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Greenhand Camp

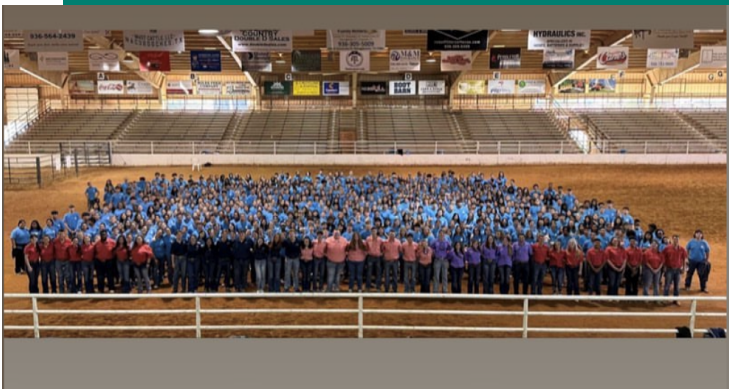
On Wednesday December 7th, Greenhand FFA members (8th & 9th graders) traveled to the Nacogdoches Expo and Civic Center to participate in workshops and stations facilitated by Area and District level FFA officer teams. Every station taught an important lesson through fun games and activities. This camp is attended by Greenhand members from all over Area 9. One of the stations was lead by a group including our own Pineywoods District officer, Kaleb Leutwyler.



Cushing Greenhand members



Kaleb's District officer team



Everyone in area 9 that attended Greenhand Camp



One of the stations being facilitated

Vegas Tuffest Jr. World Championship Qualifier:

The Cushing Bearkats are very proud to have one of our very own as a qualifier for the Vegas Tuffest Jr. World Championship. Carson Gates is an eighth grader at Cushing ISD and has been involved in rodeo most of his life. Gates is very committed to his work. He placed 18th in his first run, 8th in the second, and 16th overall in the 15 and under boys tie down roping. When asked who his biggest motivation is, he said, "My parents, they support me in everything." Gates is a 4 time qualifier for this event, and we are so proud of his accomplishments!



MaKenzi Cole



scan here to watch his second run!

Jr High UIL

CHESS

The team placed 2nd with 6 points and a score of 19. 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 1st with 12.3 points , 6th graders Will Owens placed 4th with 8 points and Paul Wyatt placed 5th with 6 points.

SPELLING

The team placed 1st with 8 points and a score of 184. 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 1st with 15 points , 8th grader Syndey Hargraves also placed 1st with 15 points , 7th grader Kayden Hollingsworth placed 3rd with 10 points , 6th grader Elena Gans placed 4th with 8 points.

LISTENING

The team placed 1st with 16 points and a score of 72. 6th grader Cason Leishman placed 1st with 15 points , 7th grader Mila Harvey placed 5th with 6 points.

MAPS, GRAPHS AND CHARTS

The team placed 1st with 8 points. 8th grader Elizabeth Williamson placed 1st with 15 points, 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 3rd with 10 points , 8th grader Rylie Arreguin placed 5th with 5 points, 7th grader Aubrey Fischer placed 5th with 6 points.

SCIENCE

The team placed 1st with 8 points. 7th grader Bryce Upshaw placed 1st with 15 points, 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 3rd with 10 points, 6th grader Jhonen West placed 4th with 8 points, 8th grader Elizabeth Williamson placed 4th with 8 points , 7th grader Ava Harvin placed 6th with 4 points .

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING

8th grader Natalie Winsor placed 1st with 15 points and Lila Shaw placed 5th with 8 points.

ART SMART

The team placed 2nd with 6 points and a score of 70.25. 7th grader Emy Quezada placed 1st with 15 points, 7th grader Ava Harvin placed 3rd with 10 points



DICTIONARY SKILLS

The team placed 1st with 8 points. 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 4th with 8 points, 8th grader Rayleigh Leutwyler placed 6th with 4 points, 7th grader Emy Quezada placed 6th with 4 points.

CALCULATOR APPLICATIONS

The team placed 1st with 8 points and a score of 372. 7th grader Emy Quezada placed 1st with 15 points, 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 3rd with 10 points, 8th grader Rylie Arreguin placed 5th with 3.33 points, 8th grader Lila Shaw placed 5th with 3.33 points.

MATHEMATICS

The team placed 3rd with 4 points. 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 2nd with 12 points.

SOCIAL STUDIES

The team placed 3rd with 4 points and a score of 50. 6th grader Elijah Merseal placed 2nd with 12 points. 7th grader Lukas Castleberry placed 6th with 4 points.

