

Monthly Ag and FFA Newsletter

March Issue

Read Across America

On Friday March 1st your local Heritage FFA and FCCLA chapters went to Heritage Elementary school to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss. We had groups assigned to each grade and teacher from Kindergarten all the way through 5th grade. We read various Dr. Seuss books, made a craft, and ate a snack. It was a great experience for all who participated.

By Isaac Berry



Envirothon

One of the activities we have coming up in April is Envirothon. Envirothon is a contest that is held every year in the spring. The contest is a series of tests over different part of the environment. The top teams in the section get to advance on to state. Last year it was held at Aikman Wildlife Adventure with the different events being held around the zoo. It's a bunch of fun and we are looking forward to going this year.

By Desmond Walker

March

- 13th: Freshman Orientation
- 19th: Autumn Fields Volunteer Day

April

- 2nd: Envirothon
- 9th: Ag Business CDE
- 9th: Horticulture CDE
- 10th: District Public Speaking
- 14th: FFA Banquet
- 30th: Section 17 Officer Elections



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Section Volleyball

Last Wednesday February 27 we had two teams go to Section 17 Volleyball. The teams were called Heritage 1 and Heritage 2. Heritage 1 consisted of Nicole Cheatham, Gracyn Allen, Kyley Rothermel, Jack Benschneider, Malani Smithenry, and Rianna Rothermel. Heritage 2 consisted of Torie Rothermel, Cory Stewart, Konnor Pearmon, Anna Sanders, Bri Struck, and Lynnae Struck. Heritage 1 made it all the way to the championship round and end with 1st Place in the tournament and Heritage 2 ended up in 3rd Place in the tournament. Both of our teams competed very well and played with good sportsmanship.

By Nicole Cheatham



Tower Garden Update

Mrs. Mohr's 6th hour Horticulture class has been hard at work with their Tower Garden hydroponics system. At the end of January and the beginning of February they planted cucumbers, siletz tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, bibb lettuce, gourmet lettuce, kale, and basil. In mid-February they planted cilantro and dill in the Tower Garden. A few times each week, students in the class check the pH level of the water, add water, and add minerals to the water as well. The bibb lettuce, gourmet lettuce, and kale should be ready to harvest soon, with the rest of the plants to be harvested soon after. The Tower Garden is a great way for Mrs. Mohr to teach her students about non-conventional forms of plant and crop production. The Ag students look forward to continuing using the Tower Garden in the future!

By Jada Davis

Heritage FFA Banquet

The Heritage FFA Banquet is coming up soon, invitations will be sent out this month. All members and their families are invited to attend the banquet. FFA members will be in official dress, new officers will be elected, awards will be handed out, along with some other things. Food will be provided for those that attend as well.

By Keegan Painter

FFA Week

Heritage FFA had FFA Week February 19 through the 22 and we can say it was a success. We had 4 tractors come for drive your tractor to school day and many students wore their favorite tractor gear on, while during homeroom we had an adventurous tractor pedal races with Seniors winning both dress up and the activity. Wednesday we had our Western day and our Scavenger Hunt and it was a great competition with the Seniors winning dress up but the Sophomores took the for their class for the Scavenger Hunt. Thursday we had our new theme of America day where we did our Ag Olympics and the Seniors took the win for the dress up and the activity. On Friday we had our theme as Blue and Gold Day or wear your Official dress, with an activity of Four Corners where Juniors and Seniors tied for First in the activity while Seniors won dress up day. During the week the students had a chance to pay a dollar and wear a hat. At the end of the week the Seniors won and they celebrated with a breakfast from the Officer team Monday, February 26. As a Senior and being in FFA all four years of high school along with other senior members, I know that FFA Week will be missed by most when we graduate.

By Autumn Walker

Greenhouse Update

During this month of March, the Horticulture class will be working very hard to plant many varieties of flowers, herbs, and vegetables in the green house. This year they are focusing on making the plants as healthy as they can be. Before the plants arrived to the school, each student spent time studying one plant. They then made posters including the amount of sunlight needed for the plant, a watering schedule, common pest problems, and the plug transplant and harvesting date. The goal of this was to keep the plants in the green house very organized so the focus could be on maintaining the plant's health. Now that the plants have arrived, the students are working to transplant each plant to its own pot and water them everyday. The Horticulture class is hoping to have many successful plants this year. If you are interested in purchasing any plants from the FFA and Horticulture class, they will be having their annual plant sale later this spring. We would love to see you there!

By Rianna Rothermel.



Freshmen Orientation

On Wednesday March 13th Heritage High School will be putting on our annual freshman orientation. It's a great opportunity for current eighth graders to get a glimpse of what their future could be like in high school. Mr. Davis, our principal/superintendent, will give an introduction as he does every year to the students and their parents. After that they will be allowed to walk around the gym and go from table to table and sign up for different clubs and activities we have at the high school. Each table should have a club representative if any questions are needed to be asked. After signing up for clubs, students and their parents can walk around the school and take a look at the classrooms they could be in next year. Overall freshman orientation is a great experience and every incoming freshman and their parents should make the time to come check out Heritage High School.

By Evan Wilson

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