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## 41st State Leadership Conference a Success

On Thursday, April 1 and Friday, April 2, 2004, over 1,500 FBLA members from across the state met at the Kansas Expocentre in Topeka, Kansas to participate the 2004 State Leadership Conference.

Beginning with the opening session at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday morning, Then-current State Officers were reintroduced to the crowd of members, welcomed the attendees, and introduced a

speech by State Chair Connie Lindell which summarized the year before introducing the new officer candidates.

Once the 17 potential officers were introduced, the opening session adjourned and members and advisers began testing and campaigning throughout the Capitol Plaza Hotel and Expocentre. Concluding Day One of the State Leadership Conference, Voting Delegates questioned the many hopeful candidates in the evening caucus before attending the FBLA dance and viewing videos.



Bruce Smith of Overbrook, KS is recognized as a Kansas Business Person of the year



Lindy Brownback gives her final farewell



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## 2004-2005 State Executive Board

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# SLC 2004 (cont.)

Presided over by President Lindy Brownback, at the business session Secretary and Treasurer reports, as well as Local Adviser Service Awards and the Recognition of Local Presidents began at 9:00 a.m. on Friday. Election Reports and the new State Parliamentarian was announced before adjournment.



Chad O'Bryhim passes the State Editor Candle and Flame to Matt Ebert

Though the number of members remaining for the afternoon awards ceremony was down, students continued to enjoy their moment in the spotlight. With a new leadership team and high goals, the coming year is sure to bring great things for Kansas FBLA.

# SLS '04 Introduction

Your State Officer Team is planning yet another exciting Summer Leadership Seminar! This year's Seminar takes us to Manhattan, the home of the Kansas State University Wildcats.

Attending SLS has many benefits. Your chapter's leading members will gain important knowledge and skills from attending facilitator and officer workshops. Many fun activities are planned including a Talent Show/Fun Night to put the spotlight on your fellow members. The Manhattan Holidome also has a pool and fitness center available for use. Despite all these activities and opportunities, there will be plenty of time to hang out with friends and make new ones from across the state!

At this year's SLS, our TRI Leadership trained facilitators will focus on your FBLA chapter on the local, state, and national level. By working with your local officers, you will utilize the Kansas FBLA 2004-2005 Program of Work to organize goals for your chapter. These goals will help your membership grow in quantity and quality!

We look forward to seeing you and your chapter find the Road to Your Success with Kansas FBLA!

Chad O'Bryhim, State Executive Vice-President  
Bethany McGhee, State Parliamentarian

To begin "The Road to Your Success" new workshops have been organized for this year's SLS.

Led by Editor Matt Ebert, "Running an FBLA Web Page" will cover common "Do's and Don'ts" and let local chapters share ideas.

Acquiring business sponsorship is a new, major goal of this year's State Officer Team and a workshop led by Exec. VP Chad O'Bryhim will help you connect with businesses on the local level.



