

Ricebelt Wrap-Up

OFFICER SPOTLIGHT:

Jasey Walker, Historian

Chapter:

Orangefield FFA

Hobbies & Interests:

Shooting skeet, fishing, hunting, mudding, old trucks and the beach

Favorite Food: All food

Favorite TV Show:

Gilmore Girls

Favorite Sport:

Watching baseball

Favorite Music: All kinds

Famous person you'd love to meet: Elvis

Favorite Quote: "The task of the leader is to get his people from where they are to where they have not been." - Henry Kissinger

Favorite CDE:

Livestock Judging

Favorite LDE:

Senior Creed Speaking

Favorite SAE:

Swine Production

Favorite FFA Memory:

Being elected a district officer

YOUR TIME TO SHINE

"Your 2009 LDE Ricebelt District first place banner goes to...YOU!" That's right, Ricebelt. It's that time of year again. Get your teams ready to compete at the 2009 Ricebelt District Leadership Development Events Competition, which will be held on Wednesday, November 11 at Dayton High School.

Leadership Development Events focus on creating situations for members to demonstrate their abilities in public speaking, decision making, communication and their knowledge of agriculture and the FFA organization. First year FFA members, known as Greenhands, even have the opportunity to participate in contests of their own. Team

and individual events are used to reinforce what is taught in agricultural science classrooms. All LDE events have elimination rounds at the district and area level before the state competition.

LDE's you can participate in include: Ag Issues Forum, Chapter Conducting, Creed Speaking, FFA Quiz, FFA Radio, Job Interview, Public Relations, and Skills Demonstration. Detailed information on how each contest works can be found on the Texas FFA website at www.texasffa.org. Get your chapter involved and get your teams ready for this year's LDE competition. Start preparing now, because district competition is approaching soon! Good luck!

RICEBELT AT RICE FEST

Where can you show cattle, eat great food, experience a carnival, enjoy concerts, and hang out with your FFA friends all in the same place? The Texas Rice Festival, of course! The 40th annual Southeast Texas favorite will be held in Winnie, Texas September 30 through October 4, 2009. The

Ricebelt District Officer team will have a booth in the Rice Education tent across from the livestock barn. Be sure to stop by and visit with the officers, meet new FFA friends, and enter our raffle! The Texas Rice Festival and the Ricebelt District FFA are an unbeatable combination!

AG BRAIN STOMPERS

1. Of all vegetables, only two can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year. What are the only two perennial vegetables?
2. What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
3. Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form except fresh.

1. asparagus and thubarb 2. strawberry 3. lettuce

SCHEDULE:

1-25 Regular Swine Tag Order—Austin

4 Deadline for National Courtesy Corps Applications

5-6 TCCA Heifer Show—Saturday in Winnie, Sunday in Hankamer

11 Trinity Valley Exposition Breeding Entries Due

11-12 Dayton FFA Back to School Rodeo

12 Heat Wave Series Livestock Show in Kountze

14 District Officer Training Camp @ Tarkington HS @ 4:30 PM

15 San Antonio Calf Scramble Apps. Due to Area Coordinator

21 Texas Rice Festival Rice Judging Practice

21 Texas Rice Festival Entry Deadline

25-Oct. 18 State Fair of Dallas

28 Texas Rice Festival Rice Judging Contest

30-Oct. 4 Texas Rice Festival

30 Texas Rice Festival Welding Contest

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