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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. The Ohio FFA Association has 23,140 members.

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.

2005-2006 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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Living to Serve

Living to serve: three short words that pack immense clout. The final line of the FFA motto is perhaps the most important, and over the past year, our members have exemplified its meaning. Whether performing community service, helping out in their schools, or educating the public on the importance of agriculture, the Ohio FFA has experienced a successful year of serving others.

Among other achievements, in 2005-2006, the Ohio FFA Association:

• Reached a statewide membership of 23,140, placing us fifth in the nation.
• Boasted 258 American FFA Degree recipients.
• Praised Brandon Hawkins, of the Liberty Union FFA Chapter, for receiving a national proficiency award.
• Congratulated local chapters on their selfless efforts to aid victims of Hurricane Katrina.
• Donated $13,904.50 to Children’s Hospital.
• Honored 568 members with the State FFA Degree.
• Enjoyed record-breaking attendance at the State Convention.

At the root of these honors was the innate desire to make local communities and chapters stronger. Cumulatively, these chapters’ actions have contributed to our organization’s strength. In fact, chapters have transformed a meager group of 33 farm boys into a strong alliance of over 465,000 across the nation in the past 78 years. We continue to attract new demographics by aligning with the times and focusing on classic concepts, such as service.

Of course none of this would be possible without our agricultural education instructors. Because of teachers, today’s students are learning what is required to be successful in tomorrow’s global economy. Through hands-on learning, students develop a passion for agriculture and more importantly leadership skills that will carry all of us far into the future. Educators are setting a solid example for their students to follow, with experiential learning and service intricately woven into their teaching.

In short, the agricultural education and FFA program in Ohio is thriving. Members are exemplifying the theme of “Living to Serve,” and advisors, parents, and supporters are encouraging them in that quest. This year was a testament to your work, and we know that the next will be even better. Congratulations again on an impressive year.

Submitted By: Dr. Isaac Kerhaw, State FFA Advisor and Dr. Steve Gratz, State Executive Secretary.
Today, there are 490,017 FFA members, aged 12-21 in 7,210 chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. During the 2005-2006 academic year, the Ohio FFA Association had 23,140 members in 315 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 high school graduates.
- 27% of FFA members live in rural, farm areas; the remainder live in rural non-farm (39%), urban and suburban areas (34%).
- FFA chapters are in 11 of the 20 largest cities, including New York, Chicago and Philadelphia.
- The top five membership states are California, Texas, Georgia, Oklahoma and Ohio.
Ten districts visited in two weeks. The 2004-2005 Ohio FFA Officer Team blanketed the state when presenting the spring COLT conferences. These conferences were aimed at preparing newly elected chapter officers for their upcoming year. Two workshops and a meal later, officers learned how to be a team player and servant leader.

Whereas the spring COLT came to each district, the fall COLT was a statewide event held at the Columbus Convention Center. Nationally renowned writer, radio broadcaster, and motivational speaker Andrew McCrea worked with the 2005-2006 Ohio FFA officers to produce a quality program. Many remembered him as a keynote speaker from the 77th Ohio FFA Convention, where he spoke about stepping outside comfort zones to do the impossible.

McCrea echoed his message from the state convention when again he urged the chapter officers and leaders to step outside their comfort zones. The state officers reinforced this point in their workshop when they stressed time management and values.

When the day was complete, students not only had fun and met new people, but also they took home valuable advice for the year ahead. Together, the spring and fall COLT conferences were quality programs in a fun environment for chapter officers and leaders to learn fundamental skills. Perhaps more importantly than that, these conferences provided a way for students to meet with leaders from other schools in order to share ideas for activities, fundraisers, and other events. Whatever the reason for attending, one thing was certain: students had a great time while learning, meeting new people, and exchanging ideas.

Submitted By: Julie Watson
2005-2006 Ohio FFA President
Our officer team geared up for an exciting week at the 78th National FFA Convention, the largest youth gathering in the country. Held in Louisville, Kentucky, for the final year, over 50,000 members from all 50 states and Puerto Rico joined in on the action. We were excited and humbled to be part of the festivities.

State officers and delegates, a total of 475 in all, helped decide the future of the FFA by serving on delegate committees. We discussed nine issues ranging from official dress and the national charter to a biogenetics Career Development Event and increasing money requirements for the American Degree. While the process for change is lengthy, our work at the convention will impact the National FFA Organization down the road, and we will look forward to seeing how our actions influence our organization.

After delegate business, the convention sessions kicked off with speakers, awards, and National Officers’ retiring addresses. Australian native Amanda Gore lit up Freedom Hall
with her message to be positive, build a bridge to get over problems, and let people know they are special. When “Chalk Man” Sam Glenn took the stage, the audience laughed at his stories and took note of his inspirational message. These speakers got the audience to their feet with lasting messages.

To mark the 50th anniversary of the adoption of E.M. Tiffany’s creed, five people presented the creed, beginning and ending in English. The middle three paragraphs, however, were in Spanish, Native American, and Native Hawaiian to represent the diversity in our organization.

Also at the sessions, Ohioans cheered on our national award winners, and congratulated them on years of success. We watched as members and adults alike graced the stage and were recognized for their efforts.

And of course, who could forget the Buckeye Bash? 1,200 members, advisors, and guests danced away and showed Convention attendees what Buckeye spirit is all about.

After a week full of energy and motivation, the convention closed with the election of the 2005-2006 National FFA Officer Team. With the convention behind us, our team became reinvigorated and ready to tackle our association’s business at full speed.

Submitted By: Julie Watson
2005-2006 Ohio FFA President
In 2005, Ohio had another proud representation at National Convention. Seven 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

John Grauer, Crestview FFA
Beef Production - Entrepreneurship

Curtis Grimm, Cardington Lincoln FFA
Grain Production - Entrepreneurship

Brandon Joseph Hawkins, Liberty Union FFA
Turf Grass Management - Placement

Jeremy Hupman, Greenville FFA
Diversified Crop Production - Entrepreneurship

Kodie Weaver, Upper Sandusky FFA
Forage Production - Entrepreneurship/Placement

Aaron Louis Wulber, Versailles FFA
Vegetable Production - Entrepreneurship/Placement

Logan Wyse, Archbold FFA
Agricultural Mechanics Energy Systems

National Winner!
Other National Convention Results

National Career Development Events Results

Talawanda FFA
1st Place Food Science Team
Brittany Boggs- 2nd Place Individual
Christine Pellegrini- 4th Place Individual

Eastwood FFA
General Livestock
Hyatt Frobose- 2nd Place Individual

North Union FFA
3rd Place Dairy Products Team

Buckeye Trail FFA
Prepared Public Speaking
Shaylyn Bennett- 5th Place Individual

Ashland FFA
4th Place Agronomy Team

Libery Benton FFA
Job Interview
Christine Noyes- 5th Place Individual

Agriscience Student Recognition Program – National Finalist
Laura Bruner, Pettisville FFA

