

## FFA Vocational Board Report

March 13, 2017

The Holden FFA Chapter is always sincerely grateful for the incredible support received from the Holden Community, schools, many sponsors, and our Friends, Family, and Alumni Group which does so much for our chapter members including helping with National Convention, FFA Camp, WLC, Hog Roast, Banquet, judging competitions, donating supplies, putting on livestock shows, and in so many more ways too numerous to mention.

Over the past year the Holden FFA Chapter has been busy with many activities including Project LEAD, State FFA Leadership Camp, Johnson County/Central District Fair, Missouri State Fair, AgriScience Competitions, WLC, Holden Fair and Parade, Back to School CTE Picnic, Food for America with the 2nd graders, National Teach Ag Day, Area Barnwarming, winning the Nationwide FFA Chapter Tribute Competition, Labor Auction, NWMSU Fall Contests, National FFA Convention, Fall Speaking Contests, Chapter Barnwarming, Greenhand Motivational Conference, CTE Legislative Day, Movie Nights, Contests, and much more.

In the past year the chapter has had American Degree Recipient Cody Loveall; Area Star in Agribusiness Nathan Haun; State Degree Recipients Austin Loveall, Molly Brockhaus, Nathan Haun; State Contest Teams in Livestock Judging (Garrett Streit, Dillon Young, Cole Remington, Jacob Hurshman), Floriculture (Molly Brockhaus, Ramsey Pine, Ellan Harder, Sydnee Yancey), and Farm Management (Nathan Haun, Dom Robinson, Dillon Robinson); Three Area Proficiency Award Winners (Kyleigh Kauffman, Austin Loveall, Rylee Streit-2nd at State); Area VII Treasurer Molly Brockhaus; FFA Alumni State WLC Scholarship Recipient Nikki Foley; Gold Award Winner in AgriScience Shea Fitzgerald; State FFA Camp Leadership Award Winner Pake Schmoeger; Washington Leadership Conference Participants Abby Brockhaus, Nicole Foley, Callie Blaylock, Pake Schmoeger); and we started back up the FFA Trap Team which has competed in Area shoots at UCM and will compete at the State Shoot in Linn Creek this coming April.

More recently your FFA had two members earn second in Area Proficiencies (Michael Gutheridge, Austin Loveall), is expecting three new Area and State Degrees, three new American Degrees, are working toward contest and speech season, will be hosting a Leadership Development Event at the High School on March 16, will be participating in State Leadership Camp on June 5-9, are pushing for a larger Chapter presence at the District and State Fair, have done community service projects including community gardens, local food drives, and highway cleanup, and will be once again participating in WLC this summer.

It is always a challenge to recount successes—for fear of leaving something or someone out. Please know that you should be very proud of your FFA Members! They work hard and represent Holden well throughout the community, state, and nation. Your Holden FFA will continue to push forward to reflect the best ideals of the FFA and Holden Community. And, once again, thank you for all the support and encouragement you provide your Holden FFA Members.





