FIVE MORE YEARS OF THE
WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

FFA
2005-06 – 2009-10

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WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION FFA HISTORY
2005-06 through 2009-10

FOREWORD

Keeping up with the multitude of activities that take place in the West Virginia FFA Association is a challenging task given the many events that occur throughout the year and the various sources of information that document them. A glance at FFA chapter and membership involvement documented herein gives ample evidence that the FFA program in West Virginia is in the hands of exceptional teachers, teacher educators and state administrators.

Needless to say, there are undoubtedly activities, awards and events that have gone unnoticed, and maybe even an error or two within these pages. Sorry. Stuff happens, so they say. I do want to thank the state staff who served during this five-year period--Don Michael, Keith Burdette, Jason Hughes and Nathan Taylor--and their capable secretary, Kelly Turley, for their many contributions and their invaluable assistance in compiling this information.

I hope you find this material interesting and useful. It is an effort to recognize the many contributions and accomplishments of members, chapters, advisors and friends of the FFA, and a tribute to the finest agricultural youth organization in the world.

Layle D. Lawrence, Professor Emeritus
Agricultural Education
West Virginia University
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Dr. Layle D. Lawrence, Professor Emeritus at WVU, is to be commended for preserving another piece of West Virginia FFA history. Dr. Lawrence has spent countless hours researching and collecting information to create the historical record of the West Virginia FFA Association of the past twenty years. When one reflects on some of the most influential people in the history of West Virginia agricultural education and FFA, Dr. Lawrence comes to mind. Thank you Dr. Lawrence for all you have done and continue to do for the West Virginia agricultural education family.

West Virginia FFA has a rich history dating back to 1929. Many local, state and national leaders got their start in an agricultural education classroom and FFA chapter in West Virginia. This publication showcases the past five years and tells a part of our eighty-one year story. I challenge all readers of this history compilation to continue contributing to the excellent story that is, the West Virginia FFA Association.

Jason E. Hughes
State FFA Advisor
2009 – Present
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West Virginia Association FFA
2005/2006

STATE OFFICERS

President: Danielle Hall (Ripley)
Secretary: Casey Seese (Preston County)
Vice President: Brian Clagg, SW (Cabell Midland)
Vice President: Allison Echols, SE (Monroe County)
Vice President: Amy Moyers, NC (Preston County)
Vice President: Kellen McNutt, Central (Roane County)
Vice President: Mike Neff, NW (Tyler County)
Vice President: Jeff Whitacre, NE (Hampshire)
Vice President: Andrew Yost, Eastern (East Hardy)
Advisor: Donald Michael
Executive Secretary/Treasurer: Keith Burdette

MEMBERSHIP

Chapters: 63
Members: 4,682

NATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

78TH NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION DELEGATES
Louisville, Kentucky

Danielle Hall, WVFFA President
Casey Seese, WVFFA Secretary
Brian Clagg, WVFFA Vice President
Allison Echols, WVFFA Vice President
Mike Neff, WVFFA Vice President
Jeff Whitacre, WVFFA Vice President
Amy Moyers (Ag Ambassador)
Andrew Yost (Ag Ambassador)

AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Ryan Vaughn
Kim Gray
Brent Wellington
Sean Wellington
Michael Haines
Jacob Blaylock
Meghan Manor
Misti Barnes
James Blue
Shiloh Gravatt
Brandon Bourgeois
Nicole Gwisdalla
John D. Randolph
Patrick McNutt
Veronica Milliken
Sidney Phelps
Mike Fleak

Blennerhassett
Clay County
Doddridge County
Doddridge County
Hampshire
Hedgesville
Hedgesville
Jefferson
Jefferson
Jefferson
Ripley
Ripley
Ripley
Roane County
Roane County
Taylor County
Wirt County
HONORARY AMERICAN DEGREE RECIPIENT
Dr. Stanley Hopkins, Assistant State Superintendent of Schools for West Virginia and former West Virginia agriculture teacher

NATIONAL FFA CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Gold Emblem Teams
- Forestry - Tyler FFA (6th place)
- Environmental and Natural Resources - St. Marys (8th place)

Gold Emblem Individuals
- Forestry – Cody Henthorn, Jessica Musgrave, Adam Weekley (Tyler)
- Environmental and Natural Resources – Mary Luzader, Glen Westbrook (St. Marys)
- Agronomy – Katlyn Hendershot (Tyler)

Agribusiness Management – Hundred
Agronomy – Tyler County
Agricultural Mechanics – Pocahontas County
Dairy Cattle – Ripley
Dairy Products – St. Marys
Horse Evaluation – Preston
Floriculture – Hampshire
Livestock Evaluation – Blennerhassett (Wood County)
Nursery/Landscape – Hampshire
Poultry – Cameron

NATIONAL FFA AGRISCIENCE FAIR
3rd Place, Division 2, Engineering – Megan Webb (Mineral County)

NATIONAL PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING
Bronze Emblem – Allena Yoho (Hundred)

NATIONAL EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING
Silver Emblem – Kellen McNutt (Roane County)

NATIONAL CREED SPEAKING
Silver Emblem – Staci Burdette (Ravenswood)

NATIONAL JOB INTERVIEW
Silver Emblem – Grace Parsons (Ripley)

NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE
Sidney Phelps, Taylor County FFA

NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS
National “Two-Star” Chapter Awards
- Clay County
- Jefferson
- Mineral County
- Ravenswood
- Ripley
- Roane County

100% FFA MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION
West Virginia Association FFA was recognized as a 100% Membership State at the national convention.
NATIONAL CAREER SHOW PARTICIPANTS
West Virginia University Collegiate FFA

NATIONAL LAND JUDGING
Taylor County – 8th place
Nick Cox – 5th place individual
Clay County – 10th place
Tyler County – 16th place

NATIONAL HOMESITE EVALUATION
Taylor County – 4th place
Nick Cox – 5th place individual
Tyler County – 9th place
Clay County – 17th place

MID-AMERICA NATIONAL GRASSLAND EVALUATION
Cabell Midland: 4th place and 7th place (two teams)

STATE FFA CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS
Date: July 12-15, 2006
Location: Cedar Lakes
Theme: FFA: Living to Serve

STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Jason Cleavenger
Clayson Schoonover
Rachel Davis
Patrick Parsons
Kimberly D. Fisher
Alex Gooch Cabell
Tabitha Linnville Cabell
Zackary Winters Cabell
Emily Allen
Johnathon David Bopp
Heather Danielle Timmins
Mark Linkinogger
Cory Stricker
Kasey M. Kelley
Kendra L. Underwood
Kevin Joseph Shipe
Erik Yost
Megan Currence
Jeremy Fisher
Sierra Kerns
Shaun Kisamore
Jaime Larkin
Joshua A. Wright
Caitlin Myra Bailey
Deron Lowther
Steven Smith
Barbour County FFA
Barbour County FFA
Blennerhassett FFA
Blennerhassett FFA
Cabell Midland FFA
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Billy Joe Sprouse
Garrett Bailey
Andrew J. Beiler
Amanda Jane Deem
Laura M. DePriest
Trista LaDawn Dotson
Kelly Ervin
Ora Ford
Sara E. Hylton
Clyde E. Lyons
Holly Morris
Carrie Pinnell
Kenslea Ratliff
Chris Sizemore
Kalab M. Hughart
Kaylie Adams
Jessica Bohrer
Phillip P. Cramer
Jacob Haines
Tasha L. Michael
Josh Oates
Rebecca Whitacre
Casey N. McDonald
Jared B. McDonald
Derek Logan Baker
Billy Ray Dent
Jason C. Riter
Cody Wood
John A. Davis
Heather Ishman
James Knighten
Justin Lopez
Brooke Leanne Shipe
BobiJo Swartz
Katlin Thorsell
Patrick Whittington
Timothy Ware
Cody W. Dent
Ian L. Newlin
Rachel Spiker
Robert W. Spiker
Tamara Atkins
Steven Lee Funk
Adam Judy
Carissa H. Wilson
Amanda N. Combs
Tyler Carl Dale Huffman
Elizabeth Reidy
Adam Lynn Eckard
Jacqueline L. Hedrick
Rebecca Humphreys
Ashley Cassandra Kisamore
Gilmer County FFA
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Stephanie A. Casteel
Morgan R. Foley
Samantha A. Galloway
Jessie Caroline Schmidle
Haley B. Wilson
Valerie Rash
Nicholas Price
Isaac Casto
Karah Casto
Cortney Nicole Easter
Amber Dawn Gunnoe
Jacob Hall
Amber Hamon
Joshua Harpold
Lillie B. Haynes
Jared Hill
Alicyn Lynn Oblinger
Glenna Offenberg
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Jessica Plants
Samantha White
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Daniel Copeland
Eric Nicholas
Micah Allen
Clayton Cox
Linzie Harold
Daren McPherson
Rachel Messineo
Ryan M. Mullen
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Jamie Smith
Brittany Terrell
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Ashley Billiter
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HONORARY STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Dewey Broyles
Walt Helmick
Jerry Knight
Charity Marstiller
Robert H. Plymale
John Raese
Gerald Sayre
Cordelia Spencer
Aaron Stephens
Lewis Stephens
Ronald Watson

STATE CONVENTION CONTEST WINNERS

Parliamentary Procedure:
Marion County

Land Judging:
Ravenswood
  Michelle Baldwin
  Josh Hafer
  Derick Dillon
  Jonathan Fletcher
  (these team members were also the top four contestants)

Homesite Evaluation:
Ravenswood

Advisor’s Land Judging:
Robert Morris, Clay County

Advisor’s Homesite Evaluation:
Howard Henderson, Pine Grove

Outstanding Alumni Chapter:
Tyler

Scrapbook:
Cabell Midland

Middle School Scrapbook:
Moorefield Middle

FFA Quiz Bowl:
Moorefield Middle

Prepared Public Speaking:
  Ashley Kisamore, Pendleton County

Membership Recognition:
  Hampshire (greatest increase in membership)

Middle School Public Speaking:
  Michelle Biser, Moorefield Middle

Extemporaneous Speaking:
  Kaitlin Thorsell, Jefferson

FFA Creed (freshmen):
  Emily Shimp, Roane County

FFA Creed (upper class):
  Carla Seese, Preston

Tractor Driving (large tractor division):
  Clayton Cox, Roane County

Tractor Driving (lawn and garden tractor division):
  Mechele Baldwin, Ravenswood

Tractor Driving (middle school lawn and garden tractor division):
  Matt Harman, Moorefield Middle
Talent:
   Samantha Moss, Braxton County
Job Interview:
   Ashley Carson, Tyler
Computers in Agriculture:
   Emma Yohn, Jefferson
State Star Farmer:
   Jared Hill, Ripley
State Star Agribusinessperson:
   Tim Adams, Ritchie County
Star State in Placement:
   Deron Lowther, Gilmer County
WV Star Farmer:
   Jeff Whitacre, Hampshire
WV Star Agribusinessperson:
   Christopher Hawver, Greenbrier East
Record Books:
   1st year: Jeda Hostutler, Musselman
   2nd year: Melissa Cole, Gilmer County
   3rd year: Jennifer Minney, Gilmer County
   4th year: Brian Clagg, Cabell Midland
Agriscience Fair:
   Division I
      Botany: Marlayna Lofton, Moorefield Middle
      Biochemistry: Katlyn Shirk, Moorefield Middle
      Zoology: Brandon Hose, Moorefield Middle
      Environmental Sciences: Michelle Biser, Moorefield Middle
   Division II
      Zoology: Megan Webb, Mineral County
      Botany: Cheyenne Kearsiy, Ripley
      Biochemistry: Jared McDonald, Hedgesville
   Division IV
      Environmental Sciences: Heather Ishman/Michael Duncan, Jefferson
State Three-Star Chapter Awards:
   Clay County
   Hampshire
   Jefferson
   Mineral County
   Ripley
   Tyler