Honorary Degrees
Dr. Dwight Armstrong
Mr. Fred Dailey
Mr. Jack Fisher
Mr. John Lawyer
Dr. Isaac Kershaw
Rep. Steve Reinhard
Mr. Michael Wagner
Mr. Wayne Weber
Mr. Dan Zimmerman

VIP Award
Mr. John Miley
2005 American FFA Degrees

Rodney Adams, Hardin-Northern
Seth Andrew Ando, Lancaster
Jacob T. Angle, Elida
Shireen Bagheri, Miami Trace
Michael Allen Baker, Miami Valley
Margee Ballah, Madison Plains
Justin Barhorst, Fort Loramie
Richard Baughman, Ben Logan
Brendan Bayliss, Ben Logan
Erica Lane Beathard, London
Whitney Marie Beck, Pettisville
Frank Bever, Sheridan
Jennifer Bickel, Spencerville
Paul R. Bicker, Hillsdale
Brandon Bingham, Ben Logan
Amanda Marie Bisesi, Hillsdale
Nicolette E. Bisher, Otsego
Tony Bonifas, Delphos
Todd Bricker, United
Joseph B. Briggs, Madison Plains
Scott Alan Brill, Twin Valley South
Justin Brosey, Talawanda
Katie Buchert, Miami East
Danielle Burns, Arlington
Erin Burns, Fairbanks
Kevin Bushman, Eastwood
Matthew Cain, Anna
Brian Caldwell, Gallipolis
Katelynn Carr, Northmor
Jay C. Carter, Elmwood
Steven Casey, Elmwood
Rachel Catanzaro, Greenon
Jared Chester, Miami Trace
J.D. Christy, Mowrystown
Haley Clark, Talawanda
Dan Clinker, Fairview
Ryan Congrove, Zane Trace
Eric M. Conkey, Lancaster
Keith Tillman Conn, London
Nathan William Copey, Tinora
Jeremy William Corkle, Wauseon
James Nicholas Craft, Gallipolis
Sarah Criswell, Elgin
Jill K. Dagger, Urbana
Jessica A. Daniels, River Valley
Erin Dapra, Teays Valley
Ryan Daulton, Georgetown
Brian Deaton, National Trail
Cole DeLong, Ben Logan
Ashley Dilworth, Delphos
Angela Dinneen, Madison Plains
Jeremy Allen Draper, Shelby
Rose Dudgeon, East Knox
Jason A. Duff, Miami Trace
Jessica Eilenfeld, Lucas
Craig Ellerbrock, Leipsic
Kyle Ellis, Warren
Lori Lynn Epley, Liberty Union
Bryan Etzler, Lincolnview
Scot Fauber, East Clinton
Zach Faust, Cardington-Lincoln
Luke Fike, Leipsic
Amy Fleming, United
Katie Flickinger, Hillsdale
Jake Foltz, Fairfield Union
Alec Fourman, Miami East
William Foxworthy, Wilmington
Becky Marie Fravel, Centerburg
Anthony J. Freed, Arlington
Andrea E. Freshwater, Arlington
Mary Beth Fulk, Crestview
Amanda Gamble, Parkway
Craig Gandert, River Valley
Jason Geise, Fort Loramie
Brittany Gibson, Western Brown
Jodie Ann Gilcher, Buckeye Trail
Brandon Good, Bellevue
Joy N. Goodwin, Mt. Gilead
Jeremy Douglas Goyings, Paulding
John D. Grauer, Crestview
Tricia Green, Elmwood
Curtis Grimm, Cardington-Lincoln
Adam Grooms,
Ohio Valley Vocational
Brad Guckian, Preble Shawnee
Caroline Hall, Western Brown
Kara Hamilton, Northwestern
Alan Hanna, Van Buren
Kayla Marie Hansel, Utica
Jayme Harris, Ripley
Brandon Haselman, Leipsic
Eric D. Haudenschield, Kenton
Brandon Hawkins, Liberty Union
Molly Hawkins, Greene Co. CC
Dennis Hays, Eaton
Miranda Heald, Utica
Eric Hendricks, Cardington-Lincoln
Kelly Herbolt, Western Brown
Ryan Hesterman, Archbold
Aaron Andrew Higgins, Centerburg
Elisha Ann Higgins, Arlington
Ted Hivnor, Morgan
Melissa Hockensmith, Marysville
Megan Holbrook, Lynchburg-Clay
Greg Holthus, Fort Loramie
Shawn Howell, Shelby
Danielle Marie Hulit, Crestview
Daniel Hutson, Fairbanks
Joe Iams, Fairfield Union
Bradley Michael Jackson, Indian Lake
Carla Jagger, Mt. Gilead
Angela Jenkins, Madison Plains
Ashley Jordan, Fairbanks
Jason D. Julian, Johnstown- Monroe
Matt Kaverman, Delphos
Brandon Kelch, Eastern Brown
Jessica Marie Kelly, Miami Trace
Trisha Marie Kick, West Holmes
Andrew Kimmet, Sentinel
Tiffany Kirby, Upper Sandusky
Stephanie Klosterman, Wapakoneta
Kurt Kremer, Fort Recovery
Ryan Krieg, Firelands
Andrew Jon Kuck, New Bremen
Timothy Lamb, West Liberty-Salem
Kar-Lyn Lambert, Canal Winchester
Illyssa Marie Leasure, East Clinton
J. Gregory Lifer, Clear Fork Valley
Craig M. Link, Fort Recovery
Meredith Logsdon, Upper Sandusky
Christin Lohstroh, Madison Plains
Hilary Long, Hillsboro
Chad Luersman, Delphos
Ali Marie Luttrell, Graham
Melissa Maltsbarger, Upper Sandusky
Adam Marshall, Madison Plains
Robert H. Massie, Gallipolis
Melissa A. Massy, Northwestern
Andrea Lorraine Maurer, Greenon
Josh McCormick, Liberty Union
Jaymeson McCoy, West Holmes
Jeremiah McDonald, River View
Daniel McFerren, Clear Fork Valley
Tom L. McGrain, Elmwood
Michael McMahan, North Union
Ryan McMichael, Spencerville
Amanda Meddles, Fairbanks
Jonathan C. Meeker, Western Brown
Jeremy Adam Meranda, Georgetown
David Merriman, Spencerville
Andrew Miller, Archbold
Andrew Lee Miller, South Central
John Miller, Margaretta
Jordan Miller, Old Fort
Kyle Paul Miller, Triway
Lance Miller, Talawanda
Nicholas R. Miller, Miami Trace
Tyler Francis Miller, Liberty Union
Craig Minges, Ross
Hannah Monroe, North Union
Jessica L. Murray, Hillsdale
Joshua Michael Myers, Margaretta
Tyler Myers, Mapleton
Justin Michael Nau, Caldwell
Beth Norton, Wellington
Aaron Oglesbee, Upper Scioto Valley
Seth Oglesby, Hillsboro
Scott Overman, Fort Recovery
Rachel Pahl, Bowling Green
Joshua Penhorwood, Ben Logan
Thomas Peterson, Eastwood
Ryan A. Pfeifer, Clear Fork Valley
Lisa M. Piwinski, Firelands
Nicholas A. Pontius, Teays Valley
Grant Porter, Marlinton
Jody Lee Poth, Liberty Union
Jessie L. Poulson, Pettisville
Ryan Powell, Liberty-Benton
Talyn Powers, North Union
Katie Prince, Fairlawn
Justin Pritchard, Fayetteville
Jeff Quilliam, Liberty Union
Robert Randall, Ayersville
Jill Recker, Eastwood
Nathan Reed, Fairbanks
Mike Reimer, Talawanda
Greg Reinhard, Fort Recovery
Ashley Reinhart, Mohawk
Leanne Risch, Oak Harbor
Amy Beth Robinson, Fredericktown
Eugene Robinson, Mt. Vernon
Kara Robinson, Northeastern
Cody Rodabaugh, Hardin-Northern
Michael Rodefer, National Trail
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Brian Schlatter, Paulding
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Derek John Schroeder, Leipsic
Carrie Schwochow, Fremont-Ross
Erik Scott, Georgetown
Nick Seger, Fort Loramie
Andrew Seward, Mt. Vernon
Joshua Sheets, North Union
Josh Sherrick, Elida
Tim Shipley, Carrollton
Travis Shirer, John Glenn
Ashley Shroll, Wynford
Jamie Sidders, Ben Logan
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Charlie Slusher, Edgewood
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Andrew Snape, Talawanda
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Tyler Springer, North Union
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Joshua Luke Steinmetz, Bellevue
Jennifer Stenger, Union Local
Jennifer Rae Stevens, Buckeye Trail
Benjamin Stoller, Norwayne
Dustin Stoller, Wayne Trace
Mark Strickland, Bowling Green
Julie Sullivan, Madison Plains
Bridgette Ann Terrell, East Clinton
Mark Ryan Thomas, Anthony Wayne
T. J. Thorpe, Centerburg
Curtis Tobe, Miller City
Trista Tredway, Morgan
Kelly A. Trimmer, Liberty Union
Peggy Trushel, Carrollton
Jimmy Vandre, Fairbanks
Lindsey VanGundy, River Valley
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Brian D. Wuebker, St. Henry
Brett Wyse, Wauseon
Cassandra Yantis, Canal Winchester
Joshua Zehentbauer, United
Jamie Zimmer, Blanchester
Adam Zimmerman, Graham
Jason Zimmerman, Upper Sandusky
Benjamin Zucker, River Valley
Leadership Nights

