



Importance of Agriculture

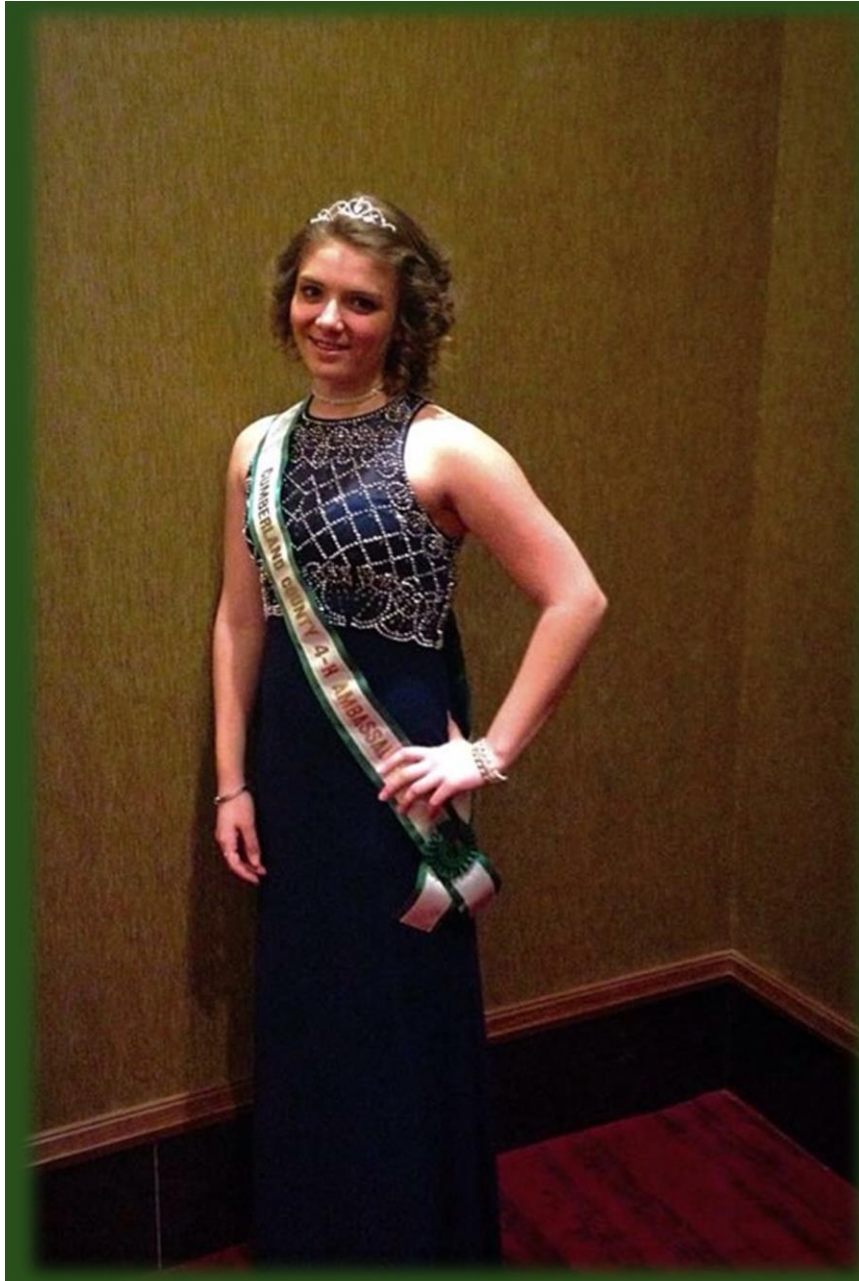
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What We Produce



Nikayla
Hetzell

New Jersey

“Making
connections
throughout
the
community
is key.”



Emily
Joerger

North
Dakota

“Do what
you can,
with what
you have,
where you
are.”

-Theodore
Roosevelt



Andrew
Graham

Wyoming

“With every
new day you
bring new
strengths and
new
thoughts.”



Jessica
Barker

Colorado

“Learn
by
doing.”



Global Challenges



Abigail Bean

Utah

“Agriculture is the most healthful, most useful and most noble employment of man.” – George Washington





Brianna
Fuchs

Alabama

“Education is the
most powerful
weapon which
you can use to
change the
world.” ~Nelson
Mandela”

LENTZ

Farms

Perth & Rolla, ND



Billie Lentz

North
Dakota

"As I have grown with 4-H, I have developed a passion for educating consumers and their misconceptions towards present day agricultural practices."





Abbey
Balmer

New York

“ Three
barrels,
two hearts,
one dream.”

Policy Challenges and Opportunities



Bret Lee
Louisiana

“Agriculture
is a
community
because we
focus on the
obligation to
feed the
world.”





