

# SARGENT FFA



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Freshmen FFA Members with their  
Greenhand Degrees



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## SARGENT FFA



## MEMBER OF THE MONTH



**Braxton Regester**

Year: Sophomore

CDE: Horse Judging

Braxton Regester is the FFA member of the month. He is very active in our chapter. Braxton is willing to help whenever anything is needed and make sure he gets things done fast. Braxton joined FFA because he loves horse judging and enjoys participating in the various activities that come along with FFA. Braxton is also a rancher and works at the local sale barn. He also trains horses and participates in ranch rodeos.

After high school Braxton plans on becoming a horse chiropractor. We are very thankful to have Braxton as a member in our chapter!



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# **GREENHAND BANQUET**



1st place  
Durae Naranjo



2nd place  
Makenzie Consaul



3rd place  
Madeline Mitchell



4th Place  
Lyza Davis

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The Greenhand Banquet and Chapter Creed Speaking Contest was held on October 12th. First-year FFA members participate in an effort to earn their Greenhand pin and FFA Jacket. They must recite the FFA Creed written by E.M. Tiffany to earn their GreenHand pin. The Creed consists of five paragraphs that the members have to memorize. This year Sargent FFA had 14 members compete in the Creed Speaking competition. Durae Naranjo took first place, and Makenzie Consaul took second place. Durae and Makenzie will be competing at District LDE's at Adam State in February. We want to thank everyone who showed up and supported Sargent FFA.

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# COLORADO NEWS: DENVER WANTS TO OUTLAW SLAUGHTERHOUSES

BY JESSICA BUSER

This voting season the Denver politicians have thrown another curve ball at the Colorado agricultural community. The city and country of Denver have a new proposition on their ballot. It is titled "Prohibition of Slaughterhouses." If passed the initiative would outlaw the creation of any new slaughterhouses and would prohibit the operation of any slaughterhouses already in operation.

The people who created this initiative cited their reason as "to move society to a plant-based system." In another article from *The Gazette*, they argue that slaughterhouse workers undergo severe psychological trauma from having to watch "the fear and pain they see in the animal's eyes." They argue that because animals make up 20% of the pollution in the air, moving to a plant-based society would help the climate.

The Rocky Mountain Bison Association has already started advocating against this initiative. They find it ironic that this is happening in Denver, considering Denver's long history with agriculture and beef especially. Also considering that Denver hosts the National Western Stock Show every year, and with that, they have the cattle drive every year through downtown with the winner of the cattle being placed in Brown's Palace. Brown's Palace is also a very historic site in Denver.



I think that there are many things wrong with this initiative. Firstly, I think that it is disrespectful to the history of Colorado and the fact that agriculture is the largest industry in Colorado. Secondly, if 20% of air pollution in Denver is caused by animals, then the animals dying means that that animal isn't contributing to it anymore. With that, if 20% is from animals then that means that 80% is from humans. I think it's a pretty hypocritical thing to do, blaming the animals for climate change when it's been a known fact for years that the most damage to the ozone is over cities. If you look at a map of the areas that are the most damaged, they are all over cities; not the farms and ranches. Why should we damage an entire industry just because the city folk can't be bothered to take ownership of their actions and change their lifestyles? Why are they entitled to tell people what they should be eating? Half of them don't even know where their food comes from, and yet they criticize the people who produce it. And third, even though the evidence for physiological damage to slaughterhouse workers isn't strong enough in my opinion, why is that enough reason to damage an industry? Medical professionals have the highest suicide rate out of any industry, they deal with more death, pain, and suffering than anyone else. I don't see anyone saying we should outlaw hospitals. In the entire history of humanity, butchering animals has never been more humane. In societies across the world, it is a privilege to have access to beef and meat. I think it is supremely ungrateful and presumptuous to demand our's move to plant-based just because some soft city folk can't handle things. However, that's just my opinion.

