



# Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators

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***Don't delay...  
Registration  
for the IAAE  
January  
In-service is  
due Jan. 13,  
2011!***

## A note from the IAAE President, Travis Scherer...

### *Goals for Agricultural Curriculum*

As the dialogue about high school agricultural education curriculum increases, I find myself again looking for perspective from my "A Handbook on Teaching Vocational Agriculture" by Glen Charles Cook in 1938 textbook.

Here is a sampling about curriculum from the textbook.

"Some underlying principles to consider... 1. To develop student abilities to make an intelligent choice of their farming programs which will later help them in becoming more established in farming."

"5. To develop student abilities which will enable him to do constructive thinking."

"6. To develop student abilities in finding and evaluating information, forming judgments, etc."

"7. To develop student abilities in leadership, initiative, and aggressiveness."

"9. To develop student abilities which will enable him not only to make a living but know how to live."

"A carefully worked out agricultural curriculum is essential if students are to receive the full benefit of a cultural and vocational education."

Agricultural education pathways and curriculum frameworks will be rolled out in January. This process is an excellent opportunity for Purdue, Vincennes, Ivy Tech and high school agricultural education programs to look at curriculum, find dual credit opportunities and find plans of study for students from freshman in high school to the workforce. A couple new courses are in the works, as well as some course renaming and curriculum work. It is an exciting time. I personally would like to thank Lisa and Anna for all their work on curriculum and the pathway group that is made up of secondary and postsecondary teachers as well as business leaders and CTE directors.

Professionally Always,

Travis Scherer  
President  
Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators

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Do you need some fresh and new ideas? If so, check out:

[www.ideas4ag-ed.com](http://www.ideas4ag-ed.com)

On this website you can find

- Teacher ideas in a blog format
- Lesson Plans
- CDE prep
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This website is continually changing daily with new updates. It was created by Michael Southerland, an agriculture teacher from Cocks Co. High School in Newport, TN

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TO: All Agricultural Science and Business Instructors

FROM: Travis Scherer, President, Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators

RE: IAAE Called In-service Workshop for Program Improvement

DATE: December 9, 2010

The Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators will be hosting a one-day Agricultural Education in-service meeting on **January 20, 2011**. Information and updates will be provided regarding student recruitment and pathway planning, Supervised Agriculture Experience records, career development event changes, current state and national agriculture issues, and other agricultural education updates.

**Bring your proficiency and state degree applications that you are having problems with. Maybe you just have questions. Teachers will be available to assist you so you can meet your district application deadline.**

I strongly encourage you to request approval from your administration to attend this very active professional hands on workshop. You must attend and participate in this in-service workshop to receive copies of all of the various materials which will be distributed. The in-service will feature updates on the dual credit classes being offered by universities throughout the state, current status of agriculture course curriculum frameworks, potential new courses, career pathways in agricultural education and various other workshop topics.

**The total registration fee, which includes meals, snacks, supplies, and instructional material for the combined activity is due January 13, 2011.**

Please feel free to contact Travis Scherer at (219) 279-2105 x 439 or by email at [scherert@trico.k12.in.us](mailto:scherert@trico.k12.in.us) if you have any questions regarding this in-service workshop.

District: \_\_\_\_\_

**2011 IAAE CALLED AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION INSERVICE  
FOR PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT  
JANUARY 20, 2011**

Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Complete Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Information (mark those that apply)

In-Service Registration Fee	\$50.00
IAAE Member Discount	-\$25.00
Lodge room for January 19	\$15.00
Fellowship center room for January 19	\$25.00
<b>2010 - 2011</b> NAAE and IAAE Membership	\$81.50 (THIS CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR)
NAAE Life members	\$21.50
<b>Late fee</b> after January 13, 2011	\$10.00

**Total Fee** \_\_\_\_\_

*Example: The Total Fee for an IAAE Member attending the In-Service (\$25.00) and paying for 2010-2011 Dues (\$81.50) is **\$106.50**.*

***Please make checks to IAAE, not to the Indiana FFA Leadership Center.***

I have enclosed a check made payable to **IAAE** in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the Agricultural Education In-service and Program Improvement Workshop sponsored by the IAAE

Return completed form with payment to: Indiana Association of Agriculture Educators  
 P. O. Box 6543  
 Kokomo, IN 46904

**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY!!**

We have received check # \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or signed purchase order # \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ individual(s). We have registered you for the State Called In-service Workshop starting at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2010. Make checks payable to Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators (IAAE). Your registration was postmarked on \_\_\_\_\_.  
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**AGRICULTURE TEACHER IN-SERVICE AGENDA  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2011  
INDIANA FFA LEADERSHIP CENTER**

