



ATHENS IL
FFA CHAPTER

Monthly Newsletter of the Athens IL FFA Chapter

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**National FFA
Convention**

On October 28th- 31st members headed down to Louisville, Kentucky for National FFA convention and expo. Members that attended got to attend amazing sessions, hear inspirational keynote speakers, go to a career fair, meet new friends, catch up with old friends, and go to workshops. We got the chance to go to American Saddlebred Horse Farm tour. Members got the chance to talk to the National FFA secretary Victoria Maloch and the central region vice president Kristen Schmidt. Members also got to attend a concert by Claire Dunn and Kip Moore. We got to watch Hayle Johnson receive her American FFA degree.



Meats CDE

On November 3rd six members competed in the meats CDE in Jacksonville, IL at Jones meats locker. We had three members place in the top ten.



Agronomy CDE

On November 18th four members competed in the agronomy CDE. As a team they placed 4th. Nathan Mayfield and Andrew Daniels entered corn into the grain fair. Nathan also entered in soybeans. Justin Myers entered a food science poster in the gain fair as well.



Cookie dough and Fruit sales

Cookie dough order forms are due November 25th. Fruit order forms are also due November 25th. You can sell over Thanksgiving break. Make sure to tell Ms. Moore or Mr. Butler that you will be selling over break.



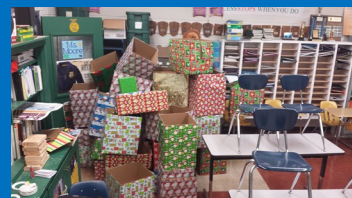
Christmas in the country

On November 28th If you are available come help up at the greenhouse. We will be selling poinsettias for the holidays coming up. There will be two shifts 8Am– 11:30Am and 11:30-3Pm. Sign up in Ms. Moore's Room.



Treats For Troops

On November 23rd our annual treats for troops drive starts. We collect specific items for the troops that they will need over seas. If you would like a list ask any chapter officer or Ms. Moore/ Mr. Butler.



Members Of The Month



Melodie Starkey was chosen for her help writing thank you notes for all the people that donated items for the Henry Ingram benefit. Her favorite CDE is dairy foods. Melodie wants to go to college to become an Ag teacher or to become a psychologist. Melodie's favorite FFA memory was attending the 2015 FFA Leadership camp in Monticello, IL.



Ainsley Chandler was chosen for her outstanding work with contacting all of the Athens schools about treats for troops and making bulletin boards. Her favorite CDE is horse judging. Ainsley wants to go to college to work with special needs children. Her favorite FFA memory was volunteering at the Henry Ingram benefit in October.

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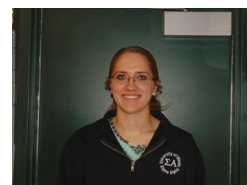
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