

DISTRICT VIII E-NEWSLETTER



District VIII- "Leaders Under Construction"

DISTRICT VII FCCLA OFFICERS 2011-2012

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District VIII: Putting the Tools Together for Good Leadership!

District VIII FCCLA is already off to a great year! They decided to save some gas by taking 30 members from Gettysburg, Eureka, and Selby FCCLAers to Rapid City for the Fall Leadership

Dates to Remember

Minneapolis Cluster Meeting –November 11-13

Denver Cluster Meeting
November 11-13



Atlanta Cluster Meeting
November 18-20

District VIII Meeting
Eureka High School
January 8, 2012

**Winter Peer Education &
Executive Council Meetings**
Pierre – January 4, 2012

SD State Meeting
April 22 – 24, 2012

National Leadership Conference
July 8-12, 2012

Training on a bus. This proved to be a good idea and will hopefully be carried out in previous years. Also, on October 17th, District VIII kicked off the year with a District Rally. Members who were State STAR Event Winners presented their STAR Events at the Rally. During this afternoon event held in Eureka, FCCLA members learned more about

FCCLA, met some new people, enjoyed a healthy snack, and had fun.

Gettysburg FCCLA

The Gettysburg FCCLA chapter has a total of 39 enthusiastic members this year, and it is believed that they are the most determined group that the chapter has had in a while. They also have a new advisor this year, Mrs. Mikkelsen. So far this year their chapter has already conducted a very successful food drive, cupped fences for school spirit, and have enough other projects planned to keep them busy until next year. Some of these projects include a family night, a New Year's bash, and a big box top project. Last year they were very successful at the state level, and had 3 members make it to Nationals with their projects. Gettysburg chapter is expecting even more make it this coming year.

Edmunds Central FCCLA

The Edmunds Central FCCLA Chapter has 18 members this year. They started the year with an organizational meeting when the officers were elected. They decided on a number of activities that they wanted to do at the very beginning of the year. Their chapter made a float for the homecoming parade in September and had a masquerade dance in October that made \$250.00 which they donated to breast cancer research since Oct. was breast cancer awareness month. They also did a potato supper to raise money

to pay their state and national dues. In November they plan to have a family bowling party because it is National Family Month. Their long term activities are to paint windows down town for the Christmas season as a service project, to have a fundraiser for cystic fibrosis, do STAR event projects for the district meeting, and have a mothers' tea and a fathers' night out.



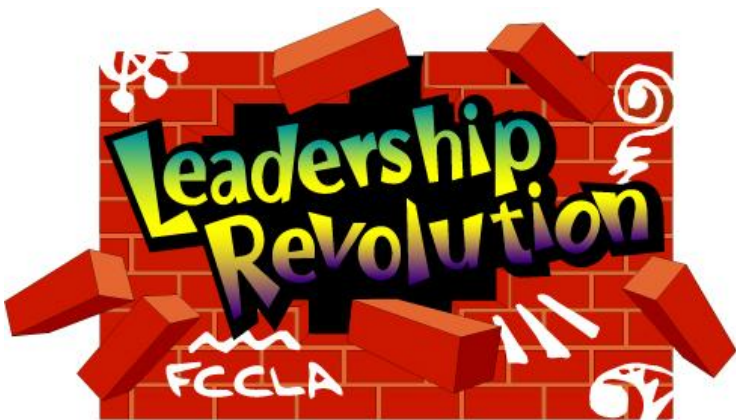
Hoven FCCLA

The Hoven FCCLA Chapter is very excited to be starting off a new year. There are 17 members who are anxious to start participating in all the great areas FCCLA has to offer. Some of the various activities that the Hoven Chapter is planning on having and working on this year are their yearly Lock-In, fundraising for their local chapter and Sanford Children's Miracle Network, working on STAR Events and a Secret Sweethearts dance. The Hoven FCCLA Chapter just successfully had their first tutoring day on Tuesday October 25th. The chapter also just had their Halloween Carnival/babysitting day on Thursday, October 27th. Overall, the Hoven FCCLA chapter plans to have a very successful and fun year. Their goals are to spread the word about FCCLA, get

people involved, and to have a very fun and successful year!

Eureka FCCLA

The Eureka FCCLA Chapter is looking for a great year ahead of them. There are currently 21 members. Out of those 21 members, five of them are new! Eureka FCCLAers attended the Fall Leadership Training while having fun and learning a lot.



The Cluster Meeting is coming up, and Eureka has two members eagerly waiting. The chapter plans to have officer meetings once a month and member meetings at least every other month. This will help to keep members informed about upcoming dates and help officers get activities flowing throughout the school. On October 24, Eureka FCCLA hosted a "Healthy Relationship Day" and brought in five different speakers to inform students. Mike Domitrz from the Date Safe Project of Milwaukee, Wisconsin was one of the presenters along with representatives from Safe Harbor, Department of Criminal Investigation, South Dakota Department of Social Services, and author/teacher, Jared Kempton of New Mexico. The

great tips and information didn't stop in Eureka though, as 500 students from seven different schools were able to attend! As one more thing to kick off the year, Eureka FCCLA joined hands with the National Honor Society to collect items for Safe Harbor. Over 200 items were collected. Eureka FCCLA Chapter is predicting a successful year filled with STAR Events, community service, and fun!

McIntosh FCCLA

October 23 McIntosh FCCLA volunteered at the Bismarck Dakota Zoo. In a course of 3 hours they raked a heaping truckload of leaves from several exhibit areas including the alligator pit. We were actually approached by KXNews and they did a 60 second news segment on the girls helping the Bismarck clean up effort.

(to see segment click here

<http://www.kxnet.com/getArticle.asp?ArticleId=860708>

The McIntosh girls also put on a scary Halloween themed Silly Supper for the teacher and staff's honor during parent teacher conferences to say "thank you".



Selby Area FCCLA

2011-12 Chapter Membership: 42 members (22 girls, 20 boys), which includes 15 new members. 10 members attended the Fall Leadership Workshop in Rapid City, and 30 members attended District VIII Rally in Eureka Oct. 17th. Mrs. Opheim's FACS classes including many FCCLA members made & decorated cakes for the Harvest Carnival Cake Walk that was hosted by 4-H. Selby Area FCCLA donates cakes to this project on a yearly basis. Money raised by the carnival is then put back into a community project. Oct. 13th Selby Area FCCLA hosted a Volley for the Cure volleyball games featuring the Herreid/Selby Area Wolverines versus the Hoven/Edmunds Central Mustangs. \$600 was raised for the Susan G. Komen foundation in SD. The FACS classes and FCCLA members made over 400 cookies and frosted them pink to give to the students during school and to the volleyball game attendees. In November they participate in the Horn of Plenty Project.

Every fall Selby Area FCCLA teams up with the Scouts who collect nonperishable food items. FCCLA then sorts and distributes the food to families in need and new families in the community at Thanksgiving time. A turkey and a pie are also given to them. In November they start the Secret Angel Project to give kids in need an extra gift or two at Christmas time. The chapter annually serves between 12 and 18 children each year in the area. Illustrated Talks and other Star Event projects are being started in October and November which will make the adviser, Mrs. Opheim, very happy!

Encourage recent graduates in your area to check out the Virtual Postsecondary Chapter at www.sdfccla.org and support SD FCCLA!



