

May 2015

State Convention

The State FFA Convention was held April 29– May 1 at the Ohio Expo Center. Members travelled to Columbus after school on April 29th to check into the hotel and have an evening of recreation at Magic Mountain. On Thursday, April 30th the Chapter attended Ruth Ann Myers' workshop on owning it. In this workshop students learned the importance of being content with the past, confident in the present, and daring with their future.

Friday of the Convention is a busy day, with three general sessions and a number of workshops to choose from. During the Third Session Jessica Shelton, President and , Joe McElwee Vice President accepted a Gold Medal Chapter Award on behalf of the Chapter.

After this session, and practices, members had lunch on the Convention grounds and attended leadership work-

shops. During the Fourth Session in the afternoon we celebrated all the hard work put in by Secretaries, Treasurers, and Reporters from around the state – including the very own from our chapter! To earn a gold medal rating on Officer Books they must be thoroughly completed using the guidelines provided. Receiving Gold Rated Officer Books were: Katie Cora, Secretary; CJ Smart, Treasurer; and Sarah McFarland and Makayla Crothers, Reporter. After the Fourth Session members were given time to explore the Career and Trade Show, the Agriscience Fair, displays of Proficiency Award Finalists, and to meet with other members from around the state! Wrapping up the Convention is the Fifth, and final, Session. Not only did we listen to State President, Sydney Snider give her retiring address, we were inspired and moved by it. After hearing the announcement of the newly elected State FFA Officers, the Ohio FFA Convention was coming to a close for the Peebles FFA Chapter.



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Annual FFA Banquet

The 57th Annual Peebles FFA Banquet was held Thursday May 15, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Peebles High School Cafeteria. Every year the chapter holds a banquet to recognize the achievements and awards of the members.



Our meal that evening was prepared from the chickens that the students in the Animal Science class raised in September, and salad came from the Chapter Garden that the Plant and Soil Science class tended to throughout the year. This year we bestowed 35 Greenhand Degrees and 6 Chapter Degrees – Greenhands have just completed their

first year in Agriculture Education and Chapter Degree recipients have just completed their second year. The Chapter awarded one Honorary Chapter

Degree to an outstanding individual that has assisted us throughout the year; the newly inducted Honorary Member was Angie Crum, Kevin Smart, Jonnie Cora & Kelly Cora. Annually, stu-



dents that are exemplary FFA members are awarded with Star Chapter Awards that consist of Star Greenhand, Star Chapter Farmer, Outstanding Member, and Outstanding Senior.

The recipients are as follows: Star Greenhand: Molly Bauman, Star Chapter Farmers: Jordan Crum & Katie Cora, Outstanding Member: Joe McElwee, Outstanding Senior: Jessica Shelton. As a chapter we are proud of all of our members for going above and beyond expectations.



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