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| National Proficiency Award Finalists & Winners |

# 1977

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| NAME | CHAPTER | AREA | **LEVEL** |
| Allan Rieck | Lake Preston | Agricultural Mechanics | Central Region Winner |

# 1982

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Heidi Christner | Lennox-Sundstrom | Poultry Production | Central Region Winner |
| Grant Shearer | Wall | Horse | Central Region Winner |

# 1986

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| NAME | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Melodi Hurst | Harrisburg | Horse | Central Region Winner |

# 1989

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| NAME | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Mark Gross | Bridgewater | Diversified Crop Production | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Wade Musick | Mitchell | Horse | National Finalist |

**1990**

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Shawn Hofer | Marion | Home and/orFarmstead Improvment | National Finalist |

# 1993

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Daniel Davis | Marion | Agricultural Production Placement | National Finalist |

# 1994

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Chad Wosje | Sioux Valley | Agricultural Sales and/or Service | National Finalist |
| Jeremy McGregor | McCook Central | Dairy Production | National Finalist |

# 1995

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Neil Smeenk | Harrisburg | Agricultural Processing | National Finalist |
| Susan Stoterau | Harrisburg | Diversified Livestock Production | National Finalist |
| Ben Roling | McCook Central | Oil Crop Production | National Finalist |
| Mark Brenneman | West Central | Outdoor Recreation | National Finalist |
| Mike McIntyre | Lake Central | Sheep Production | National Finalist & National Winner |

# 1996

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Chad Lambert | Clark | Agricultural Processing | National Finalist |
| K.C. Gregg | McCook Central | Beef Production Placement | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Shane McGregor | McCook Central  | Dairy Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Josh Sakry | Garretson | Feed Grain Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Chris Howard | Miller | Swine Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Ben Rolling | McCook Central | Diversified Crop Entrepreneur ship | National Finalist |

# 1997

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Justin Retzlaff | Groton | Agricultural Sales and Service | National Finalist |
| Cade Peterson | Chamberlain | Beef Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Mike Schock | McCook Central | Oil Crop Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Kari Horsley | Wessington Springs | Soil and Water Management | National Finalist |
| Brock Streff | McCook Central | Swine Production Placement | National Finalist |

# 1998

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Kara Nagel | Gettysburg | Cereal Grain Production | National Finalist |
| Matt DeMent | McCook Central | Dairy Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Melissa Streff | McCook Central | Diversified Livestock Production | National Finalist |
| Paul Roling | McCook Central  | Feed Grain Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Kristen Wallenstein | Harrisburg | Food Science and Technology | National Finalist |
| Dustin Preheim | Harrisburg | Landscape Management | National Finalist |
| Scott Peterson | McCook Central | Oil Crop Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Nicholas Streff | McCook Central | Swine Production Placement | National Finalist & National Winner |

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Jeff DeRouchey  | Chamberlain | Diversified Livestock Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Tiffany Anderson | Lemmon | Agricultural Communications | National Finalist |
| Chad Oddens | Harrisburg | Landscape Management | National Finalist |
| Nicholas Nielson | Lennox | Wildlife Management Entrepreneuship | National Finalist |

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Kimberly Rieckman | McCook Central | Agricultural Communications | National Finalist |
| Roxanne Wagner | Tulare | Beef Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Matt Rogers | Miller | Beef Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Clay Edwards | Artesian-Letcher | Diversified Livestock Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Emilie Torenberg | Harrisburg | Equine Science | National Finalist |
| Kent Peterson | McCook Central | Feed Grain Production Placement | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Curt Smith | Harrisburg | Forest Management Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Erin Huffman | Harrisburg | Home and/or Community Development  | National Finalist |
| Melissa Eichacker | McCook Central | Specialty Animal Production Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Scott Peterson | McCook Central | Swine Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Jeremy Pulse | McCook Central | Wildlife Management Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Renee Burns | Harrisburg | Diversified Crop Production | National Finalist |
| Valeree Holzwarth | Gettysburg | Emerging Agricultural Technologies | National Finalist |
| Steve Kuecker | Webster | Fiber and Oil Production | National Finalist |
| Sandi Shape | McCook Central | Home & Community Development | National Winner |

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Adam Prunty | West Central | Agricultural Sales - Entrepreneurship  | National Finalist |
| Michael Gottlob | McCook Central | Beef Production – Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |
| Josh Hehn | Rapid City | Diversified Horticulture - Placement  | National Finalist |
| Aaron Beisch | Webster | Dairy Production - Entrepreneurship  | National Finalist |
| Kristin Kuhl | McCook Central | Dairy Production - Placement  | National Winner |
| Katie Tornberg | Harrisburg | Equine Science – Placement | National Finalist |
| Chris Plamp | Mitchell | Forage Production - Entrepreneurship/Placement  | National Finalist |
| Jennifer Tiggelaar | Lennox/Sundstrom | Specialty Animal Production – Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |

# 2003

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Katie Tornberg  | Harrisburg | Agricultural Sales | National Finalist & National Winner |
| James Haas | Harrisburg | Agricultural Processing  | National Finalist |
| Chad Kaiser | Garretson | Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabrication | National Finalist |
| Megan Chilson | Florence | Emerging Agricultural Technology | National Finalist |
| Ryan Brunner | Newell | Environmental Science & Natural Resources | National Finalist |
| Wayne Robison | Rapid City | Equine Science | National Finalist |
| Jason Biel | Wilmot | Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production | National Finalist |
| Josh Blindert | McCook Central | Swine Production-Placement | National Finalist |

**2004**

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Derek Griesse    | Harrisburg | Agricultural Sales - Entrepreneurship   | National Finalist |
| Alex Welk        | Florence | Emerging Agricultural Technology - Entrepreneurship/Placement      | National Finalist |
| Jason Mathiesen          | Harrisburg | Home and/or Community Development - Entrepreneurship/Placement      | National Finalist |
| Ashley Streff    | McCook Central | Swine Production - Placement    | National Winner |

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Kristin Marie Youngworth | Harrisburg | Home and/or Community Development | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Annette Rose Bramstedt | Harrisburg | Nursery Operations | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Ashley Streff | McCook Central | Diversified Livestock Production | National Finalist |
| Devin Myren | McCook Central | Diversified Horticulture | National Finalist |
| Drew Peterson | McCook Central | Grain Production | National Finalist |
| Duane Pulse | McCook Central | Agricultural Mechanics Energy Systems | National Finalist |
| Josh Chilson | Florence | Emerging Agricultural Technology | National Finalist |
| Noelle Rist | West Central | Fruit Production | National Finalist |

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| **NAME** | **CHAPTER** | **AREA** | **LEVEL** |
| Dan Palmquist | McCook Central | Diversified Agricultural Production | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Tyson Greese | Harrisburg | Ag. Mechanics – Repair/Maintenance Entrepreneurship | National Finalist & National Winner |
| Grant Thompson | Harrisburg | Swine Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Alex Heim | Wessington Springs | Specialty Animal Production | National Finalist |
| Logan Ward | Harrisburg | Diversified Horticulture | National Finalist |
| Kayla Melhoff | Brandon Valley | Nursery Operations | National Finalist |

**2007**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Kyle Zulk | McCook Central | Grain Production | 1st Place National Winner |
| Ryan Frerichs | Wilmot | Ag mechanics | National Finalist |
| TJ Amdahl | McCook Central | Beef Production | National Finalist |
| Stephanie Nussbaum | Garretson | Dairy Production | National Finalist |
| Tate Tevedal | Wessington Springs | Diversified Crop Prod | National Finalist |
| Brian Fett | Lennox-Sundstrom | Diversified Horticulture | National Finalist |
| Tyler Berg | Harrisburg | Forestry Management | National Finalist |
| Becca Knox | McCook Central | Outdoor Recreation | National Finalist |
| Calli Ray Beach | Harrisburg | Small Animal Prod | National Finalist |
| Ryan DeMent | McCook Central | Forage Production | National Finalist |
| Devin Myren | McCook Central | Turf Grass Management | National Finalist |
| Dan Long | Harrisburg | Tractor Restoration | National Finalist |
| Ethan Javers | Harrisburg | Tractor Restoration | National Finalist |

**2008**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Jordan Krueger | McCook Central | Diversified Crop Production | **1st Place National Winner** |
| Brian Gottlob | McCook Central | Diversified Livestock Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Steven Zemlicka | Florence | Emerging Agricultural Technology | National Finalist |
| Daniel Long | Harrisburg | Forest Management and Products | National Finalist |
| Travis Machmiller | Garretson | Grain Production Entrepreneurship  | National Finalist  |
| Paul Westhoff | McCook Central | Grain Production Placement  | **1st Place National Winner** |
| Tyler Kientopf | Garretson | Landscape Management | National Finalist  |
| Joshua Johnson  | Harrisburg | Small Animal Production and Care | National FInalist |
| Landon Peterson | McCook Central | Swine Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Zach Hansen | McCook Central | Wildlife Production and Management Entrepreneurship  | National Finalist  |
| Scott Hoiten | McCook Central | Wildlife Production and Management Placement | National Finalist  |

**2009**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Maria Skoglund | McCook Central | Agricultural Education | National Finalist  |
| James Haak | Howard | Agriculture Services | National FInalist  |
| Matt Moen | Harrisburg | Landscape Management | **1st Place National Finalist**  |
| Scott Hoiten | McCook Central | Outdoor Recreation | **1st Place National Finalist** |
| Trent Thompson | Harrisburg | Small Animal Production and Care  | National Finalist  |
| Zach Hansen | McCook Central | Swine Production  | National Finalist  |

