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Grand champion chosen at festival's Youth Plant Show

PLANT CITY, Fla. (February 28, 2020) – The grand champion plant was chosen this week at the Florida Strawberry Festival's Youth Plant Show in the Swindle Family Pavilion.

Colton Taylor won grand champion, and Madelien Rosnbrough 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. Samuel Shiver exhibited the champion woody ornamentals; Owen Baylor exhibited the champion foliage plants; Madison Brewer exhibited the champion hanging baskets; Alex Griffen won the champion liners; Avery Palmer exhibited the champion miscellaneous plants.

In the size categories, Dallas Edward exhibited the size No. 1 champion; Eritn Scott exhibited the size No. 3 champion, and Jacob Farnsworth exhibited the size No. 7 champion plant.

Additional awards include awards of distinction which were given to Alexis Swantek, Nick Retter, and Kyndall Bass.

The Youth Plant Sale will be held Sunday, March 1 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 world-famous strawberry shortcake. The 2020 Florida Strawberry Festival, where "Our Perfect Vision!," will be held Feb. 27 through March 8 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (#berryfest20).

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