

Dear Oregon FFA Members:

We all have memories or perhaps dreams of our first car. While many of my friends sported jacked up pickup trucks, I drove a 1983 Honda Accord my grandfather purchased for \$100. To get it running, he raided parts from other Honda's and between the rust and the multiple colors I could've qualified for a military stealth vehicle. My first set of wheels maxed out at 55 miles per hour. This built-in speed limitation may have comforted my mother, but it certainly made freeway driving challenging.

I learned quite a few lessons from the year I drove that car. First, I learned we all need friends who have our back, friends willing to drop everything to retrieve us from the side of the road. Secondly, I learned that appearance can be deceiving. People are more than the clothes they wear and the vehicle they drive. My first car taught me that every day is a new beginning and you never know when you are going to succeed or flame out on that sharp curve. But, you've got to keep going. Finally, when I bought my second car I learned to be grateful. Suddenly, my timely arrival was a virtual certainty instead of a game of roulette.



FFA has reinforced all those behind-the-wheel experiences and more. My blue jacket adventures have given me lifelong friends and more heroes than I can count. As an FFA member, I have been involved with an incredibly supportive community dedicated to success. I have gained skills and traveled the nation. Just like my first car, I will carry those memories with me forever. My experiences have been life changing and I want to help provide those opportunities for others. I am honored to announce my candidacy for the 2018-2019 State Officer Team.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Gladman". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined.

David Gladman
Crater FFA Chapter Vice President
Southern Oregon District Secretary

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

— Maya Angelou

Freshman

Beg. Parli-Pro Team Chair, District 2nd, Section 3rd
Beginning Public Speaking, District 1st
CDE Days, Oregon State University
Chapter Star Greenhand
Chapter Meetings & Fundraisers
County Fair Champion Steer Showman
County Fair Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer
County Fair Medium Wood Working FFA Champion
District Soils
Greenhand Degree
Grange Co-Op Dinner Creed Speaker
Livestock Judging Team
FFA Creed Speaking, District 1st, Section 1st, State 2nd
Forestry Team
State Convention
State Fair Champion AOB Heifer

Sophomore

Advanced Parli-Pro Team, District 1st, Section 2nd, State 4th
California FFA State Officer Training
CDE Days, Oregon State University
Chapter Degree
Chapter Meetings & Fundraisers
County Fair Reserve Champion FFA Market Steer
County Fair Champion Beef Showman
Crater FFA Plant Sale Treasurer
District Officer Training
District Leadership Camp
District Treasurer
District Officer Meetings
Extemp. Public Speaking, District 2nd, Section 4th
Grange Co-Op Dinner Creed Speaker
Home & Community Development Proficiency
Livestock Judging Team
Sophomore Public Speaking, District 3rd
State Executive Meeting
State FFA Livestock Judging Champion Team
State Fair Heifer Champion AOB
State Livestock Judging High Individual
Washington Leadership Conference

Junior

Advanced Parli-Pro Team, District 3rd
California FFA State Officer Training
CDE Days, Oregon State University
County Fair Champion FFA Market Steer
County Fair Champion Beef Showman

Junior Continued

Chapter Banquet Committee
Chapter Meetings & Fundraisers
Chapter Creed Speaking Assistant Coach
Chapter President
Chapter Member of the Year
Crater Foundation Auction Committee
District Leadership Camp & Rituals Contest
District Secretary
District Officer Training
Extemp. Public Speaking, District 1st, Section 2nd, State 5th
Greenhand Social Workshop Leader
Home & Community Development Proficiency
Job Interview, District 1st, Section 1st, State
Livestock Judging Team Assistant Coach
National Convention Livestock Judging, Silver
State Convention - Delegate
State Degree
State Fair Heifer
State Floriculture 4th

Senior

Livestock Judging Team Assistant Coach
Chapter Vice President
Crater Foundation Auction Committee
District Leadership Camp
District Officer Meetings & Rituals Contest
District Vice President
Extemp. Public Speaking
Greenhand Social Workshop Leader
Job Interview
National Convention Marketing Plan, Silver
State Executive Meeting

Other Activities

AET Gold Medallion Community Service, 14-18
AET Gold Medallion FFA Activity, 14-18
Crater Bisapalooza Leader, 16-17
Crater 8th Grade Tour Guide, 17
4-H Club President, 14
4-H Club Junior Leader – Beef, Sheep, Swine, 14-18
4-H Summer Camp Counselor, 17
4-H Fashion Review Escort, 17
Gardening Mini Course Instructor, 18
Jackpot Shows, 14-18
Jackson County Youth Livestock Ambassador, 17-18
Mountain Bible Church Youth Group, 14-17
USDA Certified Reindeer Trainer, 17