



HAPPENINGS

National FFA Contest

During the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Mo., a new slate of national officers were elected. Dana Soukup of Spencer, Neb., was selected as president; Jeffrey Johnson of Dover, Fla., is secretary; Warren Boerger of Irwin, Ohio, is eastern region vice president; Brad Chambliss of Hardinsburg, Ky., is central region vice president; Jeffrey Isom of Fruitland, Idaho, is western region vice president; and Joye Hamby of Benton, Tenn., is southern region vice president.

Lancaster Farming congratulates the new officers as well as the winning competitors in the national contests. Below is a list of the gold emblem winners from Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Ohio, West Virginia, Delaware, and Virginia.

PENNSYLVANIA

Team
Forestry
Dairy
Individual
Troy Lobaugh, agricultural mechanics
Duane Stoltzfus, dairy
Jill Burkhart, dairy foods
Mike Mowry, forestry
Tim Pearson, forestry
Michelle Rerdeman, livestock showmanship

NEW YORK

Team
Floriculture

Individual
Cory Altmyer, agricultural mechanics
Christy Berkert, dairy showmanship
Lisa Kirkpatrick, floriculture

MARYLAND

Team
Nursery
Individual
Jon Sewell, agricultural

mechanics
Steve Messner, dairy showmanship
Meaghan Smith, floriculture
Doug Shenberger, forestry
Mike Word, nursery
Lori Powell, nursery
Agricultural Production Award
Gregory Stull
OHIO
Team
Farm Business Management
Livestock
Individual
Jason C. Jackson, dairy

Kay Wagner, farm business management
Galen Hellwarth, farm business management
Dale Broering, farm business management
David Grimes, livestock
Stuart Moore, livestock
Cindy Heal, livestock showmanship
Rachel Aldredge, meats
Ken Meier, poultry

Oil Crop Production Award

Kirk Keefer
Soil & Water Management
Gene Starkey
DELAWARE
Individual
Lisa Zasowski, floriculture

NEW JERSEY

Individual
Clint Shontz, dairy

WEST VIRGINIA

Individual
Jamie Collins, forestry
Peggy McCoy, livestock
Larry Chambers, livestock showmanship

VIRGINIA

Team
Nursery
Individual
Robert W. Ragland, floriculture
Jim Pughellis, forestry
Dwayne Lankford, forestry
Burke Simmons, livestock
B. Crickenberger, livestock
Duane Harlow, livestock
Chris Huffman, livestock showmanship
Derek Almarode, livestock showmanship
Calvin Michael, livestock showmanship
Betsy Wike, nursery
Randall Sink, nursery
Turf & Landscape Management
Steve Kelsoe

NEW KUBOTA DEALERSHIP COMING TO LANCASTER!

Keller Bros. Tractor Company has been granted a new Kubota franchise in the Lancaster Area. Along with our existing Kubota Dealership in Buffalo Springs this will allow us to become one of the largest volume Kubota dealers in the United States, permitting volume discounts on our purchases from Kubota... Meaning greater savings to our customers.

We are very excited about this opportunity and are looking forward to a busy year getting a new dealership up and running.

In conjunction with this new expansion into Lancaster, we have made the decision to divest ourselves of the Ford Tractor/New Holland Tractor franchise.

Through the years, we have seen Ford tractors slowly evolve more and more into the same size tractor and market that Kubota has been selling for almost 20 years. 10 years ago, Ford and Kubota were not producing competing products — but they are today. We feel it best that we represent just one line of similar size tractors. We will continue to make available a complete line of parts to Ford Tractor/New Holland owners. Also, our service department will continue to service all make tractors, specializing in Kubota, Ford and New Holland tractors and equipment.

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