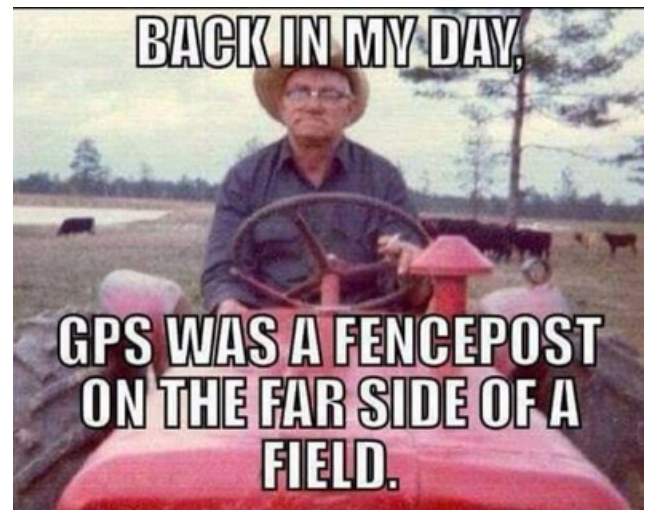
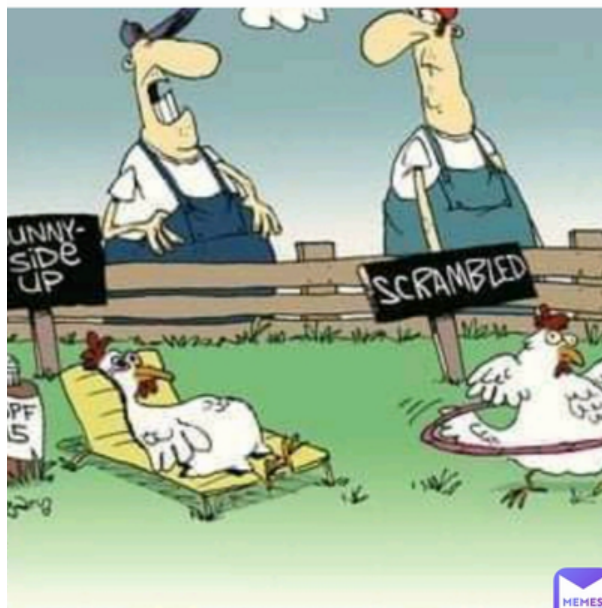


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# CARTOONS AND COMICS



Funny:  
"Your First time Egg Farming?"



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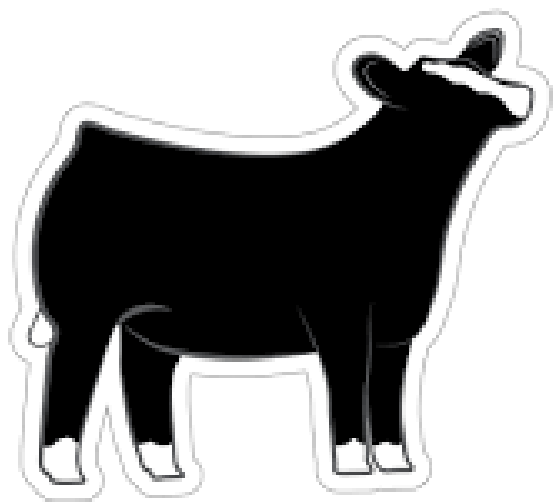
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# SAE Highlight

By- Kade Temple

## Raising Show Steers

We raise our own show steers by either using AI or using embryos. It is a lot cheaper than buying them and we get pretty high-quality calves from doing this. We breed to a lot of different bulls and we get different colors, shapes, and sizes of calves. We usually have five or six good calves that we get. We pick the best two to feed and show. The other ones we feed out and butcher and sell them.



We have the calves from when they are born in the winter, and the next fall we start to halter break them and get them ready for shows. There is a show in Utah in November that we are going to this year. We also take them to Stock Show, County Fair, and State Fair. The end goal for them is to be able to sell one at the County Fair and make the sale up at State Fair. I have been doing this for four years and I have one more year after this.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

BY: LOVELACE



## NATIONAL CONVENTION

Indianapolis, Indiana

November 1-5

The Sargent FFA officer team is going to National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. They will attend a variety of general sessions, do some career tours, talk to potential colleges, meet with industry professionals, and network with other FFA members from all over the country.

