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Daytona Plaza HQ

The 44th Annual State Convention and Leadership Conference will be held in Daytona Beach, June 12-16. The Daytona Plaza will be the Convention Headquarters.

All chapters are urged to stay at the Plaza. Adequate rooms are available to accommodate all participants in the Convention. Peabody Auditorium is within walking distance of the Plaza.

The room rates at the Plaza are as follows:

Older Section — \$14.00 Single Occupancy; \$16.00 Double Occupancy (double bed); \$18.00 Double Occupancy (twin beds); \$6.00 Triple (per person); \$5.00 per person quadruple occupancy.

New Plaza — \$18.00 Single; \$20.00 Double (double bed); \$22.00 Double (twin beds); \$7.00 per person, triple occupancy; \$6.25 per person, quadruple occupancy.

Chapter advisers should make reservations as early as possible. The address of the Plaza is as follows: The Plaza, 600 N. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, Fla. 32020. Telephone 904/255-4471.

State FFA Receives Quarter Horse

Commissioner of Agriculture Doyle Conner, presented "Hollywood Luther" to the State FFA Association, in behalf of L. C. Ringhaver, president, Ring Power Corporation, the donor. Accepting the horse on behalf of the State Association were State President Jimmy Alvarez, and Jerry Tarrents, first vice president. (Standing left to right: Conner, Tarrents, Alvarez and Ringhaver.) Details will be found on page 2.

Running? Interviews Coming

The Nominating Committee, consisting of the state officers and some members of the Advisory Committee, will interview candidates Monday afternoon starting at 1:30 p. m., June 12, 1972, at the Plaza Hotel. Report to the Vice President in your Area and let him know if you will be running for office, and which one.

The Executive Committee has opened offices for 1972-73 in the following order:

District I can run for President, Secretary and Third Vice President.

District II can run for President, Secretary and Third Vice President.

District III can run for President, Secretary and Fourth Vice President.

District IV can run for President, Secretary and Fourth Vice President.

District V can run for President, Secretary and Fifth Vice President.

District VI can run for President, Secretary and Fifth Vice President.

District VII can run for President,

Secretary and First Vice President.

District VIII can run for President, Secretary and First Vice President.

District IX can run for President, Secretary and Second Vice President.

Unsuccessful candidates for president or secretary can then run for vice president in their Area. You should know the material in the FFA Manual, your Chapter Program of Activities, and about your Occupational Experience Program and participation in FFA activities.

The nominations for president and secretary (only) will be made during the Tuesday afternoon session. First ballot will be following the Wednesday morning session, June 14. If there is a runoff it will be Wednesday afternoon.

The nominations for vice president will be made during the Thursday morning session. The first ballot for vice president will be after the Thursday morning session. The

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Interviews Coming

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runoff ballot will be during the Thursday afternoon session.

When the President and Secretary are elected, they will be expected to work backstage with the officers. When the Vice Presidents are elected, they will begin to work backstage.

Before the Friday morning session, the old and new officers with their advisors should meet on stage for pictures. Jackets, coats, and ties should be worn. The officers will then practice the installation ceremony. The newly-elected officers will be photographed individually and measured for jackets. Also, they will go with their adviser and parents, if they are present, to the 12:00 noon luncheon at the Plaza, Friday, June 16. Be sure to let Mr. O. T. Stout-amire, Area I Supervisor, know by 9:00 a. m. that day how many will be at lunch.

Old and new officers will be backstage Friday morning. After the installation and closing ceremony, the old officers will be seated with delegates. The new officers probably will have special assignments.

Friday, June 16, the new officers with their advisers will attend a luncheon at 12:00 noon, at the Plaza along with the out-going officers and award winners. After lunch, the newly elected officers will meet. This will be over by 5:00 p. m. Advisers of the new officers are welcome to

STATE OFFICERS

President Jimmy Alvarez, Starke
Secretary Lenn Jordan, Groveland
1st V. President Jerry Tarrents, Groveland
2nd V. President Eugene Yancey, Myakka City
3rd V. President Conrad Mellin, Miami
4th V. President Lester Wells, Jay
5th V. President Robert Morris, Gainesville
Executive Sec'y Joe R. Kirkland, Tallahassee
State Advisor T. L. Barrineau, Tallahassee

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attend the officers' meeting on Friday afternoon.

