



Strathmore Agriculture Department

Tulare County Fair

Upcoming Events:

- Freshmen and Sophomore Pathway Field Trip to Vossler Farms* Oct. 3rd
- Greenband Conference in Visalia* Oct. 7th
- Sectional Opening and Closing Contest in Tulare* Oct. 8th
- Kern Ag Summit at Bakersfield College* Oct. 14th
- Butterfield Stage Days* Oct. 17th
- Sectional Activity @ Vossler Farms in Visalia* Oct. 22nd
- Strathmore's First Annual Harvest Festival* Oct. 24th
- FFA Meeting and FFA Boosters Meeting* Oct. 27th

Strathmore FFA was represented by three outstanding exhibitors at this years Tulare County Fair. Tyson Brem and Amanda Farquharson both exhibited hogs. Amanda took 1st and 3rd in her class, and 2nd in showmanship. Tyson Brem won Champion FFA York, and 1st in Showmanship. With his Market Goats Tyson was equally successful taking 1st in Showmanship, later to go on and win Round Robin, in addition to, Supreme Champion Wether Dam. Hayley Tharp swept the beef show taking Supreme Steer, Supreme Heifer, and 1st in her showmanship class! Overall, Strathmore did a fantastic job at the Tulare Fair and congratulations to the students that went and represented us!



SHS Opening and Closing Ceremonies Contest

On Monday, September 29th, 2014 there was a FFA opening and closing ceremonies competition; six schools competed including: Porterville, Reedley, Dinuba, Granite Hills, El Demonte and Strathmore High School who hosted the competition. There was a really good turn-out, many students and family members of competitors came to support and watch the competition. There were six officer teams, three novice teams and three open teams. Shaylie Logan won High Novice Vice President and Tanner Nuckols won High Novice Treasurer. Kim Cortez from the Open team won High President, Jade Church won High Open Reporter, and Ralphy Montijo got High Officer Team Reporter. Through this event we had the chance to meet new people from all over our region, which brought us laughter and the courage to make new friends. As the Novice Opening and Closing President I can say that this event truly taught me not only what it takes to be a leader but how to achieve your goals successfully. Every team will compete one more time at the Sectional Contest in October, so good luck to all of our Strathmore teams!

-Shaylie Logan and Hayley Tharp

Homecoming

The theme for Homecoming this year was "Once Upon a Disney Dream" and spectators at homecoming got to enjoy a spectacular football game, fabulous cheerleaders, and very creative floats. Good job to everyone who put in work to make this homecoming possible, and congratulations to both football teams for beating McFarland!



September FFA Meeting

The September FFA Meeting was held on September 22nd at the Ag Department with about 45 members being in attendance. In addition to the usual business we had a potato chip bar and later played hot potato in celebration of National Potato Month! Valeria Romero was crowned the hot potato champion! All in all, it was a great meeting and everyone had a lot of fun!

-Amanda Farquharson



Freshmen EAT Pathway Project

Freshmen: On August 28 we went over to the Strathmore school farm to start our pathway project. The project consists of every week going to the farm to collect data from the pumpkin plants. Each time we go we measure the height of the plant, count the leaves, and measure the surface area of the biggest leaf. In more recent weeks, along with the other things we track, we count the male and female flowers, count the fruit, count the plants in our row, count the pumpkins in our row, and measure the largest and smallest pumpkins. Each week I notice that the plants get bigger, growing more leaves, growing more flowers, and growing more pumpkins. When we are done collecting the data for the day I like to see the progress in growth from the first time we collected data to the present time, and you can actually see the progress the plants are making because of it. Doing this pathway project is one of the best and most interesting projects I've ever done.

-Teresa Alcantar



Visalia Adventure Park

On September 18th, 2014 the students participating in our FFA program were given the chance to attend Visalia Adventure Park after school for a fun day with friends and to interact with other FFA members in the Sequoia FFA Section. It was enjoyable to be able to participate in all the fun activities Adventure Park provides, and maybe even have a new friend or group of friends by the end of the day. Overall, I think this activity was very gratifying as well as beneficial.

-Leeann Dunn



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