## NOVEMBER AGTIVITY

November 14th, 2023

This month's agtivity will be Thanksgiving themed. Children will be able to participate in educational activities relating to agriculture. There will be games and snacks provided. Please contact Ms.Schaller to register.

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP  
CONFERENCE

November 29th, 2023

Sargent FFA will attend the District Leadership Conference which will be held at the Ski Hi Complex. This will be a great way for members to interact with other members from the District while developing leadership skills. The theme for this year's DLC is Cultivating Clues.



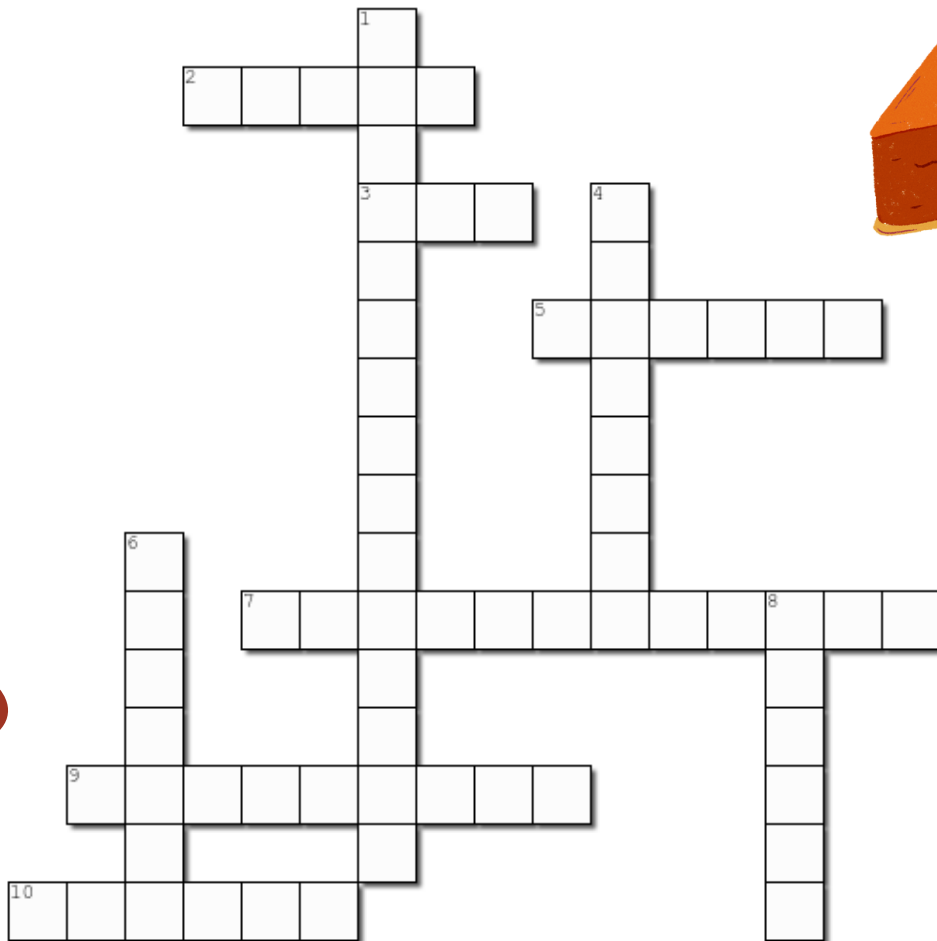


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# THANKSGIVING CROSSWORD

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the crossword puzzle below



Created using the Crossword Maker on TheTeachersCorner.net

**Across**

2. The grain of which is ground to make flour for bread, pasta, pastry, etc.
3. Meat from the upper part of a pig's leg salted and dried or smoked.
5. A bird eaten on a special holiday
7. An act of giving thanks; an expression of gratitude, especially to God.
9. A small red acid berry used in cooking.
10. A group of one or more parents and their children living together as a unit.

