



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: HAYNES MEYER



How long have you been involved in FFA? This is my fourth Year

What are you involved in? I raise lambs, I am our FFA chapter secretary, NHS, Volleyball and photography

What do you like to do in your free time? Spend time with friends

What's your sheep's name? Shawn

What will you miss about FFA? I will miss the advisors and all the amazing friendships I made through FFA

Future Plans? I will be attending the College of Business at Louisiana Tech



That's a Wrap!

Every year, thousands of FFA members pour their time, energy, and hearts into animal projects, which range from heifers to rabbits. Our chapter is no exception, with members working for months prepping and perfecting their animals to show during the showing season that starts with jackpots around the state and ending with Tarrant County Junior Livestock Show in March. Not only do the members learn valuable lessons on responsibility, and how to properly take care of an animal, but they also learn the satisfaction of winning, and the good sportsmanship that an FFA member should possess.

Arlington Heights, as always, did not disappoint. This past weekend was the Tarrant Co Livestock Show. Kyle Shamburger started off the show on fire with Grand Champion Poultry. Friday started the rest of the show with lambs with Taylor Griffith placing 3rd with her Southdown. Next, in the Fine Wool division Tate Buffington placed 1st in his class as well as secured Breed Champion Fine Wool, Josh Rodriguez placed 2nd in the light weight class. Lily Martin placed 1st, and Caitlin Harper placed 2nd in the heavy weight class. In the Fine Wool Cross category, Joanna Bautista Walked away with 2nd, and Haynes Meyer landed 4th place. In the Dorper category, Cristal Armenta took the 1st place spot, Nick Vance followed up with 2nd place, Cole Williams landed 3rd, Joanna Bautista placed 1st and Reserve Breed Champion Dorper, and Sophie Aguilar closed out the breed with 3rd place. The Medium Wool Class was well represented in with Madison Rodriguez placing 4th, and Noah Clements placing 5th.

In the Goat division, Malena Bell took home the 8th place spot. Way to go heights! Later that evening, Ahja Alexander and Ryan Huckabee respectively walked away with 2nd and 3rd places at the Steer show. Kyle Shamburger was granted 1st place in his Heifer class. The rabbit show started bright and early at 8am on Friday morning, and lasted well into the day. In the Market rabbit division, Shania placed 6th, Priscilla placed 14th, and Nancy placed 15th. In the Breeding Rabbit Division, Madison Rodriguez walked away with two 1st places, 2nd place, best of opposite sex, and best of breed, Jaily Galloway placed 1st, Madelyn Newland placed 2nd and Jose Luis Cornejo placed 3rd in their breed classes.

Thank you to all the members who put their hard work and dedication into these animal projects. A bigger thank you goes out to the advisors, who put in countless hours to help this chapter be the best it can be during the 2016-2017 showing season. We can't do this without you guys!

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Why did you join FFA? It looked interesting

What are you excited about this year? Making new friends, and learning new skills

What are you involved in? Meats Judging

What are your goals this year? My number one goal at the moment is to get better at Meats judging.

Where do you want to go to college? I want to go to Tarleton



THE FUTURE FARMER



DID YOU KNOW? The chicken is the closest living relative to the T-Rex!



PALEO RANCH DRESSING

½ cup mayo (homemade or Primal Kitchen Mayo)

½ cup full-fat canned coconut milk (may need to blend to mix together)

1 tsp. dried parsley

½ tsp. dried dill

½ tsp. dried garlic powder

½ tsp. dried onion powder

½ tsp. dried chives

¼ tsp. sea salt (add additional sea salt if desired)

¼ tsp. ground black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS:

Place all ingredients in a bowl and mix until smooth and creamy.

Chill for at least 30 minutes before serving.

Store in a covered container or mason jar in the refrigerator for up to 1 week.

CDE's Season is fast approaching!
Look for lots of great information in
next month's newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS:

3/10 – 3/19 Spring Break

3/24 – 3/25 TTU Invitational CDE

4/3 – New Officer applications available

4/4-6 Cisco, Parker Co, TSU CDE's

4/12 Area CDEs

4/13 Alumni Scholarship due/officer applications due

4/18 New officer speeches, test, and interviews

4/19 Tarleton CDEs

4/27 FFA Banquet

Junior Ryan Huckabye had the huge honor of signing the National Anthem not only Friday before the show but also Saturday before the sale. He did a fantastic job and we are so proud of him.



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