanda-Butler Tech	Amanda Lautenschlager, Upper Scioto Valley	Katie Long, Western Brown
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Tyler Rawlins, Teays Valley	Travis Londot, Utica	Amy Nethero, Western Brown
Ashley Roese, Teays Valley	Seth Sattler, Van Buren	Harold Nuss, Western Brown
Kyndall Williams, Teays Valley	David Schultz, Van Buren	Cj Rowe, Western Brown
Clayton Woodard, Teays Valley	Elizabeth Heitkamp, Versailles	Cory Sloas, Western Brown
Gary Bunnell, Tecumseh	Andy Knapke, Versailles	Janelle Young, Western Brown
James Davenport, Tecumseh	Jason Langenkamp, Versailles	Nathaniel Young, Western Brown
Heather Deam, Tecumseh	Robin Pohlman, Versailles	James Bolden, Western Reserve
Jason Ferguson, Tri-Rivers CC	Ryan Schmitmeyer, Versailles	Stephen Hahn, Western Reserve
Benjamin Lookabaugh, Tri-Rivers CC	Michael Schmitmeyer, Versailles	Lilly Hansberger, Western Reserve
Jesse Sager, Tri-Rivers CC	Zach Brown, Wapakoneta	Megan Hembree, Western Reserve
Dustin Alltop, Triad	Brittani Regula, Wapakoneta	Kori Roth, Western Reserve
Tony Aylsworth, Triway	Joel Schneider, Wapakoneta	Sara Scheerer, Western Reserve
Scott Leedy, Twin Valley South	Sierra Vondenhuevel, Wapakoneta	Seth Todd, Western Reserve
Kevin Ogilbee, Union Local	Maggie Hearn, Warren	Maria Zimmerman, Western Reserve
Alex Schafer, Union Local	Jessica Jordan, Warren	John Carle, Westfall
Marcus Stenger, Union Local	Christina Harra, Waterford	Mallory Earich, Westfall
Doug Stephens, Union Local	Niasca Mcgee, Waterford	Phillip Garrett, Westfall
Taylor Burbick, United	Justin Stiers, Waterford	Nathan Benich, Willard
Keith Hilderbrand, United	Caleb Bernath, Wauseon	Dan Phillips, Willard
Lauren Bruynis, Upper Sandusky	Nicole Frey, Wauseon	Rance Smith, Willard
Alesta Fredritz, Upper Sandusky	Jared Kuntz, Wauseon	Mike Swartzmiller, Willard
Sarah Frey, Upper Sandusky	Tim Short, Wauseon	Drew Cosler, Wilmington
Chelsea Massie, Upper Sandusky	Andrew Klopfenstein, Wayne Trace	Jason Hartschuh, Wynford
Ryan Swinehart, Upper Sandusky	Whitney Rager, Wayne Trace	Hannah Cox, Zane Trace
Cody Willson, Upper Sandusky	Leeann Boozer, Wellington	Josh Roberts, Zane Trace
Nic Dyer, Upper Scioto Valley	Amanda Squire, Wellington	Tieana Steele, Zane Trace
Bethany Holbrook, Upper Scioto Valley	Brooke Tullis, West Liberty-Salem	Caleb Wright, Zane Trace
	Anna Hall, Western Brown	
	Danny Hutchens, Western Brown	



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Agri-Entrepreneurship

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Wayne Trace

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Westfall

Agricultural Mechanics Design and Fabrication

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CRAIG SUTTER

Fort Recovery

Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance

Sponsored by Ohio FFA Foundation

LOGAN WYSE

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Agricultural Processing

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Agricultural Sales-Placement

Sponsored by Ohio AgriBusiness Association

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Delphos

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Fort Recovery

Beef Production-Entrepreneurship

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HEATHER BRADFORD

St. Marys

Beef Production- Placement

Sponsored by Ohio Cattlewomen's Association

DOUG BRUNS

Minster

Dairy Production- Entrepreneurship

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New Bremen

Dairy Production- Placement

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Dairy Association Mid-East

LYNN MARCHAL

Fort Loramie

Diversified Agricultural Production

Sponsored by Ohio Seed Improvement
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KYLE NIETFELD