FFA Members across the state were encouraged to “Celebrate What's Right With The World” through the 2005-2006 Leadership Nights. With over twenty taking place all across the Buckeye State, Leadership Nights were a chance for FFA members to meet one another in an informal setting while enjoying a quality program. With refreshments, activities, and occasionally a ‘lock-in’ to follow, these activities were an opportunity for students to gain invaluable skills for leading their home chapters.

This year’s program prepared students to deal with change. “Instead of fearing change,” State Treasurer Elizabeth Custer explained, “we strove to equip members with the mindset to embrace it. By setting the framework for adaptation, hopefully we allowed Leadership Night participants the opportunity to begin looking at change as a positive addition to everyday life.”

The Leadership Nights were not simply discussions, however. They were jam-packed with hands-on activities and fun challenges. By working with FFA members in a laid-back atmosphere, we were more able to help them relate the lessons to their everyday lives.

Submitted By: Julie Watson
2005-2006 Ohio FFA President
Hundreds of FFA members “Stepped Right Up” this year at the Ohio FFA Made for Excellence Conferences held at the Marriott in Columbus, Delphos High School, Union Local High School, and Miami Valley Career and Technology Center. The theme of the conference focused on combining talents, skills, and willpower to reach success.

Members participated in self-improvement workshops to identify their talents and skills. They then investigated what motivates them. By combining their choices in those areas, they learned that they could reach success. Other workshop topics focused on teamwork, trust, values, communication, goals, and teen issues. Members also discovered that positive communication and a SMART goal setting strategies are necessary for team success. One of the concluding sessions of the conference focused on teen issues and ways in which students can overcome peer pressure and be a positive influence for others.

During the conference students were given the opportunity to meet other FFA members from across the state, and each conference offered time for recreation and fun.

Made for Excellence is a two-day personal development conference designed primarily for freshman and sophomores. It focuses on personal growth by providing students with interactive opportunities. Members identify skills needed and desired for success. These activities provide participants with tools of motivation that are relevant to their everyday lives. Through fun and experiential learning students discover careers available in agriculture and the growth opportunities available within FFA. At the close of the conference and beyond, participants will be making more purposeful, meaningful choices that will lead them to excellence.

Submitted By: Elizabeth Custer
2005-2006 Ohio FFA Treasurer
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 2005-2006 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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2006 State Convention

Record-breaking crowds gathered May 4-6 at the Ohio Expo Center for the 78th Ohio FFA Convention. This year’s celebration again highlighted the success of members and chapters across the state.

Throughout the weekend, attendees were entertained and inspired with enthusiastic speakers like Scott Friedman, Dr. Al Snyder, Ryan Peterson, and Julie Watson. Friedman, who had the audience roaring with laughter, helped members and guests understand the importance of humor in everyday life. His message was well received by people of all ages, as was that of Dr. Al Snyder. Snyder, a hypnotist, brought members, teachers, and state officers on stage to “perform” for the audience. National FFA Eastern Region Vice President Ryan Peterson spoke on the importance of agricultural education, while Julie Watson 2005-2006 Ohio FFA President, presented her retiring address during the last session. She compared herself to Martha Stewart and shared valuable lessons from the domestic diva’s perspective.

Keynote addresses were just one minor aspect of the Convention experience. Of course the main purpose of recognizing achievement still rang true. Suspense was in the air during the second general session Friday, as the top chapters in Ohio were named. The National Chapter application determined the top 10 chapters in each area of the Program of Activities: student, chapter, and community development. As the results were revealed, cheers of congratulations filled the convention hall. After awarding the winners in each division, the overall top 10 chapters were announced. The Delphos FFA Chapter walked away with top honors, as provided by Dr. and Mrs. Earl F. Kantner Endowment Fund, with Miami East, Blanchester, Versailles, and Fairfield rounding out the top five.

Not only were superior chapters recognized, but outstanding members also received proper credit. The top state degree recipients in each program area, with the support of Farm Credit Services of Mid-America, were named as Star State Degree winners. Of course, then one of
the highlights of State Convention was the conferment of the State FFA Degree. 568 deserving members were recognized for their leadership within the FFA and commitment to sound supervised agricultural experiences. Only 2.4% of the state membership received such accolades this year.

