



BURNS FFA CHAPTER

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*"I can't change the direction of the wind,
but I can adjust my sails
to always reach my destination"*

Fellow Oregon FFA Members!

To share and inspire. It was a sea of blue across the rodeo grandstands. I galloped around the arena proudly waving my banner, "Fight the Stigma", determined to make a difference to someone on that day. I took the mic and walked my horse and I to the middle of the arena. I faced the wave of blue, and proudly shared my personal struggle with depression to my family, friends and that entire rodeo crowd. I had requested rodeo fans to wear blue for this special day and passed out hundreds of wristbands at the gates. I had posted articles, resources, and my story on social media and our local newspaper. Being crowned the 2018 Harney County Fair and Rodeo Queen gave me the opportunity to make a difference to those suffering from depression, and create awareness for mental health. I'll be honest, it was difficult for me to share my story, but I would do it again in a heartbeat!

Before starting my platform, I was actually terrified to share my experience, but I overlooked my fears, and thought about how many lives I would change and inspire. Maybe someone could find strength from my struggle? After the week of fair, I spotted so many of my wristbands being worn around the community, and I had so many people come up to me and tell me how much of an impact I made on them. I even had a friend, who happened to be a fellow FFA member, come up to me and tell me that she started writing positive notes, and gave them out to others who seemed a little down that day. At that moment, I knew every second I put into my platform was absolutely worth it! I realized how capable I was to positively change others lives.

Fellow FFA members, you have that same capability. You don't have to be on a horse and gallop around an arena with a banner to make a difference. Each of you have the power to change someone's life, to inspire someone. Take a second to think about a struggle you've faced, how did you find strength? Was someone the light in your life during that dark time? Now think of how many other people that may be going through the same thing. Use your story to be the light in someone else's darkness, just as I did with my platform. It all starts by digging deep within yourself, and finding your struggles, strengths, and weaknesses. Don't be afraid to be vulnerable, because even showing just a little vulnerability, may be the connection you make with someone else that changes their life.

Oregon FFA, let's inspire, change lives, and make the positive impact that is needed in our communities. We all are capable of SO MUCH! I challenge each of you to share your story. Throughout my experience, I have gained so much. Helping others is the most rewarding thing we can do. It is with much excitement I announce my candidacy for the 2019-2020 Oregon FFA State Officer Team! I would love nothing more than to conquer challenges and celebrate strengths with each of you. I look forward to seeing you all at the 91st Oregon FFA State Convention!

Respectfully,

Lacy L. Singhose
Burns FFA Chapter President
Strawberry Mountain District Secretary



Freshman Year 2015-2016	Sophomore Year 2016-2017	Junior Year 2017-2018	Senior Year 2018-2019
<p>FFA <u>Degree- Greenhand</u></p> <p>Activites -Les Schwab Can Food Drive -Plant Sale -Membership Committee -Fair Decorations -Chapter Meetings -Fundraiser Committee -FFA Week -Proficiency Committee -2016 State Convention -Chapter Banquet -FFA Week Assembly -Ag in the Classroom -Food of All -Beg. Parliamentary Procedure-3rd - TVCC Livestock Judging- 8th overall -LBCC Livestock Judging - Harney County Fair -Market Steer SAE</p> <p>Other Activities: -Burns Volleyball -4-H Camp Counselor -Community Clean Ups -Class Fundraisers -Church Youth Group</p> 	<p>FFA <u>Degree- Chapter</u></p> <p>Activites -Les Schwab Can Food Drive -Raffle Fundraiser -Fair Decorations -CDE's Committee -Chapter Meetings -FFA Week -2017 State Convention -Parliamentary Procedure Demo -Fair Exhibitors Meeting -Proficiency Committee -Chapter Officer Retreat -Beg. of the Year Social -FFA Week Assembly -Ag in the Classroom -Food For All -Parliamentary Procedure-2nd -CDE's Meat Judging -LBCC Livestock Judging -State Livestock Judging -Deschutes Livestock Judging -Harney County Fair -Market Steer -Rituals -National Convention</p> <p>Other Activities: -Burns Volleyball -Class Fundraisers -Service at HC Senior Center -Community Clean ups</p>	<p>FFA <u>Degree- State</u> <u>Offices held-</u> -Burns Chapter Reporter</p> <p>Activites -Public Relations Committee -Community Service -Banquet Decorations -Alumni Harvest Dinner Silent Auction -FFA Week -FFA Week Assembly -Membership -Star Members -Executive Committee -Chapter Meetings -State Convention -District Leadership Camp -July State Executive Meeting -District Officer Training -Fair Exhibitors Meeting -District Officer Elections -Chapter Officer Retreat -Beg. of the Year Social -Ag in the Classroom -Chapter Meetings -District Officer Meetings -Food for All -LBCC Livestock Judging -CDE's Horse Judging -Harney County Fair -Market Steer -Rituals-2nd</p> <p>Other Activities: -Burns Varsity Volleyball -Class Fundraisers -2018 Harney County Fair and Rodeo Queen -Mental Health Platform -Community Service</p>	<p>FFA <u>Offices held-</u> -Burns Chapter President -Strawberry Mt. District Secretary</p> <p>Activites -Advocating to the Youth -Public Relations -FFA Week -Cookie Dough Fundraiser -Executive Committee -Fundraisers -Memberships -Community Service -Banquet -State Executive Meeting- January -District Leadership Camp -Fair Exhibitors Meeting -District Officer Elections -Beg. of the Year Social -Ag in the Classroom -FFA Week Assembly -Chapter Meetings -District Officer Meetings -FFA Calendar Program -Harney County Fair Market Swine -Rituals -Extemporaneous Speaking</p> <p>Other Activities: -Burns Varsity Volleyball -Class Fundraisers -2018 Harney County Fair and Rodeo Queen -Mental Health Platform -HOSA -Community Service at the HC Senior Center -Community Clean Ups</p>