The president should not plan to attend college next year. Should the secretary and vice presidents attend, they should take a light (minimum hour) load.

A luncheon will be held on Monday, June 12, for all officer candidates at the Plaza. Several former state officers will meet with you and discuss the activities for the coming week. They will probably have some hints and suggestions which will be helpful to you and your campaign. Please let us know if you plan to attend.

In planning your campaign for state office, please consider the following items:

1) Reason should be used in the amount of money spent for your campaign. Too much money used is a waste and may work against you in the campaign.

2) Your personal contact with the delegates is your best campaign. They want to know you as an individual and need an opportunity to study your qualifications. Remember a firm handshake, a friendly smile, and looking the individual in the eyes are most important assets for you.

3) Campaign material may not be placed up until 1:00 p. m. Sunday, June 11. Posters and cards should not be taped to walls or painted surfaces. They should not be stapled or tacked to any wood surface including trees. If your posters cause any property damage you are responsible for the repair cost. Please keep these items in mind and discuss them with your campaign assistants. (Use only masking tape and not scotch tape).

4) No campaign materials will be allowed inside Peabody Auditorium except in the lobby. No materials will be allowed on the glass doors at the entrance to Peabody Auditorium. This includes posters and cards. The aisles become very cluttered and unsightly with campaign material, therefore no materials should be taken inside the auditorium.

5) Each candidate is responsible for removing his campaign material when the elections are complete.



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Association Gets Quarter Horse

The State FFA Association recently became the owner of a most beautiful and prized gift. A registered quarter horse by the name of "Hollywood Luther" was presented to the State Association by Commissioner of Agriculture, Doyle Conner. The horse was donated by Mr. L. C. Ringhaver, President, Ring Power Corporation of Jacksonville.

Hollywood Luther will be used for the benefit and improvement of horses owned by FFA members in Florida. The primary intent in maintaining this breeding horse as a part of the State Association is to provide service to a high quality stallion at the least possible cost to FFA members owning horses. The horse will be available to all FFA members in Florida.

The horse will be located in different sections of the state each year to be available for use by members owning horses. Persons other than FFA members may also use the horse but the stud fee will be slightly higher than for members.

The Santa Fe Chapter in Alachua has received a lease to the horse for the current year. Anyone interested in receiving information about use of the stallion should contact the Santa Fe Chapter. (Note: It will be necessary that mares be brought to the stallion. The stallion will not be moved from place to place within a county.)

Groveland Tops Citrus ID

The State Citrus Identification Contest is sponsored by the Florida Citrus Showcase, in cooperation with Florida Association, Future Farmers of America, University of Florida Citrus Experiment Station, Lake Alfred, and Agricultural Education Section, Department of Education. Also providing specimens was the Lake Garfield Nurseries and Haines City Citrus Growers Association.

120 Vocational Agriculture students representing 30 FFA chapters competed in identifying citrus rootstocks, leaves, fruit varieties, insects, and diseases, and nutritional disorders.

Winning first place in the February 17th event with 276 points was the Groveland Senior Chapter. Team

members were David Newman, Walter Campbell, Tony Coppage and Phillip Kuharske. They received a rosette and \$75.00. In second place with 263 points was the Dade City Senior Chapter. Team members were Randy Overstreet, Mark Maffett, Randy Barthle, and Darrell Fitts. They received a rosette and \$50.00. Richard Lampe, Virgil Bainington, Jim Bowman, and Sam Judah of the Polk Vocational Technical Center placed third, receiving \$30 and a rosette.

David Newman, Groveland, won top individual honors, receiving \$25 with a score of 96 points. Placing second and receiving \$15 was Richard Lampe, Polk Vo Tech, 92 points. Tony Coppage, Groveland Senior, placed third with 91 points. Tony received \$10.

Osceola Wins At Kissimmee

In Beef Judging at the Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show and Fair at Kissimmee, Osceola Senior Chapter placed first with 533.9 points. Second was Union Park with 508.6, and Haines City was third with 488.0.

Kathleen, Bartow Win At Polk Fair

Kathleen Senior and Bartow Senior won Dairy and Beef judging respectively at the Polk County Youth Fair.

In dairy judging, Kathleen Senior had 423 points, with Frostproof second with 410, and Fort Meade third with 402.

