



Oklahoma FFA Association 83rd State Convention

Highlights Schedule

Sunday, April 26, 2009

- 2:00 p.m. Chorus Members' First Practice Session (Cox, Rooms 14-15)
- 6:00 p.m. Chorus Kick-Off Dinner (Cox, Rooms 16-17)

Monday, April 27, 2009

- 9:00 a.m. Career Show Exhibitors Move In until 5 p.m. (Cox Exhibit Hall C, 2 & 3)
- 6:30 p.m. State Officer, Parent & Staff Dinner (Cox, Room 9)

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

- 7:30 a.m. State Officer Candidate Breakfast (Cox, Room 8)
*Guest Speaker – Dayla Peel
- 8:00 a.m. Career Show Exhibitors Move In (Cox, Exhibit Hall C, 2 & 3)
Agriscience Fair Winners Setup (Cox, Exhibit Hall C, 2 & 3)
Chapter Registration Begins (Cox, North Entrance)
- 8:30 a.m. State Officer Candidate Orientation (Cox, Room 5)
Courtesy Corps Orientation 1 (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 9:00 a.m. Courtesy Corps Orientation 2 (Cox, Rooms 9-12)

- 9:50 a.m. **CONVENTION OPENING SESSION**
Reflections – State FFA Officer Team
Kickoff Speaker – Chad Hymas
Alumni and WLC Scholarship Presentations
Introduction of 2009-10 State Officer Candidates
Official Delegate Business Session
***Roll Call of Chapters (two delegates per chapter)**
***Primary Elections for President, Secretary, and Reporter**

- 10:00 a.m. Career Show and Food Court open until 6 p.m. (Cox, Exhibit Hall C)
Alumni Silent Auction Open for Bids (Cox, Exhibit Hall C)
Foundation Annual Meeting (Cox, Room 4)
- 11:00 a.m. Career Success Workshop – Proficiency Applications, Don Roberts (Cox, Room 5)
Leadership Workshop – Austin Akins and Cody Nieman (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 12:00 noon Foundation Luncheon (Cox, Great Hall A)
- 12:30 p.m. Prepared Public Speaking Championship (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
*12:15 p.m. – Contestant Holding Room (Cox, Room 4)

- 1:30 p.m. **SECOND CONVENTION SESSION**
National Officer Address, Laila Hajji, Central Region V. P.
State Officer Parent Recognition
Greetings from Out-of-State Officers
Ag Ed Teacher Recognition
Future Ag-Ed Teacher Summer Academy Recipients
Oklahoma Youth Expo Academic All-State Scholarship Recipients
Tulsa State Fair Scholarship Recipients
National Chapter Award Recognition
Foundation Presentations – Chapter Trust Contributors
Ag-Ed Career Passports
Announcement of Run-Off Elections for President, Secretary and Reporter



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FFA—Can You Feel It?

- 2:00 p.m. Career Success Workshop – Interviewing for Success, Jana Christian (Cox, Room 5)
- 2:45 p.m. Leadership Workshop – Chad Hymas (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
OAETA Board Meeting – (Cox, Room 4)
- 3:30 p.m. Career Success Workshop – Rural Youth Loans for SAE Projects,
Farm Service Agency (Cox, Room 5)
- 4:15 p.m. Leadership Workshop – Paige Booth and Katie Scott (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 5:00 p.m. Honorary, VIP, and Star Banquet (Cox, Great Hall A & B)
WLC Reception/2008 Bus Participants (Cox, Room 3)

- 6:30 p.m. THIRD CONVENTION SESSION**
State President's Retiring Address – Chelsea Clifton
Public Speaking Finalist Scholarships
FFA Creed Presentation – Top 5 State Finalists
VIP Award Presentation
Remarks – Travis Schnaithman, 2008 American Star Farmer
State Star Presentations
Honorary State FFA Degrees

- 10:00 p.m. Convention Concert Featuring Stoney LaRue (Cox Arena)
\$10 Tickets pre-sold or available at the Registration Desk

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

- 7:30 a.m. Career Development Event Awards Breakfast (Cox, Great Hall C)

- 8:20 a.m. FOURTH CONVENTION SESSION**
Keynote Speaker – Matt Bellace
State Interscholastic and National CDE Recognition
Official Delegate Business Session
***Roll Call of Chapters**
***Final Elections for President, Secretary, and Reporter (if necessary)**

- 9:00 a.m. Career Show and Food Court open until 5 p.m. (Cox, Exhibit Hall C)
Alumni Silent Auction Open for Bids (Cox, Exhibit Hall C)
Alumni Hospitality Suite for FFA Advisors open until 3 p.m. (Great Hall A)
Southeast District Officer Elections (Cox, Rooms 4-5)
- 9:30 a.m. Leadership Workshop – Josh Lindsey and Cody Ott (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 10:00 a.m. Central District Officer Elections (Cox, Rooms 4-5)
- 11:00 a.m. Southwest District Officer Elections (Cox, Rooms 4-5)
- 11:00 a.m. Leadership Workshop – Laila Hajji and Hannah Crossen (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 11:45 a.m. Award Winners and Sponsors Luncheon (Cox, Great Hall C)
- 1:00 p.m. Northeast District Officer Elections (Cox, Rooms 4-5)

