



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.*

State of Iowa
Department of Education
Bureau of Technical & Vocational Education
Grimes State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147
Contact: Alan Spencer (515.281.4706)

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

2011 IOWA FFA EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT

83rd Iowa FFA State Leadership Conference

The Iowa FFA Extemporaneous Speaking Leadership Event was held at the Events Center, Des Moines, on Thursday, April 14, 2011. Twelve individuals participated in this year's Career Development Event. The first place individual for the event was Lauren Houska from the East Sac FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructors and FFA advisors are Mr. Scott Johnson and Ms. Larissa Rupnow. The second place individual for the event was Cody McLees from the Cascade FFA Chapter. Their agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor is Mr. Milt Luckstead.

The Extemporaneous Speaking event required participants to deliver a speech on one of the three agricultural topics after given 30 minutes to prepare a four-to-six minute speech. This event is designed to encourage the development of FFA members in the ability to speak, to think and to answer questions readily before an audience. This year's event was sponsored by the 2003-04 Iowa FFA Officers, through the Iowa FFA Foundation.

The Iowa FFA Association has 221 local chapters with over 12,000 FFA members. FFA is a

Iowa FFA Association -- 2

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.

Listed below are the results for the Extemporaneous Speaking Leadership Event.

Place	FFA Member Name(s)	Chapter P. O.	Rating
1	Lauren Houska	Lake View	Gold
2	Cody McLees	Cascade	Gold
3	Brittnie Gordon	Fairbank	Gold
	Thurston Gable	Hartley	Gold
	Tyler Bouslog	Keota	Gold
	Marshall Hay	Sully	Gold
	Schae Greenzweig	Charles City	Silver
	Calvin Snitker	Denison	Silver
	Ethan Lantz	Stanton	Silver
	Drew Sherman	Stuart	Silver
	Paige Gradert	Preston	Bronze
	Ryan Skaar	Story City	Bronze

#####