

The Warrior Times

Homecoming Issue 2015



Homecoming 2015

By: Allison Bohanon and Kayla Sager

Summer has come and gone in the blink of an eye. As students and teachers get back into their school routines, Homecoming Week is just around the corner. "There is no place like Homecoming" was our homecoming theme based on the movie, "The Wizard of Oz."

Everyone always looks forward to the Homecoming Dress-Up Days. This year's days were: Twister Tuesday (wacky day); Which Witch is Which (twin day); Lions, Tigers, and Bears OH MY (animal day); and Spirit Day.

Instead of our usual 3-on 3 basketball tournament, we had a 4-on 4 volleyball tournament throughout the week. On Friday, there was a class on class tug-o-war.

Float building was a huge success this year! Since Homecoming was on September 11th, all of the floats were patriotic themed. The float contest results are located on page 5 of this issue.

Friday morning students gathered in the gym for the pep rally. After the pep rally, students, teachers, parents, and members of the community lined the streets of McEwen to watch the Homecoming parade. Later that evening, everyone attended the Homecoming Football Game. Before kickoff, Hailey Long was crowned Homecoming Queen during the Homecoming ceremonies. Even though the football team lost, they played a well fought game with an ending score of 26-28. Afterwards, students were invited to a 5th Quarter Party in the cafeteria hosted by the McEwen FCA. Homecoming this year was a huge success!

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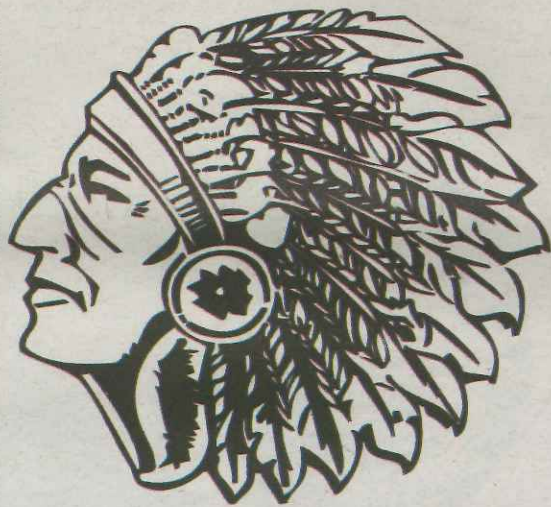
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The mission of McEwen High School is to educate, empower, and nurture the whole student body academically and ethically to produce independent thinkers who contribute positively to society's progress.

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On the city's northern border, reared against the sky, proudly stands our alma mater as the years go by. Forward ever be our watchward, conquer and prevail; hail to thee, our alma mater, McEwen High School hail!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 8 - 11

September 11

Sept. 30 - Oct. 2

October 2

October 5 - 9

October 13

October 14

October 19

October 20, 21, 22

October 23

October 23

October 28

November 23 - 27

December 15 - 17

December 18

Dec. 21 - Jan. 1

January 5

Homecoming Week

Homecoming

1st Quarter Exams

End of 1st Quarter

Fall Break

Club Pictures in New Gym

PSAT (Juniors-Optional)

1st Quarter Report Cards

Possible Parent Teacher

Conferences

Senior Night

Halloween Dance

PLAN Test (All Sophomores)

Thanksgiving Break

Mid-Term Exams

End of 1st Semester (School

Dismissed at 10 AM)

Christmas Break

Students Return to School

HISTORY OF MCEWEN HIGH SCHOOL BY: KAITLIN CRUMP

- IN 1927, THE FIRST SCHOOL BUILDING AT MCEWEN HIGH SCHOOL'S CURRENT LOCATION WAS CONSTRUCTED.
- MCEWEN'S FIRST FOOTBALL COACH, C. HICKS, STARTED COACHING IN 1930.
- MCEWEN SCHOOL BURNED DOWN IN 1946.
- THE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING WAS COMPLETED IN 1948. (CLASSES WERE HELD IN THE GYM AND CHURCH BUILDINGS BEFORE THE NEW BUILDING WAS COMPLETED.)
- THE FOOTBALL PROGRAM STARTED IN 1950 AND WAS COACHED BY HARLAN BEASLEY.
- THE FIRST HOMECOMING AT MCEWEN HIGH SCHOOL WAS IN 1954.

