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## FFA OFFICERS:

- Pres.- Jordan Crum
- V.P. - Katie Cora
- V.P. - C.J. Smart
- Sec.-Brianna Baldwin
- Tres.- Brooklyn Farmer
- Tres. - Blake Smalley
- Rep.- Jessica Newkirk
- Rep.- Jerilyn Garrett

# Public Speaking

The purpose of the Public Speaking CDE is to develop skills in agricultural leadership by providing FFA members the opportunity to appear before groups and to emphasize the importance of communicating with others.

## Adams/Brown Sub District

The sub-district contest was held on February 13th at Georgetown High School. From our chapter Carlie Cluxton, Kamden Crum and Victori Arnold partook in the Creed Speaking contest

Carlie Cluxton and Kamden Crum competed in the Beginning Creed Speaking CDE and Victora Arnold competed in the Advanced

Creed Speaking CDE. The Creed Speaking CDE is designed to develop leadership and the ability to appear before groups by students as they become members of the FFA; all three members presented from memory the official FFA creed and answered questions that pertained to it. At the Sub-District Kamden placed 3rd, Carlie placed 1st and Tori placed 1st in their respective competitions.



## District 9 Competition

Carlie Cluxton & Victori Arnold advanced to the District speaking contest which was held on February 15th at Fayetteville High School. Carlie placed in the Top 4 and Tori placed 1st. We congratulate all participants on their efforts! Good luck to Tori at the state contest on March 4th!!

# National FFA Week

This year's National FFA Week was held on February 19th-25th. The purpose of FFA Week is to educate the public about agriculture. In order to educate students about FFA, we set up a display in the cafeteria in which students could walk up to and read facts about the organization. During the week, we hosted a staff appreciation luncheon, conducted a "Glow-Up Challenge" voting poll to show the diversity of FFA members in other school organizations, made public service announcements on the radio about FFA, participated in Adams County FFA Week Proclamation with the Commissioners, spoke on the C103 radio show, and raised money for the Ronald McDonald House by hosting a hat day for students, we raised a total of \$100.00 to send to the RMHC - Greater Cincinnati. We also had a drive your tractor to school day, hosted a State FFA Officer and invited supporters to join us for the Community Dinner.



## Staff Luncheon

We hosted a staff luncheon to show our appreciation for all staff members, they are constantly helping our FFA Chapter so we wanted to be sure to say Thank You! We served vegetable soup and chili, along with cold cut sandwiches and cookies. Members came in on Presidents Day to ensure the meal was ready for teachers on Tuesday.



## C103 Radio

Before FFA week a few members recorded some PSA's for the week and on Thursday of FFA week a few of our FFA Seniors took part in a radio show on C103. JordanCrum, President; Katie Cora, Vice-President; C.J. Smart, Vice-President; Brianna Baldwin, Secretary and Sarah McFarland, Member, were able to be guests of a talk show in which they discussed our program, the importance of it, and how everybody can benefit from FFA whether they live on a farm or in town.



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## FFA Week Proclamation

FFA Co-Vice-Presidents Katie Cora & C.J. Smart gathered with other FFA members and advisors from around the county, as well as, the Adams County Commissioners, Ty Pell, Diane Ward and Brian Baldrige to proclaim FFA Week. We are very grateful that our commissioners find value in the FFA programs around the county.



## Dress-Up Days

Every year our officer team plans out a week of fun activities for all of the students to participate in if they wish. Tuesday was "Put your Game Face On", Wednesday was "Hunting for Success" (Camo & Hat Day), Thursday was "Ag Roots Day" and Friday was "FFA Spirit Day". We were glad to see members have fun and dress up on the days to show their FFA Pride.

## Glow-Up Challenge

We wanted to show the student body how involved our members are in the school and how diverse our chapter is. So, in order to do this we chose students in our chapter that also participated in other extracurricular activities in the school. Each group/organization was represented. Each student was assigned a number, and the pictures were then posted out in the cafeteria along with a picture of each student as a young child. Students could then choose the most changed member from "Glow-Up Challenge", Blake Smalley was the winner.



## Drive your Tractor to School

Members had the opportunity to really show their Ag. Roots by driving a tractor to school on Friday. We had six tractors that were driven but many more than six students enjoyed them.



We are glad that once again FFA Week was a success. We would like to thank all of the students that participated in all of the activities and dress-up day throughout the week. Fun was definitely had by all.

# Community Appreciation Dinner

On February 24, 2017 the Peebles FFA took the time to appreciate all of our community support through a community appreciation dinner. The theme of the night was Transform and was shown throughout the evening and discussed in the speeches of several speakers



including, Jordan Crum, Peebles FFA President; Katie Cora, Peebles FFA Vice-President; C. J. Smart, Peebles FFA Vice-President; Linda Rhoads, FFA supporter; Steve Appelman, Principal and Ohio FFA Officers Lauren Grover and Meredith Oglesby. The work of our chapter would not be possible without the support of the community; we felt that this is just one simple way to show our appreciation to the many people that help our chapter.