Wednesday, January 19

7:00p.m. – 9:30pm. BOC Meeting in the executive meeting room

Thursday, January 20

8:00 – 9:00 Registration  
9:00-9:15 Welcome and explanation of the days activities  
9:15 – 10:00 Workshop 1  
10:10 – 11:00 Workshop 2  
11:15 – 12:00 District Meetings  
12:00 – 1:15 Working Lunch  
State and National FFA Updates  
IAAE and NAAE Updates  
Purdue Updates  
FFA Foundation Updates  
  
1:15 – 2:00 Workshop 3  
2:10 – 3:00 Workshop 4  
3:00 Dismiss

Workshop Topic Sampling

Career Pathways and Curriculum Frameworks unveiled  
– opportunity for review and questions  
Dual Credit Opportunities  
Certification Opportunities  
Career Development Event Changes  
American Degree Changes  
Classroom Instruction  
Greenhouse Management  
Using Multimedia instead of Textbooks  
Supervised Agriculture Experience Records

## Butcher Fellowship for Agricultural Education

Dale R. Butcher was agricultural science and business teacher in the Benton Community Schools for nearly 40 years. During that time he received numerous distinctions including Benton Community Teacher of the Year, president of Indiana Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association (twice), president of National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, Purdue University College of Agriculture Distinguished Agricultural Alumni, Purdue Agricultural Alumni Association Certificate of Distinction and member of several state and national boards. Mr. Butcher was the first executive director for the Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators. For Purdue University Agricultural Education, he served as cooperating teacher and university supervisor to numerous students.

The endowment established by Dale and Toni Butcher and friends is for Indiana Agricultural Science and Business teachers pursuing an advanced degree in Agricultural Education. By sponsoring this award the Butcher Family also honors their parents, Nelson and Ethel Butcher, both Purdue employees, who educated all five of their children at Purdue.

The Butcher Fellowship will award one fellowship of approximately \$1,000. As the endowment grows, the award can grow higher or additional fellowships can be awarded.

The process to apply is:

1. Obtain an application form from the YDAE graduate office or from the YDAE Graduate Website (application is available beginning approximately January 1 until the due date).
2. Submit the application along with the other required documents listed on the application to YDAE graduate office before June 1st of each year.

A copy of the fellowship application instructions is attached below for your convenience. Please note that if the amount of this fellowship award exceeds the amount owed in tuition and fees, you may use the excess money as you deem best.

## 2011 IAAE Summer Workshop, June 29th-July 1st

*Nashville, Indiana and Indian FFA Fellowship Center*

Lodging: Indiana FFA Leadership Center Lodge or Fellowship Center

### *Tentative Schedule:*

#### Wednesday, June 29th

8-Noon                   Tours meet at the Season Lodge in Nashville for Tour  
Noon                      Lunch Franklin HS Ag Dept. Late pickup of Tours at Franklin HS.  
1-5 pm                   Tours  
5 pm                      Meal function at Columbus HS Ag Dept or Ivy Tech - Columbus  
After 5 pm              Tours return to Franklin HS and Seasons Lodge in Nashville

#### Thursday, June 30th

8 am                      Breakfast in the Dining Room at FFA Leadership Center  
9 am -9:30 am         Workshop registration  
9:30 am- Noon         Professional Development Workshops (2 sessions)  
Noon                     Lunch in the Dining Room at FFA Leadership Center  
1 pm – 5pm             Professional Development Workshops (3 sessions)  
6 pm                     IAAE Awards Banquet in the Dining Room  
Evening                 “After glow” by the camp fire

#### Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>

8 am                     Breakfast in Dining Room at FFA Leadership Center  
9 am – 9:30 am         “Pay it forward, FFA Center” registration  
9:30 am - ?             Improvement projects around the Indiana FFA Leadership Center

#### Tentative Tour Stops

Rose Acre Farms  
CLAAS  
Not Just Popcorn  
Mariah Foods  
David R Webb Veneer Manufacturing

Visit 2011 Summer Workshop site for updates at [www.indianaaged.org/iaae.html](http://www.indianaaged.org/iaae.html)

# 2011 Region IV Conference in Indiana, June 28th-30<sup>th</sup>

*Nashville, Indiana*

Hotel: The Seasons Lodge and Conference Center with overflow at Brown County Inn  
PO Box 187

Nashville, IN 47448

1-800-365-7327

<http://www.seasonslodge.com/>

\$99.00 room rate single or double

**Rooms held till May 21, 2011 under Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators group.**

## *Tentative Schedule:*

### Tuesday, June 28th

7-11am Golf Scramble at Salt Creek Golf Course and possible skeet shooting.  
10am – Noon Registration at the hotel  
Noon Lunch buffet at the hotel  
1 pm – 5 pm Region Meetings  
5 pm Meal off site (Downtown Nashville/Brown County Winery)  
8 pm Hospitality Suite