HOMECOMING WEEK



Twister Tuesday
(Tacky Day)



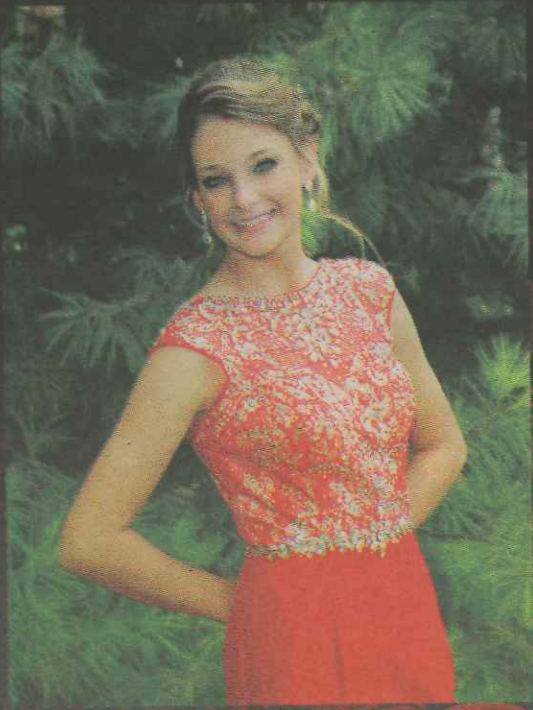
Which Witch is Which
(Twin Day)



Lions, Tigers, and Bears
OH MY
(Animal Day)

* On Friday everyone wore red to show their Warrior Pride!

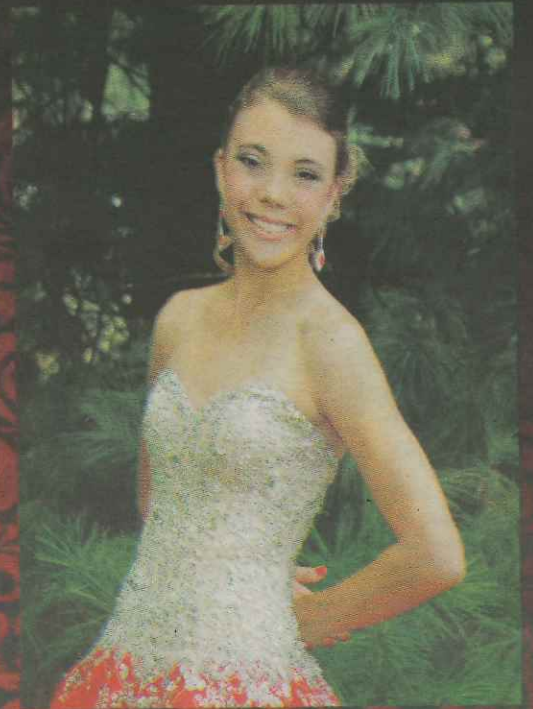
HOMECOMING COURT



Princess
Kayleigh Shanks



Queen
Hailey Long



Princess
Savannah Lucas



Freshman Attendant
Heather Nihoff



Sophomore Attendant
Madison Milton



Junior Attendant
Ellison Murphree

HOMECOMING FLOATS



First Place Float
Juniors
"Rise Against the Rebels"

Second Place Float
Seniors
"Let Freedom Ring"



Third Place Float
Freshman
"Sailing to Victory"

Fourth Place Float
Sophomores
"Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Victory"



Summer Happenings

Boy's State

By: Aric Burkett

I was selected to be a delegate of Boy's State in Cookville, TN at Tennessee Tech University. Along with 600 other Juniors who were selected, I learned how to march as a unit and took part in city, county, and state elections. We learned what all these positions entailed and what is expected of these positions. We also learned what is expected of these leaders in the state government. We sat in on civil and criminal State Supreme Court. This was an interesting experience and I'm proud to be a graduate of Boy's State.

