

PERSPECTIVE

November 29, 2024



District 1 • The Naylor Family



District 2 • The Jacobs Family



District 3 • The Cox Family



District 4 • The Hoodenpyle Family



District 5 • The McClendon Family



District 6 • The Coblenz Family



District 7 • The Kienholz Family



District 8 • The Calvert Family



District 9 • The Spradling Family

OKFB recognizes nine Farm and Ranch Families at 2024 OKFB Annual Meeting

The Oklahoma Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee recognized nine OKFB member families at the 2024 OKFB convention with their annual Farm and Ranch Family Recognition awards.

A farm and ranch family from each of the nine districts was chosen as a winner for this year. This program highlights a family who upholds the best traditions within Oklahoma agriculture and our

rural communities as they raise food and fiber for our citizens throughout our state and nation.

"Our state's family farmers and ranchers do so much for our state from feeding and clothing Oklahomans to taking care of our natural resources," said Mignon Bolay, OKFB WLC chair. "Our Women's Leadership Committee is proud to recognize these nine farm and

ranch families and share their stories of agricultural excellence and rural community involvement."

As part of their recognition, the family received a cash award and a custom sign to hang at their farm gate. The family was also recognized at the 2024 OKFB convention with a video. To watch the farm family videos, visit, okfb.news/farmfamilies24.

Comanche County Farm Bureau member honored with YF&R Achievement Award

Chasen Doye of Comanche County was honored with the Oklahoma Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers Achievement Award on Saturday, Nov. 9, during the organization's 83rd annual meeting in Oklahoma City.

The Achievement Award recognizes Young Farmers and Ranchers who have excelled in their farming or ranching operation and have honed their leadership abilities through Farm Bureau and other activities and organizations.

"It means a lot to receive this award," Doye said. "The fact that my parents won the same award back in the day was really neat. There aren't many people who just farm anymore, so I'm honored to win this award and carry on a tradition for my family."

Doye is a fifth-generation farmer and raises registered Hereford cattle and stocker calves alongside a minimal-till farming operation consisting of wheat, corn, milo, oats, sudangrass and alfalfa. Doye also raises peas, radishes and turnips as cover crops on his operation, near Walters.

As Achievement Award winner, Doye received a John Deere gator, courtesy of P&K Equipment. Doye also received an expense-paid trip to the 2026 AFBF Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California, where he will compete on a national level for the AFBF YF&R Achievement Award.



Chasen Doye (center), was recognized as OKFB's 2024 YF&R Achievement Award winner at the 2024 OKFB Annual Meeting in Oklahoma City Saturday, Nov. 9. Pictured (L to R) are Rodd Moesel, OKFB president; Scott Eisenhauer, P&K Equipment general manager; Doye; and Chastity and Jacob Beck, YF&R committee chairs.

Okmulgee County honored as top county YF&R program with Charles L. Roff Award

The Okmulgee County Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee was honored with the 2024 Oklahoma Farm Bureau YF&R Charles L. Roff Award on Saturday, Nov. 9, during the organization's 83rd annual meeting in Oklahoma City.

Presented to the state's top county YF&R committee, the Charles L. Roff Award encourages YF&R members to improve their local committees while strengthening the Farm Bureau organization.

"Winning this award is special to us this year because our core group of YF&R members that started the program are now aging out," said Will Lewis, Okmulgee County YF&R chair. "We have good group coming up after us, and we are excited to see where they go from here."

In 2024, the Okmulgee County YF&R committee hosted their third county ag tour for students and community members to learn about agriculture in Okmulgee County. Stops included an agricultural equipment business, a

stocker operation, a cow-calf operation, a local flower patch and a local agritourism operation.

The committee was also active in other events throughout the year, including hosting a pancake breakfast, purchasing a premium at a local junior

livestock show, presenting a bicycle safety program at a local school, attending statewide Farm Bureau events and more.

The county received a traveling plaque in recognition of their outstanding committee involvement.



Okmulgee County Farm Bureau YF&R Committee members Tim Taylor, Kristin Story, Michelle Genova, and Will and Leslie Lewis are presented with the Charles L. Roff Award at the 2024 OKFB Convention Saturday, Nov. 9 in Oklahoma City. Also pictured are Chastity and Jacob Beck (left), YF&R committee chairs; Rodd Moesel (right), OKFB president.



