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FFA Profits from Labor Auction



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Before Florence's Annual Friendship Days on October 16, 2010, the Florence FFA hosted their very first Labor Auction fundraiser. Consisting of FFA students, the lots were auctioned off by Bobby Rosenbusch to members of the community to work for four hours performing various labors. Such labors included general cleaning, general maintenance, ranch work, and landscaping.

Based on a volunteer work force, 30 students signed up to work the Labor Auction, totalling at 11 lots of 3 students each sold. The generous FFA members that were auctioned to the community consisted of Sydney Briggs, Lauren Clark, Taylor Moore, Hayley Daniell, Corrie ter Haar, Veronica Sanchez, Cody Earp, James Robinson, Clayton Fullingim, Cheyenne Daniels, Sloane Stables, Julia Crouch, Justin Roten, Jacob Olsen, Emily Sansom, David Holland, Zack ter Haar, Ethan Powell, Jena Shillingburg, Kirsten Parker, Leslie Key, Kayla Weiermann, Brittany Owens, Madison Martin, Tate Leatherwood, Peyton Person, Randy Koenig, Cheyenne Stowers, Kristi Branton, and Vandala Hood.

The very first Labor Auction was very profitable. The FFA raised \$1,455.00! Being so successful for the very first year, the FFA only hopes that the years to come will be beneficial as well.

"THE BUTCHER PAPER" FHS Meat Market Consumer Awareness Report

Losing the "Norm"

Aldo Chavez

Florence Meat Science Student

Do you enjoy that chocolate bar? What about that bag of chips on your right? You are probably embarrassed to admit to eating a chocolate bar or a bag of chips that is not only unhealthy, but also something that you do every day. Well, something that will make you feel better, at least for a moment, is that you are one of the millions of Americans that eat unhealthy junk food. America is not only getting bigger in population, but it is also getting heavier at a staggering rate. Even when we try to ignore the problem, we are all aware that obesity is becoming the "norm."

Part of the problem is Americans are not trained to completely read the label on the back of a bag or wrapper. A label's duty is to inform the consumer about the nutritional information of the product, not just to be a pretty black and white box. They are also intended to warn the consumer about eating more than one serving at a time. The label is doing its job just fine, but we are not. Although the label says "150 calories per serving", that does not mean we are actually eating only 150 calories, as we should. After all, who eats just one serving at one time?

Why not challenging ourselves? Why not actually take the time to read the label (even the fine print)? Or how about eating the right amount of chips, even if it means counting them one by one? If you feel like you have to indulge, try eating a healthier food, or maybe only a couple pieces of chocolate, instead of the entire bar. Saying "no" occasionally might keep you from gaining those extra five pounds. Step after step America can become a healthier nation, but it starts with you. Read the label. Be an example.

Students who are competing in Nationals this week...

Food Science and
Technology
Cheyenne Stowers
Lindsey Turner
Jaime Burrow
Taylor Lange

Agri-Science Fair
Corrie ter Haar
Tyler Thompson

Also representing Texas as a national voting delegate

David Holland
Area VII President

**Come back on
November 6th
for the results
in our next
edition!**

November

- Nov. 6th: Tattoo Bunnies @ Taylor 8am-12pm
- Nov. 10th: All Major Entries Due
- Nov. 13th: District LDE Contest @ Rouse
- Nov. 17th: Area LDE Contest @ Blanco
- Nov. 22nd: FFA Meeting 7:30am
- Nov. 23rd: Ag Trade Show @ FHS Williamson County Livestock Show
- Nov. 29th: Barn Open for Hogs 4-10pm
- Nov. 30th: Hogs in by 10 am, weigh in @ 1pm; Goats/Lambs weigh in 5-8pm

Leadership Development Events (LDEs) have begun!

Students are training for our annual LDE events, including:

Quiz Team

Creed Speaking

Chapter Conducting

Public Relations

Agriculture Issues

Skill Demonstration

Job Interview

Radio Broadcasting

For more information, contact the FHS Agriculture Department or visit our website at www.florence.ffa.org.