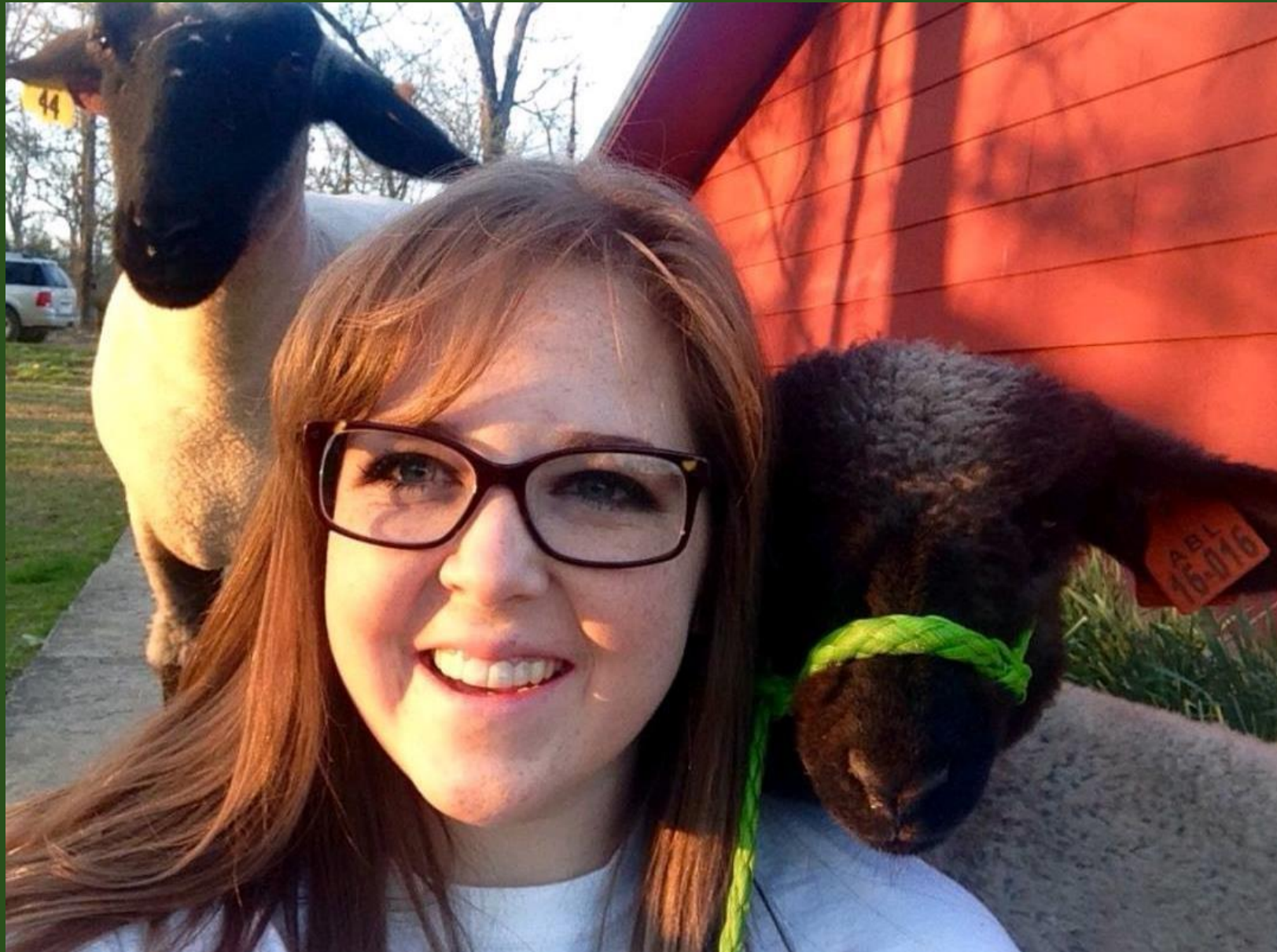
Shelby
Lepley

Texas

"Our world revolves around agriculture. Agriculture influences our economy, our families, our jobs, as well as every other aspect of our lives. It is our past, present, and future."

- Engaging our communities with policy
- Embrace policy opportunities with educational resources and associations
- Provide unbiased educational resources
- Share our agricultural experiences





Mary Alice
Cole

Arkansas

“ It’s not
impossible,
the world
itself says I am
possible.” –
Marilyn
Monroe





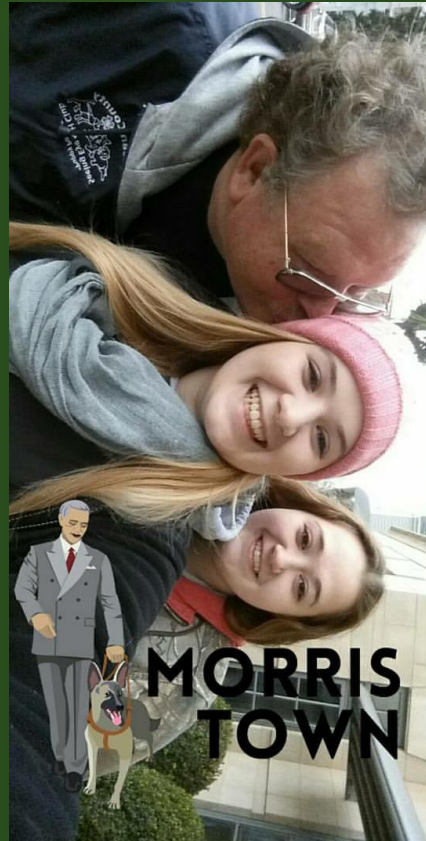
Kacey
England

New Jersey

“ Never let the
fear of striking
out keep you
from playing
the game.”

