

#### Kristi Branton Chapter Secretary

On Tuesday, October 5, 2010, the Florence FFA Chapter traveled to Dallas, Texas for the Agriculture Awareness Day. Florence FFA participated by hauling 264 pounds of canned goods for the Dallas area food banks. The FFA students were then allowed to roam the state fair, but they had a mandatory task as well. All students then participated in an interactive fact scavenger hunt, where they learned about a myriad of aspects of agriculture. The topics ranged from swine to plants to mechanics.

Along with the FFA members that participated in the scavenger hunt, there were also six FFA members that competed in the Texas State FFA Agri-Science Fair and Public Speaking Contest. Haley Pluenneke, Tate Leatherwood, Cody Earp, Corrie ter Haar, and Tyler Thompson all competed in the Agri-Science Fair. Earp was the Micro-Biology division Champion, earning a \$1,000 scholarship, a glass trophy, and banner. He continued to represent Florence by having the Reserve Champion Agri-Science Fair project overall, and was awarded with a Gist Belt Buckle, valued at over \$300. Jim Robinson also represented Florence well by competing in the Public Speaking Contest.

## "THE BUTCHER PAPER" FHS Meat Market Consumer Awareness Report

#### The Hidden Identies of Your Treats

#### Taylor Moore

*Florence Meat Science Student* The quote, "things aren't always as they seem," is very popular and applies to the treat we know as Twinkies. Although they appear to just be a sweet, creme filled snack, Twinkies have a hidden identy.

Under the disguise, they are all sorbic acid, calcium sulfate, and shortening. Not only does sorbic acid sound like a bad thing to eat, it actually is harmful for your body. As for calcium sulfate, this two-sided ingredient is also used to make sheet rock, shampoo, and rocket fuel.

For most of the delightful creme filling, creme is not even used. In its place, shortening fills the center of your evil sweet. Twinkies, once thought to be just an innocent, desirable treat, may be tasty, but are definitely not what they seem.

## October

Oct. 8-16th-H.O.T. Fair Oct. 9th-Cedar Park Jackpot Oct. 16th-Labor Auction Oct. 20th-Delivery of County Boilers Oct. 18-23rd-National FFA Convention Oct. 23rd-Validation for Goats/Lambs

LDE Competitions are coming up in November.

Don't forget to sign up at the High School

Ag Building.

# Our 2010 Florence FFA Greenhands!!

1st Row (left to right): Glen Hughes, Kaylee Warren, Haley Daniell, Rosie Wood, Brittany Adams, and Elizabeth Andrews.

2nd Row (left to right): Abigail Moore, Mackenkzie Payne, Laci Gray, Bailey Lafferty, McKenna Baker, Shelbie Parrish, Becky Randell, and Shellie Harrell.

3rd Row (left to right): Tate Leatherwood, Cameron Parsons, Tyler Montegomery, Randy Koenig, Michael Hoisington, Peyton Person, and Ivan Wilson.





Reyna Juarez, James Robinson, Clayton Fullingim, Tyler Thompson, Raymond Dejesus, and Tim Shaffer.

2nd Row (left to right): Austin McIntire, Kyle Honnerlaw, Erik Stowers, Kyler Roberts, Miguel Alvarenga, Tanner Watson, and Cierra Sweet.

1st Row (left to right): Chris Rioias

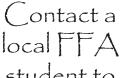




### Need some help around your place?

lawn mowing, fence building, house cleaning... We are auctioning ten groups of three FFA students to do it for you!

Saturday, October 16th - 10am at Friendship Days. in front of the Union State Bank Fruit and Meat Sale is here!



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order today!

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