Fall Banquet

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**Intro - Maico:**

Welcome, ladies and gentleman, to our first Fall Banquet. Thank you for coming! We are excited to try something new this year and recognize some students that have worked hard in the summer and fall time. At this banquet we want to make sure all students are in front and ready to be recognized when we speak about their achievement rather than being halfway across the room and we’ve already moved on. This means it will look a little different and will require the students in the room to pay close attention, please. Your section will be called forward to the entrance doors (by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) BEFORE we talk about another section. So here’s a test… if you participated in the

**Greenhand Leadership Conference**, please make your way to the entrance doors (POINT). Parents if you would like to take a photo of your student, **pictures can be taken off to the side** (POINT have officer here to facilitate? Check what this will look like for time) after they are recognized, in front of our backdrop. There will also be an opportunity after the banquet to take pictures in front of the backdrop.

**GLC - Mia**

If you were on the opening closing team please make your way to the entrance doors. The Greenhand Leadership Conference introduces students to the benefits of agricultural education and opportunities within this program. In October, we sent 47 first year members to Lodi High School where they attended this all day event, and learned about all of the opportunities the FFA has to offer. Tonight, we’re going to recognize all those who were in attendance. As your name is called please make your way to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_by the back drop. (Name reader\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, certificate holder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, backdrop facilitator\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**Officer reports:**

**Jose:** Good evening, it is nearly the deadline for the poinsettias and wreaths forms. Make sure you turn them into one of the AG teachers by 3 p.m tomorrow. Our current ASB balance in our account is $4,120. On the other hand, our balance in our Galt Boosters account is $21,940 dollars. Don’t forget to turn in the forms! Thank you.

**Gabby:**

Thank you, Rulo! Our minutes from the last meeting are as follows: The FFA meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by President Maico Ortiz. Over two-hundred and fifty members and guests were in attendance. We kicked things off with a wild candy toss game played by our fabulous parents. We then got together for the FIRST TIME with our families! We got to know each other better through a series of games… eventually playing our GIANT game of cat and mouse. Finally, we recognized our Aggies of the Month, Logan Mayfield, Emma Haas, Alex VanSteyn, Maria Villalobos, Celeste Baez and last but certainly not least, Sebastian Baez! Following the end of the meeting we had a ton of fun in our spooky tunnel and haunted house in thanks to our awesome Ag Lead students! Finally, everyone left with bellies full of s’mores! Respectfully submitted, Galt FFA secretary Gabrielle Martin.

**Opening/Closing - Gabby**

If you are receiving your Greenhand Degree and are a 1st year in ag please make your way over to Mia and Marcos (Point) by the doors. Up next, we’re going to recognize our dedicated Opening and Closing Ceremony team. This year, we had three teams consisting of a total of 12 freshmen from Galt FFA participate. New this year, Galt FFA has made the opening and closing ceremony an out-of-class-time experience, so we know our competitors put in a lot of hard work. Our teams competed at the sectional contest hosted by Liberty Ranch, with every team winning gold awards. Not only that, but two Galt students, Ariana Montesano and Tanner Clower were recognized as Outstanding Officers. We’re so proud to see freshmen already working hard to get involved and experience their first FFA competition. We are excited to recognize each student. When you hear your name called please come get your certificate. (Name reader\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, certificate holder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, backdrop facilitator\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**Greenhand - Everyone**

**Secretary:**

“Mister President, I have

the applications for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (number)

students enrolled in agricultural education

who are candidates for the Greenhand FFA

Degree.”

**President:**

“Our constitution outlines minimum qualifications for this degree. We

shall now determine if these candidates

qualify. Mr./Mdm. Advisor, do all candidates

have satisfactory plans for programs of

supervised agricultural experience?”

**Advisor:**

“They have.”

**President:**

“Have these candidates met all other minimum qualifications of Article 6, Section C of the national constitution?”

**Advisor:**

“They have.”

**President:**

“Will the officers please take their

places beside me?

(After officers are stationed by President.)

