

FFA Members To Receive National Recognition

KANSAS CITY Mo. — National recognition will be given to Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Ohio, West Virginia, and Virginia FFA members at the world's largest annual youth gathering, the 67th National FFA Convention to be held Nov. 10-12 here. More than 32,000 FFA members, guests and supporters are expected to attend.

Olympic gold medalists Florence and Al Joyner will speak during the reflections programs on Wednesday afternoon and evening prior to the start of the convention.

Speakers confirmed for the convention include former Apple Macintosh computer guru Guy Kawasaki, Tennessee Commissioner of Agriculture Cotton Ivy, motivational speaker Craig Karges-Vietnam veteran Dave Roever, Miss America Heather Whitestone, founder of the Family AIDS Network Mary Fisher. Laser light shows will be part of each convention session, courtesy of the Kansas City convention sponsors as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

In addition, convention participants will have opportunities to attend leadership workshops, tour Kansas City manufacturing and agribusiness sites, take in American Royal Livestock Show and Rodeo performances, and meet with fellow FFA members from around the nation.

Other highlights will include the selection of top FFA members in 29 agricultural proficiency award areas, national career skill competitions, prepared and extemporaneous public speaking contests, and a parliamentary procedure contest. The American Star Farmer and American Star in Agribusiness will be named and 1,454 members will receive the American FFA Degree, the organization's highest award. Top chapters in safety, community development and overall chapter activities will also be recognized. In addition, the 1994-1995 national FFA officers will be elected and installed. The National Agricultural Career Show and the National FFA Alumni Convention are held in conjunction with the FFA convention.

The following are the participants listed by states and hometowns:

Pennsylvania
Official Delegate
 Traci Labaugh, Reporter
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 Jason M. Sonnen
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 Linda D. Hall
 Jason W. Reiterkyder
 Robin S. Thomas
 J. Darren Watts
 Scott Robert Stone

Williamsburg Cheryl L. Sollenberger
 Stevens Shawn W. Eberly
 New Castle Robert L. Hodge
National Officer Candidate
 Williamsburg Scott Robert Stone
Proficiency Awards
Agricultural Sales and/or Service: State College, Linda D. Hall,
Diversified Livestock Production: Millerstown, Krista L. Byers,
Sheep Production: Beavertown, Jenny Zerby;
Swine Production: Conestoga, Jay L. Hess.
Contest Participant
Agricultural Mechanics: Manheim, Manheim Central High School,
Agricultural Sales: Manheim, Manheim Central School,
Dairy: Mt Vernon, Mt Vernon High School,
Dairy: Mount Union, Mount Union High School,
Dairy Foods: Elverson, Twin Valley High School,
Farm Business Management: Milliford, Milliford Area High School,
Floriculture: Fairless Hills, Bucks County AVTS,
Forestry: Somerset, Somerset County AVTS
Horse: Quarryville, Solanco High School;
Livestock: Waynesburg, West Greene High School
Meats: Millersville, Penn Manor;
Nursery/Landscape: Fairless Hills, Bucks County Tech;
Parliamentary Procedure: New Holland, Garden Spot High School;
Poultry: Millersville, Penn Manor High School,
Prepared Public Speaking: Martinsburg, Central High School;
National Chapter Award
 Beaver Springs West Snyder Gold
 New Holland Grassland Silver
 Millersville Manor Silver
 Millerstown Greenwood Bronze
 Sealingrove Sealingrove Bronze
 Elverson Twin Valley Bronze
BOAC Chapter Award
 Coudersport Spud Growers Gold
 Lebanon Cedar Crest Silver
 Ford City Lenape Silver
 Twin Valley Twin Valley Silver
 Beaver Springs West Snyder Silver
 Sealingrove Sealingrove Bronze
 Amagh United Bronze
Achievement in Volunteerism
 Coudersport Margi Erway
National Chapter Safety Award
 Millerstown Greenwood Bronze
 Coudersport Spud Growers Bronze
Band Member
 Orangeville Aimee J. Hauck Trombone
AgriScience Student Award
 Beaver Springs S. Elizabeth Hollenbach
 Bloomsburg Curtis A. Turner
AgriScience Teacher Award
 Dillsburg Mark W. McCullough
Honorary American FFA Degree—Teacher
 Dover Larry R. Redding Dover Area High School
Honorary American FFA Degree
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 Grahamsville Robin C. McLean
 Remsen Brett Roberts
 Theresa Douglas L. Haggerty
 Walton Eric Groat
 Pine Plains Lloyd H. Vall Jr.
 Hamilton David Snyder
Proficiency Award
Forage Production: Cobleskill, Benjamin M. Smith,
Horse Proficiency: Lyndonville, Marie Geiger
Turf and Landscape Management: Greenwich Christopher Kelly,
Contest Participant
Agricultural Mechanics: Kendall, Kendall Central High School,
Agricultural Sales: Mt Morris, Chas G. May Educational Center,
Dairy: Madison, Madison Central High School,
Dairy: Madison, Madison Central High School,
Dairy Foods: Belleville, Belleville Henderson High School,
Dairy Foods: Belleville, Belleville Henderson High School,
Dairy Handlers: Ellenburg Depot, North Adirondack High School,
Farm Business Management: Yorkshire, Pioneer CS,
Floriculture: Hudson Falls, S. Adirondack Educational Center,
Forestry: Hudson Falls, Adirondack Educational Center,
Horse: Grahamsville, Tri Valley Central High School,
Livestock: Madrid, Madrid Waddington High School,
Nursery/Landscape: Kendall, Kendall Central High School,
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Parliamentary Procedure: Grahamsville, Tri Valley High School,
Poultry: Greenville, Greenville Central High School,
National Chapter Award
 Hamilton Hamilton Gold
 Grahamsville Tri Valley Silver
BOAC Chapter Award
 Elmira Chemung-Tioga Future Conservations Silver
 Cattaraugus Cattaraugus Bronze
Achievement in Volunteerism
 Elmira Michael E. Burt
National Chapter Safety Award
 Belleville Belleville Henderson Bronze
 Canton Canton Bronze