Between sessions, one was sure to catch members and guests enthusiastically browsing the career show or participating in one of many interactive activities. Over 50 businesses, organizations, and chapters filled the wing of the Celeste Center to showcase their products and services. Members took advantage of the opportunity to alleviate some stress as they enjoyed the games and music provided to fill the lull between sessions. Additionally, the top skill in the state took the stage for the annual River Brite Citrus talent show, where FFA members entertained us all.

As Convention came to a close, a new group of officers were elected to lead the Ohio FFA Association. The team took the stage with newly elected president Hannah Crossen leading the charge. 6,200 members and guests were witness to their instillation ceremony and more. In all, the Convention proved to be another shining success, illustrating the quality of agricultural education and FFA in Ohio.

Submitted By: Julie Watson
2005-2006 Ohio FFA President
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, with the Canal Winchester chapter placing as a finalist in the community division.

Top Ten Chapters
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Fairfield

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Marysville
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National Trail
Otsego
Smithville
Versailles
Top Ten Student Division
Sponsored By: Ohio Department of Agriculture

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Bowling Green
Delphos
Fairfield
Fayetteville
Miami East
Miami Trace
National Trail
Versailles

Top Ten Chapter Division
Sponsored By: Sauder Woodworking

Blanchester
Bowling Green
Canal Winchester
Clyde
Delphos
Fairfield
Miami East
Mississinawa Valley
National Trail
Versailles

Top Ten Community Division
Sponsored By: Ohio Department of Agriculture

Blanchester
Canal Winchester
Delphos
Edgewood-Butler Tech
Fairfield
Fayetteville
Marysville
Miami East
Otsego
Versailles
2006 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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- Courtney Kaiser, Bloom Carroll
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- Katie Hananwalt, Canal Winchester
- Lindsey Robinson, Cardington
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- Natasha Ruhlen, Hardin-Northern
- Celsey Raubenolt, Hillsdale
- Alicia Moss, Indian Valley
- Ashley Dotson, Johnstown-Monroe
- Jessica Heil, Kenton
- Rian Kenney, Liberty Union
- Mary Schroeder, Liberty-Benton
- Ashley Medford, Lincolnview
- Kaitlyn Stevens, Lucas
- Kelly Huston, Madison Plains
- Jennifer Nath, Margaretta
- Andrea Vanbrimmer, Marysville
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- Tyler Church, Miami East
- Molly Bateman, Mississinawa Valley
- Amy Higgins, Monroeville
- Andrea Davidson, Mowrystown
- Brooke Gompf, Mt. Gilead
- Carly Sorrell, National Trail
- Amber Hart, New London
- Stacy Springer, North Union
- Hailey Smith, Northwestern Clark
- Erica Lang, Northwestern
- Rachel Rupp, Norwayne
- Alison Coe, Otsego
- Ashley Gamble, Parkway
- Kelsey Burkholler, Pettisville
- Katy Imhoff, Preble Shawnee
- Lindsey Zaebst, Pymatuning Valley
- Amanda Fessler, Ridgedale
- Jill Jones, Ridgemont
- Devon Braniger, Ridgewood
- Amy Wagner, River Valley
- Kendra Lowe, River View
- Paul Mercer, Smithville
- Natalie Witherow, Southern Local
- Lauren Schwab, Talawanda
- Maddie Olmen, Teays Valley
- Vickie Boley, Triway
- Megan Miller, United
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- Kelly Haehn, Wapakoneta
- Maggie Hearn, Warren
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Andy Wagner, Wauseon
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- Eddie Hupp, Bellevue
- Zach Guiler, Canal Winchester
- Alex Anderson, East Clinton
- Rebecca Burmeister, Gibsonburg
- Brooke Cox, Mohawk
- Carla Fowler, River View
- Amanda Hoover, Sentinel

Baritone
- Matt Kaminski, Eastwood
- Zane Fessler, Franklin-Monroe
- Brock Allen, Lynchburg-Clay
- Cory Lawson, Ripley
- Paul Snyder, Minerva
- Chelsie Pitt, North Central
- Scott Milner, Wilmington

Bass Clarinet
- Anna Wright, Clermont Northeastern
- Nick Schwenk, Pymatuning Valley

Bassoon
- Emily Rogalinski, Clyde
- Mike Duncan, Fairfield Union

Clarinet
- Sam Showalter, Buckeye Trail
- Stephanie Taylor, Fairfield Union
- Amy Richter, Gibsonburg
- Kaitlin Kirk, John Glenn
- Shelbi Boyd, Lynchburg-Clay
- Kayla Norris, Mowrystown
- Amanda Forsthoefer, National Trail
- Danielle Begley, Preble Shawnee
- Mattea Stephens, Preble Shawnee
- Brenda Hanson, Pymatuning Valley

Clute
- Jessica Frasure, Benjamin Logan
- Lindsay Collart, Buckeye Trail
- Meagan KcKinney, Canal Winchester
- Christine Heishman, Clyde
- January Long, Fairbanks
- Billie Strunk, Lynchburg-Clay
- Carley Sorrell, National Trail
- Sara Brill, North Union
- Amanda Haddix, Northeastern
- Olivia Haggard, Paint Valley
- Kala Summers, Pymatuning Valley
- Jessica Titus, Riverside
- Deidra Thompson,
  Waynesfield Goshen
- Nicole Snodgrass, Wynford

French Horn
- Jessica Weiss, Benjamin Logan
- Brooke Beall, East Clinton
- Rachel Lockhart, East Clinton
- Victoria Miller, Hillsdale
- Clarissa Lawlis, Liberty Union
- Courtney Dollinger, Northeastern

Oboe
- Jill Druley, National Trail

Trumpet
- Amy Hinkle, Benjamin Logan
- Lee Grafton, Edison
- Katrina Swinehart, Fairfield Union
- Charles Zimmer, Greenville
- Randy Wagner, John Glenn
- Lyndsey Lawlis, Liberty Union
- Alyssa McMullen, River View
- Jennifer Buxton, Riverdale
- Daniel Nething, Southeast

Tuba
- Corey Bettenbrock, Eastwood
- Trenton Elder, Greenfield-McClain
- Franklin Grimes, Paulding
- Perry Andre, Wauseon
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Anne Kemmerer, Fairfield Union
Jody Martindill, Fairfield Union
Hillary Tennison, Fairfield Union
Kalsey Brigner, Highland
Alissa Hunter, Lakota
Alison Park, Lakota
Emma Campbell, Liberty Union
Megan DeBruin, Liberty Union
Rebekah Howdyshell, Liberty Union
Kellee Steffen, Liberty Union
Kayla Daymut, Meadowbrook
Courtney Lasko, Meadowbrook
Heather Thompson, Mowrystown
Heather Dudley, Mt. Gilead
Chyenne Borden, Mt. Gilead
Kara McBride, St. Mary’s
Mandi Cooper, Wynford
Sara Knapp, Wynford
Nikki Main, Wynford
Erica Slavey, Wynford