Candidates,

you are about to receive the Greenhand

FFA Degree in a national organization of

members who expect to enter a career in

the industry of agriculture.

**President:**

“The basic beliefs of FFA members

are outlined in the FFA Creed.

“I hope that you will always carry

the spirit of the Creed in your hearts and the

words in your memory.”

**Sentinel:**

“Career development is a life-long

process. Your activities in this organization

will help you acquire the ability to cooperate

with others for the benefit of all. A good

attitude and a respect for the rights of others

are essential for success in life.”

**Reporter:**

“The vast agricultural complex

forms the foundation of our American

economy. You have chosen well by your

expression of interest in a future career in

this, our nation’s largest field of endeavor.”

**Treasurer:**

“By your enrollment in agricultural

education, you have taken an important

step toward becoming a useful citizen

in our democracy. May you, like George

Washington, use your talents and training for the betterment of yourselves and your fellow man.”

**Secretary:**

“The FFA is a national organization

of young men and women preparing for

careers in agriculture. I am proud to add your name to the roll of the Galt FFA

Chapter, California Association and

the National Organization.”

**Vice President:**

“Success in a career and in

life is largely the result of a sound education

and a willingness to work. Without labor,

we accomplish little, and unless our labor

is directed by intelligent thinking, we

accomplish nothing.”

**Historian:**

“The pin worn by Greenhands is

made of bronze. Because of its hardness and

endurance, bronze has been used for ages

by those who sought a better substitute for

crude stone instruments. May those qualities of hardness and endurance carry you far in our organization.

**Parliamentarian-**

“Although you have done well and merit this

recognition, let me remind you that there

are heights yet to be attained. Just as there

are metals more precious than bronze, there

are rarer and more precious laurels to be

won in our organization.

**President:**

“The FFA organization practices

agricultural leadership, citizenship and

cooperation. If you develop your abilities, you

may become a leader in this organization.

We need you, and the country needs

strong leadership. We now welcome you as

Greenhands. As your name is called please come get your certificate and greenhand pin. (Name reader\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, certificate holder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, backdrop facilitator\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**Top BBQ - Hannah:**

At this time if you will be receiving your chapter degree please make your way to the entrance doors with Marcos and Mia (POINT). Fundraising in our program allows for students to have scholarships to attend conferences and field days, as well assists with paying for the preparation of FFA meetings and other chapter events. For our 2018 Fall BBQ this year we reached and then surpassed the expected goal. This year we sold over 562 meals!!!! (clapping) In order to accomplish this our members were encouraged to sell at least two tickets each. However, each year we have members that exceed the proposed amount and these members are what aids us in continuously surpassing our goals. Vicky Miranda was our top drive thru BBQ ticket seller with 41 meals sold! Thank you Vicky for going the extra mile to fundraise for our program. We appreciate all of your hard work. Please give it up one more time for our Top BBQ Seller!

**Chapter Degree - Everyone**

**Secretary:**

“Mr./Mdm. President, it is my privilege to announce that sixty-two members are candidates for the Chapter FFA Degree.”

**President:**

“Our constitution sets up minimum qualifications which must be met before members advance to a higher degree.

The secretary will please read the section of our constitution which outlines the standards for this degree.”

**Secretary:**

“To be eligible to receive the Chapter FFA Degree from the chapter, the member must meet minimum qualifications which include:

-Must have received the Greenhand FFA

Degree, must have completed at least 180 hours of school instruction in agricultural education, have an approved SAE, have demonstrated five procedures of parliamentary law, have participated in at least 10 hours of community service, and submit a written application for the Chapter FFA Degree.”

**President:**

“Mr./Mdm. Advisor, have

all candidates met or exceeded these

standards?”

**Advisor:**

“They have.”

**President:**

“Will the candidates please rise,

and will the officers take their positions for

this ceremony?”

**Sentinel:**

“Fellowship and brotherhood are

desirable aspects of a full and satisfying life.

Your many friends in the FFA share with you the satisfaction of your achievement. May you continue to advance in the FFA.”