### Wednesday, June 29th

7 am Breakfast buffet at the hotel  
8-Noon Tours  
Noon Lunch at Indiana FFA Leadership Center or Franklin HS Ag Dept.  
1-5 pm Tours  
5 pm Meal function at Columbus HS Ag Dept or Ivy Tech - Columbus  
8 pm Hospitality Suite

### Thursday, June 30th

8 am Breakfast buffet at the hotel  
9 am – Noon Region Meetings  
Noon Adjourn and safe travel home

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**Visit 2011 Region 4 Conference blog for updates at**

[www.2011nashville.blogspot.com](http://www.2011nashville.blogspot.com) or [www.naae.org](http://www.naae.org) or [www.indianaaged.org/iaae.html](http://www.indianaaged.org/iaae.html)



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## ***Gary Geswein Selected for Agricultural Education Award***

LAS VEGAS – Gary Geswein of Palmyra, Ind. is one of only **six** individuals nationwide who received the National Association of Agricultural Educators (NAAE) Lifetime Achievement Award on December 3rd at the NAAE annual convention in Las Vegas.

When looking at Geswein’s long list of accomplishments, it’s plain to see that agriculture and agricultural education hold a special meaning for him. After receiving his Bachelor’s degree in Agricultural Education from Purdue University in 1969, he went on to be the agricultural educator at four schools throughout Indiana. At each school, he influenced students and helped them develop a strong path towards their future. During his teaching career, he advised members who were elected to National FFA Office, State FFA Office, received American and State FFA Degrees, competed in numerous state Career Development Events, and were awarded several district and state FFA Proficiency Awards. Additionally, five of his students eventually went on to become agricultural educators themselves.

Outside of the classroom, Geswein always made it a priority to stay involved with numerous professional organizations to continue learning and further the success of agricultural education. As a lifetime member of NAAE, he has served as the alternate Region IV Vice President, co-hosted and chaired the Region IV Summer Meeting, represented NAAE on the National FFA Alumni Council, and played an important role on several committees. Additionally, he served as the state president for the Indiana Association of Agricultural Educators (IAAE), where he started a state mentoring program. Geswein has also played an active role in the Indiana Association for Career and Technical Education, the National Agriculture Supervision Association, the National Young Farmer Executive Committee, and the Indiana FFA Foundation.

Each of the regional Lifetime Achievement award winners received special recognition at the NAAE convention in Las Vegas. Ford sponsors the Lifetime Achievement Award as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. NAAE is the professional association for agricultural educators. Its mission is “professionals providing agricultural education for the global community through visionary leadership, advocacy and service.” The NAAE office is located in Lexington, Ky.





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## *Lebanon High School Agriculture Teacher*

### *Selected for Educator Award*

LAS VEGAS – Kristen Scott, agricultural educator at Lebanon High School in Lebanon, Ind., is one of 33 individuals nationwide who received the Teachers Turn the Key Award, given December 4<sup>th</sup> at the National Association of Agricultural Educators (NAAE) annual convention in Las Vegas.

The Teachers Turn the Key Award program (TTTK) is a scholarship to allow early career agricultural educators to attend the annual NAAE convention, giving them an opportunity to become involved with their professional association on a national level. TTTK participants take part in a special programming geared toward early career agricultural educators.

Scott has been a part of the four-teacher program at Lebanon High School since 2006. She believes the foundation of a person's life is formed while in school. As a teacher, Scott strives to display passion and enthusiasm in her lessons to excite students' interest in agriculture. Her goal in the classroom is to actively engage students in the learning process so they have a meaningful educational experience.

“Kristen captivates her students and colleagues through her positive approach to teaching which allows her to get the most out of her students,” said Kevin O'Rourke, principal at Lebanon High School. “Her persistence and commitment to success is a model for all flourishing teachers.”

Each of the Teachers Turn the Key winners received a plaque and a scholarship to cover convention registration, travel expenses, and housing during the NAAE convention in Las Vegas. RAM Truck Brand sponsors the TTTK program as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

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*Congratulations to...*

*Greg Curlin, 2011 NAAE President*

*Archie Sauerheber, 2011 NAAE Region IV Secretary*

*Gary Geswein, NAAE Lifetime Achievement Award*

*Kristen Scott, NAAE Teacher Turn the Key Award*

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Indiana FFA Organization

Indiana Young Farmers' Association

Purdue University - Youth Development & Agricultural Education

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