Fort Recovery

Diversified Crop Production- Entrepreneurship

Sponsored by Ohio Association of
Independent Crop Consultants

JOHN STEINEMANN

Minster

Diversified Crop Production- Placement

Sponsored by Central Ohio Farmers Co-op

WESLEY VANSCOY

Ridgemont

Diversified Horticulture- Placement

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KATY CORKLE

Wauseon High School

Diversified Livestock Production- Entrepreneurship

Sponsored by Ohio Corn Marketing Program

NATHAN BENICH

Willard

Diversified Livestock Production- Placement

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DAVID FORTKAMP

Fort Recovery

Emerging Agricultural Technology

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TYLER SCHINDEL

Miami East

Environmental Science and Natural Resources Management

Sponsored by Advanced Drainage Systems

CLAY WINLAND

West Muskingum

Equine Science- Entrepreneurship

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ASHLEY GOSSARD

Ridgemont

State Proficiency Winners Continued

Equine Science- Placement

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Fayetteville

Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production

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Versailles

Floriculture

Sponsored by BFG Supply Company

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Food Science and Technology

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Forest Management and Products

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MIKE NEAL

Triway

Fruit Production

Sponsored by Fruit Growers Marketing Association

MEGAN MILLER

Fayetteville

Grain Production- Entrepreneurship

Sponsored by Pioneer Hi-Bred International

AMANDA BECK

Archbold

Grain Production- Placement

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BRADY MILLER

Liberty Union

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Sponsored by Southard Supply Company

WES WISEMAN

New Lexington

Landscape Management

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ANDY SWISSHELM

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Organic Agriculture

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MIKE HENNEY

Bellevue

Outdoor Recreation

Sponsored by Gander Mountain

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Poultry Production

Sponsored by Ohio Poultry Association

MELISSA REINHART

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Sheep Production

Sponsored by Ohio Sheep and Wool Program and Fulton County Junior Fair Livestock Sale Committee

SARAH NICHOLS

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Small Animal Production and Care

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SAMANTHA MCADAMS

Ohio Valley

Specialty Animal Production

Sponsored by Haviland Plastic Products

CHRISTIE LUCAS

Big Walnut

Specialty Crop Production

Sponsored by Ohio FFA Foundation

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Eastern Brown

Swine Production-Entrepreneurship

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ALLEN SCHMITZ

Mississinawa Valley

Swine Production-Placement

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Wayne Trace

Turf Grass Management

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BRAD HEINLEN

Wynford

Vegetable Production

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BROCK WILLIAMSON

Wayne Trace

Wildlife Management-Entrepreneurship

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ANDY SATTLER

Bowling Green

Wildlife Management-Placement

Sponsored by Ohio FFA Foundation

TERRY NICKLES

Smithville

**** Denotes National Winner***

Church World Service/CROP

Walt Whitman once said, “Charity and personal force are the only investments worth anything.” Making just those investments were Ohio FFA members who visited Camp Muskingum on October 21st to “Help Crop Stop Hunger,” by participating in a CROP Walk to help raise awareness and funds to fight hunger overseas and at home. CROP has been sponsoring walks for nearly 40 years, and has been partnered with the Ohio FFA for over 50 years. The FFA members participating in this event will join the ranks of those who have participated in over 36,000 CROP Walks in some 2,000 communities in the past two decades alone.

CROP donations started in the form of farmers collecting food and sending it to Europe in the aftermath of World War II. Founded in 1946, Church World Service is a cooperative ministry that provides for development, self-help, disaster relief, and refugee assistance. Funds from CROP Walks go to aid over 80 countries, and this year it is expected that CROP funds will share over 3.7 million dollars with local food banks and pantries. The walk at Ohio FFA Camp Muskingum raised a total of \$964 during their one day walk effort. Of this money, over 80% of it will go to directly help those in need. In addition to the funds raised from the CROP walk, chapters around the state gave additionally for Church World Services. Many of these chapters have separate fund raisers specifically for CROP, and will donate hundreds of dollars to this organization. These charitable chapters were recognized on stage this year at our State FFA Convention by Mrs. Jane Gray, regional director for CROP/Church World Services.