**Reporter:**

“We enjoy many benefits through

the FFA. It is important that all of you inform others about this organization so that its influence can be a contributing factor jin their lives. Let us work together to build a better America.”

**Treasurer:**

“FFA members learn the

importance of sound financial practices. The skills you are developing in keeping records and accounts will be valuable assets to you throughout life. May you use this training to support yourself, your family and worthy activities of your community.”

**Secretary:**

“You have earned the highest FFA

degree a chapter can bestow on its members. As secretary, it is my pleasure to inscribe your name in our permanent records. May you continue your individual growth and development in our organization.”

**Vice President:**

“Planning and completing a task brings a certain satisfaction that is the reward of the industrious individual. Our forefathers worked hard to transform America from a wilderness to a great nation.Your attainment of this degree demonstrated your willingness to work. You have done well and have taken a major step toward fulfilling your goals in the FFA.”

**President:**

“The pin symbolizing the Chapter FFA Degree is made of silver. Just as there are metals more precious than silver, there are more precious laurels to be won in our organization. The golden charm of the State FFA Degree and the golden key of the

American FFA Degree await those who earn them. It is our hope that you reach these higher goals in our organization. I am pleased to present each of you with the silver pin of the Chapter FFA Degree.We will now call up all the recipients of the Chapter Degree to receive their certificate and pin. (Name reader\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, certificate holder \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, backdrop facilitator\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)

**American Degree - Richard**

Will all members who showed at the Fair with us last year please make their way to the entrance doors (POINT). As the highest degree achievable in the National FFA Organization, the American FFA Degree shows an FFA member’s dedication to his or her chapter and state FFA association. It demonstrates the effort FFA members apply toward their supervised agricultural experience and the outstanding leadership abilities and community involvement they exhibited through their FFA career.

Our two American FFA Degree recipients, Ian Reece and Ashlee Anthenuise, have shown promise for the future and have gone above and beyond to achieve excellence. Congratulations Ian and Ashley. Your ag fam is very proud of you.

**Fair - Jose**

Every year, our chapter has students that participate in the Sacramento County Fair in Cal Expo every Memorial Day weekend in May. These students work hard for months to feed, groom, and keep their animal healthy for the fair. They also practice showmanship skills on their animals which is very important for their success at the fair. Those that show at the fair have to be responsible, willing to work with others, and have a positive attitude.

Students have a variety of projects, including hogs, rabbits, steer, goats, dairy cattle, sheep , and ag mechanics projects. We will be now recognizing those who represented the Galt FFA Chapter by calling them up by species. When your species is called please come to the front (POINT) to receive your certificate and take your group picture. To begin we would like to recognize the swine group.

**Swine:**

This group of market hog exhibitors was hard working, fun, and made the fair a great memory for everyone. They worked as a team to help each other and exhibitors from different FFA chapters. Each student learned new skills such as ear tagging, showmanship, and clipping their animal for fair. Way to go, pig crew! (CLAP)

**Goats:** The goat group continues to grow and is composed of hardworking, teamwork driven, and memory making individuals. Students learn hands on skills such as weighing their goats, deworming, and how to properly show during showmanship. They learn valuable animal science and business skills along the way! Nice job goat exhibitors! (CLAP)

**Lambs:**  The market sheep group had a very successful year. Each exhibitor did an amazing job feeding, exercising, and working with their animals. They worked as team to prepare for the show- with several exhibitors placing in their class. We are excited to see what this group accomplishes this year! Way to go sheep exhibitors! (CLAP)

**Steer:** Market beef projects start usually in October of the previous year. In the eight months leading up to the county fair, exhibitors halter break their steers, work on leading their animals and manage their nutrition and health to produce a quality product to the consumer. Nice job! (CLAP)

**Dairy:** The dairy exhibitors usually come from family dairies or have a genuine interest in the industry. Students not only work on halter breaking and showing dairy cattle but also spend an adequate amount of time working in the industry that entails feeding, milking and managing the animals health and reproduction through hands on learning. Great job representing the dairy industry! (CLAP)