STATE FFA PROFICIENCY AWARD WINNERS
Agricultural Communications (E/P): Jessica Plants, Ripley
Agricultural Electrification (E/P): Angela Fisher, Ripley
Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabrication (E/P): Caleb Bourgeois, Ripley
Agricultural Mechanics Repair & Maintenance (P): Aaron Hays, Ripley
Agricultural Processing (E/P): Steven Smith, Gilmer Co
STATE HAM, BACON AND EGG SHOW AND SALE

Champion Ham: Megan Gorby, Hundred ($2,090)
Reserve Champion Ham: Joey Kirkpatrick, Hundred ($2,250)
Champion Bacon: Jason Riter, Hundred ($2,100)
Reserve Champion Bacon: Trevor Neely, Cameron ($1,400)
Champion Eggs: Matt Malone, Cameron ($950)
Reserve Champion Eggs: Kimberly Riley, Cameron ($1,000)

Sale totaled $26,029 on 47 hams, 47 bacons and 10 dozens of eggs.
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MISCELLANEOUS STATE ACTIVITIES

West Virginia Beef Expo Stockman’s Contest:
  Greenbrier West
    Kalab Hughart
    Cody Bryant
    Andrew Bailes
    Justin Riffey
    First Place Individual: Mason Bolen, Tyler County

West Virginia Envirothon:
  Shady Springs

West Virginia Grassland Contest:
  Cabell Midland (1st and 2nd places – two teams)
WEST VIRGINIA FFA FOUNDATION

Chairperson: William West
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$363,619.92 as of December 31, 2005

In addition to the officers, the following individuals serve on the Foundation Board of Directors:
- Gus R. Douglass, WV Department of Agriculture
- Jon Pinson, WV FFA Association
- Carl S. Thomas, former agriculture teacher and State Supervisor
- Leon Cooper, United National Bank
- John Bennett, former agriculture teacher
- Benny Renick, Krogers

OTHER NOTABLE ITEMS

West Virginia hosted the National Leadership Conference for State Officers. Officer teams from Delaware, Hawaii, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia participated in the conference, which was held at the Lakeview Resort in Morgantown.

West Virginia FFA Chapters have been active in supporting the Seeds of Hope Campaign designed to help rebuild agricultural education programs in the hurricane devastated states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. More than $528,000 was collected at the National FFA Convention.

Moorefield Middle FFA Chapter members took first place in the FFA Forestry Field Day Competition held at the Virginia State Fair, competing in Log Roll, Log Throw, Crosscut Saw, Bow Saw, and Water Accuracy Contests. The winning team consisted of Dylan Flinn, Matt Harman, Corey McCausley, Kyle Mongold, Brian Ours, Tyler Yoder and Andrew Zhang. Moorefield Middle FFA Advisor is Roy Harper.

James Beatty, agriculture teacher at Elkins High School, was among 12 teachers statewide to receive a 2006 Arch Coal Teacher Achievement Award. In addition to recognition, recipients received a $2,500 unrestricted cash prize, a trophy and a classroom plaque.

Sixteen WV FFA members received National FFA Foundation Scholarships ranging from $1,000 to $1,250 each this year.

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Teacher Educators, West Virginia University
- Dr. Stacy Gartin, Professor
- Dr. Harry Boone, Jr., Assistant Professor
- Dr. Deborah Boone, Assistant Professor
- Mr. Daniel Shockey, Visiting Instructor
- Dr. Warren Kelly, Professor Emeritus
- Dr. O. Claude McGhee, Professor Emeritus
- Dr. Layle Lawrence, Professor Emeritus
West Virginia Association FFA  
2006/2007

WEST VIRGINIA STATE OFFICERS
President: Adam Judy, Moorefield  
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Vice President: Lauren Trozzi, Taylor County  
Vice President: Sarah Hopkins, Clay  
Vice President: Angela Fisher, Ripley  
Advisor: Donald Michael/Keith Burdette  
Executive Secretary/Treasurer: Keith Burdette/Jason Hughes

WEST VIRGINIA FFA CHAPTERS

CENTRAL
Braxton County  
Calhoun County  
Clay County  
Gilmer County  
Lewis County  
Roane County  
Upshur County

EASTERN
East Hardy  
Elkins  
Harman  
Moorefield  
Pendleton County  
Petersburg  
Tucker County  
Tygarts Valley

NORTHCENTRAL
Barbour County  
Clay-Battelle  
Liberty  
Lincoln  
Marion County  
Preston  
Taylor County  
University High

NORTHEASTERN
Berkeley Springs  
Hampshire  
Hedgesville  
Jefferson  
Martinsburg  
Mineral County  
Musselman  
WV School for the Deaf & Blind

NORTHWESTERN
Blennerhassett  
Cameron  
Doddridge County  
Hundred  
John Marshall  
New Martinsville  
Pine Grove  
Ritchie County  
St. Marys  
Tyler

SOUTHEASTERN
Fayette Plateau  
Greenbrier East  
Greenbrier West  
Monroe County  
Pocahontas County  
Shady Spring  
Summers  
Surveyor

SOUTHWESTERN
Cabell Midland  
Carver Career  
Hannan  
Lincoln County  
Mason County Vocational  
Ravenswood  
Roane-Jackson  
Ripley  
Wirt County
NATIONAL PROCEEDINGS
79th NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION DELEGATES
Indianapolis, Indiana

Adam Judy, WVFFA President
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AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Kyle Kaufman
Isaac Godlove III
Christopher Hawver
Richard Baker, Jr.
Jeff Whitacre
Amanda Nicewarner
Stephen Ring
Thomas Wilsoncroft
Jonathan Funk
Stacy Hartman
Benjamen Heavner
Cassie Mallow
Joseph Ours
Daniel Swecker
Patrick Thompson
Jonathan Taylor
Kristen Casto
Stacey Gleason
Danielle Hall
Amber Taylor
William Tomlin
Andrew Boone
Brianne Jankowski
Kellen McNutt
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HONORARY AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Steve Hunter, Greenbrier County
Leon Cooper, United National Bank Representative, former WV State FFA President
Bill Chaney, Agriculture Teacher, Hampshire High School

NATIONAL FFA CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Gold Emblem – Forestry – Tyler FFA (7th place) – Leon Ammons, teacher
Silver Emblem - Environmental and Natural Resources – Mineral County
Silver Emblem – Agronomy – Tyler
Silver Emblem – Dairy Cattle – Jefferson
Silver Emblem – Dairy Foods – Taylor County
Silver Emblem – Floriculture – Clay
Silver Emblem – Meats – Clay
Silver Emblem – Nursery-Landscape – Hampshire
Silver Emblem – Poultry – Pendleton County
Bronze Emblem – Agricultural Mechanics – Mineral County
Bronze Emblem – Farm Business Management – Wirt County
Bronze Emblem – Horse – Marion County
Bronze Emblem – Livestock – Hampshire

Gold Emblem Individuals:
  Forestry – Katslyn Hendershot, Tyler (5th place) ($600 scholarship)
  Environmental & Natural Resources – Tiana Warner, Mineral County (10th) ($500 scholarship)
  Agronomy – Mason Bolen, Tyler
  Dairy Cattle – Michelle Walls, Jefferson
  Dairy Foods - Nick Cox and Kati Lucas, Taylor County
  Floriculture – Jennifer Reed, Clay
  Nursery-Landscape – Cole Roomsburg, Hampshire

NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE
Bronze Emblem – Marion County

NATIONAL CREED SPEAKING
Bronze Emblem – Emily Shimp, Roane County

NATIONAL PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING
Silver Emblem – Ashley Kisamore, Pendleton County

NATIONAL EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING
Bronze Emblem – Kaitlin Thorsell, Jefferson

NATIONAL JOB INTERVIEW
Silver Emblem – Ashley Carson, Tyler

NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE
Brent Welling, Doddridge County

WEST VIRGINIA’S NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS
National “Three-Star” Chapters
  Hampshire
  Jefferson
National “Two-Star” Chapters
  Clay
  Mineral County
  Ripley
  Tyler

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CAREER SHOW EXHIBITOR
Collegiate FFA, Agricultural Education, West Virginia University
NATIONAL LAND JUDGING CONTEST

1st Place Team – Ravenswood
Team members - Jonathan Fletcher, Josh Hafer, Michelle Baldwin, Derick Dillon
Top individual – Derrick Dillon
Jason Miihlbach, agriculture teacher

NATIONAL HOMESITE EVALUATION

1st Place Team – Ravenswood
Team members - Jonathan Fletcher, Josh Hafer, Michelle Baldwin, Derick Dillon
Top individual – Derrick Dillon
4th place – Josh Hafer
Jason Miihlbach, agriculture teacher

MID-AMERICA GRASSLAND EVALUATION

1st Place Team – Cabell Midland
Team members – Allison Robinson, Steven Clagg, Lesha Campbell, Cassandra Morgan
Top Individual – Allison Robinson
3rd Place Individual – Steven Clagg
Mary Phillips – agriculture teacher

STATE FFA CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

Date: July 11-14
Attendance: 800+
Location: Cedar Lakes
Theme: Blue Jackets, Gold Standards

STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Nathan Barker
Josh Bosley
Sarah Mullan
Stephan Michael Clagg
Allison Robison
Thomas E. Smith
Kolby Denae Wyant
Jarrod S. Dawson
Jese Vance
Maria Saunders
Josh Underwood
Dillion Thompson
William Clates Zirkle
Jessica Herndon
Joshua Hughes
Melissa Hope Cole
Christopher J. Cunningham
Jennifer Minney
Sara Mohr
Douglas D. Moyers
Dalton Hylton

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Kelsey Jones  
Joshua Thomas Norman  
Seda C. Persinger  
Courtney Nicole Simms  
Leah Vance  
Andrew W. Bailes  
Brittany Hott  
Ashley Bohrer  
Matthew Davis  
Travis S. Flanagan  
James Kidwell  
Amber Lewis  
Heather R. Loy  
Elizabeth McKenzie  
Randy Mowery  
George Phillips  
Shane Roeder  
Samantha N. Stankwich  
Sasha Nicole Baker  
Kassandra Huffman  
Danielle Kelch  
Sheldon R. Norris  
Kristie Park  
Allena Yoho  
Jacob L. Blue  
Ian Dunn  
Aaron Nicewarner  
Emma Yohn  
Derek Lee Michael Garrett  
Jason Grubb  
Megan Jean Webb  
Dennis J. Kowalsky Jr.  
Brittany Ours  
Jessica K. Wolfe  
John Butler Boyd  
Fred G. Butler III  
Eric Jeffery Custer  
Logan Kees  
Nicole Sencindiver  
Bradley Shade  
Richard Talbott  
Chris Umphrey  
Hannah Heavner  
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Kevin Keith
Bob McClain
Mary Phillips
Brad Smith
Brian Sparks
Andy Walker

