THE FFA CREED

I believe in the future of agriculture with a faith born not of words but of deeds—achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so—for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I believe that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task.

The creed was written by E. M. Tiffany, and adopted at the 3rd National Convention of the FFA. Revised at the 38th Convention and 63rd Convention.
SPECIALTY ANIMAL PRODUCTION — Donald Eason, member of the Central High-Coosa County FFA Chapter, represented the Southern Region, as a national finalist in the Specialty Animal Production Proficiency Award program at this year's National Convention. Donald is pictured with (l-r) Max Fisher, Director, Public Relations and Communications, Purina Mills, Inc., and Wayne Stelk, Vice President, Country General Stores, sponsors. Donald’s advisors are Donald Griffin and Lee Wilder.

FORAGE PRODUCTION — Shane Short, of the Lineville FFA Chapter, representing the Southern Region, competed as a national finalist with three other regional winners in the Forage Production Proficiency Award program. Shane is pictured with Larry D. Case, National FFA Advisor. Shane’s advisor at Lineville is Lamar Dewberry.

HOME and/or FARMSTEAD IMPROVEMENT — Adam Borden, member of the Albertville FFA Chapter, was one of four finalist in the Home and/or Farmstead Proficiency Award program at this year’s 63rd National FFA Convention in Kansas City. Shown congratulating Adam is Gerald Welch, Corporate Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Agricultural Division, the Upjohn Company, sponsor. Adam’s FFA advisors at Albertville are Ricky Todd and Phillip Williams.
THE DALEVILLE AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS TEAM was one of 45 State Agricultural Mechanics teams competing at the 63rd National Convention in Kansas City. Team members (l-r) are Will Morgan, Aron DeHart, Shawn Wesley, and not shown Rod Morgan. The FFA Advisor is Alan Waters. The team placed 27th in the competition.

THE J. R. PITTAARD NURSERY/LANDSCAPE TEAM competed in the National Nursery/Landscape Contest. Pictured with the team (l-r) Richard Anderson, Regional Sales Manager, Kubota Tractor Corporation; Clint Albin, American Association of Nurserymen, and Dennis Niemeyer, Rhone-Poulenc Ag Company, CHIPCO. Team member is Trish Sims, Chris Brazier, Tim Pitts and FFA Advisor Ken Boyd. This team was one of 41 teams participating in the contest and placed 18th.

THE MONROE COUNTY AVC FORESTRY TEAM competed in the National FFA Forestry Contest. Pictured with the team is a representative of the sponsors, Champion International Corporation and Homelite/Textron. The team was one of thirty teams participating and placed sixth. Team members (l-r) are Cameron Knapp, Chris Murphy, Thomas Davis, Vince Dees, Tony Nobles, and FFA Advisor Johnny Andrews.

THE ARAB LIVESTOCK TEAM represented Alabama in the National Livestock Contest. Representing the sponsor, Purina Mills, Inc., is (left) Don Maulery. Team members are (l-r) Corey Williams, Brett Thrower, Shannon Dyar, Joe Wallace and FFA Advisor Randy Wilkins. The team placed 15th out of 45 teams in competition.

THE AMERICAN FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS attending the National Convention were (l-r) David Jones, Elkmont; Larry Parker, Enterprise; Howard Pittman, Spring Garden; Keith Phillips, G. W. Long; William Sims, Woodville; Kevin Williams, Douglas; Al Griffin, Lineville; Andy Wilkes, Arab; Larry Peek, Spring Garden, and Todd Strickland, Enterprise.

THE HOUSTON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL DAIRY JUDGING TEAM was one of 45 teams competing in the National Dairy Contest at the 63rd National FFA Convention. Team members (l-r) Jason Alderson, Ben Freeman, Stack Bedsole, Ashley Givens, and FFA Advisor Joe Rasberry. Congratulating the team is a representative of the Associated Milk Producers, Inc., and Babson Brothers Company, sponsors. The team placed 34th in the contest.

COMPUTERS IN AGRICULTURE REGIONAL WINNER was John C. Bullock, member of the Hillcrest FFA Chapter. The Computers in Agriculture Award program is sponsored by the General Fund of the National FFA Foundation. Pictured with John is his FFA Advisor, Donald G. Watson.
AUBURN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND COLLEGIATE FFA CHAPTER Booth in Agricultural Career Show, 1990 National FFA Convention. Shown (l-r) Gerry Elliott, Auburn University student and Collegiate FFA member, from Clay County High School; Lamar Seals, McAdory High School, and Bill Alverson, Assistant Dean, College of Agriculture, Auburn University.

OFFICIAL DELEGATES to the National Convention (l-r first row) Rebecca Birdsong, Hartford; Lamar Seals, McAdory; Kelly Williams, Fruitdale; Brandon Abbott, Arab; (second row) Richard Scott, R. C. Hatch; Stephen Kiser, Spring Garden; Tony Carlisle, Beauregard; Marie Rush, Lineville; (third row) Joe Baxter, Fruitdale; David Mines, R. C. Hatch, Michael Reeser, Calera; Chris Etheridge, Daleville, and Raymon Randolph, Hatton.

NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARDS RECEIVED (l-r) Norman Atkins, Paramount; Pat Guinn, Scottsboro; Rhonda Hood, Daleville; Chris Layton, Brantley; Rick Clemons, Rehobeth; Paul Williams, Brantley; John Parrish, Rehobeth, and Stacy Hughes, G. W. Long.

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ALABAMA A & M UNIVERSITY, School of Agriculture and Home Economics Booth in Agricultural Career Show, 1990 National FFA Convention. Shown (l-r) Cheri Childs, Mark Shehee, and Kim Sorrells, members of the Hartford FFA Chapter, Geneva County High School. Pictured with the members is Dr. Nimrod Cobb, Teacher Educator, Department of Agricultural Education, Alabama A&M University.

NATIONAL FFA SAFETY AWARD PROGRAM WINNERS receiving recognition for their chapter's achievements were (l-r) Clarence Outland, Paramount; Jarvis Stephens, York West End; Pat Guinn, Scottsboro; Fletcher Turner, R. C. Hatch; Jason Venable, Skyline; Rodney Cox, Arab; Rhonda Hood and Susan Truman, Daleville.

BOAC AWARD WINNERS (l-r) Rachael Davis, Cherokee Middle; Shane Fulmer, Selma; Ben Freeman, Houston County; Keith Woodard, Selma; Nina Weston, Paramount; Pat Guinn, Scottsboro; Fletcher Turner, R. C. Hatch; Edward Moss, York West End, and Ernest Weatherspoon, R. C. Hatch.

NATIONAL TALENT — The West Point FFA String Band entertained during the convention. Members of the band are (l-r) Tim Martin, Charles Crawford, Michael Moore, Michael Netherton, Halman Campbell (drums) and Jason Johnson (piano). Advisor to the West Point Chapter is Gary Wilhite.