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## **ELKTON FFA NEWSLETTER**

# Members "Sell" Their Way to the Top

On Friday, November 19th, eight FFA members traveled to Oakland High School and participated in the District Ag Sales competition. The beginning team consisted of Hannah Whitely, Brandon Bowen, Stanley Dunas, and Emily Wuergler. Members of the advanced team included Jackson Murphy, Tyler Trout, Allyse Doudna, and Rachel Winslow. This was the first time any



of the FFA members participated in this event and no one was quite sure how the teams would do. After a very long wait the results were finally in and they even shocked Mr. Groth. The begin-

ning team took first place. For the individuals, Emily placed eighth, Stanley placed seventh, and Hannah placed second. The advanced team took second place and will now have the opportunity to travel to Ontario for the state competition. Ag Sales was a great experience for each of us and ended up being a lot of fun. We all enjoyed the experience and it got us even more excited for the next event.

-Rachel Winslow, Reporter

#### **Upcoming events**

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**Chapter Officer** 

- Chapter Meeting
   Elkton High School, Dec. 1st
- State Ag Sales
   Ontario, December 14th
- District Creed & Job Interview
   Days Creek, February 2nd
- **District Leadership Skills**Sutherlin, *February 9th*

## FFA Chapter to Join the Web Community

Soon, the Elkton FFA Chapter will have a new addition...a chapter web site. The web site is currently being constructed by Erika Wolfe, a freshman and member of the Elkton FFA chapter.

This web site will help keep members and the public informed on what's happing in the Elkton FFA Chapter. In addition, the website will help promote
the chapter and encourage people to join or
support our chapter.
Many FFA chapters
across the state have
their own web site.
Our website will allow
us to stay on the cutting
edge of technology.
The web site will contain general information about the chapter
and its officers, as well
as the latest news.

There will be a page consisting of pictures of chapter functions. There will also be helpful links that give important information to people who are viewing the web site. Erika says, "I've had a lot of fun so far and learned a lot." Erika hopes the website will be launched by the first of the year.

-Amy Parker, Greenhand



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LEARNING TO DO, DOING TO LEARN, EARNING TO LIVE. LIVING TO SERVE. -FFA MOTTO

**Elkton FFA Website Currently Under Construction!!!** 

#### "The Meeting Room will Come to Order..."

Elkton High School has not had an FFA chapter officer team in many years. But this year with our new Ag teacher and FFA advisor, Mr. Groth, things are changing. It all started at the 2010 Umpqua FFA District Leadership Camp where FFA members decided that we needed to elect a chapter officer team. We elected our chapter president right there, Hannah Whitley, and the following week we had a chapter meeting deciding the rest of the officer team.

Along with many goals the officers have set for the chapter, our chapter officer team also had the opportunity to compete in the district rituals competition at Myrtle Point High School on November 8th. Rituals is a competition where chapter officers recite their opening and closing ceremony parts in a competitive setting against other chapters in the district. Team members (officers) included Hannah Whitely, Tyler Trout, Jackson Murphy, Stanley Dunas, Alauna O'Brien, and Brandon Bowen.

The team was both excited and nervous before the competition.

After it was all said and done, they took third place. It was a great accomplishment for the team, especially for their first time. The officers took home their first ban-

ner of the year and had a lot of fun in the process!



From L to R: Brandon Bowen, Alauna O'Brien, Stanley Dunas, Hannah Whitley, Jackson Murphy, Tyler Trout

-Alauna O'Brien, Reporter

## Officer Highlight

This month's highlight: Hannah Whitley, President

Hello, my name is Hannah Whitley, and I have the lic Speaking - I can never decide between the two. honor of serving as your 2010-2011 Elkton FFA Chapter President! I'm so grateful for the opportunity and I am excited to see what this year holds!

I am 15 years old, and a sophomore at Elkton High School. Outside of FFA, I love to play volleyball and basketball for my school's sports team and I am actively competing in nationally ranked essay competitions. I am also serving as president of my school's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter, along with holding the title of Sophomore Class President. When I have free time, you can either find me playing Guitar Hero at the Trout's house, or watching movies at home with my family.

My journey through FFA these past two years has been an amazing one, and I'm so grateful for all the opportunities I've had through it. My two favorite FFA events are Poultry Production and Pub-

Looking back on my time in FFA, I couldn't be thankful enough for all that it has taught me and all the ways I've grown. I hope that in some way I can be a part of building a strong foundation for the future of Elkton's FFA Chapter.

I'm thrilled for what this year has in store and I look forward to taking on any challenges that are presented. Please feel free to email me at hwhitley@student.elk

ton.k12.or.us with any questions you may have regarding FFA and the unique opportunities it has to offer.

-Hannah Whitley, President

