



RUDDER FFA NEWS



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Officer View Point

((AG teacher's edition))

We are finishing a busy and exciting summer; Rudder FFA members have made us proud with awards, contests, rodeo, and participation throughout summer events. We look forward to starting another great year with our members. We want you to remember there is ALWAYS something to get involved in so we encourage everyone to reach out and try something new this year.

Best of luck,
Larry White, Riley Webb, Kasey Carmeans & Michelle Knox

Get Connected!



Rudder FFA Facebook page

Visit the Rudder FFA Website:

<http://rudderffa.fffanow.org/>

Quote of the Month

"Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself." -

George Bernard Shaw

FFA BBQ COOK OFF

Join us for the 3rd annual
Rudder FFA Bar-B-Q Cook Off

September 16, 2015

Set up 3:45pm---judging 6pm

Sign up starting Sept. 1

Homecoming Dance

Homecoming Dance will be taking place on October 24th! This years theme is **#Wild&Crazy**. Rudder FFA Booster club will be hosting the dance. If any parents are available to help in any way it would be GREATLY APPRECIATED! Please contact Nicole Terry at nicterry1@msn.com

SHARE YOUR RESULTS

Save this email:

rudderffaresults@yahoo.com

Send all your livestock show successes to the email above so we can put your results in the newsletter and our Rudder FFA website.

Help us brag, share your results!



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Success Summary:

BOOSTER CLUB INFO

The Rudder FFA Booster club is excepting membership applications! Get involved with Rudder FFA by supporting the members.

Membership is \$10/person due when application is turned in. All checks to be made out to Rudder FFA Booster Club.

Sign up available at BBQ Cook Off!!!

Quality Counts

If you are showing with Rudder FFA and have not taken the Quality Counts Test you need to take it as soon as possible. If you turned 14 by August, you need to take the senior level test. Go to this site to take your test:

<http://agrilife.org/qualitycounts/verification>

FFA MEMBERS

PARTICIPATE AT TEXAS FFA CONVENTION

Corpus Christi, Texas – The Rudder FFA Chapter attended the 87th annual Texas FFA State Convention held July 13-17 in Corpus Christi. Please visit the Rudder FFA Website- Rudder News to read all about state convention successes

(<http://rudderffa.ffaow.org/default.aspx?ID=32880>)

- Rudder FFA is rated gold-level in the Golden Horizon award, this is the highest state rating to be bestowed upon a Texas FFA chapter.
- Rudder FFA received the prestigious Gold Emblem rating, this is only bestowed upon the top 10 percent of FFA chapters in Texas. Gold Emblem FFA chapters advance to the national level to be judged for the National FFA Chapter Contest.
- Katherine Fazzino was named the Champion in Plant Science Division in the Texas FFA Agriscience Fair receiving a \$1,000 scholarship from the Richard Wallrath Education Foundation and advances to the National FFA Convention Competition in October in Louisville
- Also competing in the State FFA Agriscience Fair from Rudder were Myles Martinez in the Ag Power and Technology division, Alexandra Alderete in the Social Science Division, and Trenton Llewellyn in the Animal Science division.
- Jayce Wilder of the Rudder FFA Chapter was awarded the Crop Production Proficiency Award receiving a \$1,000.00 scholarship and advances to the National FFA Convention Competition in October in Louisville, Kentucky.
- Other Rudder FFA members competing in the Proficiency Award competitions were Katherine Fazzino – 2nd in Agriscience, Jayce Wilder – 2nd in Diversified Crop Production, Annie Perez – 3rd in Ag Education, Reagan Thurman – 4th in Goat



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Production, Samantha Ruffino – 4th in Vet Medicine, Alexandra Alderete – 5th in Poultry Production, and Spencer Wilder – 6th in Beef Production.

- Jenna Bratton, of the Rudder FFA chapter, won the State Championship in Goat Tying at Texas FFA Rodeo Finals. Bratton was awarded a \$1,000.00 scholarship along with a trophy buckle and cash for her efforts.
- Also competing in the State FFA Rodeo from Rudder FFA were, Brandi Bratton, Natalie Swenson, and Dillon Tribble.
- Katherine Fazzino, of the Rudder FFA Chapter, has been named the Star Chapter FFA Degree in Agriscience receiving a \$1,000 Dina Wallrath-Robertson Memorial Star Scholarship made available by the Texas FFA Foundation.
- Rudder FFA members that won their Star Division at District and Area competitions and were recognized as State Finalists on stage at the convention were, Reagan Thurman – Star Finalist for Star Chapter Degree in Production, Jayce Wilder for Star American Degree in Placement, and Spencer Wilder for Star American Degree in Production.
- Katherine Fazzino, of the Rudder FFA Chapter served as a Texas FFA Foundation Ambassador at the 87th annual Texas FFA State Convention. These Rudder FFA members were three of 50 FFA members selected to serve as a Foundation Ambassador. The Foundation Ambassador program serves as the official liaison to sponsors, special guests and dignitaries on

behalf of the Texas FFA during the annual Texas FFA Convention.

- Trent Terry, of the Rudder FFA Chapter served as a Courtesy Corps member at the 87th annual Texas FFA State Convention. The Courtesy Corps is a team of student volunteers who handle many logistical functions at the nation's largest state FFA convention.
- Kayce Kaderka, Will Hussey, Jayce Wilder, and Spencer Wilder of the Rudder FFA Chapter, were named as candidates for the American FFA Degree at the 87th annual Texas FFA State Convention. The American FFA Degree is the highest degree bestowed by the National FFA Organization.
- Thelma Davila, Melissa Martinez, Adrian McDonald, and Tracy Wager, all of Bryan, were awarded the Honorary Lone Star FFA Degree at the 87th annual Texas FFA State. The Honorary Lone Star FFA Degree is the highest honorary degree bestowed by the Texas FFA.
- Fifteen members of the Rudder FFA Chapter, were awarded the Lone Star FFA Degree. The Lone Star FFA Degree is the highest degree bestowed by the Texas FFA. Recipients included: Cody Collins, Clayton Conrad, Rosemary Fazzino, Angela Flores, Jordan Irick, Lacy Lange, Landon Little, Myles Martinez, Chris Netterville, Annie Perez, Brady Phelps, Madison Smith, Dillon Tribble, Karlyn Wager, and Hart Walker.



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16 Rudder FFA members attended the 87th Texas FFA Convention in Corpus Christi, Texas



Katherine Fazzino on stage at Texas FFA convention receiving her Star Chapter in Agri-Science.



Jayce Wilder on stage at Texas FFA convention receiving his proficiency award.



Rudder FFA members dressed to attend a night of dancing and hypnotist show fun.



Jenna Bratton showing off her Texas FFA Champion Goat Tying belt buckle.



Tracy Wager, Adrian McDonald. And Melissa Martinez walked the stage to receive their honorary Lonestar degrees.



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Important Dates:

- 3rd Annual BBQ Cook Off Registration
deadline- September 10, 2015
- 3rd Annual BBQ Cook Off- September 16,
2015. Set up-3:45p judging-6:00p
- Homecoming Dance- October 24, 2015

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