



National FFA Organization

Crane FFA Chapter

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*"The future belongs
to those who
believe in the
beauty of their
dreams"*

-Eleanor Roosevelt



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Oregon FFA,

There I was at the young age of ten watching cartoons. The room smelled of buttered popcorn, and was filled with the happy giggles of both my sister and I as my mother put the movie in the VCR. It wasn't long before the song *When You Wish Upon A Star* written by Leigh Harline and Ned Washington began to play. The words drifted across the room to me. "When you wish upon a star, makes no difference who you are, anything your heart desires, will come to you." At that young age, the song and the morals in the movie *Pinocchio* didn't hold as much meaning as they do now. It wasn't until high school that I realized that dreams and wishes can truly change someone's life.

The second line of *When You Wish Upon A Star* states "If your heart is in your dream, no request is too extreme." To me this means if you truly believe, you can accomplish great things. Freshman year, I had a dream to inspire others. I was so shy though, I never thought I would make much of an impact. During my first speaking competition I wished with all my might I would be able to move on to District level, I ended up placing third in my chapter. I was a little sad, but I strove to make it to Districts and the following two years, I went. I was still quiet, but I found that when I gave speeches I made a difference. By sophomore year, I was more social and had made more friends and tried my hardest to make an impression. You see, even though I didn't do well at first, I believed I could do better and because I believed, I did better. Today, I am still investing in my dream; I'm still determined to make a difference even in the smallest way.

Watching *Pinocchio* today reminds me that when you wish and believe your dreams can come true. I strive to make a positive difference. What is your dream? What do you wish for? What do you believe in? For me making a difference is brightening someone's day. A member of the Long Creek FFA Chapter is always friendly and says hello to everyone she comes into contact with. Her pleasant spirit hasn't faded even when she has been faced with the possibility that she has a tumor. In the Ontario FFA chapter, a driven individual dreamed of one day becoming a district officer. This past year she finally accomplished her goal. A member of the Days Creek FFA chapter always finds time to flash a smile at anyone she meets. It's all about the dream, and the wish. How will you go about making your dream become a reality?

Oregon FFA we all can make an impact, no matter how old, quiet, or shy. As that song says "Like a bolt out of the blue, fate steps in and sees you through, when you wish upon a star, your dream comes true." The opportunities lie in front of us; in this organization they are countless. All we have to do is dream, believe, and follow our wishes to accomplish great things.

I know without FFA I wouldn't have come to be who I am today. I hope to use the skills this organization taught me to somehow make a difference in your lives. Believing in wishes hopes and dreams, I would be honored to serve as one of your 2014-2015 Oregon FFA State Officers.

Respectfully,

Katherine N. Tracy
2013-2014 Crane FFA Chapter Secretary

*"But as for you, be brave and
don't lose heart, because your
work will be rewarded"*

- 2 Chronicles 15:7

FRESHMAN YEAR 2010-2011	SOPHOMORE YEAR 2011-2012	JUNIOR YEAR 2012-2013	
<p align="center">FFA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture in the Classroom • Green Hand Degree • Chapter Banquet • Chapter Christmas Party • Chapter Creed Speaking • Chapter Leadership • Chapter Winter Bash Fundraiser • District Ag Sales • District Beginning Leadership • District Leadership • District Parliamentary Procedure • Harney County Fair Cattle Showmanship • Reunion Dinner • State Convention • State Livestock Judging at CDE Days 	<p align="center">FFA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Oregon Livestock Show • Livestock Evaluation • Chapter Degree • Chapter Banquet • Ag in the Classroom • Chapter Christmas Party • Chapter Green Hand Week • Chapter Sophomore Speaking (2nd) • Chapter Officer Elections • Chapter Officer Interviews • Chapter Winter Bash Fundraiser • District Ag Sales & Service • District Dairy Judging • District Leadership Camp • District Leadership Junior Prepared Public Speaking • Harney County Fair Cattle Showmanship • State Livestock Judging at CDE Days 	<p align="center">FFA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture in the Classroom • Chapter Banquet • Chapter Bonding - Hot Springs Night • Chapter Green Hand Week • Chapter Officer Elections • Chapter Officer Interviews • Chapter Speaking (1st) • Chapter Winter Bash Fundraiser • Advanced Prepared Speaking (Chapter 1st, District 5th) • District Books Technology Scrapbook (District 1st, State Bronze) • District Job Interview • District Leadership • District Officer Interviews • Advanced Parliamentary Procedure (District 3rd) • Poultry Proficiency (District 1st) • Beef Pregnancy Checking • Harney County Fair, Beef • State Ag Literacy CDE • State Degree • State Food Science • State Livestock Judging • State Poultry Proficiency • State W.L.C. Scholarship Candidate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4-H Crafts Club • 4-H Senior Presentation @ E.O.L.S. (1st) • Prom Committee • Canned Food Drive • Oregon Girls State • 4-H Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat
			SENIOR YEAR 2013-2014
SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY	SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY		FFA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendents List • Drewsey Community Church • Most Improved Art Student • Teen Court • 4-H Cooking Club • 4-H Art Club • 4-H Photography Club • 4-H Scrapbooking Club • Canned Food Drive • Crane High School Young Life • Graduation Decorations Committee • Community Wreath Making • Drewsey Community Church Christmas Caroling • E.O.L.S. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drewsey Community Church • Outstanding Art Student • Outstanding Ag 2 student • Honor Roll • Teen Court • Canned Food Drive • CUHS Young Life • Winter Formal Decoration Committee • 4-H Cooking Club • 4-H Scrapbooking Club • 4-H Art Club • 4-H Cooking Club • 4-H Photography Club • Community Wreath Making • Drewsey Community Church Christmas Caroling • 4-H Eastern Oregon Leadership Retreat • Food Bank Volunteering 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harney County Fair Cattle Showmanship • Chapter Green Hand Week • Chapter AG in The Classroom • District Job Interview (4th) • District Leadership Camp
		SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY	SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Bank • Varsity Wrestling • Drewsey Community Church • Teen Court • National Honor Society • Most Improved Advanced Art Student • Art Student of Merit • Superintendents List • 4-H Cooking Club • 4-H Scrapbooking Club • 4-H Art Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Varsity Wrestling • Drewsey Community Church • National Honor Society • Food Bank • Canned Food Drive • Senior Class Vice President • Homecoming Committee • 4-H Cooking Club • 4-H Photography Club • 4-H Scrapbooking Club • 4-H Art Club <p align="center">DEGREES HELD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Hand, 2011 • Chapter, 2012 • State, 2013