Chastity and Jacob Beck (center), are recognized as OKFB's 2024 YF&R Excellence in Agriculture Award winners at the 2024 OKFB Annual Meeting in Oklahoma City Saturday, Nov. 9. Pictured are (L to R) Brady Bond, representing Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma; The Becks; and Rodd Moesel, OKFB president.

Logan County Farm Bureau members win OKFB YF&R Excellence in Ag Award

Jacob and Chastity Beck of Logan County were honored with the Oklahoma Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture Award at the organization's 83rd annual meeting Nov. 8-10 in Oklahoma City.

The award is presented to young farmers and ranchers who do not derive a majority of their income from a farming or ranching operation for excellence in agriculture and Farm Bureau.

"To us, winning this award is a reflection of all the time and hard work we have put into the family business," Jacob said. "It is a tribute to the legacy of family members who have come

before us, and we are just so glad to have been able to be a part of this."

Jacob is the third generation to operate Beck's Farm Equipment in Guthrie, an agricultural equipment dealership with a full service and parts department. Both Jacob and Chastity work the family's retail business and raise cattle and wheat in Logan County.

The Becks received a Polaris Sportsman 450 HO ATV, courtesy of Oklahoma Ag Credit and Farm Credit of Western Oklahoma. They also earned a trip to the 2026 AFBF Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California, where they will compete for the AFBF Excellence in Agriculture Award.



SWOSU Collegiate Farm Bureau was recognized with the 2024 YF&R Moesel Award. Pictured from (L to R) Chastity and Jacob Beck, YF&R committee chairs; Clancy Harris, SWOSU Collegiate Farm Bureau president; and Rodd Moesel, OKFB president.

SWOSU honored with Moesel Award

The Collegiate Farm Bureau chapter at Southwestern Oklahoma State University was honored with the Oklahoma Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers Moesel Award on Friday, Nov. 8, during the organization's 83rd annual meeting in Oklahoma City.

The Moesel Award recognizes the top Collegiate Farm Bureau chapter that works to improve their local chapter while strengthening the Farm Bureau organization.

The SWOSU chapter was active throughout the 2023-2024 school year, hosting farm tours of local operations, hearing from guest speakers, participating in Read an Accurate Ag Book Week, hosting a flower bar for members to learn about floriculture and more. Several Collegiate Farm Bureau members also attended statewide Farm Bureau events throughout the year.

OKFB presents 2024 District Administrator of the Year Awards to county Farm Bureau staff

Oklahoma Farm Bureau recently presented its District Administrator of the Year Awards at the organization's 83rd annual meeting Nov. 8-10 in Oklahoma City.

The District Administrator of the Year Award is presented to one county Farm Bureau administrator from each OKFB district for their contributions to the overall success of their county Farm Bureau organization. County administrators conduct the daily operations of the county Farm Bureau and help meet the needs of members.

District 1
Diana Routon
Woodward County

District 4
Jill Graham
Comanche County

District 7
Ashley Heath
Noble County

District 2
Krystal Hill
Kiowa County

District 5
Amy Newcomb
Bryan County

District 8
Samantha Carter
Hughes County

District 3
Kellie Thomas
Canadian County

District 6
Haley McManus
Mayer County

District 9
Brenda McCollough
Washington County

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OKFB YF&R names YF&R, Collegiate, High School discussion meet winners

Oklahoma Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers named the winners of four discussion meet competitive events on Friday, Nov. 8, during the organization's 83rd annual meeting in Oklahoma City.

Austin Jackson of Payne County was named the 2024 winner of the YF&R Discussion Meet, which was held Friday, Nov. 8; Ashlee Purvine of Northern Oklahoma College was named the 2024 Collegiate Farm Bureau Discussion Meet winner, which was held Thursday, Nov. 7; and Heath Laubauch of Woodward FFA

was named the High School Discussion Meet winner, which was held before the OKFB annual meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Redlands Community College in El Reno.

YF&R competitors faced fellow participants in a panel-style discussion where each competitor's performance was evaluated on the exchange of ideas and information on predetermined topics. Participants were judged on their ability to offer constructive input, cooperation and communication while analyzing agricultural problems and

developing solutions.

As the YF&R Discussion Meet winner, Jackson received a John Deere lawnmower, sponsored by P&K Equipment. Jackson also won a trip to the 2026 American Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California, where he will compete in the national discussion meet competitive event.

Purvine received a cash prize and an expense-paid trip to represent Oklahoma at the 2025 AFBF FUSION Conference in Denver, Colorado, and Laubauch received a cash prize of \$1,000.