

2011 New Jersey FFA Statewide Community Service Project *FFA Cares - American Cancer Society*

NEW JERSEY FFA ASSOCIATION

LIVING TO SERVE

ABOUT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

- The American Cancer Society is a nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem.
- The American Cancer Society is the largest non-governmental funder of cancer research in the United States, spending approximately \$130 million each year to work to find cures.



Donate to Help Cancer Research

The New Jersey FFA Association is committed to serving others. This year, our annual statewide community service project will be to collect donations to support cancer research.

Cancer is a serious health problem that affects many Americans. Recently, one of our beloved FFA advisors, Mr. Hilgendorff, from the Northern Burlington FFA Chapter was taken by cancer. He had touched many people during his time as an FFA advisor, and he will be greatly missed.

This year's keynote speaker for the 82nd NJ State FFA Convention, Andrea Lohr, has also been struggling with cancer. Five years ago, she was diagnosed with grade 3 Breast Cancer, the



Andrea Lohr has been struggling with Breast Cancer since 2006, yet even through this trying time in her life, she has still been touching the lives of FFA members with her motivational speeches and her incredible story of courage, love, & success.

most aggressive type. Since then, she has endured countless treatments, which have not yet been successful in removing the cancer. Throughout this trying time, Andrea has never forgotten how lucky she is even when she's faced with pain and struggle. Andrea has been touching the lives of others by sharing her courageous story.

In an effort to support cancer patients like Andrea, we will be making a donation to the American Cancer Society in Andrea's name. We are hoping to raise \$2500 as a state association for the cause.

Remember every donation helps. Please see our fundraising idea below and help us show the world that **FFA Cares!**

FFA Cares

The New Jersey FFA Association is asking NJ chapters to help us raise money and awareness for cancer. Please help us sell the "FFA Cares" cancer ribbon (pictured left) for \$1.00 to support the cause. To raise awareness for cancer in your school, have each sponsor sign their ribbon. Then, hang the ribbons around your school. We are also asking that each chapter will bring the ribbons

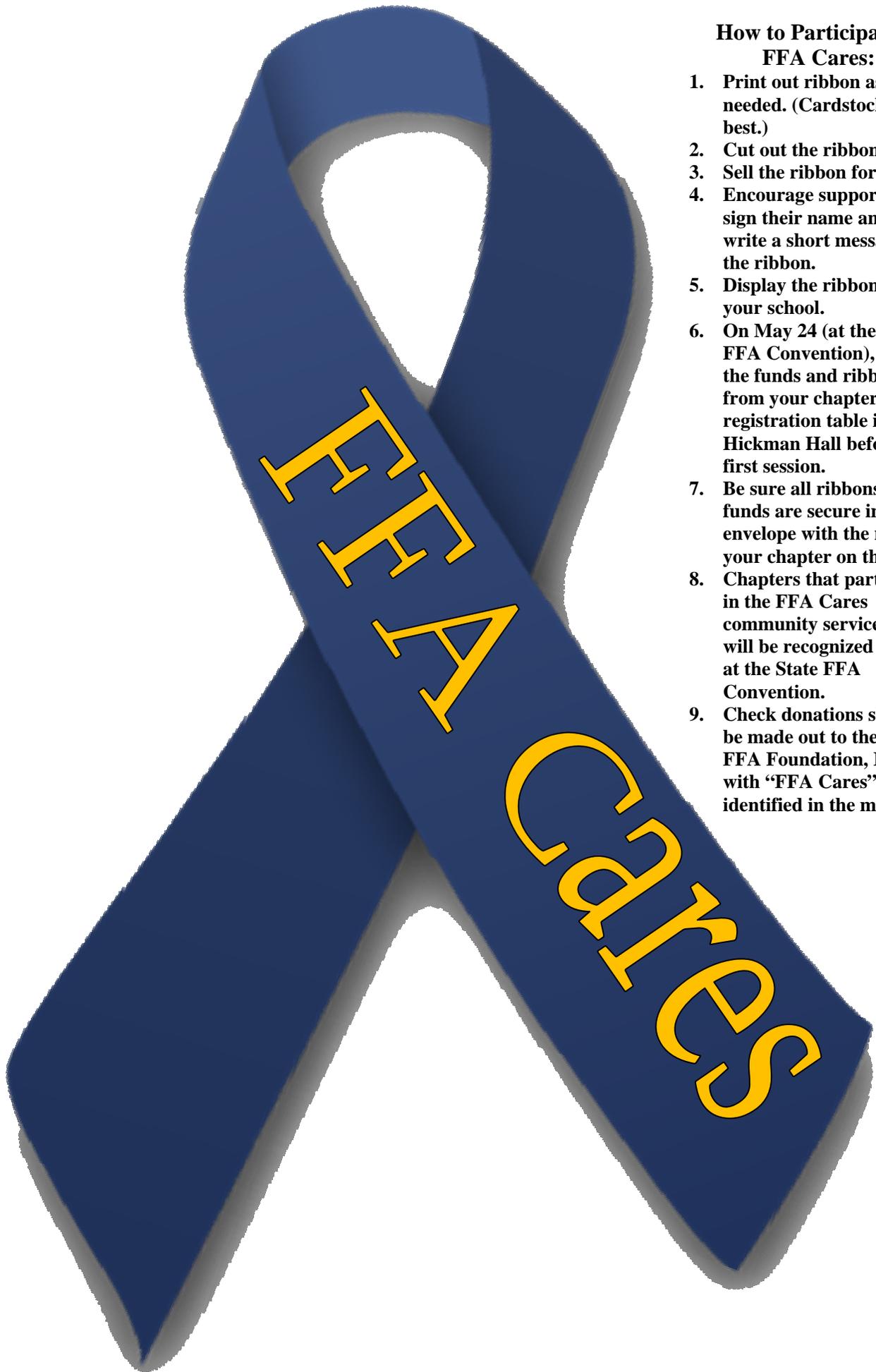
(along with the funds collected) to the 82nd NJ State FFA Convention, so we can hang them around the convention hallways. Let's show the world how much we care by fulfilling the motto, "Living to Serve!"

Please see the following page for more instructions on how to participate in the "FFA Cares" statewide community service project and for the printable ribbon.

Bill Hilgendorff Memorial Scholarship

In a separate initiative, the New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc. is collecting funds for the Bill Hilgendorff Memorial Scholarship. If you are interested in making a donation to this special project fund, please send a donation* to
*New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc.
P.O. Box 214
Allentown, NJ 08501*

*Make checks payable to New Jersey FFA Foundation, Inc. Please put Bill Hilgendorff Memorial Scholarship in the memo.



How to Participate in FFA Cares:

- 1. Print out ribbon as needed. (Cardstock works best.)**
- 2. Cut out the ribbon.**
- 3. Sell the ribbon for \$1.**
- 4. Encourage supporters to sign their name and/or write a short message on the ribbon.**
- 5. Display the ribbons in your school.**
- 6. On May 24 (at the State FFA Convention), submit the funds and ribbons from your chapter to the registration table in Hickman Hall before the first session.**
- 7. Be sure all ribbons and funds are secure in a large envelope with the name of your chapter on the front.**
- 8. Chapters that participate in the FFA Cares community service project will be recognized on stage at the State FFA Convention.**
- 9. Check donations should be made out to the "NJ FFA Foundation, Inc." with "FFA Cares" identified in the memo.**