Soprano
Julie Boies, Bellevue
Amber Bunfill, Buckeye Trail
Tina Husk, Buckeye Trail
Amanda Steele, Buckeye Trail
Kayla Parcell, Caldwell
Amanda Hay, Canal Winchester
Katie Hanawalt, Canal Winchester
Sarah Jewell, Canal Winchester
Brittany Reed, Canal Winchester
Amanda Davidson, Clyde
Sarah Garza, Clyde
Nikki Hemmelgarn, Coldwater
Kayla Alexander, East Clinton
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Kellie Snyder, Eastwood
Rachel Adkins, Fairbanks
Morgan Burns, Fairbanks
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Colleen Dillon, Lynchburg-Clay
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Ashley Robinson, North Central
Maria Wheeler, Northridge
Crystal Spurgeon, Patrick Henry
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Katherine LeFever, Triway
Deidra Thompson, Waynesfield-Goshen
Donielle Crall, Wynford
Jennifer Miller, Wynford

Bass
Chris Hogue, Bellevue
Travis Right, Bellevue
Dan Caskey, Clyde
Nick Rooge, Clyde
Gregg Homan, Coldwater
Orion Bengier, Edison
Lucas Coleman, Lakota
Jared Canfield, Loudonville
Mitch Rooks, Loudonville
Zach Fissell, Mt. Gilead
Chris Grider, North Central
Austin Shaffer, North Central
Dennis Williams, North Central
Trent Abbott, Ripley

Tenor
Nick Price, Clyde
Eric Williams, Clyde
Anthony Hoffman, Lakota
David Lewis, Lakota
Derick Schmitt
Nick Whittington, Liberty Union
Jacob Wilson, Loudonville
Gerald Henning, National Trail
David Farmer, Ripley
Wesley Brown, Ripley
Ben Newbauer, Tri-Village
Lee Stammen, son of Jim and Ann Stammen, is a member of the Fort Recovery FFA Chapter, where his advisors are Michael Gower and Joseph Hawk. Lee’s Supervised Agricultural Experience includes a 3,000 acre grain farm, 250 head of beef cattle, custom silage chopping, custom square baling and a 45 sow farrow to finish operation. Lee is a recipient of the State FFA Degree, a participant in the tractor troubleshooting and agricultural engineering Career Development Events and has attended National and State Convention. His future plans include raising hogs and working on the family grain farm.

District Star Farmers

District 1- Michael Schrock, Pettisville
District 2- Christine Egner, Shelby
District 3- Ben Scheibe, Wayne County Career Center
District 4- Kodie Weaver, Upper Sandusky
District 5- Lee Stammen, Fort Recovery
District 6- Kerri Turner, Kenton
District 10- Nathan Arnold, Warren
Levi Long, son of Bruce and Nancy Long, is a graduate of the Miami East FFA Chapter. His advisor is Marie Carity. He owns and operates Long’s Lawn Care, his own small business. Through this business he does commercial and residential lawn mowing, general home repair and improvement, and snow removal. Levi had 64 customers in 2005, and had an average of $289 return for each customer. He also earned money to purchase a truck and trailer for his business. Levi is currently attending Edison State Community College. He looks forward to continue developing his lawn care business.

District Stars in Agribusiness

District 4- Brock Williamson, Wayne Trace
District 5- Levi Long, Miami East
District 9- Dakota Shaw, Fayetteville
Derrick Elfrink, son of Mike and Jeanne Elfrink, is a member of Tolles Career and Technical Center FFA chapter where Jim Scott serves as his advisor. Derrick’s SAE primarily consists of placements at various landscaping businesses, including Tartan Turf Care Company, Peabody Landscaping Group, and DME Lawn Care, along with volunteering in the school lab and community. Derrick has accumulated over 1,874 hours and $12,800 since enrolling in the agricultural program. Derrick will attend The Ohio State University: Agricultural Technical Institute where he will major in Landscape Construction.

State Finalists

Food Science- Gary Pontones, R.G. Drage Career Center
Horticulture- Derrick Elfrink, Tolles Career and Technical Center
Ryan Rethman is the son of Tom and Linda Rethman and a member of the Versailles FFA Chapter where Dena Wuebker is his advisor. His Supervised Agricultural Experience consists of working at the Stucke Beef and Egg LLC where he earned $34,245. Ryan’s FFA activities include participating in the general livestock and tractor troubleshooting Career Development Events and attending State Convention.

District Stars in Placement

District 1- Juli Lakumsky, Oak Harbor
District 2- Jessica Ziegler, Bellevue
District 3- Timothy Gresser, Smithville
District 4- Thad Sinn, Wayne Trace
District 5- Ryan Rethman, Versailles
District 6- Corey Ledley, Ridgemont
District 8- Steve Moore, Buckeye Trail
District 10- Ryan Battrell, Alexander
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.

Ruby Anderson, Ohio FFA Equine CDE, Animal Coordinator
Aaron Arnold, Teacher of Agriculture, Norwayne High School
Karen Burkholder, Outstanding Member, Ohio FFA Alumni, Wauseon
James Frantz, Math Teacher, Southeastern HS, FFA Volunteer and Supporter
Carol Girton, Superintendent, Monroeville Local Schools
David Gress, Retired General Manager for the Fruit Growers Association
Dave Hohman, President, Ohio Young Farmers
David Latshaw, Professor, OSU-Animal Science
Jacqueline McPherson, Ridgewood FFA Volunteer and Supporter
Richard Pridemore, Supervisor, Butler Tech, FFA Volunteer and Supporter
Mark & Diane Sharrock, FFA Volunteers and Supporters
Virgil Strickler, General Manager, Ohio Expo Center
Wayne & Misty Wiggins, Way—Mist Fence and Feed Company, FFA Volunteers and Supporters
The State FFA Degree is the highest degree the Ohio FFA Association can bestow upon its membership. In 2006, 568 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. Because of your hard work and dedication, we are proud to recognize you.

Blake Pifer, Ada
Brandon Brooks, Alexander
Travis Brown, Alexander
Cory Gillette, Alexander
Cody Hart, Alexander
Latausha Nicholson, Alexander
Shelley Rosser, Alexander
Jessica Smith, Alexander
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Ashley Lamb, Amanda Clearcreek
Erin Cain, Anna
Emily Gehret, Anna
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Dustin Homan, Anna
Hanna Lemle, Anthony Wayne
Amanda Beck, Archbold
Danielle Burkholder, Archbold
Ryan Smith, Archbold
John Trowbridge, Archbold
Dustin Freed, Arlington
Casey Glick, Arlington
Ryan Line, Arlington
Jacob Brown, Ashland
Samantha Hinkle, Ashland
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Joanne Snider, Big Walnut
Kyle Strohecker, Big Walnut
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Sponsored By: Ohio Soybean Council

**CRAIG BERGMAN**
Versailles

Emerging Agricultural Technology
Sponsored By: Royster-Clark, Inc.