STATE CONVENTION CONTEST WINNERS

Parliamentary Procedure:
  Tyler
Land Judging:
  Clay County
Homesite Evaluation:
  Clay County
Outstanding Alumni Chapter:
  Tyler
Scrapbook:
  Cabell Midland
Middle School Scrapbook:
  Moorefield Middle
FFA Quiz Bowl:
  Moorefield Middle
Prepared Public Speaking:
  Kaitlin Thorsell, Jefferson
Middle School Public Speaking:
  Ryan Arave, Jefferson
Extemporaneous Public Speaking:
  Ashley Kisamore, Pendleton County
Job Interview:
  Lacey Valentine, Wirt County
Computers in Agriculture:
  Alyssa Hall, Ripley
FFA Creed (freshmen):
  Tiffany Somerville, Wirt County
FFA Creed (sophomores):
  Marcy Myrick, Doddridge County
Tractor Driving (large division):
  Daren McPherson, Roane
Tractor Driving (compact division):
  Cass McMillian, Cabell Midland
Tractor Driving Middle School (compact):
  Zack Shamblin, Ravenswood
Talent:
  Samantha Moss, Braxton
Star State Farmer:
  Hannah Heavner, Pendleton County
Star State Agribusinessperson:
  Sheldon Norris, Hundred
Star State in Placement:
Dillon Thompson, Elkins

WV Star Farmer:
Susan Knopp, Ripley

WV Star Agribusinessperson:
Brian Clagg, Cabell Midland

Record Books:
1st year: Megan Jones, Mineral County
2nd year: Lindsey Fritts, Ravenswood
3rd year: Megan Webb, Mineral County
4th year: Ian Dunn, Jefferson

Conservation District Award:
Tyler

Agriscience Fair:
Environmental Sciences, Division I – Michelle Biser, Moorefield
Zoology, Division I – Tiffany Banks & Lyndsay Johnston, Jefferson
Engineering (energy) Division 1 – Brandon Williams, Ripley

Gold Emblem Chapter Awards:
Jefferson
Hampshire
Gilmer
Ravenswood
Roane
Wirt

Membership Recognition (greatest increase in membership):
Doddridge County (+64)

STATE FFA PROFICIENCY AWARD WINNERS
Agricultural Communications (E/P): Megan Ross, Ripley
Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabrication (E/P): Chris Cunningham, Gilmer County
Agricultural Mechanics Energy Systems (E/P): Christopher Boggs, Greenbrier East
Agricultural Mechanics Repair & Maintenance (P): Aaron Hays, Ripley
Agricultural Processing (E/P): Zach Eberbaugh, Wirt County
Agricultural Services (E/P): Daniel Winnell, Ripley
Beef Production (E): Sara Mohr, Gilmer County
Beef Production (P): Caleb Bourgeois, Ripley
Dairy Production (E): Laura DePriest, Greenbrier East
Dairy Production (P): Tiffany Banks, Jefferson
Diversified Agriculture Production (E/P): Jessica Roberts, Roane County
Diversified Horticulture (P): Samantha White, Ripley
Diversified Livestock Production (E): Jessica Roberts, Roane County
Diversified Livestock Production (P): Caleb Bourgeois, Ripley
Equine Science (E): Jennifer Minney, Gilmer County
Equine Science (P): Jessica Plants, Ripley
Floriculture (E/P): Megan Ross, Ripley
Food Science (E/P): Samantha White, Ripley
Forage Production (E/P): Ryan Hunter, Ripley
Forest Management and Production (E/P): Billy Dent, Hundred
Home and Community Development (E/P): Caleb Bourgeois, Ripley
Landscape Management (E/P): Ian Dunn, Jefferson
Nursery Operations (E/P): Samantha White, Ripley
Outdoor Recreation (E/P): Cody Dillon, Roane County  
Poultry Production (E/P): Jessica Plants, Ripley  
Sheep Production (E/P): Susan Knopp, Ripley  
Small Animal Production and Care (P): Michael Burrows, Jefferson  
Specialty Animal Production (E/P): Sara Hylton, Greenbrier East  
Swine Production (E): Taylor Lockhart, Wirt County  
Turfgrass Management (E): Jesse Vance, Clay  
Vegetable Production (E/P): Samantha White, Ripley

**STATE HAM, BACON AND EGG SHOW AND SALE**  
Champion Ham: Jason Grubb, Marion County ($2,300)  
Reserve Champion Ham: Chelsea Kuhn, Hundred ($1,470)  
Champion Bacon: Phillip Dennison, Pine Grove ($6,400)  
Reserve Champion Bacon: Matt Cecil, Hundred ($2,000)  
Champion Eggs: Kim Riley, Cameron ($10,000)  
Reserve Champion Eggs: Brandon Ruble, Cabell Midland ($1,500)  
Sale totaled $46,464

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**83rd Annual Career Development Events**  
**2006 Sweepstakes Award**  
**WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY**

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2006 First Place Individual Contest Results

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MISCELLANEOUS STATE ACTIVITIES

West Virginia Beef Expo Stockman’s Contest: Gilmer County

1st place – Sara Mohr, Gilmer County
2nd place – Cody Grogg, Gilmer County
3rd place – Derek Harpold, Ripley
WEST VIRGINIA FFA FOUNDATION

Chairperson: William West
Treasurer: Don Michael
Vice-President: James Ash
Secretary: Keith Burdette
$393,574 as of December 31, 2006

OTHER NOTABLE ITEMS

Don Michael, State FFA Advisor and State Supervisor of Agricultural Education, retired as of February 28, 2007. Mr. Michael has been involved in FFA as a high school student, a teacher of agriculture, and a state supervisor of agricultural education in the WV Department of Education for 44 years. Following his retirement, Mr. Michael became Director of Governmental Affairs for the WV Farm Bureau.

Jason Hughes was appointed the new coordinator in Agriculture, Science and Natural Resources beginning June 1. Mr. Hughes served as State FFA President and as agriculture teacher in Wood County and at St. Marys High School. He was named West Virginia’s Teacher of the Year in 2004.

As a result of the above changes, Keith Burdette was named State FFA Advisor and Jason Hughes was named State FFA Executive Secretary.

This was the first year (2006) the National FFA Convention was located in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The August 2006 issue of *FFA New Horizons*, in its “FFA Faces” page, notes that Jason Cleavenger of the Barbour County FFA Chapter is making a name for himself in tractor driving. In 2005, Jason place third in the compact tractor driving competition; this year (2006) he took first place in the competition’s large tractor division.

The 2007 National Land Judging and Homesite Evaluation Contests held near Oklahoma City were both won by the team representing the Ravenswood FFA. The team, consisting of Derick Dillon, Michelle Baldwin, Josh Hazfer and Jonathan Fletcher, all juniors at Ravenswood High School, won both competitions—the first FFA team ever to win both. The team was coached by Jason Miibilbach, agriculture teacher at RvHS.

Two of West Virginia’s outstanding agriculture teachers were recipients of Arch Coal Teacher Achievement Awards in 2007. Roy Harper, who teaches agriscience technology courses at Moorefield Middle School, and Isaac Lewis, who teaches animal and veterinary science, agriculture and biology courses at Hampshire High School, were among the 12 recipients in the state. In addition to recognition, each received a $2,500 unrestricted cash prize, a distinctive trophy and a classroom plaque. In addition, the West Virginia Foundation for the Improvement of Education makes a $1,000 award to each recipient’s school, for use with at-risk students.

The West Virginia FFA’s Ham, Bacon and Egg Show and Sale was featured on CNN March 26. Quoted on the program were Katlyn Hendershot of Tyler Consolidated High School, Kim and Mike Riley of Cameron, Virgil Wilkins, agriculture teacher at Hundred, Gene Walker and Herma Johnson of WVDA, and Kroger’s Mid-Atlantic Region President Pete Williams.
Ron Grimes, Director of the Cedar Lakes Conference Center for the past three years, retired as of July 31. Mr. Grimes taught agriculture in Ritchie County, served as Executive Director of WV FFA, and held several other positions in the WV Department of Education prior to becoming Conference Center Director.

The West Virginia FFA Association held its inaugural golf tournament at the Stonewall Resort in Roanoke, WV, on June 21, 2007. At stake were thousands of dollars in prize packages, a new Chevrolet Silverado courtesy of Ballard Pontiac-Chevrolet-Buick, and an invitation to the Second Annual Stonewall Resort Golf Scramble Championship. Winning the tournament with a score of 12-under-par 60 were Gordie Roop, Shannon Dean, Charles Ludwig and Randy Eckleberry of the Nationwide Insurance team. Shooting 9-under-par-63 was the second place team of Jason Powell, Chance Hearn, Rick Marstiller and Rascal Wolfe from the Mannington Home Center. And close behind in third place with 8-under-par 64 were Leon Cooper, Michael Walbrown, Rick Miller and Dino Zaferatos of the United Bank team. Nearly $4,000 was generated for the West Virginia FFA Foundation by the tournament.

MOUNTAINEER COLLEGIATE FFA OFFICERS
(WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY)

President: Julie Roop
Vice President: Travis Keene
Secretary: Eve Clinton
Treasurer: Brianne Jankowski
Sentinel: Sarah Hopkins
Reporter: Becky Ridgeway
Junior Advisor: Anna Warner
Advisors: Dr. Stacy Gartin, Dr. Harry Boone, Dr. Deborah Boone
West Virginia Association FFA
2007/2008

STATE OFFICERS

President: Katlyn Hendershot (Tyler)
Secretary: Ashley Kisamore (Pendleton County)
Vice President: Kevin Shipe (East Hardy)
Vice President: Ashley Carson (Tyler)
Vice President: Staci Burdette (Ravenswood)
Vice President: Allison Robinson (Cabell Midland)
Vice President: Derek Garrett (Lewis County)
Vice President: Samantha Galloway (Preston County)
Vice President: Ian Newlin (Mineral County)
Advisor: Keith Burdette
Executive Secretary/Treasurer: Jason Hughes

WEST VIRGINIA FFA CHAPTERS

CENTRAL

Braxton County
Calhoun County
Clay County
Gilmer County
Lewis County
Nicholas County
Roane County
Upshur County

EASTERN

East Hardy
Elkins
Harman
Moorefield
Mount Storm
Pendleton County
Petersburg
Tucker County
Tygarts Valley

NORTHCENTRAL

Barbour County
Clay-Battelle
Liberty
Lincoln
Marion County
Preston County
Taylor County
University High

NORTHEASTERN

Berkeley Springs
Hampshire
Hedgesville
Jefferson
Martinsburg
Mineral County
Musselman
WV School for the Deaf

NORTHWESTERN

Blennerhasset
Cameron
Doddridge County
Hundred
John Marshall
New Martinsville
Pine Grove
Ritchie County
St. Marys
Tyler
NATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

80th NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION DELEGATES
Indianapolis, Indiana

Ashley Carson, WV Association FFA Secretary
Derek Garrett, WV Association FFA FFA Vice President
Ian Newlin, WV Association FFA Vice President
Allison Robinson, WV Association FFA Vice President
Kevin Shipe, WV Association FFA Vice President

AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Patrick Parsons, Blennerhassett
Brian Clagg, Cabell Midland
Kevin Shipe, East Hardy
M. Hunter Mastrogiustessepe, Elkins
Courtney Bailey, Gilmer County
Caitlin Bailey, Gilmer County
Brandi Lynn Smith, Hampshire County
Whitney Henry, Hedgesville
Amy Garza, Jefferson
Charles Ware, Martinsburg
Cody Dent, Mineral County
Adam Judy, Moorefield
Carissa Wilson, Moorefield
Brittany Smith, Pendleton County
Benji Jewell, Ravenswood
Jennifer Thompson, Ravenswood
Brad Cochran, Ripley
Sarah Hunter, Ripley
Susan Knopp, Ripley
Megan Andrews, Taylor County
Lauren Trozzi, Taylor County
Shawn Haught, Tyler