Girl's State

By: Faith Martin

When I first arrived at Volunteer Girl's State, a mob of overenthusiastic counselors bombarded me with questionable positivity for the upcoming week. Confused and unsure of the purpose of Girl's State, this only added to my skepticism. After my roommate, a future United States President, and I were introduced, we immediately began bonding with our city. Without wasting a moment, Blount City elected city officials on the night of arrival. Once the interminable first day ended, our time became completely consumed with government activities. Empowering speakers and hands-on scenarios created an in depth understanding of the importance of being an informed citizen in today's society. Midway through the week, I chose to share my voice and run for a state office; through my election, I experienced an environment where I could form opinions and debate real issues facing our country. However, the entire week was not centered around building our Girl's State government. Events like the VGS Olympics and Fast Song Strengthened my city's bond through our hilariously bad performances. By the end of the week, I dreaded the idea of leaving behind the girls and counselors who changed my life so significantly. Girl's State impacted me in an unexplainable way, altering my perspective on life while challenging me to always be the best version of myself. I will forever be grateful for the precious memories and transformative lessons given to me at Volunteer Girl's State.

MLEC Washington, D.C. Trip

By: Faith Martin

To begin my adventures on the Washington Youth Tour, I piled onto a bus with 150 other essay winners for a thirteen hour road trip to our nation's capital. Before arriving in D.C., our caravan of buses stopped for a tour of Thomas Jefferson's home, Monticello. After admiring the exquisite architecture of Monticello, we proceeded to our highly anticipated destination. Washington, D.C. exemplified what it means to be an American citizen, while honoring those who made our country what it is today. The extensive monument tour opened a window to our past, creating an insight for America's most historic moments. Throughout the tour, we experienced many life-changing events, particularly the moving visits to Arlington National Cemetery and the Holocaust Museum. A trip to the Smithsonian provided an up close view of artifacts popular across the globe. However, the most valuable takeaway from the Washington Youth Tour was the permanent friendships I made. The exceptional people I met through my Electric Cooperative and Youth Tour will undoubtedly hold a place in my life forever.

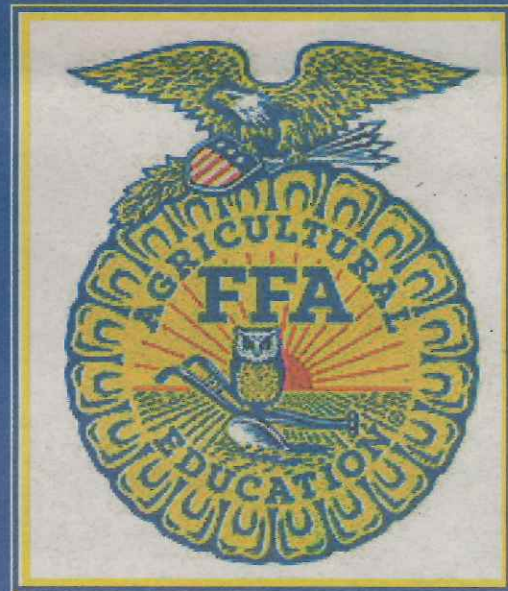
McEwen FFA

Learning to do, doing to learn,
earning to live, living to serve

FFA Camp

By: Katie Grebner

On June 22nd through the 23rd, the McEwen FFA attended the Lower Cumberland District FFA Camp at Natchez Trace State Park in West Tennessee. Camp attendees from McEwen FFA were Erika Brown, Evan Hamilton, Emmy Sally, Wyatt Scarlett, Olivia Kennedy, Jill Simpson, Scarlett McClurkan, Katie Grebner, Rebekah Wheeler, Eli Drew, Juliana White, Kayla Sager, Allison Bohanon, Eran Davis, Makenzie Stewart, Tyler Zell, and Aric Burkett. The camp included a leadership workshop hosted by members of the Tennessee Tech Collegiate FFA Officer Team and former FFA State Officer, Scott Bohanon. This workshop helped members form new ideas on how to better their chapters and communities. Campers were also able to enjoy a wildlife biologist working at the park, participate in various sports, swim, hike, take part in a water balloon war, and enjoy a bonfire.