**BERNADETTE BAHNSEN**
Ripley

Environmental Science and Natural Resources Management
Sponsored By: Advanced Drainage Systems

**JOHN VANCE**
Miami Valley CTC
*National Finalist*

Equine Science-Entrepreneurship
Sponsored By: Ohio Quarter Horse Association

**KRISTINE CONNER**
Bowling Green
Equine Science- Placement
Sponsored By: Ohio FFA Foundation

ASHLEY KNIPP
Woodmore

Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production
Sponsored By: Ohio Soybean Council

DAVID CARR
Miami Trace
National Winner

Floriculture
Sponsored By: BFG Supply Company

KATY CORKLE
Wauseon

Food Science and Technology
Sponsored By: Hirzel Canning Company

LAURA BRUNER
Pettisville
National Finalist

Forage Production
Sponsored By: Alfagreen Supreme

ASHLEY GOMPF
Mt. Gilead

Forest Management and Products
Sponsored By: Ohio FFA Foundation

MICAH BRENTLINGER
Delphos

Fruit Production
Sponsored By: Fruit Growers Marketing Association

BROCK WILLIAMSON
Wayne Trace

Grain Production- Entrepreneurship
Sponsored By: Pioneer Hi-Bred International

AMANDA HILL
Miami East

Grain Production- Placement
Sponsored By: Sunrise Cooperative

CHRISTIAN HOFFMAN
Amanda Clearcreek
State Proficiency Winners Continued

Home and/or Community Development
Sponsored By: Southard Supply Company

**NATHAN ARNOLD**
Warren
**National Finalist**

Landscape Management
Sponsored By: Haviland Plastic Products

**BRAD HEINLEN**
Wynford

Nursery Operations
Sponsored By: Ohio FFA Foundation

**JACQUIE KELLER**
Liberty Union

Outdoor Recreation
Sponsored By: Gander Mountain

**ANTHONY JORGENSEN**
Benjamin Logan

Poultry Production
Sponsored By: Ohio Poultry Association

**KYLE FORTKAMP**
Fort Recovery

Sheep Production
Sponsored By: Ohio Sheep and Wool Program and Fulton County Junior Fair Livestock Sale Committee

**JUSTIN NEWTON**
East Clinton

Small Animal Production and Care- Entrepreneurship
Sponsored By: Loveland Pet Products

**DEVON BRANIGER**
Ridgewood

Small Animal Production and Care- Placement
Sponsored By: Haviland Plastic Products

**ERIN HINES**
Fairfield Union

Specialty Animal Production
Sponsored By: Haviland Plastic Products

**TIM BENSMAN**
Minster
Specialty Crop Production
Sponsored By: Ohio FFA Foundation

KATIE MILLER
Wauseon

Swine Production-
Entrepreneurship
Sponsored By: Ohio Pork Producers Council

LEE STAMMEN
Fort Recovery

Swine Production-
Placement
Sponsored By: The Cooper Family Foundation

SHANE POULSON
Pettisville

Turf Grass Management-
Entrepreneurship
Sponsored By: Scott’s Lawn Service

NICHOLAUS NESSLEY
Lancaster

Turf Grass Management-
Placement
Sponsored By: George Ackerman Company

ADAM HAMILTON
Eastern Brown

Vegetable Production
Sponsored By: Rupp Seeds

JOSIAH STOLLER
Wayne Trace

Wildlife Management-
Entrepreneurship
Sponsored By: Ohio FFA Foundation

ZACH SIMMONS
Eastern Brown

Wildlife Management-
Placement
Sponsored By: Ohio FFA Foundation

AMY BAUMAN
Margaretta
Congratulations to All Proficiency Winners!
SMACK! This sound could be heard at the waterfront of FFA Camp Muskingum as the winning camp chapter plastered a pie in the face of many FFA advisors, state officers, and camp staff on the final afternoon of camp. They were treated to pies in the eyes as part of a fund-raising effort to donate money to Children’s Hospital of Columbus. Money was also raised by chapters who donated money through a live auction held on the last evening of FFA camp. Items included clothing signed by the state officer team, FFA Camp Muskingum memorabilia, and a chapter visit by Ohio FFA President, Julie Watson. Each of these events garnered a total of $11,642 for the main charity project of the Ohio FFA Association. This total was added to the generous contributions of other chapters in Ohio for a valuable donation to Children’s Hospital.

FFA camp isn’t the only place where FFA members raise money for Children’s Hospital; chapters also raise money for the cause. At the 2006 Ohio FFA State Convention, the following chapters were recognized for raising at least $200 through the 2005-2006 school year:

A.B. Graham  Miami East
Amanda Clearcreek Miami Trace
Benjamin Logan Mississinawa Valley
Blanchester Mowrystown
Bowling Green Mt. Vernon
Buckeye Valley National Trail
Cardington Lincoln New London
Clear Fork Valley North Union
Clyde Norwayne
Colonel Crawford Paint Valley
Continental Parkway
Cory Rawson Pettisville
Delphos Ridgewood
Edgewood-Butler Tech Sentinel
Elmwood Southeastern
Fairfield Upper Sandusky
Fairfield Union Urbana
Federal Hocking Versailles
Ft. Recovery Wapakoneta
Franklin Monroe Wauseon
Fremont Ross Wayne Trace
Greenfield-McClain Westfall
Hillsboro West Liberty Salem
Indian Valley Western Brown
Kenton Zane Trace
Liberty Union

Submitted By: Nathan Arnold
2005-2006 Ohio FFA Sentinel
The Church World Services’s CROP WALK slogan, “We Walk Because They Walk,” clearly illustrates the message this outstanding organization works for each year. CROP/Church World Service was again approved as one of the official charities for the Ohio FFA Association in 2006. CROP/Church World Service works to provide support for developmental projects around the globe. This year, tens of thousands of Americans will walk through their communities to raise money to fight against local and global hunger.

During FFA Camp this summer, FFA members from across the state of Ohio, along with the Ohio FFA Officer Team and Camp Muskingum Staff, were able to collect “school kits” to donate to the organization. The packs included paper, pencils, crayons, a ruler, scissors and an eraser. Over 100 kits were donated and presented to Ms. Jane Gray, director of Church World Services in Columbus, at the end of the summer by camp director Mr. Todd Davis.