Band Member
 Gainesville Jessica L. Robinson Clarinet
 Hannacroix Sarah E. Palmer Baritone Sax
Chorus Member
 Sackets Lela Dunbar Alto 2
 Paul Smiths Michelle Zumbach Soprano 1
Honorary American FFA Degree
 Greenville Pat Brody
 Hamilton Patricia Snyder
 Hamilton Howard Snyder
 Pine Plains Nancy A. Vall
 Pine Plains Lloyd H. Vall
American Star in Agribusiness Award
 David Snyder, 21, of Hamilton, has been named national finalist for the 1994 American Star in Agribusiness award. Snyder began with a push mower, gas can and a snow shovel. Now he operates Snyder Services, a residential and commercial mowing, landscaping and snow removal business. He hires four employees. He is the son of Patricia and Howard Snyder. His advisor is Neil Lamb.
American Star Farmer Award
 Lloyd H. Vall Jr., 20, of Pine Plains, has been named national finalist for the 1994 PFA American Star Farmer award. Vall has formed a partnership with his parents to establish Lo-Nan Farms. They milk over 200 Holsteins and farm 1,000 acres. He is the son of Nancy and Lloyd Vall Sr. His advisor is Richard Starzyk.
BOAC—Achievement in Volunteerism Award
 Michael E. Burt of Elmira has been chosen as a national finalist in the Building Our American Communities (BOAC) Achievement in Volunteerism award program. Burt was instrumental in organizing the Chemung-Tioga FFA Chapter's BOAC project. He was a team leader in the clean up work of a three-acre pond. The Achievement in Volunteerism award program is sponsored by RJR Nabisco Foundation, Inc., National FFA Officer.
 Liam Brody, 19, of Greenville is the 1993-94 National FFA Vice President for the eastern region. During his year of service to the FFA, Brody traveled more than 200,000 miles and provided leadership to the 428,109 FFA members nationwide. He and the five other national officers met with leaders in agriculture, government, business and industry from across the United States and Japan to discuss agricultural and educational issues. Brody took a one-year leave of absence from the State University of New York where he was studying agricultural business. His parents are Pat Brody, Bill Brody and Alison Parnell. He is a member of the Greenville FFA Chapter where his advisor is William Ransom.
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American FFA Degree
 Tiffany M. Roberson
 Dawn N. Doldge
 Theresa M. Cooper
 Jay E. Tilton
 Nicole B. Wright
 Ronald D. Emley Jr.
 George Sidwell
 Anthony Russo
 Walter P. Katona
 Travis M. Eachus
 David Bond
National Officer Candidate
 Tiffany M. Roberson
Proficiency Award
Home and/or Farmstead Improvement
 Hope Heather Gorski
Turf and Landscape Management
 Hackettstown John S. Pyortek
Contest Participant
Agricultural Mechanics
 Columbus Northern Burlington High School
Agricultural Sales
 Hackettstown Hackettstown High School
Dairy
 Woodstown Woodstown High School
Dairy Foods
 Allentown Allentown High School
Extemporaneous Public Speaking
 Newton Newton High School
Farm Business Management
 Allentown Allentown High School
Floriculture
 Woodstown Woodstown High School
Nursery/Landscape
 Flemington Hunterdon Central High School
Parliamentary Procedure
 Woodstown Woodstown High School
Poultry
 Allentown Allentown High School
Prepared Public Speaking
 Woodstown Woodstown High School
National Chapter Award
 Allentown Allentown Silver
 Newton Newton Bronze
BOAC Chapter Award
 Tinton Falls Kva Silver
 Piscataway Piscataway Bronze
Achievement in Volunteerism
 Edison Pauline Lodato
National Chapter Safety Award
 Newton Newton Bronze
Band Member
 Minot Melissa K. Vassallo Clarinet
AgriScience Student Award
 Andover Gabriele Gordon
AgriScience Teacher Award
 Blackwood John D. Moore
Honorary American FFA Degree
 Railway Director of Marketing Production
 Animal Products
 Robert D. Van Schoick
 Superintendent Middlesex Schools
 J. Henry Zanzani
Distinguished Service Citation
 Merck AgVet Division, Merck and Company, Inc. of Rahway will receive the FFA Distinguished Service Citation for its 25 years of service to agricultural education and the FFA. They have been instrumental in providing training for state FFA officers through the National Leadership Conferences for State Officers. They also are a co-sponsor of the Nursery Operations Proficiency Award.

