



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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2010 Iowa FFA Meats Career Development Event

The Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe was named the Champion Team in the annual Iowa FFA Meats Evaluation Career Development Event held at Iowa State University in Ames on August 28, 2010. Members of the first place team included: Mason Lewis, Kilian Van Soelen, Bre Branderhorst, and Dan Cole. Their Ag Education instructor is Ed Ricks. The South O'Brien FFA Chapter from Paullina was named the Reserve Champion Team. Members of the second place team included: Eric Magnussen, Colton Barnes, Craig DeBoer, and Colton Ebel. Their Ag Education instructor is Mr. Eric Kumm. Mason Lewis, from the Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe, was named the High Individual Overall in the competition. FFA teams from 27 chapters including 99 individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event designed to provide the students an opportunity to display their agricultural knowledge and skills in the area of Meats Evaluation. Activities included: placing carcass classes of beef, pork, and lamb; placing classes of wholesale and retail meat cuts; quality and yield grading beef carcasses; identifying retail meat cuts, and a problem solving activity.

The Meats Evaluation Career Development Event was coordinated and conducted by the faculty and staff with the Animal Science Department at Iowa State University.

Cargill Meat Solutions, Hormel Foods Corporation, Kraft Foods Inc.-Oscar Mayer Division, and Tyson Foods, Inc. through the National FFA Foundation, sponsored the Champion Team plaque. Webster City Custom Meats, Inc., through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored the plaques for the Reserve Champion Team, Champion Individual, and the Reserve Champion Individual. The Iowa State Fair, through the Iowa FFA Foundation, sponsored a Cash Award for Travel to the National FFA Career Development Event for the Champion Team and a Cash Award for National Western Contest Registration for the Reserve Champion Team. The Iowa State Fair also sponsored a Champion Team trophy and ribbons for the 10 high scoring individuals and 10 high scoring teams.

Top 10 Teams

- 1 Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe
- 2 South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina
- 3 Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon
- 4 Muscatine FFA Chapter
- 5 Denison FFA Chapter
- 6 Wapello FFA Chapter
- 7 East Sac FFA Chapter
- 8 Maquoketa FFA Chapter
- 9 St. Ansgar FFA Chapter
- 10 Osage FFA Chapter

Top 10 Individuals

- Mason Lewis, Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe
Colton Ebel, South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina
Kortney Wagner, Wapello FFA Chapter
Matthew Schulte, Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon
Max Longtin, Muscatine FFA Chapter
Colton Barnes, South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina
Zach Canarr, Muscatine FFA Chapter
Jared Winkie, Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon
Kilian Van Soelen, Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe
Katharina Wigg, Denison FFA Chapter

Specialty Areas -- Top Team/ Top Individual:

Placing Carcass Classes

Team: St. Ansgar FFA Chapter

Individual: Colton Ebel, South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina

Placing Wholesale and Retail Cuts

Team: Denison FFA Chapter

Individual: Lakota Kirst, Osage FFA Chapter

Beef Quality and Yield Grading

Team: Wapello FFA Chapter

Individual: Katharina Wigg, Denison FFA Chapter

Retail Cut Identification

Team: South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina

Individual: Colton Barnes, South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina

Problem Solving Activity

Team: Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe

Individual: Mason Lewis, Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe

Below is a list of chapters participating by medal group.

Gold Teams (11)

Score Range (1638 to 1303)

Diamond Trail FFA Chapter at Monroe

South O'Brien FFA Chapter at Paullina

Little Switzerland FFA Chapter at Waukon

Muscatine FFA Chapter

Denison FFA Chapter

Wapello FFA Chapter

East Sac FFA Chapter

Maquoketa FFA Chapter

St. Ansgar FFA Chapter

Osage FFA Chapter

Cascade FFA Chapter

Silver Teams (10)

Score Range (1269 to 1104)

Belle Plaine FFA Chapter

Sioux Center FFA Chapter

Carroll Area FFA Chapter

Clay Central-Everly FFA Chapter at Everly

Manson Northwest Webster FFA Chapter

Wapsie Valley FFA Chapter at Fairbank

Harlan FFA Chapter

Southeast Warren FFA Chapter at Liberty Center

Guthrie Center Tiger FFA Chapter

Griswold FFA Chapter

Bronze Teams (6)

Score Range (1025 to 339)

Nashua-Plainfield FFA Chapter

Indianola FFA Chapter

AGWSR FFA Chapter at Ackley

Algona FFA Chapter

Emmetsburg FFA Chapter

Southeast Polk FFA Chapter at Pleasant Hill

The Iowa FFA Association has 228 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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