HONORARY AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Leon Ammons, agriculture teacher, Tyler Consolidated
Paul Roomsburg, agriculture teacher, Hampshire
Tracy Stutler, agriculture teacher, Gilmer County
Dave Workman, former agriculture teacher, (extension agent, Hardy County)
James Wyatt, former agriculture teacher (principal, Tyler Consolidated)
NATIONAL FFA VIP CITATION RECIPIENT
Don Michael, retired WV Association FFA Advisor

NATIONAL FFA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION
West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Gus Douglass, Commissioner

NATIONAL FFA CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Gold Emblem
  Forestry – Tyler (9th in nation)

Silver Emblem
  Nursery-Landscape – Hampshire
  Dairy Cattle – Ravenswood
  Dairy Foods – Tyler
  Agricultural Mechanics – Mineral County
  Horse – Mineral County
  Livestock – Ripley
  Agronomy – Roane County
  Meats – Clay County

Bronze Emblem
  Farm Business Management – Wirt County
  Floriculture – Clay County
  Poultry – St. Marys
  Environmental and Natural Resources – Liberty

Gold Medal Individuals
  Forestry – Eli Nash and Mason Bolen (Tyler)
  Nursery-Landscape – Emily Sonoff (Hampshire)
  Dairy Cattle – Staci Burdette (Ravenswood)
  Dairy Foods – Casey Miner (Tyler)
  Agricultural Mechanics – Elva Whetzel (Mineral County)

NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE
Silver Emblem - Tyler

NATIONAL CREED SPEAKING
Bronze Emblem – Tiffany Somerville, Wirt County

NATIONAL PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING
Bronze Emblem – Katlin Thorsell, Jefferson

NATIONAL EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING
Gold Emblem (4th in nation) – Ashley Kisamore, Pendleton County

NATIONAL JOB INTERVIEW
Bronze Emblem – Lacey Valentine, Wirt County

NATIONAL FFA AGRISCIENCE FAIR COMPETITORS
Michele Biser, Moorefield Middle
Brandon Williams, Ripley

NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE
Kellen McNutt, Roane County
WEST VIRGINIA’S NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS

National “Three Star” Chapter Awards
   Gilmer County
   Hampshire

National “Two Star” Chapter Awards
   Jefferson
   Ravenswood
   Roane County
   Wirt County

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATORS AWARD
Outstanding Agricultural Program - Preston FFA – NAAE Region VI winner

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CAREER SHOW EXHIBITOR
Collegiate FFA Chapter, West Virginia University

NATIONAL LAND JUDGING
Clay County, 12th place
   Team members: Jarrod Dawson, Jeremy Mullins, Jennifer Reed, and Nadina Wyant
Roane County, 23rd place
   Team members: Trevor Cummings, Logan Lupardus, Dustin Randolph, and Chad Striklin
Pine Grove, 88th place
   Team members: Phillip Dennison, Josh Hornbeck, and Michael Hornbeck

NATIONAL HOMESITE EVALUATION
Clay County, 3rd place
Roane County, 21st place
Pine Grove, 37th place
   Jennifer Reed of Clay County placed 9th in Homesite Evaluation

MID-AMERICA GRASSLAND EVALUATION
Ravenswood FFA represented West Virginia

80th STATE FFA CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

Date: July 9-12
Location: Cedar Lakes
Theme: Blue Jackets/Bright Futures

STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Alish Jenkins  Barbour County
Katie Payne  Barbour County
Stacie Wentz  Barbour County
Samantha Rene Moss  Braxton County
Allyson Elizabeth Peters  Braxton County
Michael Cass McMillian II  Cabell Midland
Cassandra Dawn Morgan  Cabell Midland
John Hans  Cameron
Kayla Schuster  Cameron
Jada Marie Hostuttler
Jonathan Bryant Hough
Megan Rose Penwell
Amanda Marie Shnetel Rieg
Stewart W. Ware
Myra Dawn Hartman
Markus Lee Ruddle
Hannah Warner
Timmy Hall
Becky Coen
Phillip Dennison
Andrew Ray Haslam
Lauren Denee Uetschly
Charles Albert Wilfong II
Katie Nice
Carla R. Seese
Lyndsey R. Fritts
Lakyn Hughes
Bennett Michael Johnson
D.W. Mahan
Dustin R. Marks
Wade Parsons
James D. Salser
Anthony Tanner
Jacob Adkins
Samantha Carney
Tori Eagle
Derek Harpold
Nathan Heis
Ryan Hunter
Christina Lanham
Jeff Tomlin
Benjamin R. White
Matthew J. Abbott
Trevor Allen Cummings
Lillian Brooke Miller
Miranda J. Shafer
Jason Shamblin
Chad Stricklin
Jennifer Baker
Samantha Brown
Danielle Cox
Jill R. Edgar
Travis Malone
Zachary Todd Morgan
Kayla B. Nichols
Kody Lilly
Benjamin Lee Epperley
John W. Lockhart
Nick Beaver
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Krystal Ferrell
Kelsey Meeks
Alexa Talkington
Cody Watson
Taylor Lockhart

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Wirt County

Star State Farmer
Charles Wilfong II, Pocahontas County

Star State in Placement
Jacob Adkins, Ripley

Star State Agribusinessperson
Billy Greathouse, Hundred

West Virginia Star Farmer
Samantha Galloway, Preston County

West Virginia Star Agribusinessperson
Zachery Morgan, Jefferson

HONORARY STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Rush Butcher
Doug Lambert
Rose Snider
Joy Schreck
William Abercrombie
Steve Casto
Ken Heiney
Marsha Coggins
Ellen Harper
Tonya Decker
Jim Crumrine
Eric Frederick
Jason Mihlbach
Deanna Ammons
Jeremy Greene

STATE CONVENTION CONTEST WINNERS

Parliamentary Procedure:
Roane County

Land Judging:
Nicholas County

Homesite Evaluation:
Taylor County

Outstanding Alumni Chapter:
Jefferson

Scrapbook:
Cabell Midland
Middle School Scrapbook:
Moorefield Middle

FFA Quiz Bowl:
Ripley Middle

Prepared Public Speaking:
Ariana Berg, Pendleton County

Middle School Public Speaking:
Sarah Liller, Moorefield Middle

Extemporaneous Public Speaking:
Hillary Tinney, Clay County

Job Interview:
Tiffany Banks, Jefferson

Computers in Agriculture:
Ryan Arave, Jefferson

FFA Creed (freshmen):
Cody Rice, University

FFA Creed (upperclassman):
Alli Wilson, Clay-Battelle

Tractor Driving (large division):
Matt Davis, Hampshire

Tractor Driving (compact division):
Ian Dransfield, Monroe County

Tractor Driving-Middle School (compact division):
Cole Perry, Ravenswood

Talent:
Michael Thomas, Moorefield Middle

Record Books:
1st year: Garrett Cole, Gilmer County
2nd year: Amanda Hannon, Mason County
3rd year: Charles Wilfong II, Pocahontas County
4th year: Megan Webb, Mineral County

Agriscience Fair:
Parker Winters (zoology), Ripley
Megan Randolph and Stephanie Gruber (botany), Ripley

Gold Emblem National Chapter Awards:
Gilmer County
Hampshire
Jefferson
Ravenswood
Ripley
Wirt County

Membership Recognition (greatest increase in membership):
Jefferson

2008 State Proficiency Award Winners: ("E" = Entrepreneurship; "P" = Placement; "E/P" = Entrepreneurship and Placement applicants in competition for combined award.)

Agricultural Mechanics Design and Fabrication (E/P)
1st Caleb Bourgeois – Ripley
Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance (P)
1st  Caleb Bourgeois – Ripley
2nd  Chad Stricklin – Roane County

Agricultural Processing (E/P)
1st  Zach Eberbaugh – Wirt County
2nd  Cody Dillon – Roane County

Agricultural Sales (E)
2nd  Alex Carper – Wirt County

Agricultural Sales (P)
1st  Eric Rhodes – Ripley
2nd  Staci Burdette – Ravenswood

Agricultural Services (E/P)
1st  A.J. White – Ripley

Aquaculture (E/P)
1st  Sara Mohr – Gilmer County

Beef Production (E)
1st  Melissa Cole – Gilmer County
2nd  Stephen Getz – Petersburg

Dairy Production (E)
1st  Tiffany Banks – Jefferson

Diversified Agriculture Production (E/P)
1st  Trevor Cummings – Roane County
2nd  A.J. White – Ripley

Diversified Horticulture (E/P)
1st  Trevor Cummings – Roane County

Diversified Livestock Production (E)
1st  Trevor Cummings – Roane County
2nd  Andrew Bourgeois – Ripley

Diversified Livestock Production (P)
1st  Hannah Heavner – Pendleton County
2nd  Jacob Atkins – Ripley

Equine Science (E)
1st  Kessel Lilly – Clay

Equine Science (P)
1st  Megan Webb – Mineral County
2nd  Tiffany Mantz – Jefferson
Floriculture (E/P)
1st  Megan Webb – Mineral County
2nd  Samantha Carney – Ripley

Forest Management and Production (E/P)
1st  Sheldon Norris – Hundred
2nd  Dalton Hylton – Greenbrier East

Home & Community Development (E/P)
1st  Caleb Bourgeois – Ripley

Landscape Management (E/P)
1st  Nathan Heis – Ripley

Nursery Operations (E/P)
1st  A.J. White – Ripley

Outdoor Recreation (E/P)
1st  Cody Dillon – Roane County
2nd  Alyssia Hall – Ripley

Poultry Production (E/P)
1st  Steven Funk – Moorefield
2nd  Robert Rogers – Gilmer County

Sheep Production (E/P)
1st  Trevor Cummings – Roane County
2nd  Landon Snyder – Ripley

Small Animal Production and Care (P)
1st  Jason Shamblin – Roane County
2nd  Derek Harpold – Ripley

Specialty Animal Production (E/P)
1st  Elizabeth McKenzie – Hampshire County
2nd  A.J. White – Ripley

Specialty Crops
2nd  Dillon Fuller – Hampshire County

Swine Production (E)
1st  Lakyn Hughes – Ravenswood
2nd  Taylor Lockhart – Wirt County

Turfgrass Management (E/P)
1st  Sheldon Norris – Hundred
2nd  Nathan Heis – Ripley

Vegetable Production (E/P)
1st  Melissa Cole – Gilmer County
2nd  A.J. White – Ripley
Wildlife (E)  
1st Sheldon Norris - *Hundred*

**STATE HAM, BACON AND EGG SHOW AND SALE**

Champion Ham: Ethan Koontz, Hundred ($2,400)  
Reserve Champion Ham: Rusty Hixenbaugh, Marion County ($2,000)  
Champion Bacon: Cody Smith, Marion County ($1,600)  
Reserve Champion Bacon: Sheldon Norris, Hundred ($2,100)  
Champion Eggs: Phillip Dennison, Valley ($1,000)  
Reserve Champion Eggs: Kim Riley, Cameron ($2,500)  
Sale totaled $36,020 on 50 hams, 50 bacons and 10 dozens of eggs

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**84th Annual Career Development Events**  
**West Virginia University**  
**2007 Sweepstakes Award**

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MISCELLANEOUS STATE ACTIVITIES

West Virginia Beef Expo Stockman’s Contest:
1st – Gilmer County
2nd – Mineral County
3rd – Clay County

High Individuals:
1st - Melissa Cole – Gilmer County
2nd – Megan Webb – Mineral County
3rd – Jason Shamblin – Roane County

West Virginia Grasslands Management Contest:
First Place – Ravenswood
Second Place - Clay
Ravenswood Team Members:
  Michelle Baldwin – First place individual
  Josh Hafer
  Derick Dillon
  Kimberly Pease

West Virginia Envirothon:
First Place – Liberty
Second Place – Ripley
Third Place – Shady Spring

2008 National FFA Scholarship Winners
  Tiffany Banks, Jefferson, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Mason Bolen, Tyler, $1,000 NAPA Auto Parts
  John Boyd, Musselman, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Nick Cox, Taylor County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Jeremy Everson, Martinsburg, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Jamie Ledsome, Roane County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Kati Lucas, Taylor County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Kathryn Payne, Barbour County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
  Bethany Sirk, Moorefield, $1,000 Dodge Trucks
  Kolby Wyant, Cabell Midland, $4,500 BREDGE Endowment

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  $420,000 as of December 31, 2007
OTHER NOTABLE ITEMS

The Cedar Lakes Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, was established in September. The purpose is to accept charitable contributions for improvements at Cedar Lakes FFA-FHA Camp which may include establishment of a new conference facility at the site.