Margaret Mead said, “Never doubt that a small group of committed citizens can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has.” Although it is questionable if our many Ohio FFA members who contributed represent a “small group,” they are undoubtedly making a difference. The chapters recognized for their generous support are as follows:

Amanda Clearcreek FFA
Anna FFA
Benjamin Logan FFA
Bowling Green FFA
Clyde FFA
Delphos FFA
East Clinton FFA
Edgerton FFA
Elmwood FFA
Fort Frye FFA
Gallipolis FFA
Hardin Northern FFA
Indian Lake FFA
Indian Valley FFA
Kenton FFA

Logan Elm FFA
Marysville FFA
Mechanicsburg FFA
Meigs FFA
Miami Valley FFA
Mississinawa Valley FFA
New Lexington FFA
Newton FFA
Northwestern Wayne FFA
Oak Harbor FFA
Ohio Hi-Point FFA
Paint Valley FFA
Penta County CC FFA
Pettisville FFA
Plymouth FFA

Ridgedale FFA
Ridgewood FFA
Seneca East FFA
Sheridan FFA
Southern Racine FFA
Upper Valley FFA
Utica FFA
West Muskingum FFA
Wynford FFA
Zane Trace FFA
Westfall FFA

*Submitted by Abby Snyder
2006-2007 District 7 President*

Children's Hospital

Whether an individual is a camper, a state officer, a camp staffer, or an advisor, everyone looks forward to the final afternoon at FFA Camp Muskingum. This is the day when eager campers get the chance to “pie someone in the eye.” As a fundraiser for the Children’s Hospital in Columbus, money was raised at FFA through the sale of rubber ducks. Each rubber duck pulled from the lake gave someone a chance to pie someone in the eye. Money was also raised during five sessions of camp by chapters donating money through a live auction. Items auctioned off this year included: clothing and pictures signed by the state officer team, FFA Camp Muskingum memorabilia, and a chapter visit by Ohio FFA President Hannah Crossen. These events in total raised \$9,979.98 for Children’s Hospital.

In addition to these funds, many chapters around the state chose to make donations to Children’s Hospital. The sum of these efforts proved to be a record high donation for the Ohio FFA and totaled over \$15,000. At the 2007 Ohio FFA Convention, the following chapters were recognized for raising at least \$200 through the 2006-2007 school year:

Amanda Clearcreek FFA	Liberty Union FFA	Urbana FFA
Ansonia FFA	Licking Valley FFA	Wapakoneta FFA
Benjamin Logan FFA	London FFA	Warren FFA
Bowling Green FFA	Loudonville FFA	Wauseon FFA
Buckeye FFA	Marysville FFA	West Liberty Salem FFA
Butler Tech FFA	McComb FFA	West Muskingum FFA
Cardington FFA	Mississinawa Valley FFA	
Clear Fork Valley FFA	Morgan FFA	
Clyde FFA	Mount Vernon FFA	
Coldwater FFA	National Trail FFA	
Continental FFA	New Bremen FFA	
Eastern Brown FFA	North Union FFA	
Elmwood FFA	Northridge FFA	
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*Submitted by Stacie Wenig
2006-2007 District 1 President*

Ohio FFA Officer Team Report

Each year, the Ohio FFA Association elects an officer team to serve Ohio FFA members. The team is made up of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, reporter, and sentinel, as well as a district president for each of the ten FFA districts. Members serving as state officers must be either a senior in high school, or a freshman or sophomore in college. Individuals elected as officers dedicate themselves to serving the Ohio FFA Association for an entire year. Ohio FFA Officers represent more than 23,000 FFA members in our great state and embody servant leadership at its highest level.

Prior to tapping the gavel at the 78th Ohio FFA Convention, a group of thirteen young men and women were elected to lead the Ohio FFA Association for 2006-2007. Hailing from different parts of the state and various backgrounds in agriculture, working together would prove to be a growing experience for all those involved. Only two weeks after being elected at convention, our team met to get to know one another and go over our agenda and objectives for the year. During our weekend together, the team traveled to Van Wert, Ohio, to the Universal Lettering Company to tour the factory and be fitted for our brand new FFA jackets. Although it was only our first meeting, it didn't take long before friendships were formed and the group established a common goal of making a difference in the lives of Ohio FFA members.

Summer brought tons of fun and bonding time for our officer team, as we spent the first full week of June training in Columbus. During the week we visited with members of the Ohio House of Representatives, the Ohio Department of Agriculture, and The Ohio State University. The officers even took part in an etiquette dinner at the Athletic Club of Columbus with hosts George and Cookie Ruff, and broke into groups to work on lesson plans for FFA Camp, which was our next destination. Camp Muskingum, located just outside Carrollton, Ohio, serves as the summer getaway for FFA members from around the state. While members took part in the high-ropes course, ping-pong games, and swimming, our officer team was busy preparing educational workshops for them based around teambuilding, leadership, and communication. During the five camp sessions, the team found plenty of time to relax and enjoy the camp atmosphere.

