

Dustin Ladenburger of Hitchcock County Farm Bureau was appointed to the American Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee, Cathy Day, director of special programs, said.

“Dustin is very deserving of this appointment. He will bring a great deal of enthusiasm to the national committee, as well as offering a very common-sense approach to the projects and sub-committees to which he will be appointed. As a farmer and teacher, he will bring his passion for agriculture and education to the committee,” Day said.

The committee is made up of 16 YF&R committee members from state Farm Bureaus. Members of the national committee receive training in leadership development and are provided the venue to hone their professional skills as well.

“Whether it’s in the classroom where he is a substitute teacher or in the pastures feeding his cattle, he continues to pursue his lifelong dream of being involved in agriculture and feels fortunate to share his agricultural experiences with his students,” Day said.

The national committee is involved in running the YF&R contests at the AFBF annual meeting and in the planning and execution of the National YF&R Conference.

Ladenburger was recently named the Nebraska Farm Bureau’s Young Farmer Rancher Achievement Award winner.