CROP Walks and kit donations are just one way that FFA Chapters across the buckeye state have worked to raise money for our official charity. Each year, chapters donating $200 or more to CROP/Church World Service are recognized at the State FFA Convention. At the 78th State FFA Convention, the following chapters were recognized for their contributions:

- Benjamin Logan
- Bloom Carroll
- Buckeye
- Buckeye Hills
- Cardington
- Colonel Crawford
- Delphos
- East Clinton
- Edgerton
- Elmwood
- Evergreen
- Fairfield Union
- Kenton
- Marlinton
- Meigs Local
- Mississinawa Valley
- Morgan
- New London
- Northwestern Wayne
- Paint Valley
- Parkway
- Penta Career Center
- Pettisville
- Ridgedale
- Ridgewood
- River Valley
- Shelby
- Smithville
- Tolles Technical Center
- Utica
- Warren
- Wauseon
- Westfall
- Zane Trace

Submitted By: Jesse Branner
2005-2006 Ohio FFA Vice President
2005-2006 Ohio FFA Officer Team

Front Row, Left to Right
- Meagan Laird, District 6 President
- Allison Gortner, District 3 President
- Courtney Lang, District 4 President
- Jesse Branner, Vice President
- Mary Will, District 5 President
- Meredith Logsdon, Secretary

Second Row, Left to Right
- Hannah Crossen, District 2 President
- Amy Moran, District 9 President
- Elizabeth Custer, Treasurer
- Becky Fravel, District 7 President
- Kurt Ellis, District 8 President

Back Row, Left to Right
- Nathan Arnold, Sentinel
- Krista Cape, District 1 President
- Christine Noyes, Reporter
- Julie Watson, President
It was May 2005, and an exciting and challenging year awaited us. We had just been elected to serve Ohio’s 23,000 FFA members, and the words ‘surreal’ and ‘unforgettable’ cannot quite capture all of our feelings at that moment. But with little time to reflect, and still reeling from the excitement of the convention, the 2005-2006 Ohio FFA Officer Team plunged head first into preparations for the upcoming year, and especially for the five camp sessions that began the following month. After a weeklong meeting in early June filled with hard work and planning, our officer team was ready for the summer at FFA Camp Muskingum. Nothing, however, could quite prepare us for the incredible dances, games, leadership activities, and fond memories we would share with over 1,100 FFA members and their teachers from across the state.

After a successful summer at camp, we were eager to begin the next and largest stage of our year: chapter visits. We compiled our lesson plans, practiced our activities, and beginning in September, we set out to visit Ohio high schools and career centers with one primary goal in mind: to spread the message of FFA through workshops and activities that stressed the development of life skills such as teamwork, leadership, cooperation, and communication. These visits to over 200 schools took place simultaneously with Fall Camps, including Greenhand Camp, Fall Orientation Camp, and Ag Careers Camp. It was a busy but fun autumn, and next up on our agenda was the National FFA Convention.

Our officer team was excited for our journey to the 78th and final National FFA Convention to be held in Louisville, Kentucky, and for our role as convention delegates, thereby helping to shape the future of FFA. Amid the hustle and bustle of over 56,000 members donning the blue jackets, our team spent one evening of the convention with only Ohio FFA members. That’s right– dressed in Scarlet and Gray and supporting our favorite Ohio State Buckeyes, we rocked it out and danced the night away at the 3rd annual Buckeye Bash alongside nearly 3,000 Ohio members. Following a week of great speakers, exciting events, and empowering messages at the convention, we were ready and motivated to apply FFA’s new theme – Living to Serve – to the remainder of our year.

We got our opportunity to do just that because in addition to camp and chapter visits, Leadership Nights marked
our next major series of events. With over twenty taking place all across the Buckeye State, Leadership Nights were a chance for FFA members to meet one another while enjoying a quality program entitled, “Celebrating What’s Right With the World.” With refreshments, activities, and occasionally a ‘lock-in’ to follow, these activities were an opportunity for students to gain invaluable skills for leading their home chapters. These, in addition to the Made for Excellence conferences encouraging members to “Step Right Up” to develop their leadership potential for success, allowed members to learn the necessary skills and techniques to take their leadership capabilities to the next level.

The winding down of chapter visits and Leadership nights in early spring meant the picking up of banquet speeches and State Convention preparations. The fourteen of us once again hit the road to share with FFA members, teachers, parents, and guests across the state our stories of success and motivation. In return, these banquets exemplified for our team what the FFA is all about, highlighting the activities and accomplishments of our local chapters.

One year later – that’s 10 total camp sessions, 24 Leadership Nights, 39 degree ceremonies, 54 banquet speeches, 250 chapter visits, and numerous other activities – the culmination of our team’s efforts resulted in the 78th Ohio FFA Convention. A year spent on the road, in the schools, and in many cases, in the homes of FFA members, led us back to where it all began – at the Ohio Expo Center. From May 4-6, 2006, FFA members enjoyed guest speakers, talent performances, award presentations to deserving FFA members and chapters, the bestowing of proficiency and state degrees, and finally, the election of the new officer team.

Our year as officers is one we will forever hold in our hearts. But what made it so special is the friendships and memories made possible thanks to the FFA members, advisors, parents, sponsors, and others who continually support the FFA program. We hope that FFA Camp, and the chapter visits, Leadership Nights, and banquet speeches were as much fun for each of you as they were for all of us.

Submitted By: Julie Watson
2005-2006 Ohio FFA President
FFA members from all across the state of Ohio were transformed from “zeroes to heroes” at FFA Camp Muskingum this summer. Over the course of five different camp sessions, students became superheroes and learned how to become better leaders in the FFA.

Located near Carrollton, Ohio on Leesville Lake, the camp had much to offer to all those who attended. Campers were able to participate in recreational activities such as water and shooting sports as well as participating in tournaments. The tournaments brought out competitive natures as teams played each other in basketball, volleyball, tetherball, horseshoes, softball and even cornhole. Though there was only one championship team, all campers seemed to have fun.

When not competing or enjoying free time, campers took part in workshops planned and presented by the state officer team. Topics covered included decision making, goal setting, communication and teamwork. Each workshop taught leadership and life skills through hands-on activities. State officers shared personal accounts from their own lives and encouraged campers to remember the lessons taught at camp and to take them home to their school’s FFA chapter.

Older and more experienced campers had the opportunity to participate in special activities that challenged them both mentally and physically. Older campers divided into teams and were assigned to make a catapult using the tools and materials provided, but without the aid of detailed instructions or diagrams. At the end of the week, all catapults were tested to see which could launch an egg the farthest. This experienced group also participated in the high ropes course, an activity that challenges campers to step outside their comfort zone and realize their strengths.

Although each session of camp was unique, one of the most popular events at every session was pie-in-the-eye. Over the course of the week, campers “buy” rubber ducks assigned a number. If their number was chosen during the duck lottery, that lucky camper had the chance to throw a pie in the face of a teacher, state officer or member of camp staff. There were no hard feelings; in fact, many who were pied later commented that it “tasted good”. All money raised through pie-in-the-eye was donated to Children’s Hospital.

At the end of the summer, many FFA members returned home with new friendships, new lessons learned and new memories. Starting at the beginning of camp with Adventure Valley and continuing through the course of the week with flag raisings and lowerings, workshops, campfires and a huge assortment of recreational activities, the underlying theme of leadership was carried through. FFA camp was truly a great experience and all members were able to return home as the heroes they didn’t know they could be.
Number of Groups Served: 136

Total Individuals Served: 11,160

Total FFA Attendance: 1,586

Major Renovations to the Facility:
- Shoreline Improvement
- Staff House Remodeled
- Expanded Parking Lots

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.