In beef judging, Bartow Senior scored 357, while Winter Haven placed second with 340 points, and Crystal Lake Junior third with 331.

Colonial Chapter Livestock Winner

The State Livestock Judging Contest was held March 1 at the Livestock Pavilion, University of Florida.

The Colonial Chapter won top honors in the Contest. The team composed of Phil Redditt, Will Dietrich, Delbert Redditt, and Earl Lomas scored 1515 points out of a possible 2100.

The Palatka Junior team placed second with 1511 points. Team members were Dud Driggers, Reggie Tumlin, Billy Revels, and Bart Tilton.

FFA Dates to Remember

April 28	District Contests.
April 28	Final Day for Dues to Arrive in State Office.
May 12	Area Contests.
June 12-16	State FFA Convention, Daytona Beach.
June 19-24	Washington Conference, Leadership.
June 26-July 1	Washington Conference, Citizenship.
July 9-14	Forestry Camp (Districts VI-IX).
July 16-21	Forestry Camp (Districts I-V).
July 10-15	Washington Conference, American Heritage.
July 17-22	Washington Conference, Patriotism.
August 17-20	State Leadership School and FFA Operation Up-Date Workshop, Gainesville

Bradford Senior was third with 1502 points. Team members were Zack Edwards, Greg Dodd, Mike Oliver, and Wayne Norman.

They were followed by Plant City Senior, Chieffland, Santa Fe Senior, Lake Placid, Allentown, Union Park and Bishop, placing fourth, through tenth, respectively.

The high scoring individual for the contest was Reggie Tumlin, of the Palatka Junior Chapter with 539 points out of a possible 700 points. Placing second with 535 points was Travis Keene of the Plant City Senior team.

The Colonial Chapter will represent Florida at the National Livestock Judging Contest, Kansas City, in October. The trip will be sponsored by the Florida Department of Agriculture.

Pahokee Tops In Dairy Judging

The State Dairy Products and Dairy Cattle Judging Contest was held in Gainesville on March 2.

Receiving top honors for the contest with a team score of 100 points was the Pahokee Chapter. Team members were Robert Lassiter, Mark Crews, Irvin Usher and Terry Peacock.

Placing 2nd in the contest was the Marianna Chapter with a score of 87.83 points. Team members were Lynn Padgett, Danny Sims, Gene Gilbert, and Sid Hardy. In third place was the Zephyrhills Junior Chapter with a score of 87.30 points. Team members were Chris Holm, Rodnic Barrintine, Dennie Farr and Marcia Smally.

They were followed by Palatka Senior, Hamilton County Senior, Spady, Columbia, Dowdell, Suwannee, and Boca Raton.

Pahokee will represent Florida at

the national contest held during the national convention in October.

Dade City Wins Meats Judging

The State Meats Judging Contest, sponsored by the Block and Bridle Club, College of Agriculture, was held March 3.

Receiving top honors for the contest with a team score of 2212 points, was the Dade City Team. Team members were: Steve Barthle, Jeff Clark, Sue Pryor and Jeff Futch.

Placing second in the contest was the Zephyrhills Senior team with a score of 2139 points. Team members were Vicki Griffin, Pam Griffin, Bonnie Brocies, and Frankie Hall.

In third place was the Palatka Senior team with 2135 points. The team consisted of John Marrs, Bill Wolfram, Steve Marrs and John Knight.

The fourth through twelfth place teams, consecutively, were South Sumter Senior, Lakeland Senior, Santa Fe Senior, Zephyrhills Junior, Baker County, Tate Senior, Plant City Senior, Tate Junior and Ponce de Leon.

The top individual scoring honors went to Steve Barthle of Dade City with 756 points. Sue Pryor, Dade City, was second with 739 points. Scoring 721 points and placing third was Bill Wolfram from the Palatka Senior Chapter.

The Fifth Annual Meats Judging Contest Awards Banquet was held Friday evening in the Reitz Union Building. The banquet was sponsored by the Florida Independent Meat Packers Association.

Dade City will represent Florida in meats judging at the National Convention later this year.

Don't miss the convention—Daytona, June 12-16.

