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### 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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**NEWS RELEASE** 

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# Sumner Fredericksburg FFA Wins 2013 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event

The 2013 Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the Youth Dairy Classic in West Union on Saturday, September 7, 2013. Seventeen teams and fifty-eight individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide students an opportunity to display their knowledge and skills in the area of dairy cattle selection and management.

The Sumner Fredericksburg FFA Chapter located in Sumner was named the Iowa Champion FFA Dairy Cattle Team. Team members included: Nathan Arthur, Tessa Meyer, Lindsey Meyer, and Jessica Wurzer. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Ms. Meghan Bond. The champion team will compete in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event during the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, this October.

The Reserve Champion Team in Dairy Judging was the West Dubuque FFA Chapter located in Epworth. Team members included: Megan Rauen, Adam Simon, Andy Dougherty, and Alan Kruse. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Matt Lansing. Andy Dougherty from Epworth was the Champion Individual. Nathan Arthur from Sumner was the Reserve Champion Individual.

The Iowa FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event was made possible through the Iowa FFA Foundation with support from Associated Milk Producers, Inc. Allflex USA sponsored the State Winning Team plaque through the National FFA Foundation.

Katie Adams and Matt Henkes were the official judges for the placing classes with Bill Rauen placing the linear animal. Dean Weber from Rockwell 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 Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
- 2 West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
- 3 Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi
- 4 North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union
- 5 Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon
- 6 Decorah FFA, Decorah
- 7 Oelwein FFA, Oelwein
- 8 Crestwood FFA, Cresco
- 9 Cascade FFA, Cascade
- 10 Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

# **Top 10 Individuals**

Andy Dougherty, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Nathan Arthur, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

Matthew Lansing, Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi

Tessa Meyer, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

Jessica Wurzer, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

Samuel Schwartz, Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Lindsey Meyer, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

Dayle Lantzky, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Adam Simon, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

Katie Stewart, Oelwein FFA, Oelwein

### Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

**Dairy Cow and Heifer Placing Classes** 

**Team:** West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Andy Dougherty, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

**Pedigree Evaluation** 

**Team:** Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi **Individual:** Andy Dougherty, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

**Oral Reasons** 

**Team:** West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Andy Dougherty, West Dubuque FFA, Epworth

**Dairy Production and Management Test** 

**Team:** Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA **Individual:** Nathan Arthur, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

Sire Evaluation

**Team:** West Dubuque FFA, Epworth **Individual:** Nathan Arthur, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

**Cow Culling** 

**Team:** Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon **Individual:** Nathan Arthur, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA

Linear Evaluation

**Team:** Louisa-Muscatine FFA, Letts

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (10)

Score Range (1763 to 1500)
Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA
West Dubuque FFA, Epworth
Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi
North Fayetta Valley FFA, West III

North Fayette Valley FFA, West Union

Little Switzerland FFA, Waukon

Decorah FFA, Decorah Oelwein FFA, Oelwein Crestwood FFA, Cresco Cascade FFA, Cascade

Edgewood-Colesburg FFA, Edgewood

**Bronze Teams (3)** 

Score Range (808.5 to 457.5)

Waverly-Shell Rock FFA, Waverly

Nashua-Plainfield FFA, Nashua

West Marshall FFA, State Center

Silver Teams (4)

Score Range (1453 to 1331) Wapsie Valley FFA, Fairbank Louisa-Muscatine FFA, Letts West Delaware FFA, Manchester

Wapello FFA, Wapello

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

### Gold Awards (5)

Silver Awards (2)

Madison Gibbs, Maquoketa Valley FFA, Delhi Mathew Appler, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Sadie Boess, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Madalyn Boehm, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Kathryn Appler, North Fayette Valley FFA, West Michael Graves, Sumner-Fredericksburg FFA Rolan Steinlage, North Fayette Valley FFA, West

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