- A Cinderella
Story

- Incorporate agriculture education into the classroom
- 4-H educates youth in many ways
- Seeing Eye Puppy Raising Program



Role of 4-H in Agriculture



Ruth Perkins

North
Carolina

"4-H is about more than the ribbons, It's about the people, the experiences the life-long skills the memories, the county fairs, It's about being a role model, giving back, and making the best better."



Megan
Slater

Minnesota

“My goal is to become a 4-H Extension Educator to give back to the program that has given so much to me.”



Molly
Grotjan

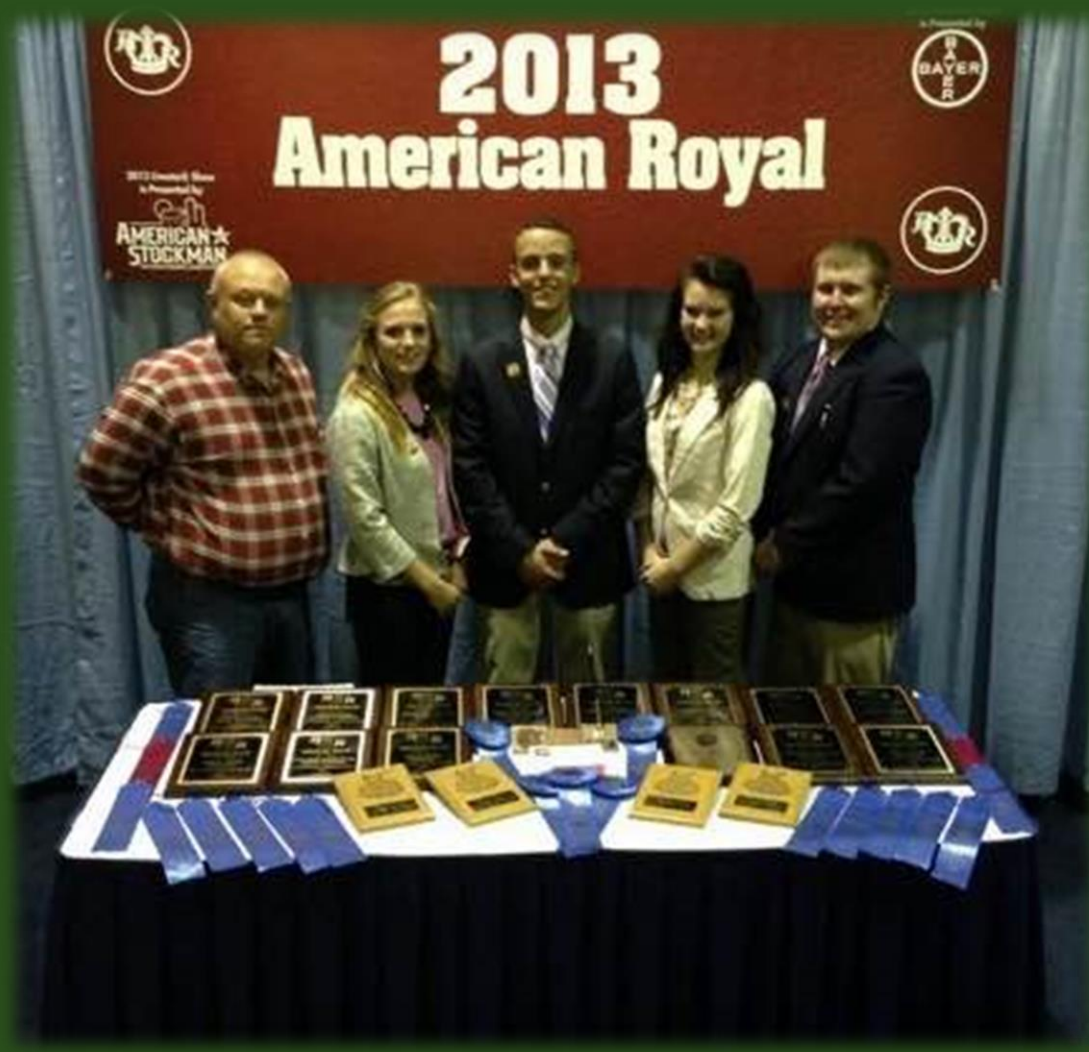
Indiana

“If you’re not
actively
involved in
getting what
you want, you
don’t really
want it.” –
Peter
McWilliams





Head



Heart

Rhiannon
Branch

Illinois

“ If you think in terms of a year, plant a seed; if in terms of ten years, plant trees; if in terms of 100 years, teach the people.”
- Confucius



Hands



Health



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