Black Applicants Needed Abroad

The U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare is soliciting qualified black applicants for the FFA international exchange program, "Work Experience Abroad." It is their hope to involve all minority groups in this program because of its importance in portraying the agricultural education FFA image in the more than 15 countries we are working with currently.

Presently, the FFA exchange programs are concentrated in Europe and Latin America; however, in the near future technical assistance will be provided in Africa and Asia. The need for involvement and participation of black FFA members in representing the United States and our youth organization in countries presently cooperating in this program, and other countries who will be participating in the future is of utmost importance if this country is to continue to provide leadership and technical assistance in the field of agriculture and other foreign affairs.

The qualifications for participation in the "Work Experience Abroad" program may be secured through your state executive secretary or the National FFA Center, Alexandria, Virginia (refer to latest issue National FFA Magazine).

Florida vo-ag students should take the lead in identifying black FFA members interested in the "Work Experience Abroad" program who come from families and belong to a local chapter, that can provide the financial assistance needed to participate in the program.

Cottdale Best In Land Judging

The 1972 State Land Judging Contest was recently held in Dade City, March 24.

The Cottdale FFA Chapter placed first in the contest with 533 points out of a possible 723. Team members were Kirk Meinhardt, Richard Hargrove, Bennie Hill and

Kenneth Mayo.

Placing second in the contest was the Baker County (Macclenny) Chapter with 528 points. Team members were Williams, Kenner, Fish, and Combs.

Placing consecutively, from third to fifth place were Lafayette, South Sumter and Palatka.

A total of 31 chapters from throughout Florida participated in the State Contest.

Cottdale will represent Florida in National competition in Oklahoma City, April 26-27. Their trip is being sponsored by WTVT-TV, Channel 13, Tampa, Federal Land Bank Associations in Florida, Production Credit Associations in Florida, Do-Lime Minerals, Bartow, and Florida Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Bell, Cross City Fannin Winners

Bell and Cross City Chapters were dairy and beef judging winners respectively at the Fannin Springs Fair.

The Bell Chapter took top honors in dairy judging. Team members were Doug Whatley, Henry Cribbs, David Hines, and Keith Philman. Their combined score was 426 points.

Cross City took the spotlight in the Livestock Judging contest by placing first with a score of 421 points. Team members were Keith O'Neil, Doyle Pridgeon, Randy Mikells, and Ray Moore.

Placing second in dairy judging was the Bronson Chapter with 410 points. Team members were Leint Jerrels, Buddy Luke and Mike Mayo. In third through seventh place, consecutively, was Cross City, Chiefland Senior, Chiefland Junior, Williston and Trenton.

Chiefland Senior was second in livestock judging with a score of 411 points. Team members were Wesley Sache, Chris Hardee, Bruce Watson and Davey Watson. Placing third through sixth place, consecutively was Williston, Bell, Chiefland Junior and Trenton.

Orange Chapters Federate

The FFA Chapters of Orange County have organized the Orange County Federation FFA. At the organizational meeting a constitution was adopted and the following officers were elected for 1971-72.

President, Stanley Murphy, Ocoee.

1st Vice President, Donald Spivey, Lakeview.

2nd Vice President, Delbert Redditt, Colonial.

3rd Vice President, Steve Pope, Apopka Senior.

4th Vice President, Sammy Clark, Union Park Junior.

5th Vice President, Mark Sapp, Lockhard Junior.

There were 14 chapters represented at the meeting with 70 members and 15 advisors present. The Lockhart Junior High School FFA served refreshments for the meeting.

Future plans include participation on the first Community-wide Orange County Career Fair. This Career Fair will be held on April 13-14-15, 1972 in the Winter Park Mall and will involve exhibits from school and trade organizations.

Orlando Fair Winners Shown

The following are the judging results from the Central Florida Fair.

Ornamental Horticulture Judging — Dade City Senior, 1st, 106; Colonial, 2nd, 105; South Sumter Senior, 3rd, 99.

Vegetable Judging — Dade City Senior, 1st, 1710; New Port Richey, 2nd, 1650; South Sumter Senior, 3rd, 1360.

Citrus Judging — Groveland Senior, 1st, 163; Dade City Senior, 2nd, 159; Polk Vo Tech, 3rd, 156.

Livestock Judging — Colonial, 1st, 571; Bradford Senior, 2nd, 568. Groveland Senior, 3rd, 564.

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