Maryland
Official Delegate
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American FFA Degree
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 Jefferson Robert O. Dinsmore
Contest Participant
Agricultural Mechanics
 Frederick Frederick High School
Agricultural Sales
 Clear Spring Clear Spring
Dairy Foods
 Frederick Frederick High School
Farm Business Management
 Clear Spring Clear Spring High School
Floriculture
 Frederick Frederick High School
Forestry
 Flinstone Flinstone High School
Horse
 Union Bridge Francis Scott Key High School
Meats
 Clear Spring Clear Spring High School
Nursery/Landscape
 Clear Spring Clear Spring High School
National Chapter Award
 Thumont Catoclin Bronze
 Frederick Frederick Bronze
BOAC Chapter Award
 Shriek Frederick Silver
 Frederick Frederick County Bronze
Achievement in Volunteerism
 Frederick Joann Hagdin
 Middletown Jason A. Eppley
National Chapter Safety Award
 Frederick Frederick Bronze
Band Member
 New Market Janet L. Van Hoose Flute
Chorus Member
 Frederick Roni Cline Soprano 2
AgriScience Student Award
 Clear Spring Matthew D. Ernst
Honorary American FFA Degree—Teacher
 Frederick Thomas C. Hawthorne
 Lingenore High School
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Official Delegate
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 Milford Stacy Warner, Vice President
American FFA Degree
 Clayton George M. Dixon
 Dover Jefferson T. Benz
 Harrington Mark A. Breeding
 Kenton Deborah L. Warren
 Wyoming Tonya S. Glass
Proficiency Award
Agricultural Sales and/or Service
 Middletown Ryan Chambers
Contest Participant
Dairy
 Smyrna Smyrna High School
Dairy Foods
 Milford Milford Sr High School
Dairy Handlers
 Smyrna Smyrna High School
Dairy Handlers
 Bridgeville Woodbridge High School
Extemporaneous Public Speaking
 Camden Wyoming Caesar Rodney High School
Floriculture
 Camden Caesar Rodney High School
Forestry
 Camden Caesar Rodney High School
Horse
 Newark Christiana High School
Livestock
 Felton Lake Forest High School
Meats
 Georgetown Sussex Central High School
Nursery/Landscape
 Felton Lake Forest High School
Parliamentary Procedure
 Camden Caesar Rodney
Poultry
 Felton Lake Forest High School
Prepared Public Speaking
 Wilmington McKean High School
National Chapter Award
 Milford Milford Bronze
BOAC Chapter Award
 Milford Milford Bronze
 Smyrna Smyrna Bronze
 Wilmington Thomas McKean Bronze
Achievement in Volunteerism
 Hockessin Heather Sprague
 Houston Rebecca Voorhees
Honorary American FFA Degree
 Wilmington President Zanece Ag Products Group Robert Woods
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 Bowling Green Ivan Belleville
 Bowling Green Deborah I. Belleville
 Cardington Vincent Lyons
 Cardington Matt Cinger
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 Claraburg J. David Martin
 Conroy Doug Deesley