Dr. Harry Boone, Associate Professor of Agricultural Education, WVU, was the recipient of the Southern States Cooperative Agricultural Leadership Award for 2006-07.

Shannon Boswell, agriculture teacher at Doddridge County High School, was one of 51 teachers nationwide to receive the “Teachers Turn the Key” scholarships to attend the NAAE Convention in Las Vegas in December.

The Preston High School agriculture department was one of six programs to receive the National Association of Agricultural Educators (NAAE) Outstanding Middle/Secondary Program Award at the NAAE annual conference in Las Vegas. Teachers are Ronald Wilson, Amanda Wilson and Laah Wolford.

The February 2008 issue of FFA New Horizons includes a brief note about Paul McCutcheon, who was a National FFA Officer in 1932-33 and an attendee at the 2007 National Convention. In answer to the question, “What is one of your favorite memories from your national officer year?” McCutcheon answers, “Out national officer team took a trip to Washington D.C. in January of 1933. We met President Roosevelt right after he was elected, and his speech to us was the first he had given to anyone. It was my first trip to D.C., and we had a Cadillac that chauffeured us around. For a West Virginia farm boy, that was a big deal.” In the remainder of the interview, available on ffanewhorizons.org, McCutcheon notes that he helped start the FFA as he was a freshman at Weston High School the year FFA (Future Farmers of America) was created in 1928. (Weston FFA was one of the original 20 West Virginia FFA chapters chartered during the year 1928-29.)

As Commissioner of the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Gus Douglass was on hand at the 2007 National FFA Convention to accept the Distinguished Service Citation, the FFA’s highest award presented to an organization for significant contributions to agricultural education. Commissioner Douglass and his wife, Anna Lee, also celebrated their diamond anniversary at the Convention. They were married in Kansas City in 1947 the day after Commissioner Douglass completed his duties as National FFA President.

Ms. Connie Scarbrough, agriculture teacher at Ripley, was honored by Arch Coal Foundation as one of 25 outstanding teachers in the State. She received the “Golden Apple” certificate recognizing superior achievement as a classroom teacher.

Alyssa Mae Harvey of the Mineral County FFA was selected by the National FFA Foundation to receive a grant of $500 to improve her supervised agricultural experience program in the area of animal systems.

Lincoln County FFA was presented a $10,000 check by Agriculture Commissioner Gus Douglass to help the chapter with its new biofuel program. The chapter plans to produce biodiesel from restaurant grease, from oilseeds via a seed press, and from algae available from a company in Huntington.

The 2nd Annual West Virginia FFA Foundation Golf Tournament was held in June at the Preston County Country Club on June 16. More than $3,000 was generated from the tournament for the West Virginia FFA Foundation.
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2008-09

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Advisor: Keith Burdette
Executive Secretary/Treasurer: Jason Hughes

WEST VIRGINIA FFA CHAPTERS

CENTRAL
Braxton County
Calhoun County
Clay County
Gilmer County
Lewis County
Nicholas County
Roane County
Upshur County

EASTERN
East Hardy
Elkins
Harman
Moorefield
Moorefield Middle
Mount Storm
Pendleton County
Petersburg
Tucker County
Tygarts Valley

NORTHCENTRAL
Barbour County
Clay-Battelle
Liberty
Lincoln
Marion County
Preston County
Taylor County
University High

NORTHEASTERN
Berkeley Springs
Charlestown Middle
Hampshire
Harpers Ferry Middle
Hedgesville
Jefferson
Martinsburg
Mineral County
Musselman
Shepherdstown Middle
Washington
Wildwood Middle
WV School for the Deaf

NORTHWESTERN
Blennerhassett
Cameron
Doddridge County
Hundred
John Marshall
New Martinsville
Pine Grove
Ritchie County
St. Marys
Tyler
SOUTHEASTERN
Fayette Plateau
Greenbrier East
Greenbrier West
Monroe County
Pocahontas County
Shady Spring
Summers
Surveyor

SOUTHWESTERN
Cabell Midland
Carver Career
Hannan
Lincoln County
Mason County Vocational
Ravenswood
Ravenswood Middle
Roane Jackson
Ripley
Ripley Middle
Wirt County

NATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

80th NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION DELEGATES
Indianapolis, Indiana

Derek Garrett, WV Association FFA President
Emma Yohn, WV Association FFA Secretary
Leah Vance, WV Association FFA Vice President
Erik Yost, WV Association FFA Vice President
Danielle Cox, WV Association FFA Vice President

AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Matt Morris, Clay
Kasey Kelley, Doddridge
Kendra Underwood, Doddridge
Kendra Likens, Elkins
Christopher Cunningham, Gilmer County
Steven Smith, Gilmer County
Joshua Oates, Hampshire
Casey Nicole McDonald, Hedgesville
Jared Byers McDonald, Hedgesville
Ian Dunn, Jefferson
Heather Ishman, Jefferson
Justin Lopez, Jefferson
Zachery Morgan, Jefferson
Bobi Jo Swartz, Jefferson
Michelle Walls, Jefferson
Stephen Lee Funk, Moorefield
Tyler Carl Dale Huffman, Musselman
Danielle Kisamore, Pendleton County
Stephen Getz, Petersburg
Samantha Galloway, Preston County
Angela Fisher, Ripley
Daren McPherson, Roane County
Jedidiah Guthrie, Taylor County
Ashley Bittiter, Tyler
Katlyn Hendershot, Tyler
Zach Pethel, Tyler

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Samantha Richardson, Tyler  
Derek Egbert, Wirt County  
Andrew Schreckengost, Wirt County

HONORARY AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS  
Ron Hudson, Agriculture Teacher, Pendleton County High School  
Jason Hughes, WV FFA Executive Secretary  
Robert Morris, Agriculture Teacher, Clay County High School

NATIONAL FFA VIP CITATION RECIPIENTS  
Dr. Harry Boone, West Virginia University  
Ron Grimes, West Virginia Department of Education

NATIONAL FFA BAND MEMBER  
Mason Bolen, Tyler FFA

NATIONAL FFA CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS  
Gold Emblem – Forestry, Clay County (10th place)  
Gold Emblem – Agricultural Mechanics, Mineral County (11th place)  
Gold Emblem individuals:  
Agricultural Mechanics – Kyle Kesner (7th), and Russell Stark, Mineral County  
Forestry – Sarah McCune and Jenifer Reed, Clay County  
Horse – Saarah Hansard, Jefferson  
Farm Business Management – Emily Shimp, Roane County  
Silver Emblem – Horse, Jefferson  
Silver Emblem – Farm Business Management, Roane County  
Silver Emblem – Agronomy, Roane County  
Silver Emblem – Dairy Foods, Musselman  
Silver Emblem – Environmental and Natural Resources, Ripley  
Silver Emblem – Poultry, Pendleton County  
Silver Emblem – Nursery Landscape, Hampshire  
Bronze Emblem – Floriculture, Hampshire  
Bronze Emblem – Dairy Cattle, Hundred  
Bronze Emblem – Livestock, Jefferson  
Bronze Emblem – Meats Evaluation, Tyler

NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE  
Gold Emblem – Roane County (12th place)

NATIONAL CREED SPEAKING  
Bronze Emblem – Cody Rice, University

NATIONAL PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING  
Bronze Emblem – Ariana Berg, Peadleton County

NATIONAL EXTEMPORANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING  
Bronze Emblem – Hillary Tinney, Clay County

NATIONAL JOB INTERVIEW  
Bronze Emblem – Jacob Wentz, Lincoln
NATIONAL FFA AGRISCIENCE FAIR WINNERS
Silver Emblem (Zoology) – Parker Winters, Ripley
Bronze Emblem (Botany) – Megan Randolph and Stephanie Gruber, Ripley

NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE
Katlyn Hendershot, Tyler FFA

WEST VIRGINIA’S NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS
National Three-Star Gold Chapters
   Gilmer County
   Hampshire
   Jefferson
National Two-Star Gold Chapters
   Ravenswood
   Ripley
   Wirt County

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CAREER SHOW EXHIBITOR
Collegiate FFA – West Virginia University and Potomac State College

NATIONAL LAND JUDGING
1st place: Taylor County
   Zach Tennant (10th place individual)
   Garret Trozzi (5th place individual)
   Kalyn Walker
   Renee Gerard

10th place: Nicholas County Career & Technical Center
   Mike Davis
   Tasha Worlledge
   Ryan Warner

NATIONAL HOMESITE EVALUATION
2nd place: Taylor County
   Zach Tennant (3rd place individual with a perfect score)
   Garret Trozzi (8th place individual)
   Kalyn Walker
   Renee Gerard

11th place: Nicholas County Career & Technical Center
   Mike Davis
   Tasha Worlledge
   Ryan Warner

CANON INTERNATIONAL ENVIROTHON
Silver Emblem: Ripley FFA
   Caleb Smith
   Jeff Tomlin
   Nate Robinson
   Rachel Ross
MID-AMERICA GRASSLAND EVALUATION

3rd place: Clay County
  Michael Taylor
  Catherine Nottingham
  Logan Ramsey
  Hillary Tinney
4th place: Ravenswood
  Jonathan Rhodes
  Jacob Hafer
  Ben Francis
  Elizabeth Ray
  Kelsey Flinn
  (Hafer and Rhodes won high individual honors)

81st STATE FFA CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

Date: July 8-11
Location: Cedar Lakes
Theme: Step Up, Stand Out

STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

  Amanda Duckworth   Barbour County
  Louise Evans       Barbour County
  Caleb Michael Smalley   Berkeley Springs
  Thomas J. Life     Blennerhassett
  Lillian Dennison  Braxton County
  Dylan D. Johnson   Braxton County
  Fallon Black       Cabell Midland
  Leesha Marie Campbell   Cabell Midland
  Mark Hayes         Cabell Midland
  Amanda Lawhoun     Cabell Midland
  Jessica Allen      Cameron
  Kimberly A. Brooks  Cameron
  Kilie Michelle Bungard  Cameron
  Davey Holmes       Cameron
  Meghan Marsh       Cameron
  Shyan Rush         Cameron
  Katrina Adkins     Clay
  Sara McCune        Clay
  Catherine Nottingham   Clay
  Nathan Pritt      Clay
  Sierra Fout        Doddridge County
  Doug Lipscomb      Doddridge County
  Marcy Myrick        Doddridge County
  Elizabeth Perine   Doddridge County
  Brian Sprouse      Gilmer County
  Andrew Stump        Gilmer County
  Kodie Brooks       Greenbrier East
  Tracey Nicole Burns  Greenbrier East
  Jennifer Marie Highlander  Greenbrier East
Ava Lynn Morris  
Lyndsay Sell  
Stacy Annette McPaters  
Cassy Arlena Cussins  
Ashley L. McCarty  
Todd A. McNair  
Andrew T. Mercure  
Jennifer L. Rounds  
Alexa Corcovilos  
Patrick Fletcher  
Travis Harper  
Alisha Rogers  
Bradley Ward  
Andrew Bourgeois  
Levi Hamon  
Brittany Munday  
Rachel Ross  
Shae Shamblen  
Caleb Smith  
Parker Winters  
Tyler J. Dolan  
Kendra Lachelle Harris  
Annie Hodge  
Steven Mullen II  
Kirstie Nicholas  
Eleanor Porter  
Michelle Randolph  
Kacie Renee Lovell  
Catherine May  
Melissa Dawn Cox  
Nathan Cunningham  
Seth Sims  
Clara Renee Gerard  
Brianna Hickman  
Hannah Elizabeth Murray  
Garrett Trozzi  
Aaron M. Wood  
Michael Cochran  
Kelly Flesher  
George Hilvers  
Maggie Kimball  
Crystal McCoy  
Casey Miner  
Chad Himes  
Jessi Harvey  
Joseph Evans  
Ian Roberts  
Matthew Coe  
Jake Hutchinson  
Jeff Jeffers  
Levi Alan Kerby  
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Lacey Sims
Tiffany Somerville
Nathanael Watkins

