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OGA Member from Buehler's Fresh Foods Wins NGA's Best Bagger Competition

(Las Vegas, NV)— Brady Long, of Buehler's Fresh Foods, Medina, Ohio, defeated 22 other Best Bagger competitors from across the nation at the National Grocers Association (NGA) Show. Long claimed the grand prize of \$10,000 and the title of the NGA Best Bagger Champion.

Since 1987, NGA has held the nationwide best bagger competition. The contestants are judged by the speed of bagging, proper bag-building technique, weight distribution in the bag, as well as style, attitude and appearance, and are chosen through statewide competitions over the course of last year.

Buehler's Fresh Foods president, Dan Shanahan, was present at the NGA Show and the Best Bagger Competition to support and congratulate Long for his win.

In addition to Long, Kayelyn Henley of K-VA-T Food City in Virginia was awarded the second place prize of \$5,000, and the third place prize of \$1,000 went to Hunter Wisecarver of K-VA-T Food City in Tennessee. Fourth and fifth place winner, were Spencer Balderas of Shaw's Supermarket in Vermont and Molly Dittman of Harmons's in Utah, winning \$1,000 each.

OGA President, Kristin Mullins, was at the NGA Show as well as the NGA Best Bagger Competition to support and later congratulate Long. "Brady not only represented Buehler's well, but the entire state of Ohio. It's been a long time since Ohio has won the national title and we couldn't be more proud of Brady's accomplishment," said Mullins.

Throughout the year, Long will fulfill his new title with more competitions and interviews. His first interview will be this Saturday, February 18, 2017, in New York City at the Today Show on NBC.

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