

## BLUE AND GOLD Unline Pennsylvania FFA Happenings

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## When One Door Closes, Another Opens

Farewell From The 2018-2019 Pennsylvania FFA Officer Team



From left, Morgan Bear, secretary; Abby Yoder, treasurer; Sam Loy, reporter; Jake Kinzer, vice president; Roarke Miller, sentinel; Jenna Harnish, president; and Millena Bashore, chaplain.



"Take every opportunity to stop and see the sunshine in the moment. Where you are now is just a stepping stone for where you will be. Hard work builds character and ingenuity shows passion. Pennsylvania FFA, thank you for encouraging me to live, laugh, and love like never before. Together we are the future of agriculture and the future is filled with rising suns — own your shine.

– Jenna Harnish President



"This year has been one of the best years of my life. Every day that I had the chance to interact with FFA members, I was constantly learning and growing. The FFA provides unlimited opportunities for its members, and I am forever grateful that I got to serve this great organization for a year.

- Jake Kinzer **Vice President** 



"There are so many words that fill in the phrase 'Unbut the one limited word that will never work is "time." One year may seem like a lot of time, but as I look back now, it seemed to go by in the blink of an eye. Thank you for pushing me to step outside of my comfort zone, grow as a person, and for taking me on the adventure of a lifetime.'

**— Roarke Miller** Sentinel



"Pennsylvania FFA, thankyou! The best things in life are the people we meet, the places we go and the memories we make together. Thank you for teaching us to not cry about the past, it's history; to not stress about the future, it's a mystery; and to cherish today because it's is a gift and thats why we call today the present.

> – Millena Bashore Chaplain



"This year is impossible to simply put into words. I cannot thank each of you enough for impacting my life forever. Our team truly has unlimited opportunities, memories, and a love for agriculture that we will forever be grateful for. Pennsylvania FFA, you have given me so much inspiration to constantly remind me how blessed I am every day. Forever and always, blue and gold."

Morgan Bear Secretery



"A year isn't exactly a long time, and this year feels like one of the fastest of my life. Myself and my teammates have been from Erie to Philadelphia, and everywhere in between. I have been able to meet people and see places that will stick with me for the rest of my life. I am thankful to have been able to serve, and I know that I now have 13,000 lifelong friends."

Sam Loy Reporter



From left, Abby Yoder, treasurer; Roarke Miller, sentinel; Millena Bashore, chaplain; Jenna Harnish, president; Sam Loy, reporter; Jake Kinzer, vice president; and Morgan Bear, secretary.



"This year has shown me the unlimited possibilities, opportunities, experiences, and memories that the National FFA Organization can provide. I am beyond thankful for this journey.'

Abby Yoder Treasurer

## News from New Jersey FFA

## Four New Jersey Counties Represented on 2019-2020 Officer Team

New Jersey Department of Agriculture

TRENTON, N.J.— Four counties from around the state are represented in the 2019-2020 State FFA officer team that was elected as part of the 90th annual State FFA Convention, which concluded May 24 at Monmouth University. The state officers represent New Jersey FFA at several state and national functions throughout the year, including visiting FFA chapters all around the

The new officers with the chapters they represent are: Jamie Specca of Northern Burlington, president; Owen Donnelly of Warren Hills, vicepresident; Talia Priore of Woodstown. treasurer; Ryan Jordan of Cumberland Regional, parliamentarian; Kailyn Emmett of Salem Tech, State Secretary; Karleen Wilford of Cumberland Regional, reporter; and Nicole Sickler of Woodstown, sentinel.

"Each of the members elected this year has invested significant time and energy into FFA and I know will add to the great tradition established by previous officer teams," said New Jersey State FFA Adviser and Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education Program Leader Erin Noble. "They have each earned the respect of their peers and I know they will embrace the high responsibility that comes with being elected. We are confident these officers will be excellent ambassadors for FFA throughout New Jersey and nationally as well.'

Some of the state officer duties include assisting chapters in the execution of their program of activities; encouraging FFA members to participate in food, agriculture and natural resources education and FFA programs; maintaining positive relations with members. the agribusiness sector, the public and others interested in agricultural education; traveling to FFA chapters around the state two-three times per month; assisting at career development events, including fall, spring, and summer; and representing the New Jersey FFA Association at events of other state agricultural organizations.

FFA is a component of a food, agriculture and natural resources program of instruction that prepares students to pursue fulfilling careers in the business, science, education and technology of agriculture. There are more than 2,300 FFA members in New Jersey and nearly 670,000 members across the nation.

For more information about New Jersey Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources Education and the state FFA program visit jerseyageducation.nj.gov. Also keep up to date with New Jersey FFA news on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

For information about the national FFA program visit ffa.org.



The New Jersey FFA state officers were recently selected. From left, Talia Priore, treasurer; Ryan Jordan, parliamentarian; Owen Donnelly, vice president; Nicole Sickler, sentinel; Jamie Specca, president, Kailyn Emmett, secretary; and Karleen Wilford, reporter.