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Star State Farmer
Trisha M. Smith, Petersburg

Star State in Placement
Brent Ebert, Mineral County

Star State Agribusinessperson
Kili Bungard, Cameron

West Virginia Star Farmer
Melissa Cole, Gilmer County

West Virginia Star Agribusinessperson
Megan Webb, Mineral County

HONORARY STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
Jared Beard
Dr. Deborah Boone
    Jack Cain
    Robert Coen
    Carlos Cole
    Alice Compton
    Michael Coughlin
    Russell Dotson
    Gary Grubb
    Robin L. Haynes
    Laura Hovermale
    Jim Lambert
    Doward Matlick
Delegate Carol Miller
    Russell Moore
Reagan Sims Rogers
W.C. “Sonny” Taylor
    Chris VanDyne
Delmas Westfall
Dana Young

STATE CONVENTION CONTEST WINNERS
Opening Ceremony (middle school):
    Moorefield Middle
Parliamentary Procedure:
    Taylor County
Land Judging: Tyler
   Rheanna Foley (2nd place individual)
   Casey Miner (4th place individual)
   Michelle Williams (6th place individual)
   Kelly Flesher
Homesite Evaluation: Ravenswood
   Jacob Hafer (3rd place individual)
   Brittany Marks (10th place individual)
   Joe Hartley (11th place individual)
   Dennis Rash
   (Rheanne Foley, Tyler – 1st place individual)
Outstanding Alumni Chapter:
   Tyler
Scrapbook:
   Cabell Midland
Middle School Scrapbook:
   Moorefield Middle School
FFA Quiz Bowl:
   1st - Moorefield Middle School
   2nd – Wildwood Middle School
Prepared Public Speaking:
   1st - Katrina Adkins, Clay County
   2nd – Parker Winters, Ripley
   3rd – Nancy Cumberledge, Hundred
Middle School Public Speaking:
   Sarah Liller, Moorefield Middle
Extemporaneous Public Speaking:
   1st - Preston Berkeley, Jefferson
   2nd - Casey Miner, Tyler
   3rd - Eleanor Porter, Roane County
Job Interview:
   1st - Nyki Martin, Jefferson
   2nd – Robby Curry, Doddridge
   3rd – Ryan Turner, Mineral
FFA Creed (freshman):
   Ali Cole, Roane County
FFA Creed (upperclassman):
   Kelsey Sams, Musselman
Tractor Driving (large division):
   Josh Acacio, Greenbrier East
Tractor Driving (compact division):
   Zach Shamblin, Ravenswood
Tractor Driving Middle School:
   Natalie Francis, Ravenswood
Talent:
   Michael Thomas, Moorefield and Erin Townsend, Cabell Midland
On-line Record Book:
   1st year: Michaela Dunn, Washington
   2nd year: Wesley Davis, Mason County
3rd year: Amanda Hannon, Mason County

Traditional Record Book:
1st year: Annaliene Henderson, Hundred
2nd year: Sarah Miller, Mineral County
3rd year: Zachery Shamblin, Ravenswood
4th year: Charles Wilfong II, Pocahontas County

On-line Record Book—7th and 8th grade
1st year: Tiffany Harvey, Ravenswood Middle
2nd year: Miranda Dodson, Charles Town Middle

Conservation Award:
Braxton County

Agriscience Fair:
Division I:
Biochemistry, Microbiology & Food Science: Taylor Zuber, Moorefield Middle
Environmental Sciences: Evan Wilson, Mason County
Zoology: Wes Davis, Mason County
Botany: Michael Thomas, Moorefield Middle
Engineering: Ben Parker, Moorefield Middle

Division II:
Biochemistry, Microbiology & Food Science: Peggy Winter, Ripley
Environmental Sciences: Michelle Biser, Moorefield
Zoology: Parker Winters, Ripley
Botany: Ty Snyder, Ripley

Division III:
Botany: Megan Randolph & Stephanie Gruber, Ripley
Biochemistry, Microbiology & Food Science: Brittney Mundy & Shawna Rhodes, Ripley
Environmental Sciences: Caleb Smith & Aubrie Anderson, Ripley
Zoology: Rachel Wyatt & Cody Bassett, Pine Grove

Gold Emblem Chapter Awards:
Mineral County
Gilmer County
Hampshire
Roane County
Wirt County
Jefferson

Membership Recognition (greatest increase in membership):
Petersburg

STATE FFA PROFICIENCY AWARD WINNERS
(“E” = Entrepreneurship; “P” = Placement; “E/P” = Entrepreneurship and Placement applicants in competition for combined award.)

Agricultural Communication (E/P)
2nd Parker Winter – Ripley

Agricultural Education (E/P)
1st Caleb Smith – Ripley

Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance (P)
2nd Landon Snyder – Ripley
Agricultural Processing (E/P)
1st  Cody Dillon – *Wirt County*

Agricultural Sales (P)
1st  Staci Burdette – *Ravenswood*
2nd  Kendra Harris – *Roane County*

Beef Production (E)
1st  Jason Shamblin – *Roane County*
2nd  Cody Grogg – *Gilmer County*

Beef Production (P)
1st  Brent Ebert – *Mineral County*
2nd  Andrew Bourgeois – *Ripley*

Dairy Production (P)
2nd  Morgan Henderson – *Jefferson*

Diversified Agriculture Production (E/P)
1st  Jason Shamblin – *Roane County*
2nd  Curry Marshall – *Roane County*

Diversified Livestock Production (E)
1st  Jason Shamblin – *Roane County*
2nd  Ryan Hunter – *Ripley*

Diversified Livestock Production (P)
1st  Andrew Bourgeois – *Ripley*

Emerging Agricultural Technology (E/P)
2nd  Parker Winters – *Ripley*

Environmental Science & Natural Resources Management (E/P)
2nd  Levi Hamon – *Ripley*

Equine Science (P)
1st  Shae Shamblen – *Ripley*
2nd  Samantha Carney – *Ripley*

Floriculture (E/P)
1st  Lacey Sims – *Wirt County*
2nd  Samantha Carney – *Ripley*

Forage Production (E/P)
2nd  Calvin Saunders – *Roane County*

Landscape Management (E/P)
2nd  Brandon Johnson – *Clay*

Outdoor Recreation (E/P)
2nd  Samantha Carney – *Ripley*
Poultry Production (E/P)
1st Robert Rogers – Gilmer County
2nd Ryan Hunter – Ripley

Sheep Production (E/P)
1st Landon Snyder – Ripley
2nd Andrea Walker – Moorefield

Small Animal Production and Care (P)
2nd Jessica Hedrick – Greenbrier East

Specialty Animal Production (E/P)
1st Katharine Wolfe – Jefferson
1st Andrew Bourgeois – Ripley

Swine Production (E)
2nd Nancy Cumberledge – Hundred

Turfgrass Management (E/P)
1st Caleb Smith – Ripley
2nd Corey Kimble – Hundred

Veterinary Medicine (E/P)
2nd Jessica Hedrick – Greenbrier East

STATE HAM, BACON AND EGG SHOW AND SALE

Champion Ham: Nick Billiter, Tyler FFA, $3,325
Reserve Champion Ham: Kelly Flesher, Tyler FFA, $2,200
Champion Bacon: Janessa Kinkade, Valley Pine Grove FFA, $1,750
Reserve Champion Bacon: Ava Morris, Valley Pine Grove FFA, $1,800
Champion Eggs: Trevor Cummings, Roane County FFA, $2,000
Reserve Champion Eggs: Brandon Ash, Roane County FFA, $2,500
Sale totaled $ 36,747

85th STATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS RESULTS
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
2008 Sweepstakes Award

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### MISCELLANEOUS STATE ACTIVITIES

West Virginia Beef Expo Stockman’s Contest:

1st place – Clay FFA—Felicia Chapman, Kelley Coleman, Richard Bartsch, Dustin Holcomb
2nd place – Ripley FFA—Samantha Carney, Shawna Rhodes, Peggy Winter, Brittany Munday
3rd place – Lewis County FFA—Breanna Brown, Melinda Hicks, Trenton Posey, Jayme Burkhart

1st place individual—Mike Moore, Barbour County FFA
2nd place individual—Felicia Chapman, Clay FFA
3rd place individual—Kelley Coleman, Clay FFA

(Ravenswood FFA won the Beef Cook-Off held during the event)

West Virginia Envirothon:

1st place - Ravenswood FFA—Dustin Marks, Jonathan Rhodes, Logan Hughes, Lakyn Hughes, Jay Salser
2nd place – Mineral County FFA
3rd place – Jefferson FFA

West Virginia Grasslands Management Contest:

1st place – Clay County FFA
2nd place – Ravenswood FFA
3rd place – Ripley FFA

High individual – Logan Ramsey, Clay FFA

2009 National FFA Scholarship Winners:

Leesha Campbell, Cabell Midland, $1,000 Dodge Trucks
Trevor Cummings, Roane County, $1,500 Monsanto
Annie Hodge, Roane County, $1,000 Dodge Trucks
Alicia Malcomb, Braxton County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
Tyler Moyer, Gilmer County, $4,300 Lincoln Electric
Hannah Murray, Taylor county, $1,000 Ford Trucks
Kati Lucas, Taylor County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
Eleanor Porter, Roane County, $1,000 Ford Trucks
Aaron Wood, Taylor Cou9nty, $1,000 Dodge Trucks
2009 State FFA Foundation Scholarship Awards:
Eleanor Porter, Roane County, Kroger Mid-Atlantic Scholarship ($1,000)
Andrea Walker, Moorefield, Bob & Jewell Evans Foundation Scholarship ($500)
Trevor Cummings, Roane County, Bob & Jewell Evans Foundation Scholarship ($500)
Alexa Talkington, Tyler, Carhartt, Inc. Scholarship ($500)
James Clark, Greenbrier West, Carhartt, Inc. Scholarship ($500)
West Virginia FFA Foundation ($500 each)
    Jessica Harvey, Buckhannon-Upshur
    Dillon Fuller, Hampshire
    Trisha Smith, Petersburg
    Becky Coen, Pine Grove

WEST VIRGINIA FFA FOUNDATION

Chairperson: William West
Treasurer: Keith Burdette
Vice-President: James Ash
Secretary: Jason Hughes
    $452,907 as of December 31, 2008
    Interest earned in 2008: $13,338.30

OTHER NOTABLE ITEMS

Ripley FFA was a national winner in the Ford Driving Skills for Life competition. The Chapter was awarded a $2,500 check for their project at the National FFA Convention.