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Vice President of Community Affairs: Juliana White
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Chaplain: Aric Burkett

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McEwen's football team started their season in August. The Warriors have made progress by working hard and overcoming obstacles. At each pep rally the team huddles and chants together to get pumped for the football game that night. Their teamwork and dedication have shown and we all hope they end their season victoriously!

GO WARRIORS!

By: Allison Bohanon

MHS Cheerleading



Junior cheerleader Taiylor Rushing says that the sesason so far is going very well. When I asked her about cheer camp she said that it was hard. The girls had to stay in dorms that looked like jail cells. Taiylor also said that they had to wear shower shoes.

“Homecoming week is one of the most stressful weeks for the girls,” says senior Mindy Ray. Mindy said that it may be stressful but it is a lot of fun.

The cheer team this year consists of nine ladies filled with school spirit. the captain is Hailey Long and the co-captain is Kristen Price. The rest of the team consists of Mindy Ray, Anna Derrick, Taiylor Rushing, Courtney Long, Sarah Knowles, Kassidy Langford, and Faith Rachford. The coaches are Nicole Sugg, Dalyn Nesbit, and Lynsey Parker.

The squad may be small, but they sure are loud!

By: Hunter Warfield



MHS Marching Band

By: Julia Leegan

The McEwen Marching Band kicked off their season with 14 members. With the instruction of our band director, Mr. Jones, our band has impressed many with their creative and well performed shows. Between the amazing half-time shows, and the hard dedication of the members, this year is sure to be filled with several accomplishments for the McEwen Marching Band.



Journalism (Yearbook)

By: Mrs. Shannon Tolene

The 2014-2015 McEwen High School yearbook class has been awarded the National Yearbook Program for Excellence Award. This award is based on three categories: Meaningful Book (including at least half of the student body in the yearbook three or more times, planning for distribution of the finished yearbook to the people who purchased it), Purchases (having either seventy percent of the student body purchase a book or increase sales by at least five percent from the previous year), and Effective Program Management (submitting cover and end sheets by the deadline and meeting all scheduled page deadlines).

Doug Nyberg from Jostens told the staff and adviser of the award on September 24, 2015. Shannon Tolene would like to recognize the current staff (pictured with award below) as well as the members of last year's staff whose hard work and diligence helped make the award possible. Last year's yearbook co-editors were J.J. Salley and Grace Worley, and staff members included Hailey Long, Sydney Ross, Aimee Seller, Hunter Holland, Faith Palmateer, and Allison West.



MHS Yearbook Staff 2015-2016

Front: Anna Derrick, Aimee Seller, Ashton Cook, Sean Burns, Hunter Holland, and Aly Rusciano.

Back: Faith Martin, Olivia Swearingen, and Mrs. Tolene.

Not pictured: Allison West.

Pep Club

By: Allison Bohanon & Kayla Sager

The Pep Club works hard to support our football team. Before every home football game the Pep Club gathers to have a tailgate. At the tailgate, we play games, eat food, and get pumped up for the game. During the Homecoming tailgate, we set up an inflatable jousting ring and cornhole boards. The President of Pep Club is Eran Davis and the Vice President is Leo James. Coach Keith Ross is the Pep Club Advisor. Everyone is excited about Pep Club this year.



MHS Student Council

By: Kaitlin Crump

Student Council has already been very busy! Mr. Jared Smith, Student Council sponsor, has pushed us to work hard. This team meets on a monthly basis to discuss upcoming events and fundraisers.

Student Council sponsored a new tradition at MHS, a 4 on 4 volleyball tournament during Homecoming week. We also are selling t-shirts and plan to continue bettering McEwen High School this year.



MHS Volleyball

By: Katie Grebner

It's been a productive season for the Warriettes, with the team already matching the previous number of total wins last season. With no seniors and five juniors, two of whom are new to the game themselves, the team is made of mostly sophomores and freshman. This year has certainly been a learning experience as the Warriettes continue to improve all the time. The young team has a bright future ahead of them as they continue to keep an optimistic outlook on the season.