The outgoing 2003-04 (top) and incoming 2004-05 Kansas FBLA State Officer Teams

# Kansas FBLA National Event Qualifiers

## Accounting I

1. Tim Meahl, Northern Heights
2. Mark Worden, Washburn Rural

## Accounting II

1. Maria O'Halloran, Hesston
2. Adam Varner, Belle Plaine

## American Enterprise Project

1. Locklin, Perry, JCN
2. Larson, Vogts, Canton-Galva

## Banking & Financial Systems

1. Brian Hund, Wabaunsee
2. Brent Mawhiney, Blue Valley North

## Business Calculations

1. Turner Batty, Blue Valley North
2. Matt Bloom, Jackson Heights

## Business Communication

1. Jacob Krause, Hope
2. Claire Jurkiewicz, Blue Valley North

## Business Law

1. Rachel Wayman, Topeka
2. James Schlodder, Jackson Heights

## Business Math

1. Dan Stahl, Blue Valley North
2. Kevin Terry, Blue Valley North

## Business Procedures

1. Mike Schuessler, Hanover
2. Laura Gehring, Northern Heights

## Community Service Project

1. Eakin, Little, Ebert, Rossville
2. Knox, Kieffer, Begnoche, Clifton-Clyde

## Computer Applications

1. Jonna Yencic, Blue Valley Northwest
2. Jessi Schierkolk, Wamego

## Computer Concepts

1. Jeremy Martin, Hanover
2. John Blessing, Blue Valley Northwest

## Desktop Publishing

1. Ernzen, McGhee, Pleasant Ridge
2. Sober, Wigger, Pomona

## Economics

1. Rob Dellinger, Blue Valley North
2. Turner Batty, Blue Valley North

## Emerging Business Issues

1. Fundenberger, Lux, Topeka

2. Miller, Gorman, Rossville

## Entrepreneurship

1. Waters, Gehring, Orear, Northern Heights
2. Meier, Levine, Hampton, Blue Valley North

## FBLA Principals and Procedures

1. Lindsey Irvine, Pleasant Ridge
2. Jacob Hendee, Pleasant Ridge

## Impromptu Speaking

1. Amy Chang, Blue Valley North
2. Chris Stark, Chaparral

## International Business

1. Rob Dellinger, Blue Valley North
2. Turner Batty, Blue Valley North

## Introduction to Business

1. Austin Young, Tonganoxie
2. Emily Renyer, Burlington

## Introduction to Business Communication

1. Sasha Mushegian, Blue Valley North
2. Preeti Parulekar, Blue Valley North

## Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure

1. Amanda Niemann, JCN
2. Sami Kramer, Pleasant Ridge

## Job Interview

1. Jill Banzet, Labette County
2. Jeffrey Schwar, Blue Valley North

## Local Chapter Annual Business Report

1. Pomona High School
2. Wellsville High School

## Marketing

1. Andy Schmitz, Jackson Heights
2. Julia Jezmir, Blue Valley North

## Mr. FBL

1. Chris Hager, Pleasant Ridge

## Ms. FBL

1. Riclyn Resco, Clifton-Clyde

## Multimedia Presentation

1. Laura Wilber, Belleville
2. Low, Erhart, JCN

## Network Design

1. Beasley, Demeter, Grove, Pomona
2. Gooding, Garfinkle, Lake, Blue Valley North

## Networking Concepts

1. Matt Atkins, Basehor-Linwood
2. Chris O'Bryan, St. Thomas Aquinas

## Parliamentary Procedures (Individual)

- HI Bethany McGhee, Pleasant Ridge
- HI John Larson, Canton-Galva

## Parliamentary Procedures (Team)

1. Kleiber, Carlson, Kleiber, m Makovec, Centre
1. Meinert, McGhee, Crook, Forge, Kramer, Pleasant Ridge

## Partnership with Business Project

1. Koch, Carlson, Resco, Clifton-Clyde
2. Newsham, Hoolder, Guindon, Rossville

## Programming C++

1. Andrew Czarnecki, Blue Valley North
2. Chris O'Bryan, St. Thomas Aquinas

## Programming Java

1. Chris O'Bryan, St. Thomas Aquinas
2. Spencer Chu, Blue Valley North

## Programming Visual Basic

1. Andrew Czarnecki, Blue Valley North
2. Joe Robertson, Blue Valley North

## Public Speaking I

1. Heidi Tate, Pleasant Ridge
2. Ashley Meinert, Pleasant Ridge

## Public Speaking II

1. Michael Cobb, Blue Valley
2. Brent Fanning, Basehor-Linwood

## Technology Concepts

1. Sumberi Enwemeka, Blue Valley North
2. Jeremy Martin, Hanover

## Web Site Development

1. Heitman, Heck, Linn
2. Lada, Loerger, Wamego

## Who's Who in FBLA

1. Terra Farmer, Oskaloosa
2. Caitlin Cairns, Linn

## Word Processing I

1. Sami Kramer, Pleasant Ridge
2. Meagan Montis, Wellsville

## Word Processing II

1. Megan Smith, Santa Fe Trail
2. Cathy Smith, Pomona

# Local Chapter News

## Canton-Galva High School

John Larson

### CGHS FBLA Sponsors Activities for Elementary Students

For American Enterprise Day, the Canton-Galva High School FBLA chapter sponsored a project for students in the Canton-Galva elementary schools. Throughout the year, groups of four or five FBLA members traveled to an elementary school class to lead a hands-on activity educating the students about the American Enterprise System. Some examples of activities were a landfill debate and stock market game. Students in the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth grades were included in this project. The children had a fun time while learning from the high school FBLA members, and the teachers appreciated the interest that was developed in their economics curriculum.

## Clifton-Clyde High School

Laurel Koch, Ashley Long, Riley Sorell

### Sweet, Sweet, FBLA Week

February 8th through the 14th was a busy week for the FBLA members of Clifton-Clyde. FBLA members found a "cool" and original way to celebrate National FBLA Week.

On Monday, an executive board meeting was held after lunch, and the week's events were discussed and voted on. It was decided that on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, ice-cream treats would be sold to students. Flyers were placed around the school announcing what events would be taking place throughout the week. On Tuesday, root beer floats were sold for 50¢ a cup. On Wednesday, members sold ice cream sundaes for 50¢ as well. Toppings of chocolate, caramel, sprinkles, and nuts were available for students to put on top of their treats. Root beer floats were

also for sale on Wednesday. And on Thursday, both treats were sold after lunch also.

Selling ice cream was an exciting and fun way for FBLA members to celebrate FBLA week, and bring awareness to the chapter. Many students and teachers help make FBLA a special and event-filled week for the chapter.

