

Monthly Ag and FFA Newsletter



Upcoming Events

By Rianna Rothermel

Forestry CDE on September 11th- Jada Davis, Audrey Hancock, Rianna Rothermel, and Daniel Ward will all be competing in this CDE at Allerton Park. During this CDE they will be diagnosing forestry disorders, and displaying their skills in managing forests and forest inventory.

Chapter Meeting at SJO on September 18th- Heritage FFA will be joining the SJO FFA Chapter for a combined chapter meeting. This is a great opportunity for students from each chapter to get to know each other through FFA.

LTS on September 25th- The Officer Team will be attending leadership training school at the University of Illinois. This is put on by the Section 17 Officer Team. Here they will get the chance to gain more leadership skills and work to be a better officer.

Greenhand Conference on September 25th- Many of the freshmen from our Chapter will be attending this conference at the University of Illinois. They will be introduced to the benefits and opportunities in agriculture, including FFA and SAE's.

Classroom Updates

By Kiley Knoll

The agriculture classes are starting off the year with a busy start. This year we are offering four different agriculture classes that students can take; Introduction to Ag, Horticulture, Ag Business, and Ag Communications. All of these classes are either learning or reviewing FFA activities and starting their SAE's. A SAE is a Supervised Agriculture Experience that is done outside of the classroom. Introduction to Ag class is learning about FFA and the events that they can attend. Horticulture is working on their forestry skills by learning how to identify trees and where to place their information. The Ag Business and Ag Communications classes are working on how to write a personal resume in the right format. With these skills they will work toward participating in Mock Job Interviews in class to practice for the future.

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Inclusion T-shirt Project

By Lynnae Struck

With the beginning of the school year starting, our Officer Team decided that we wanted to do a special project. On September 12, we will be having a cookout to celebrate the beginning of school. During this cookout we plan to give every student a Heritage Hawks t-shirt. Our Inclusion T-shirt Project is designed to give a hawks shirt to every student and staff member to make everyone feel included in our Heritage school family. If you would like to donate money toward a shirt, please see Mrs. B. Mohr or a member of the officer team.

Farm Progress Show

By Hannah Beck

Heritage FFA and FCCLA were able to kick off the new school year with a trip to the Farm Progress Show- the nation's largest outdoor farm event. Between the two groups, we were able to take almost 40 students. Throughout the show, students were able to see the future of farming on display in exhibits, demonstrations and learning sessions. It was a great opportunity for students to see the future of agriculture on display. Students were also able to participate in various hands on activities and speak with various colleges about future careers. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Illini FS for sponsoring our group!!!



Officer of the Month

By Lynnae Struck

Anna Sanders

Grade: 11

Where do you live? “I live outside of Tolono.”

Daughter of: John and Kristi Sanders

Why did you join FFA? “It is a big part of my family and I wanted to learn more about it.”

Fun FFA Fact: “I was in an ag class and FFA my freshman year at Unity and began school at Heritage my sophomore year.”

What is your favorite part of FFA? “My favorite part of FFA is National Convention.”

Officer Position and responsibilities: “I am the historian and I am in charge of the scrapbook. I work with the reporter to collect pictures and momentous from FFA activities.”

Career/Future Goals: “In the future, I want to go into either the medical or agriculture field.”

Favorite FFA Event: “My favorite FFA event is Dairy Foods.”

What Ag Class are you in? “I am currently in Ag Business.”

Favorite FFA memory: “I liked the Texas Roadhouse Trip at last year's State Convention because we were able to bond as an officer team.”

Favorite Food: Kraft Mac & Cheese



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