



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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NEWS RELEASE
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WEST LYON FFA CHAPTER CLAIMS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN AGRICULTURE MECHANICS

The West Lyon FFA Chapter was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Ag Mechanics Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on Tuesday, June 8, 2010. Members of the first place West Lyon FFA team included: Henry Bosler, Kyle Hoogendoorn, Andrew Metzger, and Derek Van Veldhuizen. Their Ag Education Instructors are Mr. Gary De Vries and Ms. Cathy Doorneweerd. The Lynnville-Sully FFA Chapter was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Marshall Hay, Andy Sneller, and David Samson. Their Ag Education Instructor is Mr. Brian Lowry. Andrew Metzger, from the West Lyon FFA Chapter at Inwood, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition.

FFA teams including ninety-nine individuals from thirty chapters participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide the student an opportunity to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Ag Mechanics. Activities included demonstration of skills and problem solving in ag machinery equipment, energy systems, structures, environmental and natural resources, and industry and marketing systems. A written examination and computer application activities were included along with a team problem solving competition.

The Iowa-Nebraska Equipment Dealers Association, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored a plaque for the Reserve Champion team, rosettes for the top ten teams and members of the top ten teams, as well as the top ten individuals. The Asmus Farm Supply, Inc., through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored plaques for the Champion and Reserve Champion Individuals Overall, as well as the Champion team and Reserve Champion individual in each of the five career development event specialty areas: Machinery and Equipment Systems, Structural Systems, Industry/Marketing Systems, Environmental/Natural Resource Systems, and Energy Systems. The Agricultural Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by Dr. Tom Brumm and other faculty and staff with the Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Department at ISU in Ames.

Top 10 Teams Overall:

1. West Lyon at Inwood
2. Lynnville-Sully at Sully
3. East Sac at Lake View
4. Keota
5. St. Ansgar
6. South O'Brien at Paullina
7. Charles City
8. Calamus-Wheatland at Wheatland
9. Guthrie Center
10. Crestwood at Cresco

Top 10 Individuals Overall:

1. Andrew Metzger, West Lyon at Inwood
2. Kyle Obmann, East Sac at Lake View
3. David Samson, Lynnville-Sully
4. Ryan Adam, Keota
5. Tyler Levan, St. Ansgar
6. Derek Koebrick, Charles City
7. Andy Sneller, Lynnville-Sully
8. Nick Davis, Hudson
9. Kyle Hoogendoorn, West Lyon at Inwood
10. Heath Negus, South O'Brien at Paullina

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Structural Systems...

Team: Lynnville-Sully Individual: Andy Sneller, Lynnville-Sully

Industry and Marketing Systems...

Team: West Lyon at Inwood Individual: Kyle Drilling, Riceville

Energy Systems...

Team: Lynnville-Sully Individual: David Samson, Lynnville-Sully

Machinery Equip. Systems...

Team: Lynnville-Sully Individual: Seth Wilson, Guthrie Center

Environmental/Natural Resources...

Team: West Lyon at Inwood Individual: Andrew Metzger, West Lyon at Inwood

Written Exam...

Team: Keota Individual: Andy Sneller, Lynnville Sully

Team Problem Solving...

Team: Hudson

GOLD EMBLEM TEAMS: (498-391)

West Lyon at Inwood	Charles City
Lynnville-Sully at Sully	Calamus-Wheatland at Wheatland
East Sac at Lake View	Guthrie Center
Keota	Crestwood at Cresco
St. Ansgar	Little Switzerland at Waukon
South O'Brien at Paullina	New Hampton

SILVER EMBLEM TEAMS: (384-334)

Hudson	Riceville
Sioux Center	Collins Maxwell at Maxwell
Osage	Holland at Orange City
Cascade	Sioux Central at Sioux Rapids

BRONZE EMBLEM TEAMS: (311-)

Bellevue	Nashua Plainfield
Algona	Williamsburg
North Polk at Alleman	South East Polk at Pleasant Hill
West Central Valley at Stuart	Mount Ayr
DeWitt Central at DeWitt	Mediapolis

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The Iowa FFA Association has 226 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a national organization of more than 500,000 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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