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## FFA OFFICERS:

**Pres.**— Jerilyn Garrett  
**V.P.** - Whitney Bauman  
**V.P.** - Carlie Cluxton  
**Sec.**— Emily French  
**Tres.** - Braden Arrasmith  
**Rep.**— Makenzie Wait  
**Sen.** - Stephanie Osman  
**St. Adv.** - Taylor Cluxton

# Public Speaking

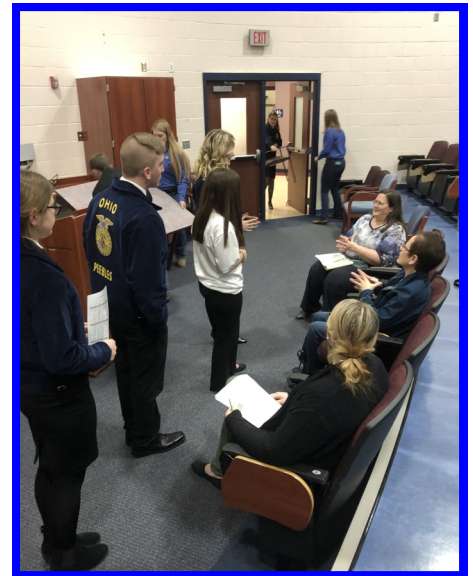
The purpose of the Public Speaking CDE is to develop skills in agricultural leadership by providing FFA members the opportunity to appear before groups and to emphasize the importance of communicating with others.

## In-House Public Speaking Contest

The In-House public speaking contest was held on February 4th. From our chapter, Whitney Bauman, Carlie Cluxton, Brett Furguson, Alisan Behr, Matthew Hudgel, Lauren Partin, Shelby Reynolds, and Rosa Williamson partook in the public speaking contest.

Matthew Hudgel, Lauren Partin, Shelby Reynolds and Rosa Williamson each competed in the Beginning Creed Speaking CDE. Each of them presented, from memory, the official FFA creed and answered questions that pertained to it. Of these members, Matthew Hudgel and Lauren Partin moved on to the Sub District Contest. Alisan Behr also

presented the official FFA creed but in the Advanced division. Brett Furguson participated in the Beginning Prepared Speaking division while Whitney Bauman participated in the Advanced Prepared Speaking Division. Lastly, Carlie Cluxton partook in the Extemporaneous Speaking division. Each of these members moved on to the Sub-district Public Speaking Contest.



## Sub-District Public Speaking Contest Results



Whitney Bauman—3rd place, Prepared Speaking  
Carlie Cluxton—3rd place, Extemporaneous Speaking  
Alisan Behr— 1st place, Advanced Creed  
Brett Furguson— 1st place, Beginning Prepared Speaking  
Lauren Partin—1st place, Creek Speaking  
Matthew Hudgel—5th place, Creed Speaking

# National FFA Week

This year's National FFA Week was held on February 18th-24th. 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 "Best Olympian Contest" 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 Crossed Categorical Classroom at our school by hosting a hat day for students, we raised a total of \$320.00. We also had a drive your tractor to school day.



## 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 our FFA week a few of our FFA Officers took part in a radio show on C103. Jerilyn Garrett, President; Whitney Bauman, Vice-President; Carlie Cluxton, Co-Vice President; Emily French, Secretary; and Makenzie Wait, Reporter, 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.



# National FFA Week

## FFA Week Proclamation

FFA President, Jerilyn Garrett, Whitney Bauman, Vice-President; Emily French, Secretary, and Makenzie Wait, Reporter, gathered with other FFA members and advisors from around the county, as well as, the Adams County Commissioners, Ty Pell, Diane Ward and Barbara Moore 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. Monday was “American Day where students wore their USA gear. Tuesday was “Synchronized Twin Tuesday,” Wednesday was “Winner Wednesday” where students wore their real, or made, medals, Thursday was “Traditional Thursday,” students wore their FFA apparel, and Friday was “Be an Ag-lete,” where students wore their jeans, hats, and boots. We were glad to see members have fun and dress up on the days to show their FFA Pride.

## Best Olympian Contest

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 students could then choose the Best Olympian, Logan Travis was the winner.



## Drive your Tractor to School

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

We are glad that once again that FFA Week was a success. We would like to thank all of our members that participated in activities and dress-up days throughout the week.

# Ag Reality

Some of our Junior and Senior FFA Members participated in a program titled “Ag Reality.” In this program, students participated in a real world farm stimulation where they purchased seed, fertilizer, equipment, insurance, buying and selling livestock, selling timber, and paying property tax. They participated in a live auction, FSA programs, took out loans and balanced their income and expense sheets. We truly appreciate the support from the local Agricultural Businesses, Banks and Agencies that made this day successful. Members were able to learn many aspects of life and of potential business practices, as well as, real life activities that they will be able to use and will need well past High School.



# Candy Gram Sale

As a chapter, we decided to give students at our High School the opportunity to purchase candy grams for Valentines Day at a discounted cost. We purchased Chocolate Roses, Pixie Sticks, and boxes of sweet tarts. We pre-sold them two weeks before FFA Week. This gave us an opportunity to raise money for our FFA week charity. We were able to sell lots of candy grams with the proceeds going towards the Cross Categorical Classroom at our school. Chapter members worked diligently to plan and prepare this fundraiser. Members had a great time with this activity and we had many satisfied customers that were able to make others smile on Valentines Day. We count this as a very profitable venture, and are glad that our hard work will go towards a great cause.

# Strawberry & Butterbraid Sales

We are pleased to announce that our Strawberry & Butterbraid Sales were a huge success this year!! Our profit was \$2425.85. We would like to thank all of our local community members that purchased items and supported this sale and commend our FFA members for working so hard to sell the products.



## Picture of the Month



Jerilyn Garrett, our chapter President hard at work!

## 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.

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**NAME:** Matthew Hudgel

**PARENTS:** Shawn and Lesley Hudgel

**YEAR IN FFA:** 1st

**ACTIVITIES TAKEN PART IN:** Beef BBQ, Fruit Sales, Strawberry & Butterbraid Sales, PES Fall Carnival, Officer In-Training, OTD Parade, National Convention

**FAVORITE FFA ACTIVITY:** Leadership lock-in

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT FFA:** Becoming a leader to my fellow classmates

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT MRS. MINTON:** How she likes to have fun

**ON YOUR IPOD NOW:** Burning Man by Dierks Bentley and Brother Osborne

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

**YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE:** American Sniper

**YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW:** Chicago Fire

**FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS:** American History

**FAVORITE 'SPARE TIME' ACTIVITY:** Hunting, Fishing, and playing sports

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

**FUTURE PLANS:** Go to college to get my bachelors degree in criminal justice and become an U.S. Army Officer



## OFFICER FEATURE

**NAME:** Whitney Bauman

**OFFICE:** Vice President

**YEAR IN FFA:** 4th

**FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING AN OFFICER:** Hanging out with the other officers

**FAVORITE FFA ACTIVITY:** Poultry Judging

**MOST MEMORABLE FFA MOMENT:** National Convention

**WHAT HAS FFA TAUGHT YOU:**

It has taught me many leadership skills and how to cope in real life situations



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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