

88th Georgia FFA State Convention April 28-30, 2016 Macon Centreplex

Convention Speakers



Mrs. Jane Herlong will bring humor, motivation, and Southern charm to the **First General Session** at the 88th Georgia State FFA Convention.

Jane Herlong entertains using funny, original Southern stories, folksy wisdom and singing to help folks live more productive, stress-free lives. Jane believes in the extraordinary healing power of humor and storytelling. This is evident in Jane's most recent accomplishment of being an Amazon "Best-Seller" for her newest book, "Bury Me with My Pearls."

Jane is active in her church and community and serves on as a Commissioner at Piedmont Technical College of South Carolina, Chair of the National Speakers Association Scholarship Committee and serves on the Foundation Board of the National Speakers Association.

However, Jane's proudest accomplishments are being a wife and mother. Jane and her family live on the family peach farm in Edgefield County, South Carolina.

Ms. Abbey Gretsch will join the 88th Georgia State FFA Convention during the **Fourth General Session**.

Abbey Gretsch, a member of the Athens Christian FFA chapter, is the 16th Georgian to be elected to serve as a National FFA Officer. Abbey was elected at the 88th National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky and is serving as the Southern Region Vice President. Abbey and her teammates spent two weeks in Japan in January, and this spring will be traveling the country attending State FFA Conventions.

Abbey is a 2014 graduate of Athens Christian School. As an FFA member, Abbey competed in multiple CDEs and worked diligently in her family's beef cattle operation, which is where she developed her SAE areas in Beef Production and Agriculture Education. Abbey is an active member of the Georgia Junior Angus Association. She is also a student at the University of Georgia majoring in Agricultural Communications and Agriculture Education.





