



# ELKTON FFA



## ELKTON CHARTER SCHOOL

### ELKS CELEBRATE NATIONAL FFA WEEK

Elkton celebrated National FFA Week February 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. Each day had a different theme including Outreach Day, Environment Day, Gratitude Day, and FFA Awareness Day. For Outreach Day on Tuesday the chapter organized a petting zoo at the Elkton Grade School. All students from the grade school visited the goats, lambs, dairy cow and Mac the dog. On Wednesday, Environment Day, the chapter sponsored an all-school community clean-up. Students were organized by class and had designated areas of the town to clean up. These areas ranged from the Cash Market to the end of River Road. Thursday was Gratitude Day, the chapter officers cooked and served a teacher appreciation



Chapter Treasurer Hunter Rose cooking up some scrambled eggs for the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast during National FFA Week last week.

breakfast to the Elkton High School staff. The menu consisted of scrambled eggs, sausage, and Mr. Groth's famous potatoes. FFA Week concluded on Friday with Awareness Day. Members showed their FFA pride by sporting their FFA sweatshirts and tee's. During FFA week and till the end of the month, the chapter is putting on a canned food drive in cooperation with Les Schwab. The chapter hopes to reach its goal of 500 pounds by the end of the month. The canned food drive is part of a statewide initiative for Oregon FFA to raise 50,000 pounds of canned food! Anyone can drop off canned food at the drop box at the high school and grade school. There is also a drop box at Les Schwab in Reedsport.

*Lea Whitley, Reporter*

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* **Sectional Leadership Skills**  
*February 25th, Trail*
- \* **DC Steer Weigh-in**  
*March 2nd, Elkton Scales*
- \* **State Convention**  
*March 22-25, Corvallis (Oregon State University)*
- \* **Elkton FFA Alumni Meeting**  
*April 8th, EHS Natural Resources Room*
- \* **DC Lamb Weigh-in**  
*April 6h*
- \* **Plant & Metal Art Sale**  
*May 3-4, 9AM-4PM, EHS Greenhouse*

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*Did you know that each part of the FFA emblem symbolizes part of the organization?*

*Q: What does the rising sun represent?*



*A: Progress in agriculture.*

**Congratulations to Hannah Whitley and Justin Stubbs for earning their State**

**FFA De-**



**gree!**

## WINTER CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Members of the chapter have been very busy preparing and competing in numerous leadership Career Development Events (CDE's). On February 6<sup>th</sup> at Days Creek High School, the Job Interview and Sub-district Creed CDE's were held. Hannah Whitley and Alyssa Smith both competed in Advanced Job Interview. Hannah did very well placing second. Savannah O'Brien and Tyler Gustafson competed in the Creed Speaking CDE with both members qualifying for the district competition. Umpqua FFA District Leadership Skills was held February 13<sup>th</sup> in Sutherlin.



*FFA members (L to R) Hannah Whitley, Alyssa Smith, and Savannah O'Brien*

Alyssa Smith competed in Sophomore Public Speaking placing first with her speech on horse drugging. Hannah Whitley competed in Extemporaneous Public Speaking and earned second place. The chapter also had a Parliamentary Procedure team that competed as well. John Evoniuk was the chairman for the team of six members and performed very well. Savannah O'Brien once again did an outstanding job with the creed, placing second at the district level. Since all three members placed in the top two, Hannah, Alyssa, and Savannah will travel to Trail on February 25<sup>th</sup> to compete at Sectionals in their respective CDE's...good luck!

*Lea Whitley, Reporter*

## OFFICER HIGHLIGHT: HUNTER ROSE CHAPTER TREASURER

My name is Hunter Rose and I am a senior at Elkton High School and the current Treasurer for our chapter. I have been involved in many FFA activities over the years including forestry, soils, livestock and meats judging, leadership camp, and state and national convention. Forestry has been my favorite competition. I competed at the national level this fall in Indianapolis and earned silver. Aside from FFA I play football and am a member of the Scottsburg Rural

Fire Department. After high school I want to attend fire school and become a fireman. I have had a lot of fun in FFA over the years and learned a lot of life skills I would not have gained anywhere else.

