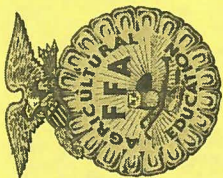


# ELKTON FFA



ELKTON CHARTER SCHOOL

## FFA MEMBERS *LIVE THEIR LEGACY*

In March, eleven Elkton FFA members loaded onto the activity bus with their advisor, headed toward OSU for the 85<sup>th</sup> Oregon FFA State Convention. After arriving in Corvallis, the group headed to opening session at the LaSells Stewart Center. Over 1,500 members and guests were present at the first session. All who attended heard numerous speakers and met FFA members from across the state. The keynote speaker, Grant Baldwin, was a favorite among the crowd as he motivated students to live their legacy, which was the theme of the convention. Members also learned of the opportunities available at convention. From the career fair and workshops to competitions and scholarships, students had various activities to keep them busy over the next three days.



Elkton FFA members at State FFA Convention in Corvallis

One of the events Elkton took part in was the *Food For All* community service activity. Our

eleven members, along with other chapters, packaged over 70,000 pounds of food for needy families. Students divided potatoes, pears, onions, carrots, and rutabaga into bags, and loaded the bags onto pallets. The food was distributed throughout Oregon, and the leftovers were stored in Oregon food banks. After volunteering for two hours, the Umpqua District toured the new OSU Animal Science building and different barns on campus. By the end of the weekend, all of the FFA members had an experience that will not be forgotten.

Hannah Whitley received her State Degree and was Top Eight in the state in Extemporaneous Speaking. Justin Stubbs also received his State Degree. Alyssa Smith was elected as the 2013-2014 Umpqua District Reporter. Elkton received 10% Increase in Membership and the Superior Chapter Award. Overall, the group had a very successful weekend, and all the members learned how to *Live their Legacy*.

*Alyssa Smith, Reporter*

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- \* **State Nursery & Floriculture**  
*April 26th & 27th, Phoenix*
- \* **Elkton FFA Plant & Metal Art Sale**  
*May 3rd & 4th, 9AM-4PM, EHS Greenhouse*
- \* **District Forestry**  
*May 8th, Tiller*
- \* **State Forestry**  
*May 20th, Tiller*
- \* **Elkton FFA Chapter Banquet**  
*May 23rd, 6PM, EHS Gym*
- \* **Douglas County Lamb Show**  
*June 1st, Douglas County Fairgrounds*

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

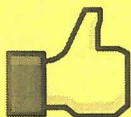
*Q: What does  
the plow  
represent?*



*A: Labor and  
tillage of the soil.*

**Want to see  
what else Elkton  
FFA has been  
up to???**

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## ELKTON FFA PLANT & METAL ART SALE!!!



*Hundreds of  
Hanging Baskets!!!*

**MAY 3rd & 4th**

**9AM-4PM**

**\$15**

**EHS Greenhouse**

*Metal pieces starting @ \$10*

*Vegetable and  
Bedding Plants!!!*

*Starting @ \$2*

### DISTRICT FLORICULTURE

On April 5th, Mr. Groth took six Elkton FFA members to compete in the District Floriculture Career Development Event at Oakland High School. The team competed very well, earning second in both the beginning and advanced competition. Nick Aviani was second high individual in the advanced competition and Ira Nash was second high individual in the begging competition. Team members competed in the areas of plant, tool, and pest identification, center piece arranging, plant pinching, advertising layout, and general knowledge. The team will travel to Phoenix at the end of the month to compete in the State Floriculture competition!



*Team Members LtoR: Kaila Trout, Nick Aviani,  
Sierra Harrell, Briana Wuergler, Ira Nash,  
Katherine Nash*

### OFFICER HIGHLIGHT: ALYSSA SMITH, REPORTER

My name is Alyssa Smith, I am a sophomore at Elkton High School and an Elkton FFA member. This year I had the pleasure of serving as chapter Reporter with Lea Whitley.

This year I had an active role in our chapter; serving as an officer, attending camps and convention, and competing in multiple events. I was excited to place first at Districts for Sophomore Public Speaking, and moved onto Sectionals. I

also participated in Parliamentary Procedure, Job Interview, and Co-Op Quiz.

While at State Convention, I was elected as the Umpqua District Reporter, which was a huge honor.