**Down**

1. Potatoes that have been boiled and then crushed into a soft mass
4. A mixture used to stuff poultry or meat before cooking.
6. A person who journeys to a sacred place for religious reasons.
8. Indigenous people who used to farm



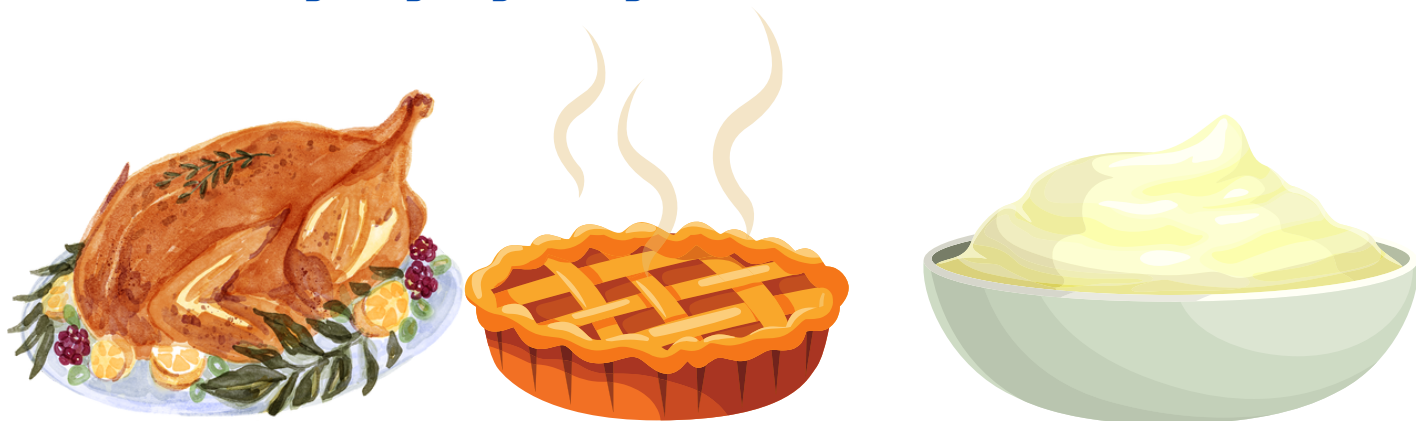
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# U.S. Ag News

## Reasons to Thank a Farmer During Thanksgiving

By: Ellaree Rockey

Farmers produce every food item involved with your Thanksgiving dinner. To start with the main dish of Thanksgiving the turkey Nebraska is the main production state for turkey in Nebraska 55 million pounds of turkey is produced in a year. The National Turkey Federation says that 45 million pounds of turkey is eaten on Thanksgiving day. during your meal you also have sides. On Thanksgiving, over 250 million pounds of potatoes are eaten which means 10,000 acres of potatoes are produced just for your Thanksgiving meal. The dairy industry also plays a big part in this holiday many dishes for your meal use dairy products. Such as milk, cheese, and whipped cream. Finally, with dessert 50 million pumpkin pies are eaten during Thanksgiving this means that over 50 million pumpkins will be used on Thanksgiving day. When you sit down on Thanksgiving day always remember to thank a farmer.



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# DISTRICT IV RANGE JUDGING CONTEST

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On October 4th, Sargent FFA took four students to compete in the District IV Range Judging contest. The Range Judging contest is one of many FFA Career Development events agriculture students can participate in to test their skills and knowledge learned through their agricultural education classes. Through the Range Judging contest, students are tested on their plant identification skills and reading the landscape to determine the ecological site, condition of the rangeland, amount of usable forage, and number of animals that can be properly supported on the land.

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Madelyn Mitchell placed first overall and Gold category in the competition and Jayce Capron placed silver category. The Sargent FFA Team took second.



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# October Agtivity

What is an Agtivity? An Agtivity is a fun event that we as Sargent FFA hold every month for kids from the elementary. It's a fun way to show children the importance of agriculture, especially during the holidays. We provide snacks and fun activities to keep the kids entertained.



During October we held our first activity of the year. We had many games, including putt putt pumpkins, spider races, and mummy decorating.



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BY: JAYCIAN SIERRA



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Sargent FFA Alumni and Supporters Group was started last year. This group was founded to help support Sargent FFA in an organized and professional way. The group allows supporters to offer time, support, and encouragement to the members of the chapter. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend. If there are any questions, please feel free to reach out by email to:  
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