ELKTON FFA NEWSLETTER

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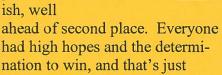
- **Chapter Banquet** EHS Gym, May 23rd
- Lamb Show DC Fairgrounds, June 2nd
- Summer Ag Teachers Conference Bend, June 19-22
- Douglas County Fair DC Fairgrounds, Aug 7-11
- National FFA Convention Indianapolis, October 24-27

Elkton has done it again...yet another FFA State Forestry championship! But this one was different. Mr. Groth knew he had a good team, but with no seniors, he wondered just how

well his young team could perform under pressure. Apparently pressure wasn't an issue. At the end of the day the team coasted to a first place fin-



what they did.



The competition consisted of five different areas; Mapping/General Knowledge, Cruising, Compass and Pacing, TSI (Timber Stand Improvement), and Tree and Tool ID. Both the advanced and the beginning teams placed first.

The advanced team consisted of Stanley Dunas, Alauna O'Brien, Hunter Rose, Kaila Trout, and Erika Wolfe. The B-team included Nick Aviani, John Evoniuk, Justin Stubbs, and Amy Parker. Out of the top ten individuals in the com-

petition, Elkton claimed seven of the places. Stanley Dunas was high individual with a score of 600 and Nick Aviani was a close second with 592.



Left to Right: Amy Parker, Kaila Trout, Justin Stubbs, Stanley Dunas, Hunter Rose, John Evoniuk, Alauna O'Brien, Erika Wolfe, Nick Aviani

The Elkton FFA Chapter will once again be representing Oregon at the National FFA Forestry Competition in Indianapolis, Indiana in late October. If you would like to financially help the team you can make donations payable to Elkton FFA, PO Box 390, Elkton, OR, 97436.

-Justin Stubbs



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"What I did at State FFA Convention..."

"I went to every workshop that I possibly could."

-Brianna Wuergler

"I went bowling with FFA members from Crane."

-Justin Stubbs

"I was chairmen of the Agriculture Mechanics Proficiency Committee."

-Hunter Rose

"I placed 5th in the State Job Interview Career Development Event."

"I earned my State FFA Degree."

-Tyler Trout

-Hannah Whitley

"I served as a voting delegate for our chapter."

-Emily Wuergler

"I was able to see a different part of the state."

-Amy Parker

Officer Highlight

This Month's Highlight: Mr. Braden Groth~ Chapter Advisor

Growing up, I knew I wanted to be one of two things: a farmer or a country music star. Needless to say I never developed the voice of an American Idol contestant (maybe the early season-folk) but farming and agriculture was something that did, and still does, intrigue me to this day. I was fortunate enough to have an agriculture teacher and FFA advisor that sparked my interest in not only the production side of agriculture but the scientific side as well. After traveling the state as an FFA State Officer presenting workshops in over 40 high schools, I decided that teaching was my passion and that I could continue my dream of farming and agriculture through agricultural education. What I love about agricultural education and FFA is that it exposes

students to endless opportunities and teaches students life skills; everything from communi-

cation to holding the door for someone. I have been so fortunate to serve as the Elkton FFA Advisor over the last two years and look forward to many years to come.