Juniors

Summer Dirksen
Katie Grebner
Taylor Petty
Olivia Swearingen
Rebekah Wheeler

Sophomores

Erika Brown
Summer Brown
Madison
Caruthers
Abri Henry
Madison Milton
Courtney Long
Jill Simpson

Freshmen

Sydney Howell
Lexi McBride
Hayleigh Shanks
Tori Tummins

WCHS Soccer

By: Scarlett McClurkan

As some of you may already know, McEwen shares a girls soccer team with Waverly Central. The girls from McEwen are Allison Bohanon, Hannah Blair, Annabelle Garcia, and Scarlett McClurkan. When these ladies are on the field, there is no division between schools. These ladies play as a team. The Lady Tigers started the season off with a 6-0 win at Wayne County. Hannah started off the game with a "hat trick" plus one (4 goals). Allison and Scarlett had one goal each. Annabelle provided some killer support on defense. The Lady Tiger's final regular season record is 4-8. The Lady Tigers finished the season strong. Thank you to everyone who came out to support us this year!



MHS Cross Country

By: Kayla Sager

Coach: Denise Pettit

Captians: Tyler Zell
Faith Martin

Seniors: Kayla Sager
Kayleigh Shanks
Leo James
Anthony Hall
Garrett Reese

Juniors: Annabelle Garcia
Kaitlin Crump
Adam Tyler
Alan Sager

Sophomores: Isaiah Wall

Freshmen: Christopher Sager
David Hendrick



The McEwen Cross Country team has had a good season so far. Our team had two members medal at our race on September 22nd in Dickson. Kaitlin Crump recieved a medal for 11th place and Kayleigh Shanks recieved a medal for 12th place. We still have a few races left including our championship race on October 17 at Sharp Springs Recreational Center in Smyrna, and we will be attending our state qualifying race that is on October 29. We are working hard to make it to state. We would like to thank our coach for always encouraging us to do better and push ourselves instead of giving up, and our parents and fans for coming out to cheer us on and providing us with healthy pre-race snacks.

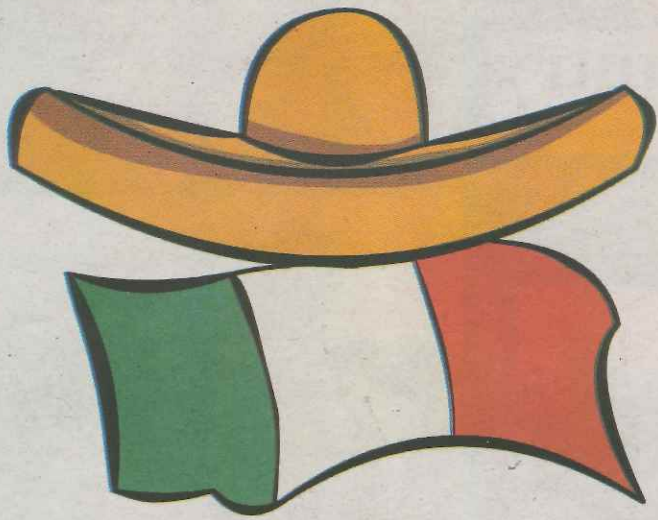
MHS Golf

By: Noah Ross

The 2015 golf team has done fairly well this year. We have won about half of our matches so far. The team's score is improving each match so by tournament "we should be kicking some bottom" says Coach Keith Ross.

Team Roster

Tyler Zell
Matthew Moody
Ethan Soule
Dylan Price
Braden Tummins
Evan Hamilton
Matthew Stuart
Walker Tummins
Jake Park



Spanish Club

By: Juliana White

McEwen High School's Spanish Club is starting the 2015 school with some spice. In August, the club opened for membership of anyone enrolled in a Spanish class or anyone who has been through at least one year of Spanish. The club started this year announcing its first field trip. On October 20, 2015, the club will be attending the Latin American Spectacular by the Hispanic Flamenco Ballet at Rocketown Auditorium. This trip will be a great opportunity for students to see Spanish culture and activities. The Spectacular will be followed by a lunch at a local Mexican restaurant to experience authentic Mexican cuisine. With a start this exciting, this year should be a great one to be in Spanish Club!