Our team rejoined forces in mid-August for a road trip to Indianapolis, Indiana to tour the facilities that were to be used for the upcoming national convention. Back in Ohio, we traveled to Deer Creek State Park for the Advanced Leadership Development conference (ALD), where we presented our chapter visit lesson plans to one another. September marked the beginning of individual responsibility for our officer team, as we attended Chapter Officer Leadership Training (COLT) and began conducting chapter visits. Amidst the busy start of the fall season, our team found time to stop by the Farm Science Review and head back to FFA Camp Muskingum for two sessions of Greenhand Camp and a Fall Orientation Camp.

On October 22nd, the team packed up and set the sights toward Indianapolis, Indiana for the National FFA Convention. Attending national convention is one of the most eye-opening and inspiring events for an FFA member, but it took on a whole new meaning for my teammates and I because our officer team was placed with the responsibility of serving as delegates at the 79th

National FFA Convention. Each member of the team was assigned a proposed amendment to the national constitution that he or she had to research and present debate for, or against. When we weren't working on our delegate issues or meeting state officers from all over the country, the team was busy touring Indianapolis, which was hosting the National FFA Convention for the very first time.



The winter months brought about an eventful time for the officer team, as we balanced visiting FFA chapters with conducting leadership nights, which encouraged students to accomplish their personal mission in life. November marked a memorable event in my year when I was given the opportunity to travel to Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic with the Ohio Department of Agriculture. This agriculturally based trip led business representatives, organizational leaders, Ohio farmers, and myself on tours of farms and industries throughout both countries. The officer team also took time in December to learn more about our teammates by hosting a Christmas party with all of our parents.

The team kicked off 2007 with an officer meeting and the Made for Excellence Conference, or MFE, in Columbus, where we had a chance to catch up with many of the same members we met at FFA Camp. January concluded with the Ohio FFA Alumni Convention and February was filled with chapter visits and leadership nights. Spring brought rain and tons of work for our team as we assisted with state evaluations and state officer interviews, while finishing up our last month of leadership nights and chapter visits.

Before we knew it, the time had come to work solely on preparing for the upcoming state convention. The team threw themselves into organizing, arranging, and memorizing during the month of April and as soon as May hit, the pressure was on. Our week of practice definitely paid off as we settled into the 79th Ohio FFA Convention. We were thrilled to recognize FFA members for their outstanding achievements and honor those who made our year a success. Although we began as thirteen teammates, we ended our year of service as friends, and made memories that will truly last a lifetime. The FFA members we've met and the experiences we've had have allowed us to grow and become better individuals. Without the support of the Ohio FFA staff, FFA advisors, and our families, our year would not have been possible. On behalf of the 2006-2007 Ohio FFA Officer Team, it was an honor to represent this amazing organization and we are extremely thankful to have had the opportunity to serve the members of the Ohio FFA Association.

*Submitted by Hannah Crossen
2006-2007 Ohio FFA President*

FFA Camp Muskingum Highlights

By Camp Director - Todd Davis

2007 was another successful year for Ohio FFA Camp Muskingum. A total of 9,766 individuals flocked to Carrollton, Ohio to enjoy the beauty, activity, and excitement offered by FFA Camp Muskingum. Of these individuals, 1,669 participated in the FFA Program, 4,063 were part of the Nature's Classroom Program, while an additional 4,044 individuals visited the camp as part of outside groups. The total number of groups that attended camp in 2007 was 119.



FFA Camp Muskingum offers a variety of options for FFA members. In addition to the traditional summer camp sessions, FFA members have the opportunity to attend camp in the fall through programs like Greenhand Camp, Fall Orientation Camp, and Ag Careers Camp. Of the 1,659 FFA members who visited FFA Camp Muskingum in 2007, 1,117 participated in the summer camp program, while 542 participated in the fall camp program.

FFA Camp Muskingum has undergone a number of renovations, including the addition of restrooms to Dorm 3 and Dorm 4. This addition includes seven showers, seven toilets and six lavatories. The total cost for the restrooms in the two dorms was over \$300,000.00. The restroom additions have been a tremendous benefit to the many programs that utilize camp. It will be an asset to bringing in new groups as well!