## National Chapter Evaluations

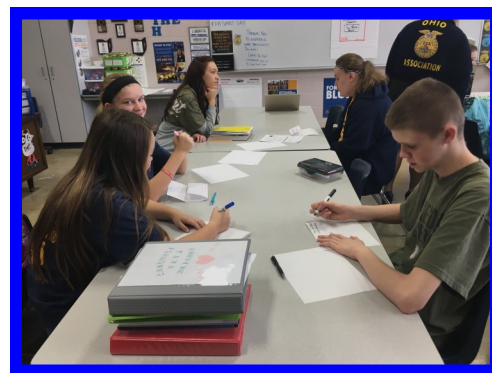
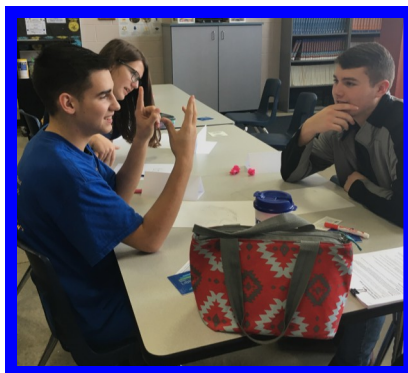
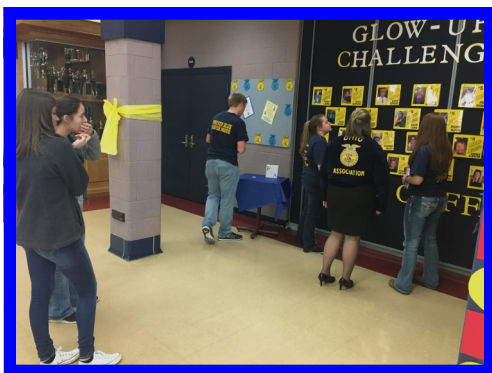
All of our officer books that were evaluated, received perfect scores and gold ratings!

Congratulations to Brianna Baldwin (Secretary), Jessica Newkirk & Jerilyn Garrett (Reporters) & Blake Smalley & Brooklyn Farmer (Treasurers) on all of their hard work and dedication and to everyone else that helped to ensure the books were completed!



# State Officer Visit

On February 24, 2017 the Peebles FFA had the opportunity to invite the State FFA Reporter, Lauren Grover to our school for a chapter visit. Lauren spent the day talking about opportunities in the FFA, as well as, other beneficial skills to that are important now and in the future. Each class participated in different activities, most lessons focused on teamwork, leadership, building individual strengths & positive communication. Classes learned a lot and had a fun time hanging out with Lauren. As a whole the entire day was a success and each member took something positive away from the experience.



## ASK MINTON

**Question:** What does a judging contest consist of?

**-First Year Freshman**

**Answer:** In a judging contest even though it is called a team, you compete as an individual. You will be given a class of animals or items to judge as well as questions pertaining to them to help you place the class. These contests are a lot of fun and help to develop decision making skills.

**-Minton**

## Picture of the Month



Lauren Grover, State FFA Reporter, Meredith Oglesby, State FFA Vice President, Katie Cora and Sarah McFarland posing at the Community Appreciation Dinner.

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**NAME:** Sarah Laxton

**PARENTS:** Howard & Robin Havens

**YEAR IN FFA:** 1st

**ACTIVITIES TAKEN PART IN:**  
Parliamentary Procedure, Creed Speaking,  
Greenhand Quiz, Beef BBQ, Community  
Dinner, Fruit Sales, Strawberry &  
Butterbraid Sales, FFA Week Set-Up, PES  
Fall Carnival, Officer In-Training

**FAVORITE FFA ACTIVITY:**  
PES Fall Carnival

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT FFA:**  
Working with others

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT MRS.  
MINTON:** Her lovely ocean blue eyes,  
with the occasional appearance of a shark

**ON YOUR IPOD NOW:** Soft Rock

**PLACE YOU'D LOVE TO VISIT:** Greenland

**YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE:** Harry Potter

**YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW:** Dr. Who

**FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS:** Spanish

**FAVORITE 'SPARE TIME' ACTIVITY:**  
Watch TV, listening to music & reading  
books

**WOULD LOVE TO  
TRADE PLACES  
FOR A DAY  
WITH:**

My Grandma

**FUTURE PLANS:**  
Go to college,  
study Biology &  
travel the world



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## OFFICER FEATURE

**NAME:** Brianna Baldwin

**OFFICE:** Secretary

**YEAR IN FFA:** 2nd

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING  
AN OFFICER:** Eating at good places  
when we go places.

**FAVORITE FFA ACTIVITY:**  
National FFA Convention

**MOST MEMORABLE FFA  
MOMENT:** State  
Advanced Creed  
Speaking

**WHAT HAS FFA  
TAUGHT YOU:**

To be more  
confident in  
myself and good  
public speaking  
skills.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Marysville Invitational
- D9 CDE's
- Mercer County Invitational
- State Spring CDE's
- National Ag. Week
- Adams Co. Envirothon
- Leadership Lock In