## Labette County High School

Kristen Scheuer, Reporter

This year's hard work paid off at State Competitions. All the planning, extra hours, and dedication resulted in this year's state placers, including: Jill Banzet, 1<sup>st</sup> place in Job Interview; Kristy Scheuer, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Chapter Newsletter; Abbi Garrett, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Sales Presentation; Lindsay Cooper, 4<sup>th</sup> place in Public Speaking I, 9<sup>th</sup> place in Intro. to Business Communication; Banner team, 5<sup>th</sup> place; Current Events Relay team, 5<sup>th</sup> place; Jamie Beeson, 7<sup>th</sup> place in Local Chapter Annual Business report; Matthew Hickman, Chris Nash, and Micah Martin; 7<sup>th</sup> place in Multimedia Presentation; Matthew Hickman, 8<sup>th</sup> in Impromptu Speaking; Samantha Burcher, 9<sup>th</sup> place in Introduction to Business; Morgan Manley, 10<sup>th</sup> place in Public Speaking I

This year's national qualifier from Labette County is Jill Banzet. She will represent her chapter at nationals in July. She received 1<sup>st</sup> place in Job Interview. Jill will also be next year's chapter president, according to recent chapter elections. We are excited about sending another student to nationals again this year.

Jamie Beeson, the LC chapter president, was in the top 10 selected for Quality Member Awards. She has been dedicated to her chapter, making sure members were involved, organizing the March of Dimes fund-raiser, and keeping meetings interesting and informing. Her work will be remembered by her chapter even after she graduates this year.

# Local Chapter News

Jamie has set high standards for the organization at her high school, the LC FBLA chapter has benefitted from her 2003-2004 position as president. As the year comes to a close, it must be said that it has been a productive year on local and state levels in FBLA. All the local and state officers should be commended for their accomplishments this year. Thank you for your devotion to FBLA!

## Pleasant Ridge High School

Erica DeMaranville

Pleasant Ridge FBLA was represented at the Kansas State Leadership Conference with 54 members. Twenty-three Pleasant Ridge FBLA members placed at state and seven qualified for national competition in Denver. Overall Pleasant Ridge received second place at state for the second year in a row.



Micheala Forge, Heidi Tate, Ashley Meinert, and Kyle Powers attend a rotary club luncheon and give their state speeches.

Four PRHS members attended a Rotary club Luncheon in Leavenworth to present their speeches they delivered at the State Leadership Conference. This provided valuable experience for the students and they received many compliments from the Rotary club members.

## Pomona High School

Cheryl Thomas, Adviser

Pomona had fantastic results from the State

Leadership Conference where nine members qualified for NLC in Denver in July. Two Pomona juniors were elected to state office, so the chapter will have a busy year ahead. The chapter will be sponsoring the concessions at a middle school track meet and scheduling a work day at Worlds of Fun to help raise money for the trip to Denver.

The speaker at the April chapter meeting was School Resource Officer, Deputy Fred Schnoke. He talked about the consequences of drinking and driving and encouraged members to make positive choices. Chapter members were presented with Take a Stand pens and Zero Tolerance bookmarks.

Spring activities will include attending the Ottawa Career Fair, an Adopt-a-Highway litter pickup, and election of chapter officers for next year. At the last meeting of the year, former chapter officers will be the guest speakers.

## Santa Fe Trail High School

Chad O'Bryhim, Ex-Officio

In the past few months, SFT-FBLA had their work cut out for them. Nearly 40 members competed at the 2004 State Leadership Conference and the school had two state officer candidates. Neither Chad O'Bryhim, running for State President, and Emily Robbins, running for State Secretary, obtained their sought offices, but remain positive. "It was disheartening at first, but I still feel like I've accomplished more than I could have imagined," remarked Emily Robbins on her campaign. Despite numerous top ten finishes, Megan Smith will be the only SFT-FBLA member to attend Nationals as a contestant, competing in the Word Processing II event.

Newly elected local officers will be led by President, Joe Badger. Immediately, the officer team set very ambitious goals for the club, including setting plans into action for increased member involvement.

# Advisers Recognized for Service

## Thirty Years of Service

Sharon Porter  
Jefferson County North High School

## Ten Years of Service

Helen Hoch, Burlington High School  
Lisa Beye, Centre High School  
Debra Carr, Marmaton Valley High School  
Terry Kopp, St. Thomas Aquinas High School  
Mark Laurie, Riley County High School

## Twenty Five Years of Service

Bev Toso  
Emporia High School

## Five Years of Service

Barb Lewis, Blue Valley North High School  
Dori Roth, Hesston High School  
Kenna Teel, Kingman High School  
Barbara Railsback, Northern Hghts High School  
Tyson D. Heins, Santa Fe Trail High School

## Twenty Years of Service

Sherry Dugan  
Perry-Leocompton High School

# NLC 04 in Denver, Colorado



Deadline September 10, 2004	Mailing Date September 27, 2004	Article Ideas New Local Officer Initiations National Conference Results Summer Leadership Seminar	Mailing Address: Kansas FBLA Exchange c/o Rossville High School 800 S. Main St. Rossville, KS 66533
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April 18, 2005	May 2, 2005	State Results National Conference Plans	