

MARCH NEWSLETTER

FFA WEEK

National FFA week was celebrated last week to celebrate and recognize all that the FFA has done for us. To celebrate FFA week we held activities for the high schoolers and middle schoolers to participate in. In the Middle School we held lunch games, and in the High School we had a Social Media Challenge. In both schools we had Ag Trivia, Count the Corn, and Find the Emblem. On Wednesday we held a Community Dinner and fed about 250 people. Thank you to all of those who participated and helped with FFA Week.



CDE UPDATE

On February 11th, the Dassel-Cokato FFA traveled to Ridgewater at Wilmar. We had five teams compete within Novice and Regular Parliamentary Procedures, Creed Speaking, Job Interview, and Prepared Public Speaking. The Novice Parli team got 2nd and is going to state. The Regular Parli team got 1st in the region and is also going to state. Katie Hendrickson competed in Creed Speaking and got 1st, she will be going to state as well. There will be another region event coming up soon for floriculture and other teams to compete as well. Also on February 19th was the SMSU Ag Bowl and the Food Science team had their region competition. They got first in their region and team members are Madison Mayer, Emily Monson, Dani Johnson, and Brittany Aho. This year is very high in numbers for the amount of students we have going to state.

MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Madison Mayer is this month's Member in the Spotlight! She is currently a sophomore and first year FFA member. Madison is the packaging specialist on the Food Science team. The Food Science team took first at the Region Qualifier on February 19. Madison is also a part of the Volleyball team in the fall and the Track team in the spring. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, as well as travelling. We are so glad to have Madison as a member of our chapter!

FOOD DRIVE

Did you know that in Wright County the only two under stocked food shelves are located in Cokato and Howard Lake? They are in need of more food, this means they have to drive to neighboring food shelves to ensure that families in our town have food on their tables. WE NEED YOUR HELP! The FFA annual food drive will be held from March 8th to the 18th. Bring in nonperishable food items or money to help stock our food shelves. Each flex will be assigned a few food items; this is so we can get a wide variety of food for families in need. Middle school students may bring in food items to the Ag room. We need your help to make sure families in our area get the food they need!

PARENTS NIGHT/STATE CONVENTION

On Monday April 18th the Dassel-Cokato FFA will be hosting Parents Night and the State Information Meeting. There, all state attending CDE's will talk about their competition and speaking events will perform. Not only will CDE's present, but information packets regarding the state competition, which takes place on April 24-26th, will be distributed and spoken about.

SOUTH AFRICA UPDATE

The ambassadors for the 2017 South Africa trip will be announced within a few weeks! The first meeting for the ambassadors and will be on March 15th in the Ag room. Make sure to stay tuned for more announcements and more information will be coming this spring.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April

1st: Little International

8th: Region Meats, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Handler, General Livestock
CDE's

11th: Alumni Meeting at 6:45 pm

11th: Region 5 Banquet

14th: State Food Science CDE

14th: Spring Form Due Date:

-Discovery Degree (7th and 8th grade), Greenhand Degree (1st
year High School member), Chapter Degree (2-4 year member in
high school)

-Chapter Proficiency Application

-Chapter Officer Application

-Greenhand Ring Application

-Star Greenhand Application

-Pre-registration for State Greenhand Leadership Conference
(SGLC- current 9th grade students) and State Leadership Confer-
ence for Chapter Leaders (SLCCL- current 10th-11th grade stu-
dents)

18th: Chapter Officer, Star Greenhand, Proficiency Interviews

24th-26th: State FFA Convention

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