

I am very excited to announce that New York State has three people receiving Northeast Area Distinguished Service Awards! The Distinguished Service Awards recognizes NASCOE members who make outstanding contributions in three different areas: NASCOE, FSA-Agriculture, and Community Service. In 2011 NYASCOE submitted three nominations and all three won!

David Holck - NASCOE Distinguished Service Award – Service to FSA and Agriculture
Dave’s nomination was for his many years of supporting agricultural in Washington County.

Dean Pendergast - NASCOE Distinguished Service Award – Service to NASCOE
Dean’s nomination was for his long support of the FSA County Committee system and the NASCOE Legislative process.

Tom Della Rocco - NASCOE Distinguished Service Award- Service to Community
Tom’s nomination was for his many hours of support for his local county fair, Northeast Regional Food Bank, and Cooperative Extension.

They will each receive their awards at the Northeast Area Rally in Cumberland, Maryland on April 30th.

Dave, Dean and Tom’s nominations have now been sent to the National Awards Chairperson for the national judging. The three National Distinguished Service Award winners will be paid a round trip airfare and \$250 to attend the 2011 National Convention. Best of luck to each of you in the next competition.

The NYASCOE board wants to thank Dean, Tom, and Dave for all their time and efforts for NASCOE, Agriculture and their community. You are definitely winners here in New York!!

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This message has been sent to all NYASCOE members and employees of FSA.