Area III Newsletter

August/September Issue

Reminder: All Area Officers are available for Chapter Visits. Contact any one of us to make arrangements for meetings, banquets, etc.

Upcoming Dates

Area III Greenhand Camp- October 8, 2011 Area III LDE's- November 19, 2011 State LDE's- December 2/3, 2011

Leadership Development Events (LDE's)

It's time to start getting back into our old routines again. With summer ending and school starting, everyone's mind is beginning to wake up from its dormant state of this summer, and what better way to wake it up than LDE's! That's right; it's that time of the year for our members to show just how passionate they are about the FFA, through leadership development events. This fall, chapters everywhere will begin to form their teams, practice, and study hard to prove just that. Then, they will all compete at district, area, state, and even national levels. Whether it is quiz, chapter conducting, creed speaking, radio, or any other event, there is something for everyone! So be sure to talk to your advisors and see which would be the best team for you. LDE's are looked forward to with excitement by members each year. Along with the opportunity to show off their skills in their event, members form many friendships across the state. So get to practicing, get ready, and get excited for the 2011 LDE season!

New Area III Webpage: <u>www.area3.ffanow.org</u>

Area III on Facebook: We have a new facebook page, just search for us and then LIKE Area III FFA!

Officer Corner

Hey, Area III FFA!

For those of you who don't know me very well, here is a little bit of information! I am 17 (almost 18!) years old, I go to school in Sweeny and I am the second of 5 kids. My big brother is my hero and my 3 little sisters keep me smiling no matter what :). My favorite FFA contests are Creed Speaking (I LOVE public speaking!) and wildlife. After high school I plan to attend Texas A&M University and earn a degree in agriculture education. A few random facts about me-1. I absolutely love goats and baby warthogs!

- 2. I sing nonstop.
- 3. I got stuck in the toilet as a child.

4. I have a scar from accidentally hitting myself in the head with a post driver.

I look forward to serving you this year! Jacquelyn Wilson-Area III Vice President



2011 State Convention Recap

10,000 FFA members flooded the streets of Lubbock, Texas with a powerful theme in mind, excited for the week ahead. Throughout the week, numerous scholarships and awards were presented, superheroes emerged, members competed as state finalists in their respective competitions, and 323 Area III FFA members were presented with their Lone Star Degrees! During the state president elections, Kyle Schmidt (Waller FFA) represented Area III well, as he encouraged members to really listen to the voices of reason throughout this year. Taylor Shackleford, of the Area V Association was elected to be the State First Vice President and Peyton Gilbert of the Area VI Association was elected State President for the 2011-2012 year. Area III, we hope you enjoyed convention this year! As the school year starts, remember that each of you has the power within yourselves to make an impact!

Don't forget to check out our New Community Service Contest for this upcoming year! For more information look back on the June/July Issue of the Area III Newsletter or contact any area officer!

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