Four WVU Agricultural Education students took first place in the FFA’s National Quiz Bowl at the National FFA Convention. Cole Bishop, Andrea Kneer, Sara Kreh and Jamie Snider answered questions in the areas of technical agriculture, professional education, and agricultural education organizations to win the top honors.

At the National FFA Convention, the Mountaineer Collegiate Chapter FFA received the first-place Program of Excellence Award, which was established as a way to share activities being conducted by collegiate agricultural education organizations throughout the United States and to recognize groups that have done an outstanding job of planning and executing activities in professional development, community service, fundraising and fellowship. WVU’s program was recognized for overall excellence.

Dr. Douglas LaVergne joined the Agricultural Education faculty at WVU in January 2009. Dr. LaVergne holds the BS degree from Southern University A&M College in Baton Rouge, LA; the MS degree from the University of Arkansas—Fayetteville; and the PhD degree from Texas A&M University. He will be primarily responsible for teaching the agricultural mechanics courses at WVU.

The 3rd Annual West Virginia FFA Foundation Golf Tournament was held in June at the Preston County Country Club. Over $3,000 was generated for the WV FFA Foundation.
MOUNTAINEER COLLEGIATE FFA OFFICERS
(WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY)

President – John Workman
Vice President – Sara Kreh
Secretary – LeeAnn Miller
Treasurer – Andrea Kneer
Reporter – Cole Bishop
Sentinel – Jamie Snider
Historian – Lissa Daffin
Parliamentarian – Ashley Carson
Junior Advisor – Joshua Rice
Advisors – Drs. Harry Boone and Stacy Gartin
West Virginia Association FFA
2009-2010

STATE OFFICERS

President: Jada Hostuttler, Musselman
Secretary: Katelyn Brogan, Lincoln County
Vice President: Andrea Walker, Moorefield (Eastern)
Vice President: Hillary Tinney, Clay County (Central)
Vice President: Nick Beaver, Tyler (Northwestern)
Vice President: Beth Morgan, Martinsburg (Northeastern)
Vice President: Eleanor Porter, Roane County (at large)
Vice President: Kimmie Brooks, Cameron (at large)
Vice President: Scott Ash, Tyler (at large)
Advisor: Jason Hughes
Executive Secretary/Treasurer: Nathan Taylor

WEST VIRGINIA FFA CHAPTERS

CENTRAL
Braxton County
Calhoun County
Clay County
Gilmer County
Lewis County
Nicholas County
Roane County
Upshur County

EASTERN
East Hardy
East Hardy Middle
Elkins
Harman
Moorefield
Moorefield Middle
Mount Storm
Pendleton County
Petersburg
Tucker County
Tygart Valley

NORTHCENTRAL
Barbour County
Clay-Battelle
Liberty
Lincoln
Marion County
Preston County
Taylor County
University High

NORTHEASTERN
Berkeley Springs
Charlestown Middle
Hampshire
Harpers Ferry Middle
Hedgesville
Jefferson
Martinsburg
Mineral County
Musselman
Shepherdstown Middle
Washington
Wildwood Middle
WV School for the Deaf

NORTHWESTERN
Blennerhassett
Cameron
Doddridge County
Hundred
John Marshall
New Martinsville
Pine Grove
Ritchie County
St. Marys
Tyler
### SOUTHEASTERN
- Fayette Plateau
- Greenbrier East
- Greenbrier West
- Monroe County
- Pocahontas County
- Shady Spring
- Summers
- Surveyor

### SOUTHWESTERN
- Cabell Midland
- Carver Career
- Hannan
- Lincoln County
- Mason County Vocational
- Ravenswood
- Ravenswood Middle
- Roane Jackson
- Ripley
- Ripley Middle
- Wirt County

## NATIONAL PROCEEDINGS

81st NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION DELEGATES
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jada Hostuttler, WV Association FFA President
Scott Ash, WV Association Vice President
Beth Morgan, WV Association Vice President
Andrea Walker, WV Association Vice President
Kimmie Brooks (Alternate), West Virginia Association Vice President
Eleanor Porter, (Alternate), West Virginia Association Vice President

### AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
- Allison Robinson
- Melissa Cole
- Jennifer Minney
- Phillip Cramer
- Brittany Hott
- Michael Duncan, Jr.
- Emma Yohn
- Megan Webb
- Hanna Heavner
- Justin Smith
- Staci Burdette
- Caleb Bourgeois
- Grace Parsons
- Cody Dillon
- Jessica Roberts
- Chad Stricklin
- Scott Ash
- Rebecca Rush

- Cabell Midland FFA
- Gilmer County FFA
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- Hampshire County FFA
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- Jefferson FFA
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- Pendleton County FFA
- Petersburg FFA
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- Tyler FFA
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### HONORARY AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS
- Marvin McClung
- Jerry Knight
- Rodney Hardman

- Steve McAnarney
- E.A. Leatherman
- Jean Woloshuk
NATIONAL FFA CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Gold Emblem Teams:
Forestry, Tyler (9th place)
Dairy Cattle, Jefferson (14th place)

Silver Emblem Teams:
Livestock, Greenbrier East
Poultry, Cameron
Farm Business Management, Wirt County
Agronomy, Roane County
Dairy Foods, Clay
Environmental and Natural Resources, Ravenswood
Nursery Landscape, Hampshire

Bronze Emblem Teams:
Floriculture, Ritchie County
Horse, Ripley
Agricultural Mechanics, Mineral County
Meats Evaluation, Clay

Gold Medal Individuals:
Forestry—George Hilvers and Casey Miner, Tyler
Dairy Cattle—Preston Berkeley and Morgan Henderson, Jefferson
Livestock—Zach Bartenslager, Greenbrier East
Poultry—Paul Blake, Cameron

NATIONAL PROFICIENCY AWARDS

Bronze – Agricultural Education (Entrepreneurship/Placement): Caleb Smith, Ripley
Bronze – Agricultural Processing (Entrepreneurship/Placement): Cody Lee Dillon, Roane County
Silver – Agricultural Sales (Placement): Staci Burdette, Ravenswood
Bronze – Beef Production (Entrepreneurship) – Jason Shamblin, Roane County
Silver – Beef Production (Placement) – Brent Ebert, Mineral County
Bronze – Equine Science (Placement) – Shae Shamblen, Ripley
Bronze – Floriculture (Entrepreneurship/Placement) – Lacey Sims, Wirt County
Silver – Poultry Production (Entrepreneurship/Placement) – Robert Rogers, Gilmer County
Bronze – Sheep Production (Entrepreneurship/Placement) – Landon Tyrell Snyder, Ripley
Gold – Specialty Animal Production (Entrepreneurship/Placement) – Katharine Wolf, Jefferson
Bronze – Swine Production (Entrepreneurship) – Andrew Bourgeois, Ripley

NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Gold Emblem – Taylor County

NATIONAL CREED SPEAKING

Bronze Emblem – Allie Cole, Roane County

NATIONAL PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING

Silver Emblem – Katrina Adkins, Clay

NATIONAL EXTEMPOREANEOUS PUBLIC SPEAKING

Bronze Emblem – Eleanor Porter, Roane County

NATIONAL JOB INTERVIEW

Silver Emblem – Mynika Martin, Jefferson
NATIONAL FFA AGRISCIENCE FAIR AWARDS
Gold Emblem – James Wilson, Mason County
Gold Emblem – Wesley Davis, Mason County
Silver Emblem – Taylor Zuber, Moorefield Middle
Silver Emblem – Michelle Biser, Moorefield
Silver Emblem – Megan Randolph and Stephanie Gruber, Ripley
Silver Emblem – Ben Parker, Moorefield Middle
Bronze Emblem – Shawna Rhodes and Brittany Munday, Ripley
Bronze Emblem – Landon Snyder, Ripley
Bronze Emblem – Parker Winters, Ripley
Bronze Emblem – Caleb Smith, Ripley

NATIONAL OFFICER CANDIDATE
Katlyn Hendershot, Tyler (WV Association FFA President, 2007-08)

WEST VIRGINIA’S NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS
Gold Emblem Chapters—Three Star Rating
   Gilmer County
   Hampshire
   Wirt County
Gold Emblem Chapters—Two Star Rating
   Mineral County
   Jefferson
   Roane County

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CAREER SHOW EXHIBITOR
Collegiate FFA, West Virginia University and Potomac State College

NATIONAL LAND JUDGING
Ripley (12th place)
Tyler (14th place)
   Kelly Flesher—14th place individual
Clay County (46th place)
Ravenswood (47th place)

NATIONAL HOMESITE EVALUATION
Tyler (6th place)
Ravenswood (7th place)
Ripley (16th place)
Clay County (21st place)

CANON INTERNATIONAL ENVIROTHON
WV contestant: Ravenswood
   Jonathan Rhodes
   Jay Salser
   Lakyn Hughes
   Logan Hughes
   Dustin Marks
MID-AMERICA GRASSLAND EVALUATION

1st place team – Clay FFA
2nd place individual – Megan Prater, Clay FFA
3rd place individual – Megan Moore, Clay FFA
Michael Taylor
Logan Ramsey
4th place team – Ravenswood FFA

82nd STATE FFA CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

Date: July 7-10
Location: Cedar Lakes
Theme: Lead Out Loud

STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Robbie Shomo
Wade Darnold
Kyle Townsend
Caleb Harper
Katherine Jenkins
Joshua Skyland Porto
Alison Utt
Jacob Barr
Theo Chidester
Kenneth Cole Karickhoff
Clark Shahan
Teasha Jenkins
Drew Mills
Seth B. Neal
Keith Doty
Morgan Hughes
Michael B. Hopkins
Brandon Johnson
Hayley Morris
Rebecca Rogers
Carly Triplett
Holly Walker
Tabitha Ash
Autumn Bailey
Robby Curry
Shasta Hayhurst
Zach Palmer
Lara Basye
Dakota Dispanet
Kyde Enke
Travis Funkhouser
Adam D. Liller
Samantha Cottrell
Virginia Beiler
Gwen Bowman

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Braxton County
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Briana Honaker
Travis Kirk
Colin Lovelace
Michael Tanner Norman
Catlin Rose
Ashley Vance
Jessica Ray Wiley
Samantha Barnes
Troy R. Bennett
Lance H. Davis
James Ford Jr.
Audreanna Haines
Kelsie L. Harrison
Brooke Hott
Heather K. Ludwick
Helen Riley
Joseph Rippeon
Cody Canby
Ricky Davis
Brandon Fries
Brad Knipe
Ryan Largent
Dillon Nadenbousch
Louis Novotny
Dustin Riner
Jordan Stotler
Rachel Ashcraft
Cassandra Crihfield
Ashley Jones
Shane Kuhn
Dalton Kuhn
Robert Bane
Frankie Bramhall
James Costello
Richard Hahn
Nyi Ki Martin
Sabrina Postlethwait
William J. Toothman
Ashley Butler
Terry Lee Morgan
Samuel Tryon
Amanda Hannon
Russell Kidwell
Jesse Bane
James Kirk
Amanda Michael
Sarah Miller
Cassandra Rohrbaugh
Ryan Turner

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**Star State Farmer** – Zachery Shamblin, Ravenswood

**Star State Agribusinessperson** – Brandon Johnson, Clay

**Star State Placement** – Travis Funkhouser, East Hardy

**West Virginia Star Farmer** – Jason Shamblin, Roane County

**West Virginia Star Placement** – Brent Ebert, Mineral County

**HONORARY STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS**
Jared Beard
David Childs
Richard Corcovilos
Philip Miller
Ken Parsons
Michael Shamblin
Oliver J. Steward
Chris VanDyne
Craig Yohn