MHS FCA

By: Corrissa Tummins

The McEwen Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) meets every morning at 7:40 in the library. We have a short devotion followed by prayer. Everyone is welcome to come and join us in the worship. It's a great way to start off your day!

This year FCA hosted a 5th Quarter Party after the Homecoming football game. We ate pizza and listened to a devotion done by Jeff Jackson of McEwen First Baptist.

McEwen's Future Business Leaders of America

By: Ellison Murphree

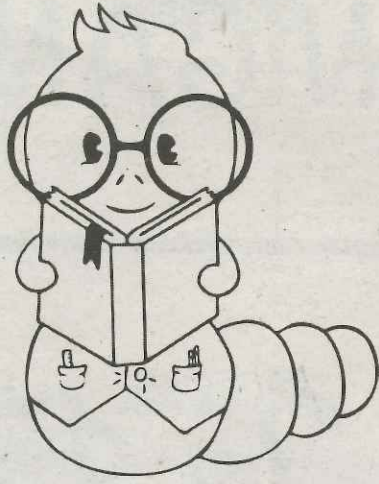


The 2015-2016 school year proves to be a busy one for the McEwen FBLA. As most of you know, it is operated by business teacher, Mr. Tolene.

Plans have already been made to attend the CTSO Leadership Conference, the Predators Leadership Night, and the Titans Learning Lab. These events are educational and show different aspects of businesses and how they operate.

Committee Officers have been elected for this year with Hailey Long as President; Anna Derrick, Hunter Bolton, and Leo James as Vice Presidents; Faith Martin as Secretary; and Jamison Murphree as Treasurer.

FBLA is open to 9th-12th graders. See Mr. Tolene, or any of the officers to learn about joining.



MHS Book Club

By: Juliana White

MHS Book Club meets once a month and has already decided that this year's President is Aimee Seller and the Vice President is Brian Balcom. These are the wonderful people who encourage recycling in our school. Once a month we come around and collect boxes of recycled paper from the classrooms.

On October 23, 2015 we are hosting a Halloween dance after the Senior Night Football game. We would love if everyone would come out to support the Book Club and have a good time dancing!



MHS Leo Club

By: Shelby McCulley

The Leo Club gives students the opportunity to make a positive impact and serve their community. This year, Mrs. Leann Jehnzen and Mr. Gary Moore are running the Leo Club at McEwen High School. New members are able to apply from the 10th-12th grades this fall. To become a member, you must have at least a 2.5 GPA at all times and pay a one-time membership fee of \$15.00.

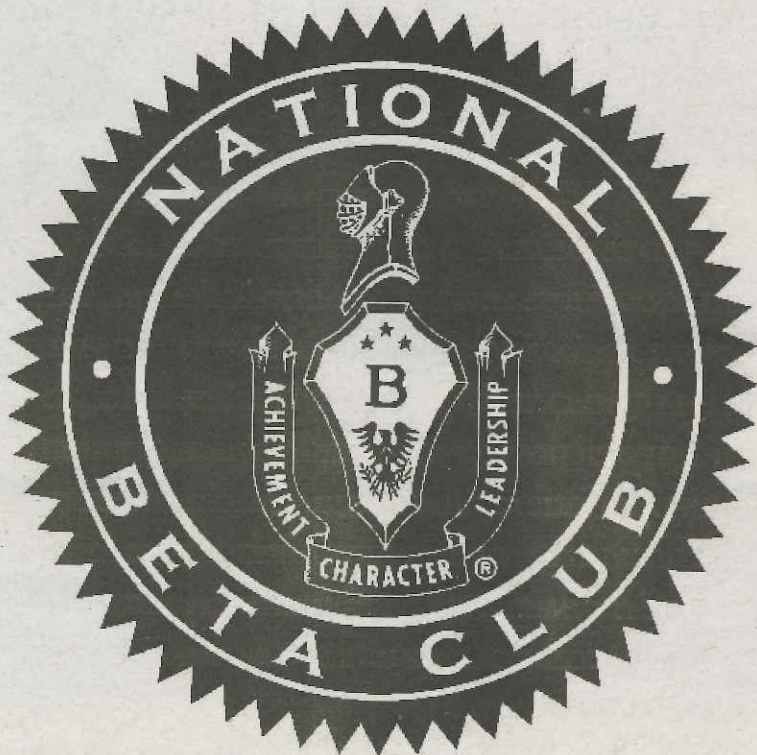
MHS BETA Club

By: Makezie Stewart

In order to be a BETA Club member, you must have at least a 3.3 GPA. Being a BETA Club member means that you have worked hard to achieve this requirement.

