

"I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO BE A VETERINARIAN. FFA ALLOWS ME TO LEARN HOW TO CORRECTLY IDENTIFY INJURIES AND TREAT THEM."  
 SYDNEY OSMUNDSEN '22



**BUILD OUR FLOAT.** FFA Sponsor, Ronald Gentry grabs the screwdriver from Andrew Edelen '23 and James Harshbarger '22 as they work on the FFA float for the Homecoming Parade. "For the homecoming float this year we decided to build a Roman Colosseum and have people playing Donkey Basketball inside of it to advertise our game in April," Gentry said. **DRAW BLOOD.** Lucia Maestas '21 placed a catheter in a paw to draw blood while doing a needles lab in Vet Science with Elianna Eddingfield '21, Sydney Osmundsen '22, and Ronald Gentry, FFA Sponsor. photos by r. weidemann



I REMEMBER THE

Events that made an impact  
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FFA Chapter gets inducted to the Blue Jacket Society while hosting different events and competitions

**BLUE JACKET SOCIETY**

The FFA chapter was inducted into the Blue Jacket Society, which would provide the chapter opportunities to apply for scholarships. President Nicole Svanda '20 presented the jacket to the society and it was framed and placed on the society's wall.

"It was a true honor to have our jacket hang on the Blue Jacket's wall. It was something that we wanted to pursue and we were able to make it happen. I was glad that I was able to represent the society in that moment," Svanda said.

**PETTING ZOOS**

The organization held two different Petting Zoo events.

The first was a Harvest Fest where the group raised money for Nationals. They had pony rides and little buckets of feed for purchase to feed animals. The second event was at the Brighton Learning Resource Center for special needs pre-schoolers.

"I love helping with the Petting Zoo because I know my way around farm animals and it really feels like just being at home," Payton Nail '22 said. "The energy was just awesome and it really made my day to see the kids so happy."

**DISTRICT 11 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONTEST**

Nicole Svanda '20 took seventh place in Extemporaneous

Speaking. Chessa St. Clergy '22 took seventh in Prepare Speaking, Tymberlynn Weidemann took fourth place in Prepared Speaking and Elsie Oswald '23 took second place in FFA Creed Speaking. Sydney Vaughn '23 would represent the high school and District 11 at the State competition as she won first place in FFA Creed Speaking.

"Being able to represent the high school and our district at the Colorado State FFA Convention is a huge honor and accomplishment for me. I worked really hard practicing for the district competition. Brighton FFA has been so supportive and I couldn't have done it without them," Vaughn said.

LET ME Intern for you please

Ashley Settegren '21 works for the City of Brighton over the summer  
 story by m. ruser

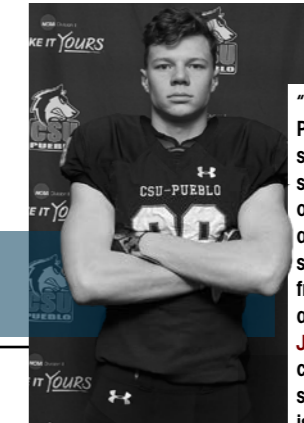


Ashley Settegren '21 had the opportunity to **INTERNSHIP WITH THE CITY OF BRIGHTON** over the summer. She applied for this internship after taking a resume class.

Settegren had multiple jobs including writing articles like about other students doing internships and the city's roundtable for "The Connection." She made promotional videos like the Fourth of July promotion video and posted information for all city social media platforms. All of these jobs were through the Brighton Youth Commission.

"I really got to know the city through my involvement of capturing all that happens here. It really was a tremendous opportunity that I was grateful for," Settegren said.

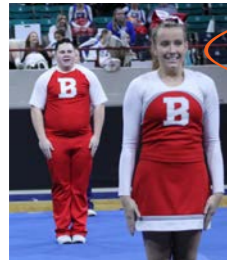
Look Closely and get to know JADEN STOLL



"I was at Colorado State University Pueblo's football camp after being seen by a scout. They wanted me to show them what I've got, so I just went out there and played to the best of my ability and they really liked what they saw. Two weeks later I got a phone call from the head coach and I was offered an athletic scholarship from them.," Jaden Stoll '20 said. "So when the time came down to it I closed the gap and said that I wanted to go to Pueblo. This is expanding my opportunities because I am able to play at a higher level, which expects more from my performance. It is giving me the opportunity to go up there and further not only my athletic career but also my education."

story by h. larkins

we made History TOGETHER



The Cheer team traveled to **Prairie View High School to COMPETE IN THEIR LEAGUE COMPETITION.**

Cheer team earns first place trophy at Leagues in November

whole team and said our cheer to hype each other up."

The squad performed their routine around 7p.m. They ended up having no deductions and were announced first place in their league.

"I feel like we won because we worked so hard this whole season. Our coach kept giving us all the confidence we needed and more to keep pushing through each full out during practice, even though we were tired. All of our hardwork really paid off," Derick Gregory '21 said.

photos by j. bishop

"We were very nervous before we went out to cheer. We met with our stunt groups and talked to each other and reminded each other that we have been preparing for this and that we have hit these stunts a million times," Katy Tiffany '22 said. "We then huddled up as a



**BLUE JACKET SOCIETY.** President Nicole Svanda '20 gives their chapter jacket to the Blue Jacket Society in order to gain support for their chapter at a September ceremony. photo by r. weidemann **MEET MY HORSE.** Elianna Eddingfield '21 takes her horse to the FFA Petting Zoo so kids could ride him. horse has been used in many FFA activities and events. "I have been training him for petting zoos, pony rides, parades, and running barrels," Eddingfield said. photo by r. weidemann **PUMPKIN CARVING.** After the October FFA meeting, members like Andrew Edelen '23 got together to carve pumpkins. photo by m. ruser **PETTING ZOO.** KyAnn Swink '21 holds on to a chicken while students go around the Petting Zoo held for the special needs preschool. "I loved watching the little kids pet all the ducks and chickens. I love that we host events like this," Swink said. photo by r. weidemann