(2022/2023)

# Quarter 3 Newsletter



SAC Agriculture Education & FFA



#### Quarter 3 Classes

- Intro to Agriculture (7th grade)
- Agriculture
   Economics (11th grade)
- Companion Animals (9th grade)
- Intro to Agriculture2 (8th grade)

### **Quarter 3 Events**



- January 25th: Wildlife, Food Science, Floriculture, and General Livestock CDE's
- February 15th: Region Officer Interviews
- February 18th-25th: National FFA Week
- March 1st: Horse, Small Animals, Nursery Landscape, and Crops CDE's
- Dairy Cattle, Meats and Farm Business CDE's

### January 25th Region Contests







On Wednesday January 25th, three SAC FFA teams traveled to the University of Minnesota Crookston to compete in a couple of the regional qualifying contests.

We had two wildlife teams compete. The junior team consisted of Luke Kasprowicz, Sammy Durand, Korben Clausen, and Angel Martinez. This was a great experience for them to see what the wildlife contest is all about.

The second wildlife team consisted of Shay Setterholm, Caden Pagnac, Raydon Woinarowicz, Anders Thompson, and Jake Carlson. This team placed 7th. Which was one place away from heading to state. However, they are already excited for next year.

Our third team competed in the floirculture contest. This team consisted of Emily Marquis, Abby McMahon, Blaine Smith, Signe Svendsen, and Eva Langen. One part of the floriculture contest this year was creating a boutonnière. All did a wonderful job.

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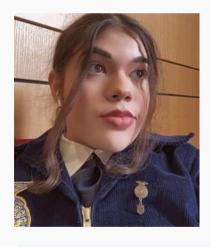
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#### Chapter Meeting Info

- 24 members attended the January Chapter meeting on Tuesday January 31st at 6:30 PM.
- Members learned about upcoming activities, signed up for spring contests, and discussed National FFA Week activities
- Dinner Menu: Hotdogs
- Activity: Bingo

### **January Chapter Meeting**





#### Region Officer Interviews

On February 15th, Andrea Oberg interviewed / applied to be a Region 1 FFA Officer. Andrea has been a Chapter Officer for the last two years. However, she wanted to expand her FFA involvement, work with other students within the FFA Organization, and help development and implement regional events.

#### **National FFA Week**





Each February, one week is dedicated to the National FFA Organization. FFA members involved in Chapters all over the world celebrate National FFA Week. Implementing student activities and promoting the Organization. This year, National FFA Week was held February 18-25th. The SAC Officer team developed posters, incorporated school dress up days, and promoted the FFA Organization.

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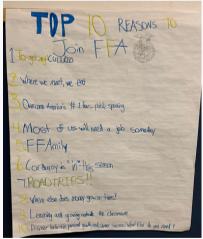
#### **FFA Week Events**

- Monday:
  - No School
- Tuesda<u>y:</u>
  - Dress Up: Pajamas
  - o Daily Trivia
- Wednesday:
  - Dress Up: SaladDressing Day
  - Daily Trivia
- Thursday:
  - Dress Up: FFA Color
     Day (National Blue &
     Corn Gold)
  - Daily Trivia
- Friday:
  - Dress Up: Anything but a backpack day
  - Daily Trivia
  - Staff/Teacher
     appreciation
     breakfast made by
     the FFA Officers

# National FFA Week Continued...













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### Chapter Meeting Info

- 14 members attended the February Chapter meeting on Monday February 27th at 6:00 PM.
- Members signed up for the final FFA contests of the year and started to look ahead at the summer fundraising opportunities and activities.
- Dinner Menu: Pizza
- Activity: Board Games

### **February Chapter Meeting**







### Intro to Ag 2

Students in the Intro to Ag 2 class have been learning about rural / farm safety. Students each chose a piece of recreational or farm equipment, researched ways to stay safe around the piece of equipment, and then created a visual poster using technology skills to display the information found.

#### **March 8th Regional Contests**





Two SAC FFA teams competed in the Regional FFA Contests held at UMC.

The small animals team consisted of Luisana M, Jacy G, Andrea O, Annika A, and Elizabeth K. The team placed 11th in the Region

The crops team consisted of Anders T, Dylan W, Kate H, and Kristen M. The team placed 6th... 2 places away from state qualification.

