



Iowa FFA Association

The FFA Mission

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

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West Dubuque FFA Wins 2006 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event

The 2006 Iowa FFA Dairy Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the Blue Ribbon Dairy Classic in West Union on Saturday, September 16, 2006. Twenty-four teams and eighty-five individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide students an opportunity to display their knowledge and skills in the chosen agricultural field.

The West Dubuque FFA Chapter located in Epworth was named the Iowa Champion FFA Dairy Team. Team members included: Luke Rauen, Kurt Wolf, Ted Wolf, and Mark Simon. Mr. Matt Lansing is the Agriculture Education instructor and FFA advisor. The champion team will compete in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event during the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana this October. The champion team received a plaque sponsored through the National FFA Foundation by Associated Milk Producers, Inc. of Arlington, TX and Westfalia*Surge, Naperville, IL. The team will receive travel money to the national event sponsored by Associated Milk Producers, Arlington, IA., and Midwest Dairy Association, Ankeny, IA., through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Judging was the M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA Chapter located in Monona. Team members included: Matt Henkes, Kayla Koether, Leah Henkes, and Leah Ruff. Mr. Doug Martin is the Agriculture Education instructor and FFA advisor. They received a plaque sponsored by Stardell Farms Inc. of Fredericksburg, IA, through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Ted Wolf from Epworth was the Champion Individual. Leah Henkes from Monona was the Reserve Champion Individual. They received plaques sponsored by Associated Milk Producers, Arlington, Ia, through the Iowa FFA Foundation

Several organizations sponsored awards through the Iowa FFA Foundation. Midwest Dairy Association sponsored rosettes for the top ten teams, members of the top ten teams, and top ten individuals. Lang's Dairy Equipment/Bou-Matic sponsored trophies for the high team and individuals in the following categories: Dairy Cattle Classes, Oral Reasons, Production Management Test, and. Pedigree Evaluation (team only).

Judges for the event, both placement and linear, were Jim Hammerand, Kris Saunders and Kayla Lyon and Dean Weber prepared the testing materials.

Listed below are the top teams and individuals in the various parts of the career development event.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 2 M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA, Monona
- 3 South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
- 4 Postville FFA, Postville
- 5 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 6 Tri-Star FFA
- 7 North Fayette FFA, West Union
- 8 Decorah FFA, Decorah
- 9 Benton Community FFA, Van Horne
- 10 Starmont FFA, Arlington

Top 10 Individuals

- 1 Ted Wolf, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 2 Leah Henkes, M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA, Monona
- 3 Luke Rauen, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 4 Jordan Hanson, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
- 5 Mark Simon, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 6 Kurt Wolf, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 7 Ross Hanson, South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar
- 8 Jordan Landsgard, Postville FFA, Postville
- 9 Kayla Koether, M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA, Monona
- 10 Darren Kraus, Postville FFA, Postville

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Dairy Cow and Heifer Placing Classes

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Jordan Landsgard, Postville FFA, Postville

Pedigree Evaluation

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Leah Henkes, M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA, Monona

Oral Reasons

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Leah Henkes, M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA, Monona

Dairy Production and Management Test

Team: West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Anna Troester, Tri-Star FFA

Linear Evaluation

Team: Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (10)

Score Range (1447.5 to 1191)

West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

M-F-L-Mar-Mac FFA, Monona

South Winneshiek FFA, Calmar

Postville FFA, Postville

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Tri-Star FFA

North Fayette FFA, West Union

Decorah FFA, Decorah

Benton Community FFA, Van Horne

Starmont FFA, Arlington

Silver Teams (8)

Score Range (1143.5 to 991.5)

Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

Cascade FFA, Cascade

Wall Lake View Auburn FFA, Lake View

Maquoketa FFA, Maquoketa

West Delaware FFA, Manchester

Waverly-Shell Rock FFA, Waverly

Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank

Riceville FFA, Riceville

Participation Teams (4)

Score Range (799.5 to 318.5)

Valley FFA, Elgin

Bellevue FFA, Bellevue

Linn-Mar FFA, Marion

Rockwell-Sheffield FFA, Rockwell

Bronze Teams (2)

Score Range (880 to 876.5)

Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Twin Cedars FFA, Bussey

The following FFA Members served as show persons during the event and were ranked as follows:

Gold Awards (4)

Kyle Demmer, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Josh Fairbanks, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Chadd Petrick, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Tory Miller, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Silver Awards (5)

John Schiot, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Zach Walker, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Ryan Ulferts, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Jessica McWilliams, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

Bud Moore, Anamosa FFA, Anamosa

The Iowa FFA Association has 228 local chapters with nearly 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 490,000 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth and career success** through agricultural education.

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