Dorms 3 and 4 are not the only areas of camp that have received a facelift. The camp staff house continues to undergo renovations, as a bedroom and one of the existing restrooms was renovated. The staff house is a structure that needed some attention and has been a slow process, as it is used nearly 12 months a year. We have continued to renovate a room or two at a time and expect to complete the renovation project by the year 2010.

Additionally, a new program entitled “Creatures of the Night, Plus One” has been added to camp. As part of this program, we have been graciously granted the care of the following: Skye - a Red Tailed Hawk, Luna - a Barred Owl, Arki - a Barred Owl, and Pax - a Great Horned Owl.

The birds have been injured and are non-releasable back into nature. They are strictly educational birds. Every individual that attends FFA Camp will have the opportunity to view and be exposed to the program. We also can take the birds on the road and look forward to attending several schools to provide educational opportunities using our new “Creatures of the Night Plus One.”



Thanks for a great year!

Ohio FFA Alumni

Executive Secretary - Lexie Poulson

FFA Alumni Affiliates serve to provide a structure to mobilize and empower community volunteers to support and assist agricultural education programs in providing quality educational experiences.

Purposes

- To support and promote the FFA organization, FFA activities and agricultural education on the local, state and national levels.
- To provide a vital support link to the FFA that will assist FFA and agricultural education personnel to involve FFA supporters in worthy activities.
- To promote greater knowledge of the agricultural industry and support education in agriculture.
- To promote and maintain an appreciation of the free enterprise system.
- To promote the personal development aspects of the FFA program.
- To promote premiere leadership, personal growth and career success among all FFA members.

Membership

Membership is open to anyone who supports agricultural education and the FFA. As a member you will take an active part in building your community at the local, state, and national level. Your commitment helps ensure the continued success of Ohio's and America's premier leadership organization. Annual dues are \$15 and lifetimes dues are \$150.



WLC Scholarships

For every 500 members the Ohio FFA Alumni receives a WLC scholarship for students. We are very close to 3,500 members, which would give us another \$550 scholarship. Check out the alumni section under the Ohio FFA website about becoming an alumni member.

Special Membership Project

This past year a survey was sent to those alumni members not currently in active affiliates. Our goal is to reconnect to those members and get them organized in supporting their programs.

Annual Meeting

The 36th annual Ohio FFA Alumni conference was held in January.

Award winners were:

- **Agricultural Education Promotional Award** - 1st- Pettisville; 2nd- Edgerton; 3rd- Anthony Wayne
- **Coaching Award** - 1st- Anthony Wayne; 2nd- Amanda Clearcreek
- **Outstanding Member** - 1st- Kevin Blakey, Talawanda; 2nd- Jo Bruner, Pettisville; 3rd- Karen Lemle, Anthony Wayne; 4th- Russ Rager, Paulding
- **Gold Medal Affiliate Award** - District 1- Edgerton, Anthony Wayne, Pettisville; District 4- Hardin Northern; District 9- Edgewood, Ross, Talawanda; District 10- New Lexington
- **Scrapbook** - 1st- Hardin Northern; 2nd- Pettisville; 3rd- New Lexington; 4th- Anthony Wayne
- **Affiliate Basket Contest** - 1st- Anthony Wayne; 2nd- Pettisville; 3rd- Ohio River Producers; 4th- Big Walnut; 5th- Talawanda; 6th- Ross; 7th- Lucas; 8th- Northridge. The basket auction brought in \$1,255 total.