Senior members have recently presented invitations to the new BETA Senior and Junior members. Induction for the new members will be held November 5th at 6:00 PM.

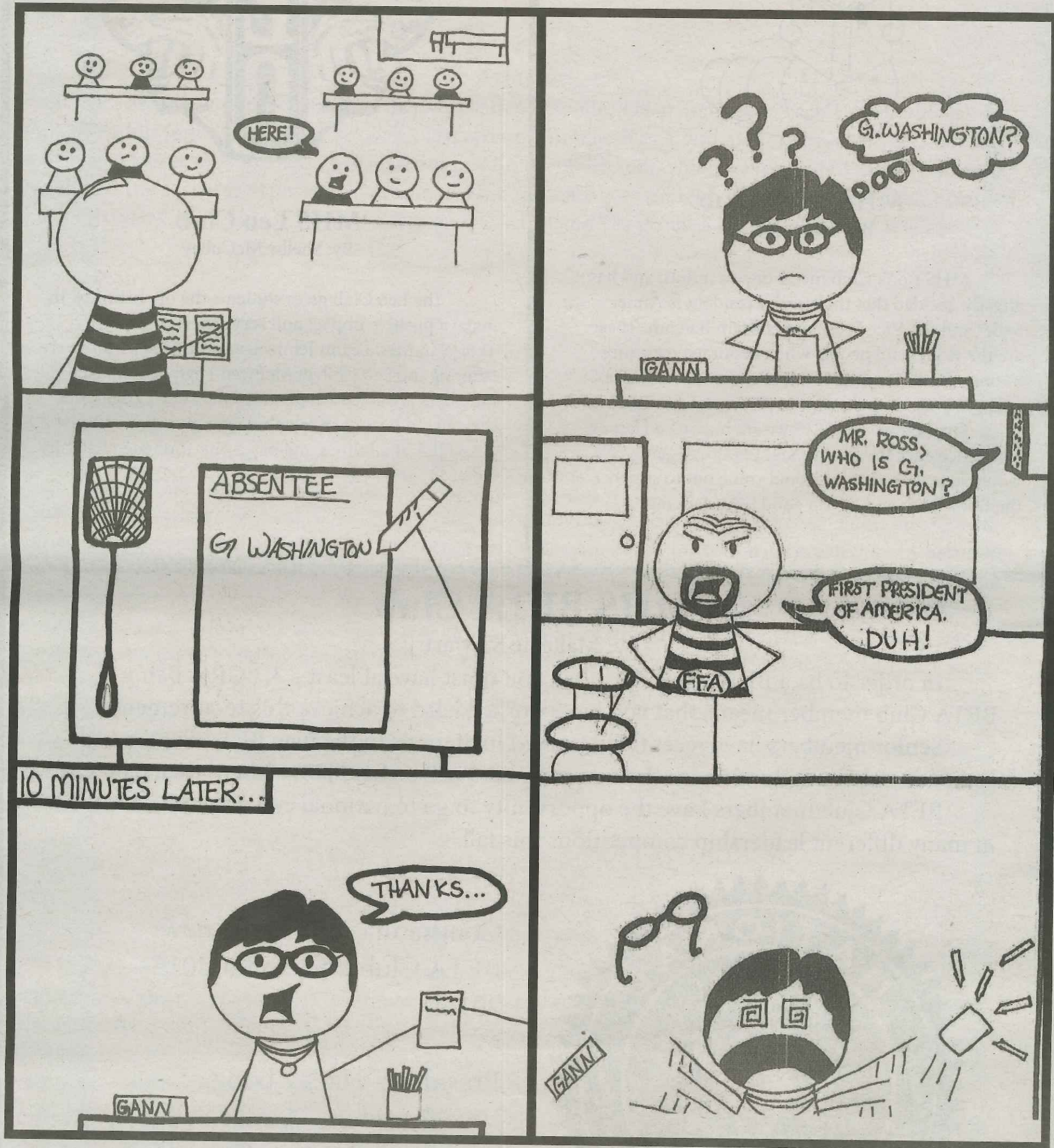
BETA Club members have the opportunity to go to national convention to compete in many different leadership competitions this fall.