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 Dover Todd Kanille
 Dunkirk Matthew T. Boehm
 Edon John F. Juhasz
 Freeport Jason Anderson
 Hamilton Chris Knecht
 Harpeter Larnette Kies
 Hillsboro James D. Ogden II
 Huron Todd J. Smith
 Jeromesville Kerry L. Browne
 Jewett Scott Dawson
 Kenton Kyle Althaus
 Kenton Richard Mead
 Leipsic Lee R. Schroeder
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 London Matt Davis
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 Mechanicsburg Christy S. Hoewischer
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 Mineral City Larry Hoagland
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 Mt. Sterling Anna Williamson
 Mr. Sterling Donald Beauman
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 New Philadelphia Eric Kinsey
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 Oxford Stephen Fields III
 Oxford Daniel Egbert
 Oxford Todd Galesbuhler
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 Pleasantville Del Hardy
 Pleasantville Rodney Wagner
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 Stone Creek Scott Swaldo
 Sunbury Melissa L. Carpenter
 Tiffin Bryan J. Zimmerman
 Tipp City Doug Benham
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 Utica Monte Thompson
 Versailles Michelle L. Pothast
 W. Salem Randy J. Tegtmeler
 Wakarusa Sean P. Nolan
 Wapakoneta Michael P. Smith
 West Liberty Mark W. Dowden
 West Salem Timothy A. Billman
 West Union Donald McCarty
 Wooster Darby McLaughlin
 Milford Center Dan Meyer
 Maria Stein Ronald L. Osterhot
National Officer Candidate
 Leipsic Lee Richard Schroeder
Proficiency Award
 Mt. Sterling Danny Anthony
Forage Production
 New Philadelphia Eric J. Kinsey
Forest Management
 Zanesville Justin Embrey
Fruit and/or Vegetable Production
 Racine Stephanie M. Sayre
Home and/or Farmstead Improvement
 Clyde Ryan Michaels
Placement in Agricultural Production
 Mechanicsburg Christy Hoewischer
Sheep Production
 Willard Matt Martin
Soil and Water Management
 Belle Center Luke McCaren
Specialty Animal Production
 Rising Sun Amy King
Swine Production
 Hamersville Jason Williams
Contest Participant
Agricultural Mechanics
 Bloomdale Elmwood High School
Agricultural Sales
 Jeromesville Hillsdale High School
Dairy
 Versailles Versailles High School
Dairy Foods
 Ashland Ashland High School
Dairy Handlers
 LaGrange Keystone High School
Dairy Handlers
 Collins Western Reserve High School
Extemporaneous Public Speaking
 Canal Winchester Canal Winchester High School
Farm Business Management
 Jeromesville Hillsdale High School
Floriculture
 Milford Live Oaks High School
Horse
 Jeromesville Hillsdale
Livestock
 Jeromesville Hillsdale High School
Meats
 Lucas Lucas High School
Nursery/Landscape
 LaGrange Keystone
Poultry
 Defiance Tiora High School
Prepared Public Speaking
 West Liberty West Liberty Salem High School
National Chapter Award
 Milford Center Fairbanks Gold
 Lancaster Fairfield Union Gold
 Tontogany Osego Gold
 Camden Presble Shawnee Gold
 Wauseon Wauseon Gold
 Pemberville Eastwood Silver
 Greenville Greenville Silver
 London Madison Plains Silver
 Mowrystown Mowrystown Silver
 Oak Harbor Oak Harbor Silver
BOAC Chapter Award
 Bowling Green Bowling Green Gold
 Tontogany Osego Gold
 Hoagets Hoagets Silver
 New Lexington New Lexington Silver