National State Leaders Conference
Ohio hosted the 2005 State Alumni Leaders Conference. Tours included: Scott’s Research, OSU Ag College, Longaberger, the Ohio State Fairgrounds, Easton Town Center and the Wilds. Affiliates assisting were: Anthony Wayne, Ashland, Bellevue, Big Walnut, Federal Hocking, Hillsdale, Johnstown, Licking Valley, Northridge, Norwayne, River View, Smithville, Utica and Wayne Co. Mech.
Annual Meeting Results

• Ashland won the Coaching Award with Lucas runner-up

• Anthony Wayne won the Ag Ed Promotional Award with Bellevue runner-up

• Dena Henney, Bellevue, was named the Outstanding Member, with Karen Burkholder, Pettisville runner-up.

• Bellevue was named the Outstanding Affiliate, with Pettisville runner-up.

Ohio FFA Alumni Council Members

Front Row, Left to Right
John Juhasz  Bruce Henney

Second Row, Left to Right
Lexie Poulson  Sherrie Schulte  Pat Smith
Jason Fox

Back Row, Left to Right
Ron Tilford  Jason Damron  Jessee Hamman
John Poulson
Ohio FFA Foundation
Foundation Director- John Collet

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Dr. Isaac Kershaw, Assistant Director, Career-Technical and Adult Education Agricultural Education Service

Dr. Steven J. Gratz, State FFA Executive Secretary; Agricultural Education Service
2005-2006 Income and Expenses

Income: $582,530
- Business & Industry: 42%
- Endowments & Memorials: 23%
- Citrus: 10%
- Golf Outing: 4%
- General Fund Projects

Expenses: $470,257
- CODB: 35%
- CDE's: 9%
- Awards: 9%
- FFA Projects: 34%
- FFA Center: 6%
- Camp: 3%
- Golf Outing: 4%
General Fund Donors

500 CLUB ($500 plus)
Ansonia FFA Chapter
Blanchard Valley Farmers Co-op, Inc.
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Majors Farms
Mark Sanborn & Associates
Ohio CAT
Ohio Farmers Union
Oxford Grange #2211
T. Dwain Sayre
The Anderson Foundation
Toledo Natural Science Technology Center
Wauseon FFA Chapter
Westfall FFA Chapter

President’s Club ($125 plus)
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Animal Medical Center
Anthony & Tammy Campbell
Archbold Equipment Co.
Arend Brothers, Inc.
Ashland FFA Chapter
Bauman Automotive, Inc.
Bean Farm Drainage
Beriswill Insurance Agency, Inc.
Bert Showman
BK McClarren LLC
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Brookview Farm, Inc.
Brown County Farm Bureau
Byrl R. Shoemaker
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D & G Welding, Inc.
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Great Scott IGA
Guy Green
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Hocking College
Holly Downing Stacy
In Memory of Kirby Barrick
Isa Grande Farms
Jack & Jan Schaeffer
Jack & Jean Kitchel
Jack Jacquemin Family
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Pioneer Electric-Sherby Co.
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Portage Fire District
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Roland Kettler
Ron Spiker
Royster-Clark Inc.-Branch
Russell & Denise Breyley & family
Ruth Stackhouse
Sabina Farmers Exchange, Inc.
Sandusky County Farm Bureau
Schlessman Seed Company
Scott Steiner
Shelby Floral Co.
Snyder Collision, Inc.
Strecker Tractor Sales, Inc.
Sunrise Cooperative, Inc. (Corporate)
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The Ohio Valley Bank Company
The St. Henry Bank
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Walhonding Valley Grange #1751
Walnut View Farms, Inc.
Warner Brothers Farms
Wauseon Machine & Mfg. Inc.
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Wilfred Kanagy
Will W. Fischer & Son Co.
William Tackett
Wood County Pork Producers Council

Silver Medal ($25 plus)
A & D Tire & Auto
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AA Customs Crushing
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Aero Printing
All-Temp Refrigeration, Inc.
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B & K Trucking , Inc.
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Baker Bonningson Realty & Auction
Bales Family Farm
Bauer Farms
Bauman Automotive, Inc.
Betty & Jerry Wolford
Bill & Nanci Sexten
Black Swamp Cabinetry
Bob & Judy Lyons
Bond Insurance Agency
Brinda Miller
Bruns Animal Clinic
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C & J Agriservice
Canaan Creek Organic Farm
Central Ohio Seed Testing
Championship Powersports, Inc.
Chuck Sheets
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Clark Kempter
Corso's Flower & Garden Center
County Line Auto Wrecking
Dale Baughman
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David Scaife
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H. Leon Snyder
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Harold Schacht
Harter & Son Funeral Home
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Holly Grams
Hooker Enterprises Painting
Howard Watkins, Jr.
Hymark Consulting LLC
Ivan Logan
J. & L. Smith Services
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Jennings-Gomer Equity, Inc.
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John Starling
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Judy Carter
June & Karl Rogers
Kathy Bender
Katie Grimm
Kellie Warner
Kevin & Martha O’Brien
Kirk’s Furniture
Knippen Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Inc.
Kranz Farms
Lanny Boes
Lawrence Gruetter
Lefeld Implement, Inc.
Liechty Farm Equipment, Inc.
Lisa-Marie Ehlerding
Locker Room Lettering
Luckey Farmers, Inc.
Luetta Prout
Mark Badertscher
McClish Land Company
McComb Lumber Company
Meggitt Painting & Sandblasting
Melvin & Connie Knapp
Melvyn Roeth
Menke Brothers Construction
Meyer Equipment
Michael & Barbara Miller
Mike & Karen Winders
NAPA Auto Parts
Neil and Stacie Bartfeld
Noah Blosser
Norman Gillfillan
Norton Sporting Goods
Odell & Mary Margaret Miller
Odenweller Milling Co
Paul & Audrey Thorburn
Paul Mason
Paul P. Mechling, DVM
Pelton Popcorn Farm
Phil & Vicki Snow
Pitsenbarger Supply, Inc.
Raabe Motor Sales, Inc.
Ralph Byron Miller
Randy Day
Randy Rice
Redwing Farm
Regina & David Howerton
Richard & Charlotte McFarland
Richard & Marilyn Flint
Richard Dawson
Robert & Gertrude Everett
Robert & Janet Niederman
Robert Batdorf
Robert Core
Robert Leeper, DVM
Rodney Worden
Rodo Leasing Sales, & Service
Roger Gebhart
Roland Zimmerman & Family
Roy Mennell
Rupp Poultry Farm
Russell & Denise Breyley & family
Russell & Helen Knauber
Sam & Lois Harvey
Schappacher Family
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Screen Printing Unlimited
Seifker Sawmill
Shawn Robey, Sr.
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Steve Bailey
Steven Lefevre
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The Ottoville Bank Company
Thompson Seed Farm
Tim Tosca
Todd & Kim Davis
Town & Country RV Center, Inc.
Tri-County Do It Center
Union County Agricultural Society
Valerie Parks-Graham
Vicki Snyder
Westrich Home Furnishings, Inc.
William C Weldy
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