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Grand champion chosen at festival's Youth Plant Show

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 2, 2019) – The grand champion plant was chosen this week at the Florida Strawberry Festival's Youth Plant Show in the Swindle Family Pavilion.

Kaden Palmer won grand champion, and Dallas Gunn won reserve grand champion.

The Youth Plant Show is sponsored by Choo Choo Lawn Equipment, Inc. and offers youth in the community an opportunity to raise a plant, enter it into competition and sell it at the Youth Plant Sale.

In addition to the grand champion and reserve grand champion, additional category winners are chosen. Madison Williams exhibited the champion woody ornamentals; Owen Baylor exhibited the champion foliage plants; Madelein Rossboroug exhibited the champion hanging baskets and the champion liners; William Haxton exhibited the champion miscellaneous plants.

In the size categories, Logan Smith exhibited the size No. 1 champion; Addison Heath exhibited the size No. 3 champion, and Chelsea Woodard exhibited the size No. 7 champion plant.

Additional awards include awards of distinction which were given to Lake Lane, Kayla Swantek and Alex Reed.

The Youth Plant Sale will be held Sunday, March 3 at 2 p.m. in the Patterson Companies Livestock Arena in the Grimes Family Agricultural Center.

About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 500,000 visitors enjoy the festival's headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2019 Florida Strawberry Festival where "It's A Hit!" will take place February 28 - March 10 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest19).

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