

Food Drive a HUGE Success

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Lincoln Northeast FBLA chapter participated in the Food Blitz food drive with other Lincoln Public Schools Career Student Organizations (CSOs) on Saturday, October 18th. LNE FBLA was located at the Havelock Russ's from noon to 4:00 p.m. to collect food and toiletry items for the People's City Mission. LNE ended the day with a grand total of 219 pounds of food donated to PCM. LPS as a whole was able to donate over 3,000 pounds in our combined city wide food drive.

Annual Fall Leadership Conference Kicks Off FBLA Year in September

By Aly Faber, State Secretary

Nebraska FBLA kicked off the 2014 school year with the Fall Leadership Conference in Kearney at the Ramada Inn on Sept. 23 and in Omaha at the Ramada Plaza Hotel on Sept. 24.

To begin the general sessions, the state officer team provided a brief explanation of this year's goals and acronym, C-L-I-M-B, standing for Community, Leadership, Involvement, Membership and Broadcast. We also had the pleasure of listening to Jonathan Sprinkles share his perspective about how being a leader is a choice that we all can make. He described how we could all "Be the One" to step up and lead those around us. To wrap up the general session, the state officer team performed the skit, "Princess Codia," to illustrate proper competition attire.

Following this session, FBLA chapter officers and members stepped up to the challenge by attending workshops designed for strengthening individual leadership skills, beginning with individual officer workshops in the morning. These workshops discussed officer duties and information regarding officerled activities throughout the year. Jonathan Sprinkles also presented a workshop for members entitled, "How to L.I.V.E. Like a Real Leader."

After a delicious pasta-filled lunch break, members and officers reconvened for the afternoon set of workshops. The Foundation Marketing Committee presented, "Step Up to the Foundation Challenge," to inform members about how to raise money for the FBLA Foundation. The March of Dimes

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staff also presented a workshop explaining the ways that Nebraska FBLA can support the research for strong, healthier babies in the partnership with the national charity.

At the Omaha FLC, Ashland-Greenwood hosted a workshop explaining their local activities and traditions surrounding the success of their chapter. PBL State Officers presented "Stormchasing for Success," which helped members learn how to work effectively in teams.

The State Officer Team presented a series of workshops as well. Treasurer AnnaLee



Christensen and Parliamentarian Trevor Koger, presented a workshop giving tips and tricks for effective communication, including the use of social media. Reporter Brittany Blaser and President Cody McCain presented the workshop, "Step Up, Be Involved!" Here, they explained the process for running for state office and provided information so that members could be more knowledgeable about FBLA as a whole. Secretary Aly Faber and Vice President Trevor Lockman presented a workshop informing attendees about new state and current national programs.

Thank you to all the chapters, members, advisers and volunteers for making the 2014 FLC a success. It served as the perfect kick-off for another exciting year of Nebraska FBLA!



Super Sweeps

Lincoln Northeast FBLA participated in the national Super Sweeps competition. Completing this task earned those attending the National Fall Leadership Conference the privilage of special ribbon recognition.

Nebraska FBLA also placed first in the national Super Sweeps competition! Participating chapters completed ten projects to help Nebraska earn this recognition.

Super Sweeps is the first of three components for the national Chapter Challenge project.

National Fall Leadership Conference Flashbacks