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#### **Agri-Science Fair**

- Brianna Johnson competed virtually in the MN FFA Agri-Science Fair contest. Brianna's project was focused on the pros and cons of GMOs.
- "For my experiment I had people try and determine if they can taste the difference between GMO and NON-GMO products. The products I used were, 'Good and Gathered Sea Salt Popcorn(Target brand)' VS. Homemade popcorn with canola oil and salt. The next product was 'Annie's Bunny Grahams' VS. 'Honey Teddy Grahams'. Finally, the last product I tested was 'Annie's Fruit Tape' VS. 'Fruit By the Foot'".
- Brianna also learned what GMOs are and the history of GMOs



### **FFA Night**

8 students attended the March Chapter Meeting. Students played games in the gym and designed coloring sheets about agriculture.





#### **Companion Animals Class**

The Companion Animals class has been busy learning about pet/animal nutrition. Studying the functions of the 6 essential nutrients, why pet species can and can't eat certain foods, and what a healthy diet looks like for pets.

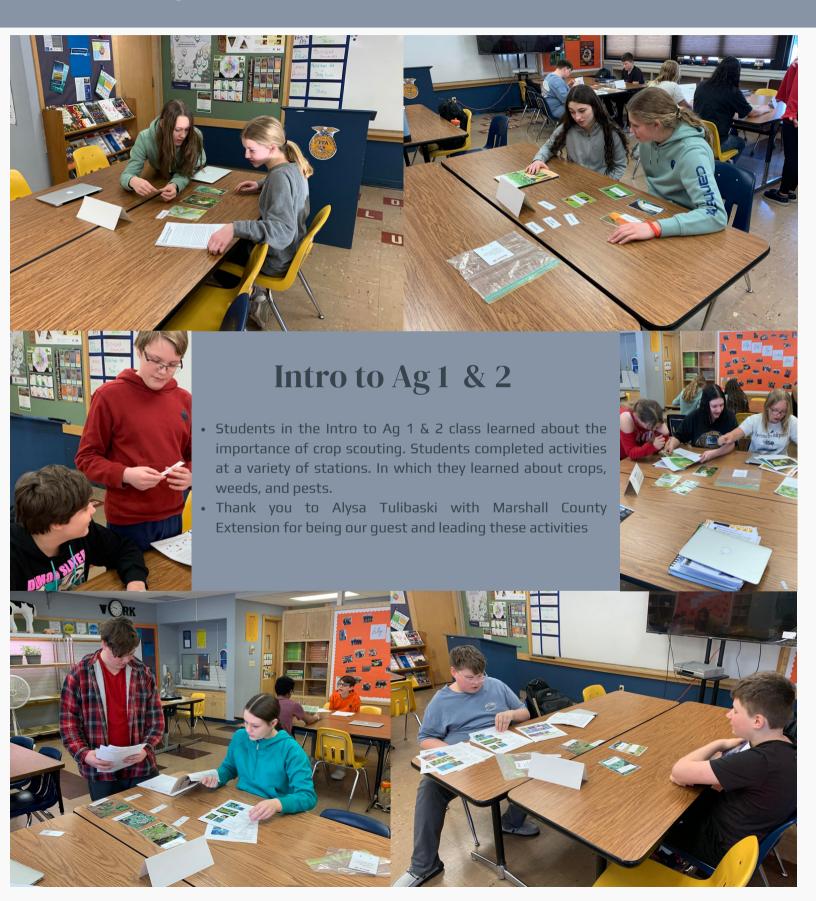




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#### **Thank You!**

We, as the Agriculture Education Program and SAC FFA Chapter Thank YOU. Though it is only the 2nd year of the program. The amount of support from community members, administrators, school board members, local businesses, and many more individuals is absolutely amazing and does not go unnoticed.

Participation from students within the Ag-Ed program and FFA has been outstanding. Students are willing and wanting to be involved. Becoming informed about topics in agriculture, meeting other students from all over Minnesota through FFA, and building their knowledge and resumes through experiences.

Let's make the last quarter of the year an AMAZING one! Happy Spring.