Conference Slide Show

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Family, Career and Community Leaders of America

2015 State Leadership & Recognition Conference
The State Executive Council planned a fun-filled conference based on adventures during a fantasy balloon ride. Their high-in-the-sky story showcased the many opportunities members have to **SOAR** in FCCLA!
Most conference activities were at the Virginia Beach Convention Center.
Beautiful skies and hot air balloons were everywhere, providing a great setting for photos.
The conference began on Friday with nearly 750 members entered in 84 competitive events categories.

Go to the STAR Events page of the Web site to view photos from the 2015 Virginia competitions.
On Friday afternoon, the FCCLA EXPO gave participants a chance to soar through a wide variety of exhibits and college booths.
FCCLA Alumni & Associates encouraged graduating members to stay involved.
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The Opening Session
National officers Garrhett Petrea from Washington and David Jefferson from Georgia were special guests and hosted our version of a TV talk show as part of the session skits.

Virginia’s own Laura Taylor from Strasburg High School shared memories from her year as national president.
The opening ceremonies included the Presentation of Colors, the National Anthem, and the Call to Order by State President Alexis Mathias.
The fantasy balloon ride was the skit setting for the presentation of awards and activities during the sessions. As they soared across the sky, the officers encountered many unusual characters who needed to learn about FCCLA!
No TV talk show is complete without special guests talking about their balloon adventures........
and prizes for members of the audience.
Of course, there were audience participation games.........
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.....including everyone's favorite – Whack An Officer!
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Keynote Speaker

Johan Khalililian
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The Business Session
The FCCLA View provided the skit format for carrying out the business of our organization.....
including FCCLA commercials
..... audience interviews, the hosts dance.....
..... a Thought for the Day from Brian Blain, an update from Board of Directors President Rachel VanPelt.....
..... and more flashbacks from a soaring adventure filled with FCCLA characters!
The traditional Banner Parade gave members the chance to soar into the spotlight.
Kate Collins Middle School
Waynesboro, VA

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Membership raffles and awards were part of the show.
Franklin County High School received the trophy as the Largest Chapter in Virginia for the second year in a row!
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The Saturday workshops provided uplifting information on a wide variety of FACS topics related to leadership and career planning.
70th Birthday Celebration & 2015 Awards Banquet

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The banquet was a party in honor of FCCLA’s 70th birthday.
Parade of Chapter Presidents
Banquet Entertainment

The Newport Pearls
with a special appearance by Joey!
VA Alumni & Associates
VA Alumni & Associates Awards

Anda White ~ Richlands
The Sharron K. Glasscock Alumni Distinguished Service Award
Kevin Cubbage ~ Page County
The Connie Rhoton Alumni Achievement Award
Master Advisers

Laura Butcher
Eastern View High School
Culpeper Co.

Raelyn Hamilton
Central High School
Shenandoah Co.

Adviser Awards
Spirit of Advising

Gale Kern
Wythe County Technology Center

Adviser Awards
Distinguished Service
Honorary Membership
The foundation presented a mock check for nearly $35,000 given to support Virginia FCCLA chapters in 2014-15!
The Glasscock family presented these new awards, created to honor the memory of our former state adviser.
The birthday party included a tribute to the seven decades of events and FCCLA accomplishments.
Former State Officers Representing Their Decade of Service

The 2000s
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The 1990s
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The 1970s

The 1980s

Even The 1960s!
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The 2015-16 Officers Are Announced!
Members Celebrate at the Gala!
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The Closing Session
Alexis Mathias gives her State President’s Message then passes the gavel to new president, Haley Copeland.
Installation Ceremony
Chapter Image Award

Fort Defiance High School
The sky-high adventure comes to an end.
The tradition of concluding the theme with a dance was a tribute to 70 years of fun in FCCLA!
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Nearly 750 members received awards and scholarships in VA FCCLA competitive events. Additional photos from the 2015 awards are found on the STAR Events page of the Web site.
Plan now to attend the 2016 State Leadership & Recognition Conference in Virginia Beach on April 8-10.
We hope the 2015 state conference showed you how to SOAR with FCCLA!