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Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions Crowned at 4-H Grand Drive presented by Farm Credit Mid-America

August 6, 2018, Indianapolis, IN- Several exhibitors finished as Grand and Reserve Grand Champions at the Indiana Farmers Coliseum yesterday at 7 p.m. during the 2018 Indiana State Fair Grand Drive presented by Farm Credit Mid-America. At the event, 4-H members showed livestock of various species, weights, and classes in the Indiana Farmers Coliseum during the Indiana State Fair. Categories included Dairy Steer, Meat Goat Wether, Sheep, Rabbit Meat Pen, Market Barrow, Beef Heifer and Beef Steer.

The Grand Champions are as follows:

- **Grand Champion Dairy Steer:** Kale Beer, Class 1
- **Grand Champion Meat Goat Wether:** Spencer Goattemiller, Heavyweight
- **Grand Champion Market Sheep:** Lane Slaton, Blackface Cross
- **Grand Champion Rabbit Meat Pen:** Brooke Kneubuhler
- **Grand Champion Market Barrow:** Hadley Hendrickson, Crossbred
- **Grand Champion Beef Heifer:** Mercedes Ferree, Angus
- **Grand Champion Beef Steer:** Hadley Hendrickson, Crossbred

Second place was awarded to the following:

- **Reserve Meat Goat Wether:** Maxwell Scamihorn, Middleweight
- **Reserve Sheep:** Gabrielle Raute, Reserve Blackface Cross
- **Reserve Market Barrow:** Lakyn Mauck, Berkshire
- **Reserve Beef Heifer:** Addison Walther
- **Reserve Beef Steer:** Harlee Henney, Reserve Crossbred

Around \$100,000 is raised by the Indiana State Fair Foundation, the Indiana State Fair's non-profit arm, to provide monetary awards for winners. Top placing 4-H members will be recognized for their hard work at the Celebration of Champions event, held on August 19th at the Indiana Farmers Coliseum at 6 p.m. The Celebration of Champions is an event that awards and celebrates achievement, scholarship and hard work. To learn more about donation opportunities available with the Indiana State Fair Foundation, visit <http://www.indianastatefairfoundation.org>.

ABOUT THE INDIANA STATE FAIR

The Indiana State Fair is the state's largest multi-day event celebrating Hoosiers' spirit and agricultural heritage. These 17 days celebrate Indiana agriculture and promote it to hundreds of thousands of people across Indiana, and beyond. Nationally recognized for offering great entertainment, showcasing youth, interactive agriculture education programs, premier facilities and a variety of unique, fun foods, the Indiana State Fair has been an annual attraction for generations of Hoosiers since 1852. The 2018 Indiana State Fair will be held August 3-19. The 2018 theme pays homage to Indiana's rich circus heritage by offering a world-class Big Top Circus presented by Bee Window. The new family-friendly Big Top Circus is FREE with paid State Fair admission and features acrobats, clowns, trapeze artists and more! For more information, visit www.indianastatefair.com.

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