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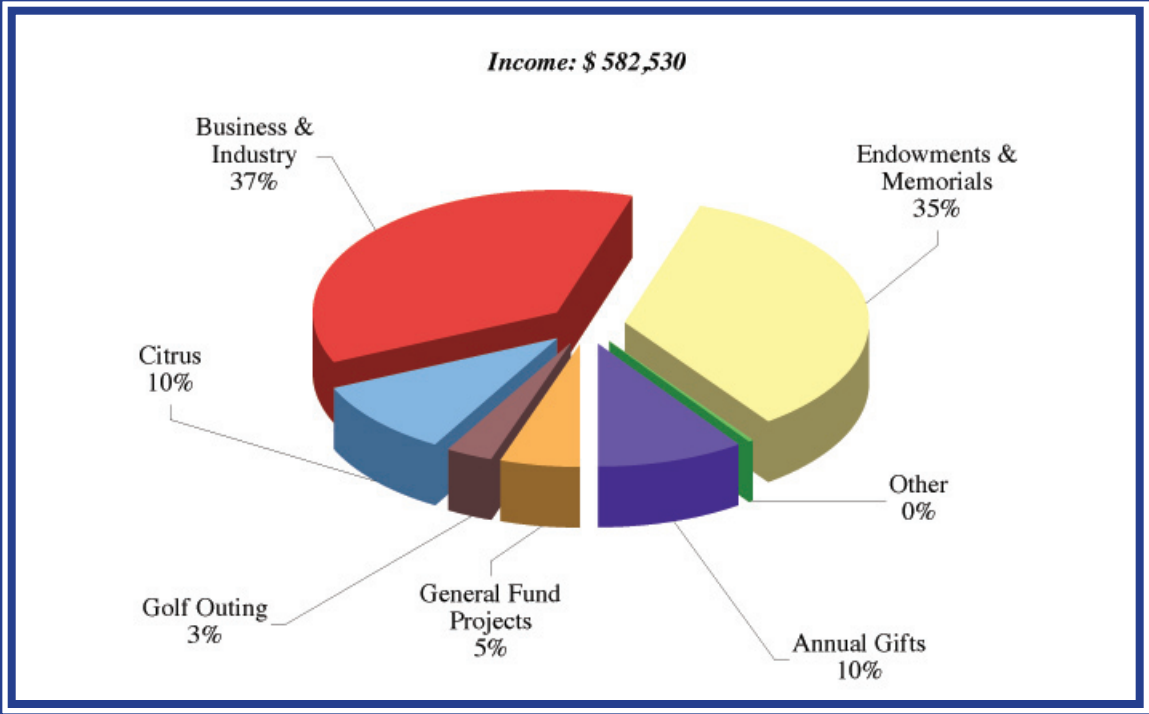
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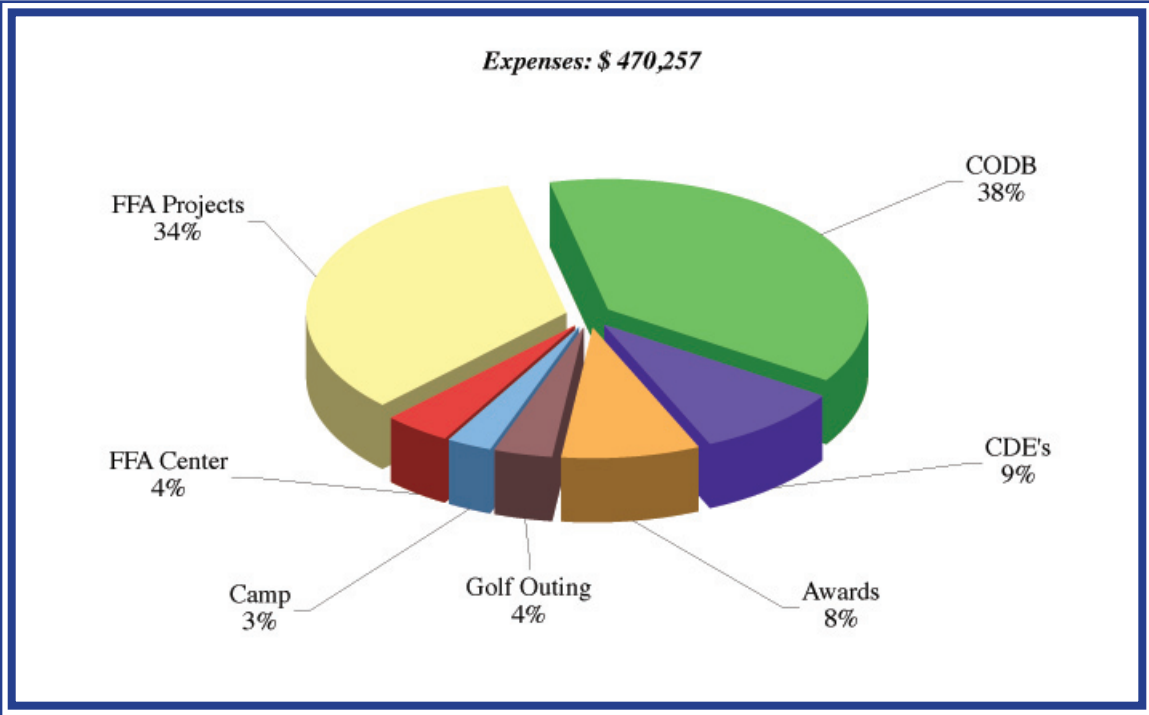
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