Congratulations to the new BETA Club officers for 2015-2016!

President- Hailey Long
Vice President- Aimee Seller
Secretary- Breanna Dampf
Treasurer- Kayla Sager

AG SHOP SHENANIGANS



BY: ANONYMOUS AND ANONYMOUSER

ADVISOR APPRECIATION

Our desire as the Warrior Times newspaper staff is that each person in the community find something of interest in our school paper. We work to provide you with exciting, amusing, and informative material concerning many aspects of McEwen High School. However, we acknowledge we cannot achieve our goals alone. We would like to thank Mr. Joe Greene and the FFA for advising the newspaper and providing us with the means to produce it efficiently.



*We would also like to thank Mrs. Erin Lanham for allowing us to use her computer to complete the paper.



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FFA TRAINING PROVIDES GROWTH, OPPORTUNITY FOR NEXT GENERATION OF AG

9/1/2015 Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee FFA and 4-H

Louisville, Ky. (Aug. 31, 2015) – As retirement looms for America's baby boomer farming generation, it's more important than ever to prepare agriculture's next generation to take the helm. For FFA past state officers in Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee, the leadership transition began in late July as part of Farm Credit Mid-America's FFA State Officer Training at the agricultural lender's Louisville headquarters.

For the better part of three days, the past state officer teams representing Farm Credit's four-state territory participated in a hands-on workshop designed to strengthen and broaden professional skills, and provide a foundation for full-time careers after college. Through a mixture of guest facilitators, panels, workshops and improv sessions, students honed their presentation skills, learned about transitioning to the real world, and heard from professionals on how skills learned in FFA enhanced their post-graduation career experiences.



"A major part of our association's mission is to secure the future of agriculture and rural America, and working with FFA to prepare the next generation of agriculture leaders is important in realizing that mission," said Bill Johnson, president and CEO, Farm Credit Mid-America. "By making a concerted investment in our industry's future, we can strengthen the skills students and young professionals need to become qualified workers and simultaneously lay the groundwork for the continued security of agriculture in the future."

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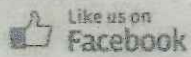
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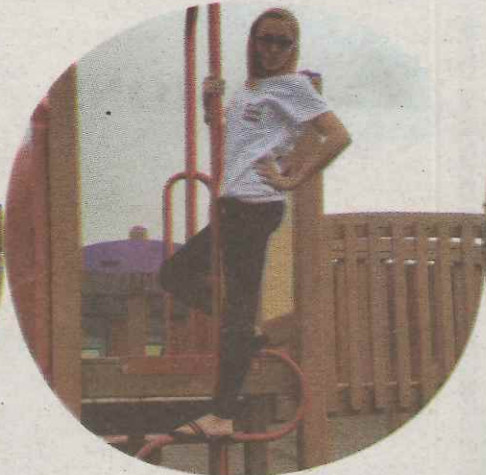


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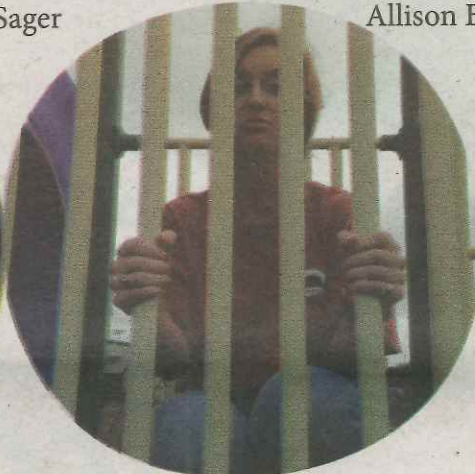
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