- 1:20 p.m. FIFTH CONVENTION SESSION**
Remarks – Jack Staats, State FFA Advisor
Honor Schools and Scholarship Sponsors of State Officers
Proficiency and Special Award Presentations

- 1:30 p.m. Chorus to the State Capitol – Sponsored by State Rep. Skye McNiel
- 2:00 p.m. Northwest District Officer Elections (Cox, Rooms 4-5)
Leadership Workshop – Matt Bellace (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 3:00 p.m. Alumni Silent Auction Bids Close (Cox, Exhibit Hall C)
- 3:30 p.m. Leadership Workshop – Texas FFA Officers (Cox, Rooms 9-12)
- 5:00 p.m. Legislative and VIP Banquet (Petroleum Club)
- 5:00 p.m. State FFA Degree Banquet – For Recipients Only (Cox, Exhibit Hall A & 1)

- 6:00 p.m. TALENT SHOW**
- 6:30 p.m. FINAL CONVENTION SESSION**
Greatest American Dog – Travis Brorsen and Presley
Drawing for New Ford Truck
Chorus Concert
Keynote Address – Dave Roeber
State FFA Degree Ceremony
Presentation of 2009-2010 State FFA Officers

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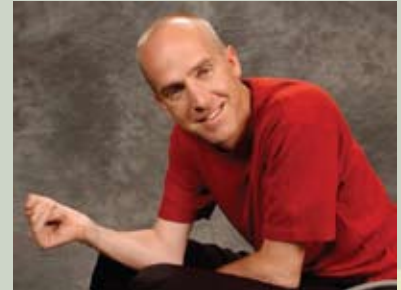


Oklahoma FFA Association 83rd State Convention Keynote Speakers

Chad Hymas

Who Needs Legs When You Have Wings?!

On April 3, 2001, Chad's life changed instantaneously when a falling one-ton bale of hay broke his neck leaving him a quadriplegic. Chad's dreams were *not* paralyzed that day, as he will tell you! Chad is a world-class wheelchair athlete who plays basketball and full-contact quad rugby. He also races in marathons.



Matt Bellace

How to Get High, Naturally!

Matt's presentation combines interactive demonstrations, inspirational stories and stand-up comedy. He is a regular at comedy clubs in New York City such as the legendary Caroline's on Broadway. In fact, two of his jokes were featured in *The New York Times*. In 2005, he received a Ph.D. in clinical psychology.

Dave Roever

The Dave Roever Story—Miracle in Vietnam!

On April 28, 2009, the first day of the state FFA convention, Mr. Roever will fly to Oklahoma City from Vietnam. At the height of the Vietnam War, he joined the Navy and served as a river boat gunner in the elite Brown Water Black Beret. Eight months into his tour of duty in Vietnam, he was burned beyond recognition when a phosphorous grenade he was poised to throw exploded in his hand.



Travis Brosen and Presley


Winners of the Greatest American Dog!

Travis, the 1997-98 state FFA reporter, grew up on a farm in Perry. Presley was his first "in house" dog. Neither Travis nor Presley had formal training until their appearance on the *Greatest American Dog* series. Travis lives in Los Angeles, Calif., pursuing an acting career. And, yes, Presley is coming with him to the state convention.

Keynote speakers sponsored by:

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Oklahoma FFA Association 83rd State Convention Workshops



Win a Free iPod!

That's right! A free iPod Nano will be given away at each of the workshops listed below. All you have to do is attend and be sitting in the winning seat! What more could you want? Don't miss out!



Tuesday, April 28

State Proficiency Applications for Beginners
Presenter – Don Roberts
11:00 a.m., Room 5

Finding the Gold in the Blue: Discover the Potential in You!
Presenters – Austin Akins and Cody Nieman
11:00 a.m., Rooms 9-12

Interviewing for Success
Presenter – Jana Christian
2:00 p.m., Room 5

Success and the Bird Next Door
Presenter – Chad Hymas
2:45 p.m., Rooms 9-12

Rural Youth Loans for SAE Projects
Presenter – Farm Service Agency
3:30 p.m., Room 5

Life's Journey: Where Are You Going?
Presenters – Paige Booth and Katie Scott
4:15 p.m., Rooms 9-12

Workshops sponsored by:
SandRidge Energy
Fred and Leesa Stanley

Wednesday, April 29

Building Connections That Last
Presenters – Josh Lindsey and Cody Ott
9:30 a.m., Rooms 9-12

Step Up and Stand Out
Presenter – Laila Hajji
11:00 a.m., Rooms 9-12

Four Ways to Be a Healthy L.E.A.D.er
Presenter – Matt Bellace
2:00 p.m., Rooms 9-12

Discover Your Dreams
Presenters – Matthew Barnes and Reagan Rupard,
Texas FFA Association
3:30 p.m., Rooms 9-12