READY WRITING

8th grader Elizabeth Williamson placed 2nd with 12 points, 8th grader Rayleigh Leutwyler placed 10 points.

EDITORIAL WRITING

8th grader Elizabeth Williamson placed 2nd with 12 points, 8th grader Lila Shaw placed 3rd with 10 points.

NUMBER SENSE

The team placed 3rd with 4 points and with a score of 19. 7th grader Reese Hagemeyer placed 3rd with 10 points, 8th grader James Cook placed 5th with 6 points.



Christmas word search

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CHRISTMAS TREE



BIG BUCK CONTEST



Jacob Conway



Brandon Crisp



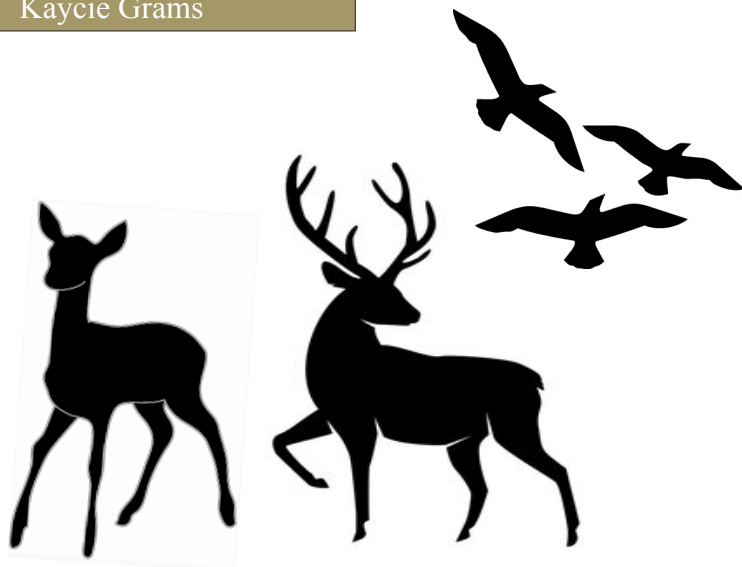
Kyli Sustaita



Landon Castillo



Kaycie Grams



Mrs. Faith

Mrs. Faith Wilcox was hired at the beginning of the year as the superintendent's secretary. The Bearkat Buzz met with her to get more scoop.

Where are you from?

I'm from Mount Enterprise.

Did you work at another school before coming to Cushing?

Yes, I worked at Mount Enterprise.

What is the most exciting thing you have done while working for Cushing?

The most exciting thing I have done is going to all the pep rally.

How do you like being Dr. Enos's secretary?

I really enjoy being his secretary.

What do you do as a secretary for Dr. Enos?

I answer the phones, set up meetings, sit in meetings sometimes, and pretty much anything he ask me to do.

How do you like working at Cushing?

I like it a lot. Everyone seems very nice.

How is is Mount Enterprise different from working at Cushing?

At Mount Enterprise I taught twirlers and worked with special education. I most definitely have more responsibilities.



By: Jacie Fitzgerald and Madalyn Whitaker



Girls' Basketball

The Cushing Galkats basketball team has kicked off their season with a bang. The varsity team is led by the freshly hired coach, Lance Butler, and the junior varsity is coached by new coach Travis Snyder.

Varsity point guard Kenzie Parker had this to say about the team, " I think we are really young, but as a whole we perform well together, and I am looking forward to having an amazing season."

As of December 12th, 2022 the Galkats are 6-6 and improving every game as the season progresses. The JV girls just hosted a tournament with Lovelady, PCA, Carlisle, Rusk, New Summerfield, and Brookland.



By: Brayden Mobley and Landon Owens

Elementary UIL

Cushing Elementary students traveled to Stephen F. Austin State University for academic UIL. The students competed in many different subjects and many placed. This is a list of the elementary students who competed and placed at the UIL event.



**Page by:
Kade Jones and Chance Lewis**

1st Place Winners:

**Karter Arreguin, Dictionary Skills
Morgan Crisp, Ready Writing
Morgan Crisp, Art Smart
Elementary Team, Dictionary Skills
Elementary Team, Music Memory**

2nd Place Winners:

**Cason Burnette, 4, Music Memory
Tait Duvall, Art Smart
Bridger Ethridge, Listening
Olivia Hagemeyer, Creative Writing
Raynii Lofton, Storytelling
Brynli McCarthy, Music Memory
Elementary Team, Chess
Elementary Team, Music Memory
Elementary Team, Spelling
Elementary Team, Chess
Elementary Team, Music Memory
Elementary Team, Art Smart**

3rd Place Winners:

**Emma Ash, Storytelling
Bridger Ethridge, Number Sense
Emery Hagemeyer, Music Memory
Audrey McQueen, Social Studies
Emma Royer, Music Memory
Ava Wilcox, Storytelling
Elementary Team, Chess
Elementary Team, Art Smart
Elementary Team, Number Sense**

4th Place Winners:

**James Wyatt, Chess
Olivia Hagemeyer, Chess
Leighton Harrell, Creative Writing
Conner Magee, Music Memory
Addie Richardson, Spelling
Dawson Sitton, Chess**

5th Place Winners:

**Talon Duvall, Music Memory
Karter Arreguin, Spelling
Jacie Cole, Art Smart
Jacie Cole, Ready Writing
Ean Lewis, Chess
Jay Lostracco, Art Smart
Ireanna Townson, Spelling**

6th Place Winners:

**Jessica Carillo, Art Smart
Adolfo Galindo, Chess**

TAFE



On Friday December 2nd, TAFE competed for area 6 competition at UT Tyler. This years theme was Teach For The Stars. TAFE members included Vice President Amy Musick, Seniors Perla Morales, Abby Woods, Ava Buuck, and Myriam Quezada. Juniors Yadira Ortiz, Havin Oliver, and Olivia Buuck. Sophomore Ada Garcia and Freshman Troy Enos.

-Perla Morales & Havin Oliver competed in Teacher Creative and Elementary Interactive Bulletin Board, in which they advanced to state in.

-Abby Woods & Yadira Ortiz competed in K-3 Childrens Literature

-Ava Buuck & Olivia Buuck competed in K-3 Childrens Literature, in which they advanced to state.

-Myriam Quezada & Amy Musick competed in Pre-K Childrens Literature, in which they advanced to state.

-Myriam Quezada & Ada Garcia competed in Project Visualize in which they advanced to state.

-Ava Buuck & Amy Musick competed in Middle School Interactive Bulletin Board in which they advanced to state.

-Amy Musick & Ada Garcia competed in Teacher Creative

-Troy Enos competed in Public Speaking and Impromptu Speaking, he advanced in Public Speaking.

-Perla Morales, Yadira Ortiz, and Ada Garcia competed in Impromptu Speaking.

State will be in Austin, Tx on March 2nd-4th



Christmas With the Bearkat Band



THE BEARKAT BAND PERFORMED A CHRISTMAS SPECIAL FOR THE COMMUNITY. THE SONGS PERFORMED WERE...

Sixth Grade:

- Good King Wenceslas
- Jingle Bells

Seventh Grade:

- First Christmas March
- Bad Elf

High School:

- Most Wonderful Time of the Year
- Santa the Barbarian and the Pirates of the North Pole
- The Chipmunk Song



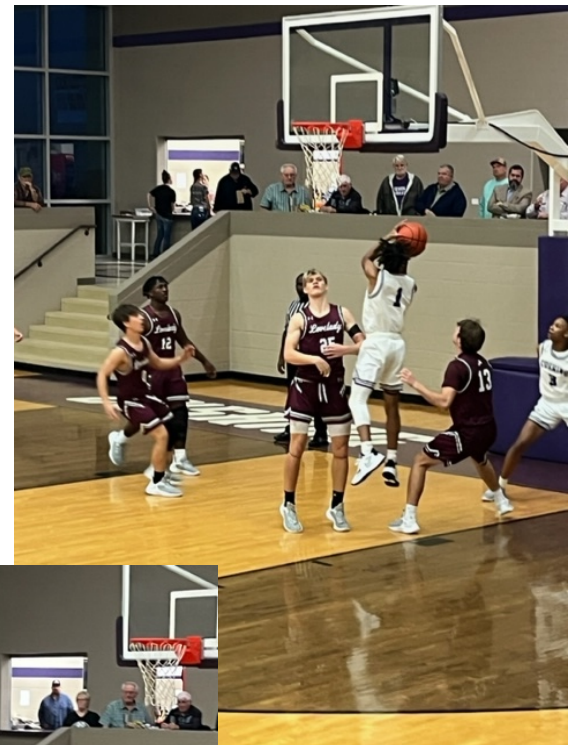
Boys' Basketball



The Cushing Bearkats have had an exciting debut this year with a record of 6-2. The Bearkat Buzz decided to interview Coach Garrett about his expectations for this year. "I felt like we could have a good season if everybody came in and worked hard. Right now we are way ahead of what I thought we would be."



The Junior Varsity Team competed in the Cushing Tournament this past week and took home the second place trophy. They are coached by Coach Smelly.



By: Carter McClure and Eddie Davis