

Newsletter

Spring 2025

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Coming Up

Community Blood Drive
April 24, 2025 at SFHS
2:00pm - 6:00pm

Website

Visit our website for pictures
from our latest events.
www.santafeagrileaders.org

New Look!

A revamp of the quarterly
newsletter was due, we
hope you'll enjoy the new
look and some new info!

Our Chapter hosted the Mo Ag Stewardship Conference on Thursday, January 30, 2025 at the Concordia Community Center. We welcomed 5 different speakers who shared on a range of topics including balancing nutrition in plants, growing crops in a stacked order (inter-cropping), forage production, grazing with fence-less collar technology, and alternative rye markets and more.



4th Annual Mo Ag Stewardship Conference

Guest Speakers included Jason Mauck, Taylor Braungardt, Jeff Jackson, Monte Bottens, and Laura Valli. We had over 100 attendees who enjoyed 7 different educational sessions. Each year we ask attendees to complete a survey to offer feedback for future Conferences. Surveys continue to reflect strong support for the topics and speakers we bring in. This is encouraging as we work to grow the Conference each year. We invite you to visit our website for more pictures and complete information.



Ongoing FFA Support

The Santa Fe and Concordia FFA Chapters were both on hand throughout the day to introduce speakers, help set up lunch and keep the snack table well stocked.

We appreciate having these students attend the Conference and assist with set up and tear down as well. We are able to make additional donations to the Chapters for their service to our annual event.



The annual Raffle drawing was held on February 24, 2025 at the end of the 'Kickoff Meeting'. Winners included: Ashley Boehmer-loaded toolbox, Blake Barlow-JD Generator, Stihl Kombi System-Dave Schreiman, and Richard Nienhueser-Stihl battery powered Chainsaw. Congrats to all the winners! Ag-Power has been a strong supporter of our organization over the years and this fundraiser is one that makes a huge impact on helping us operate each year. Thank you to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket!

Upcoming Events

Career Ag Day

April 11 at SFHS
for 8-12 grade Ag students/FFA Members

Community Blood Drive

April 24 at SFHS Commons Area 2-6pm
Appointments are suggested, visit
savealifenow.org/group and enter Group Code: EH6K

Kickoff Meeting

Mother nature forced the Annual Kickoff Meeting to be postponed from January once again. The meeting was held on Monday, February 24 at SFHS Old gym. The original guest speaker was scheduled to be Andrew McCrea, however due to rescheduling, there was no alternative date that lined up with his calendar.

Lafayette County Sergeant, Alex Gonzalez, addressed the attendees and shared how drones are used within law enforcement from searching for lost/missing persons to measuring damage from trespassers and drug surveillance. He later did a demonstration for the children outside.

The Friend of the Agri-Leader award was given in memory of Jody Bergman, in recognition of his years of dedicated service. Tiffany and Colstyn Bergman accepted the plaque.

Plowboys BBQ catered the meal and the Santa Fe FFA Chapter was on hand to help serve. We appreciate Mrs. Schreiman and her students for always lending a helping hand!



KMMO Ag Day

The Santa Fe Agri Leaders helped cook pork loin for the 40th Anniversary of KMMO's Ag Day. Trent Loos was the guest speaker and shared encouraging thoughts on keeping a strong ag community going. Missouri Director of Agriculture, Chris Chinn also addressed the audience. Ag Day was held at the Robin Mull Family Farm near Malta Bend.