**STATE CONVENTION CONTEST WINNERS**

Parliamentary Procedure:
1st – Tyler
2nd – Marion County
3rd – Ripley

Land Judging:
1st – Taylor County
   Macy Kirby – 1st place individual
   Samantha Glaspell
   Lynnessa Henderson
Homesite Evaluation:
   1st – Taylor County
      Macy Kirby
      Samantha Glaspell – 1st place individual
      Lynnessa Henderson – 2nd place individual

Scrapbook:
   1st – Cabell Midland
   2nd – Pendleton County
   3rd – Jefferson

Middle School Scrapbook:
   1st – Moorefield Middle

FFA Quiz Bowl:
   1st – Wildwood Middle
   2nd – Moorefield Middle

Prepared Public Speaking:
   1st – Michelle Williams, Tyler
   2nd – Katherine Wolfe, Jefferson
   3rd – Ashley Mauldin, Preston County

Middle School Public Speaking:
   1st – Gabrielle Sizemore, Wildwood Middle

Extemporaneous Public Speaking:
   1st – Casey Miner, Tyler
   2nd – Katie Wolf, Jefferson
   3rd – Ashley Vance, Greenbrier East

Job Interview:
   1st – Morgan Henderson, Jefferson
   2nd – Melanie Haddox, Richie County
   3rd – Brianna Hickman, Taylor County

FFA Creed (freshmen):
   1st place – Amanda Smith, Jefferson

FFA Creed (upperclassman):
   1st – Dale Cayton, Clay
   2nd – Joey Manchin, Marion County
   3rd – Evan Dodrill, Greenbrier East

Opening Ceremony:
   Moorefield Middle

Tractor Driving (large division):
   1st – Kyle Duckworth, Barbour
   2nd – Zach Shamblin, Ravenswood
   3rd – Nathan Staub, Hampshire

Tractor Driving (compact division):
   1st – Hadley Wilson, Preston County
   2nd – Ben Francis, Ravenswood
   3rd – Joe Hartley, Ravenswood

Tractor Driving Middle School (compact):
   1st – Garet Shamblin, Ripley Middle
   2nd – Michael Ring, Charles Town Middle
   3rd – Micah Wichael, Moorefield Middle

Talent:
   Tri-County Bluegrass Group
On-Line Record Books:
1st year:
  1st - Ashley Shamblin, Ravenswood
  2nd - Jessica Woodworth, Mineral County

Traditional Record Book: Middle School
  1st – Jessica Walker, Moorefield

Traditional Record Book:
2nd year:
  1st – Amanda Wilson, Mineral County
  2nd – Sarah Clagg, Cabell Midland

3rd year:
  1st – Sarah Miller, Mineral County
  2nd – Wesley Davis, Mason County
  3rd – Seth Neal, Cabell Midland

4th year:
  1st – Charles Wilfong II, Pocahontas County
  2nd – Russell Kidwell, Mason County

Conservation Award:
  Roane-Jackson

Agriscience Fair:

Division I
  Biochemistry, Microbiology & Food Science
    1st – Jett Pauley, Lincoln County
    2nd – Rebecca Merrill, Moorefield Middle
    3rd – Michael Thomas, Moorefield High

Environmental Sciences
    1st – Jared Beard, Moorefield Middle
    2nd – Mitchell Long, Wildwood Middle

Zoology
    Honorable Mention – Danielle Fogleson, Mason County
    2nd – JoBeth Delawder, Moorefield Middle
    3rd – Amanda Smith, Jefferson

Botany
    2nd – Karlee Arnold, Mason County

Engineering
    1st – TJ Bowman, Moorefield Middle
    2nd – Elizabeth Hayden, Wildwood Middle
    3rd – Elizabeth Bateman, Mason County

Division II
  Environmental Sciences
    2nd – West Davis, Mason County

Zoology
    2nd – Katharine Wolf, Jefferson
    3rd – Vanessa Bumgarner, Mason County

Botany
    2nd – Corey Hall, Ripley

Division III
  Botany
    2nd – Paige Barr & Daniel Thomas, Ripley

Zoology
    3rd – Molly Fellune & Katlyn Parsons, Mason County
Division IV
Botany

1st – Crystal Cummings & Kayla Adkins, Lincoln County

2010 Business Plan Competition

1st – Wesley Davis, Mason County
2nd – Kevin Rhoades & Cody Moore, Gilmer County
3rd – Katharine Wolfe & Preston Berkeley, Jefferson

Gold Emblem Chapter Awards:

Gilmer County
Hampshire
Jefferson County
Mineral County
Roane County
Tyler

Membership Recognition (greatest increase in membership):

Greenbrier East

“What My Advisor Means to Me”:

Cassie Crihfield, Hundred

STATE FFA PROFICIENCY AWARD WINNERS

(“E” = Entrepreneurship; “P” = Placement; “E/P” = Entrepreneurship and Placement applicants in competition for combined award.)

Agricultural Communication (E/P)

1st – Parker Winter – Ripley

Agricultural Education (E/P)

1st – Megan Jones – Mineral
2nd – Samantha Carney – Ripley

Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance (P)

1st – Calvin Saunders – Roane County

Agricultural Processing (E/P)

1st – Briana Marks – Roane County

Agricultural Sales (P)

1st – Cassandra Crihfield – Hundred
2nd – Samantha Carney – Ripley

Agricultural Services

1st – Samantha Carney – Ripley

Beef Production (E)

1st – Charles Wilfong – Pocahontas
2nd – Cody Grogg – Gilmer County
Beef Production (P)
1st Andrew Bourgeois – Ripley
2nd Travis Funkhouser – East Hardy

Dairy Production (P)
2nd Morgan Henderson – Jefferson

Diversified Agriculture Production (E/P)
1st Cody Grogg – Gilmer County
2nd Brent Ebert – Mineral County

Diversified Crop Production
1st Calvin Saunders – Roane County

Diversified Horticulture (E/P)
1st Morgan Higginbotham – Roane County
2nd Shane Kuhn – Hundred

Diversified Livestock Production (E)
1st Charles Wilfong – Pocahontas

Diversified Livestock Production (P)
1st Sarah Miller – Mineral County

Emerging Agricultural Technology (E/P)
1st Parker Winters – Ripley

Equine Science (P)
1st Samantha Carney – Ripley
2nd Brittany Harrison – Ripley

Floriculture (E/P)
1st Morgan Higginbotham – Roane County
2nd Samantha Carney – Ripley

Forage Production (E/P)
1st Brent Ebert – Mineral County
2nd Calvin Saunders – Roane County

Forest Management (E/P)
2nd Calvin Saunders – Roane County

Home and/or Community Development
1st Andrew Bourgeois – Ripley

Landscape Management (E/P)
1st Brandon Johnson – Clay
2nd Daniel Heis – Ripley

Nursery Operation (E/P)
1st Shane Kuhn – Hundred
Sheep Production (E/P)
1st Charles Wilfong - Pocahontas
2nd Andrew Bourgeois - Ripley

Small Animal Production and Care (P)
1st Catlin Rose - Greenbrier East
2nd Kristin Morris - Roane County

Specialty Animal Production (E/P)
1st Holly Walker - Clay
2nd Samantha Cottrell - Gilmer County

Swine Production (E)
1st Catherine May - Shady Spring
2nd Ethan Koontz - Hundred

Turfgrass Management (E/P)
1st Daniel Heis - Ripley
2nd Corey Kimble - Hundred

Vegetable Production
1st Cassandra Crihfield - Hundred

Veterinary Medicine (E/P)
1st Catlin Rose - Greenbrier East
2nd Layla Lewis - Mineral County

STATE HAM, BACON AND EGG SHOW AND SALE
Grand Champion Ham: George Hilvers, Tyler, $4,485
Reserve Champion Ham: Samantha Thomas, Valley Pine Grove, $3,680
Grand Champion Bacon: Justin McNay, Marion County, $5,600
Reserve Champion Bacon: Josh Hinerman, Cameron, $4,800
Grand Champion Eggs: Amanda Parsons, Cameron, $5,600
Reserve Champion Eggs: Clay Ueltchey, Valley Pine Grove, $1,100
Sale totaled $44,493.50

86th STATE CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS RESULTS
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### MISCELLANEOUS STATE ACTIVITIES

**West Virginia Beef Expo Stockman’s Contest:**

**Senior Division:**

1st place—Clay County  
2nd place—Mineral County  
3rd place—Ripley  

Individuals:  
1st place—Felicia Chapman, Clay County  
2nd place—Bradley Kesecker, Mineral County  
3rd place—Samantha Carney, Ripley

**Junior Division:**

1st place—Grant County  
2nd place—East Hardy Early/Middle  
3rd place—Moorefield Middle B team  

Individuals:  
Cody Breg—Grant County  
Michael Doyle—South Harrison  
Michael Dayton—Grant County

**West Virginia Envirothon:**

1st place—Jefferson FFA  
2nd place—Braxton FFA Blue  
3rd place—Braxton FFA Gold

**West Virginia Grasslands Management:**

1st place—Clay County  
2nd place—Ravenswood FFA Green team  
3rd place—Ripley  

Individuals:  
Logan Ramsey  
Michael Taylor  
Tiffany Harvey
West Virginia Food Science (the first ever)
   1st place—Marion County
   1st place Middle School—Ripley

National FFA Scholarship Winners:
   Katherine Jenkins, Braxton County, $1,500
   Colter Taylor, Roane County, $1,000
   Dylan Johnson, Braxton County, $1,000
   Clara Gerard, Taylor County, $1,000
   Abraham Hummel, Liberty, $1,000

West Virginia Foundation Scholarships
   Lakyn Hughes, Ravenswood, $1,000
   Andrew Bourgeois, Ripley, $500
   Lacey Sims, Wirt County, $500
   Meghan Marsh, Cameron, $500
   Parker Winters, Ripley, $500
   Colter Taylor, Roane County, $500
   George Hilvers, Tyler, $500
   Samantha Carney, Ripley, $500
   Dylan Johnson, Braxton County, $500

WEST VIRGINIA FFA FOUNDATION

Chairperson: William West
Vice President: Jim Ash
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   Account balance December 31, 2009: $484,862.84

OTHER NOTABLE ITEMS

Keith Burdette resigned as Lead Coordinator, Agricultural Education, in the West Virginia
Department of Education on September 30, 2009. He began his new position as the Executive Director of
Human Resources, WVDE, on October 1.

Nathan Taylor, former State FFA Officer and agriculture teacher at Wirt County High School,
was appointed to the position of Coordinator, Agricultural Education in October, 2009.

As a result of the above changes, Jason Hughes was named State FFA Advisor and Nathan Taylor
was named State FFA Executive Secretary of the WV FFA Association.

Dr. Harry Boone is currently serving as Editor of the National Agricultural Education Magazine.

East Hardy Middle, Hannan, John Marshall, Mason County Vocational, Ripley and Roane
County FFA chapters each received a $4,000.00 USDA Living to Serve Grant to conduct service learning
projects in their communities.
Carl S. Thomas, 88, died on December 26, 2009. Mr. Thomas taught vocational agriculture for 17 years at Spencer High School prior to becoming State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture and State Advisor of the West Virginia Association FFA. He later served as assistant director of postsecondary and adult education until his retirement in 1987. He was instrumental in the development of Cedar Lakes FFA and FHA Camp and was an interim supervisor at Cedar Lakes in the 1960s.

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Dr. Stacy Gartin, Advisor

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