**2010**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Ethan VanderWal | Sioux Valley  | Agricultural Services | **1st Place National Winner**  |
| Ali Rist | Viborg-Hurley | Sheep Production  | National Finalist  |
| Taylor Osterberg | McCook Central | Ag Mechanics Repair and Maintenance  | National Finalist |
| Angela Hanson | McCook Central | Diversified Horticulture | National Finalist |
| Erik Anderson | McCook Central | Grain Production Placement | National Finalist |
| Jesse Knox  | McCook Central | Outdoor Recreation  | National Finalist |

**2011**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Hannah Jackson  | Arlington  | Ag Education  | National Finalist  |
| Cody Hansen  | McCook Central  | Ag Mechanics Design & Fabrication  | National Finalist  |
| Nick Mueller  | Garretson  | Ag Mechanics Repair & Maintenance  | National Finalist  |
| Mark Huls  | McCook Central  | Diversified Crop Production  | National Finalist  |
| Erik Anderson  | McCook Central  | Diversified Crop Production  | National Finalist  |
| Jessica Faris  | Harrisburg  | Equine Science  | National Finalist  |
| Taylor Osterberg  | McCook Central  | Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production  | National Finalist  |
| Matt Eichacker  | McCook Central | Grain Production  | National Finalist  |
| Clayton Wobig  | McCook Central  | Grain Production | National Finalist  |
| Marshall Spaans  | McCook Central | Turf Grass Management  | National Finalist  |
| Elle Tornberg  | Harrisburg  | Vet Medicine  | National Finalist  |
| Taylor Osterberg  | McCook Central  | Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production | **1st National Winner**  |

**2012**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Beth Mayrose  | McCook Central | Agricultural Education | National Finalist  |
| Nick Mueller  | Garretson  | Agricultural Sales  | National Finalist  |
| Alex Braun  | Harrisburg  | Diversified Horticulture  | National Finalist  |
| Marshal Spaans  | McCook Central  | Outdoor Recreation  | National Finalist  |
| Alicia Rist  | Viborg | Sheep Production  | National Finalist  |
| Abby Flanders  | Harrisburg  | Specialty Animal Production  | National Finalist  |
| Gavin Gassman  | McCook Central  | Wildlife & Production Management  | National Finalist  |

**2013**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Kelsi Kampshoff | McCook Central | Ag Education | National Finalist  |
| Cooper Eliason | Howard | Ag Mechanics Energy Systems | National Finalist |
| Tyler Mentele | McCook Central | Diversified Ag Production | National Finalist |
| Beth Mayrose | McCook Central | Home &/Or Community Development | National Finalist |
| Morgan Matthaei | McCook Central | Speciality Crop Production | National Finalist |
| Brandon Reif | McCook Central | Turf Grass Management | National Finalist |

**2014**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Shane Mueller | Garretson | Ag Mechanics Repair and Maintenance  | **1st Place National Winner** |
| Melissa Nelson | McCook Central  | Diversified Livestock | National Finalist |
| Lan Van Hull | Viborg-Hurley | Swine Production | National Finalist  |

**2015**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Victoria Krempges | McCook Central | Agricultural Education  | National Finalist |
| Ethan Schallenkamp | McCook Central  | Agricultural Mechanics Design & Fabric Entrepreneurship  | National Finalist |
| Derek Hight | Viborg-Hurley | Agricultural Services | National Finalist  |
| Adam Eichacker | McCook Central  | Beef Production  | National Finalist |
| Cole Schock | McCook Central | Diversified Livestock | National Finalist |
| Andrew Streff | McCook Central | Fiber and/or Oil Crop Production | National Finalist  |
| Bo Peterson | McCook Central  | Swine Production | National Finalist  |
| Shane Mueller  | Garretson  | Agricultural Mechanics  | **1st Place National Winner**  |

**2016**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Adam Eichacker  | McCook Central | Diversified Crop Production  | **1st National Winner**  |
| Andrew Streff  | McCook Central | Grain Production  | **1st National Winner**  |
| Mark Streff | McCook Central | Oil Crop Production  | National Finalist  |

**2017**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Kohl Miller  | McCook Central | Diversified Horticulture  | National Finalist  |
| Jaclyn Knudson  | Viborg  | Grain Production- Entrepreneurship  | **1st Place National Winner**  |

**2018**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| Hadley Stiefvater | McCook Central | Ag Science – Animal Systems | **National Winner** |

**2019**

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| **Name** | **Chapter** | **Area** | **Level** |
| John Loudenburg | McCook Central | Grain Producition Entrepreneurship | National Finalist |