**Rabbits:** The rabbit group at this year’s fair was an energetic band of excited fair newbies. They worked hard to represent our Warrior Grown rabbitry with pride and excitement and many of them have decided to continue to show with Galt FFA this year. Well done, rabbit crew! (CLAP)

**Aggies of the Month - Maddie**

Maddie: This year we are asking everyone to “Cultivate their potential” meaning reach beyond their comfort zones to grow as individuals so we can in turn grow as a chapter. Each month the officers recognize Our aggies of the month, who are students in this program that go above and beyond to work towards cultivating their own potential. They are students who don’t desire the spotlight, but rather they are selfless in the pursuit of what pushes them to new limits. They are recognized for the values they hold and what they do to stand up for them. Some values these students have been awarded for showing are kindness, humility, integrity, optimism, and inclusiveness. These are just a few of the many qualities that the recipients of this award possess. It is an honor that is not to be taken lightly. If you were an Aggie of the month this year so far, please come to the front PAUSE. Without further ado let’s welcome Richard and Gabby with our first Aggie of the Month for November.

**Zada: Richard and Gabby**

**Richard**: Our chapter has been working hard to make our ag fam closer than ever this year. Our first aggie of the month is someone who always sees opportunity to welcome others with open arms. Please welcome our first aggie of the month Zada Arias!!!!

**Gabby**: Zada, your constant smile and ability to make anyone feel at home around you has undoubtedly made a great impact on our chapter. From enthusiastically bringing in freshmen, to helping those new to Ag feel welcome, you have left a lasting memory in many hearts of your inclusivity to all. Thank you for continuing to be a reminder of the qualities which we all strive to possess. Please give it up for our first Aggie of the month, Zada Arias!

**Johnny - Marcos and Mia**

**Mia:** Our next outstanding Aggie is someone who has grown tremendously within our program. This year, he has taken the extra step to cultivate his potential by joining the ag leadership class. He is someone you can always count on to help set up for FFA meetings, help make the new families process easier for younger members, and can always be seen making members crack a smile with his sense of humor and constant positivity. His authentic kindness towards others makes him stand out as a leader in this program. Please help me in welcoming your second Aggie of the month Johnny Jimenez!!!!

**Marcos:**  Johnny Thank you for being bold and making the most of your time in the ag program by helping out wherever you can, and making members feel at home. Your sense of humor and hard-working spirit is something to be desired. We appreciate your kindness and heart for serving others and it does not go unnoticed. We hope you continue down this path as an authentic representation of what kind hearted leadership looks like. Thank you and Congratulations Johnny!!!

**Nick - Hannah and Jose:**

**Hannah:**Tonight we also we want to recognize someone who has become such a hard worker and is always there to quickly lend a hand in the Ag department. Whether that is helping create a pretty scary haunted house or just helping with materials, this person will always be there to help. This aggie has definitely broken out of his shell and has grown so much in himself and in this program this past year. Will you please give it up for our last but certainly not least Aggie of the month Nick Roberts!!!!!!!

**Jose:** This past quarter, Nick has gotten more actively involved in our chapter. At our last meeting, Nick jumped in to help set up, prepare materials, and helped construct the spooky tunnel which was a HUGE HIT. Thank you Nick, for opening yourself up to this chapter and helping to makeGalt Liberty RanchFFA look an feel like a place that members can call home. You embody so many values that make our chapter better. Thank you for taking a risk and being a part of the fam. We are lucky to have such a hardworking and kind person to serve as a role model for other members. Thank you and congratulations Nick!

**Maico:** Let’s give it up one more time for Zada, Johnny, and Nick and the rest of the aggies who joined us up in the front as they make their way back to their seats. Being an Aggie of the Month in this program is an honor that shouldn’t be taken lightly. Although we compete in many events as a chapter, this award serves as a good reminder that all of the competition is not really what this is about. We are here to support each other as well and push each other to be the best that we can be. With that being said, let’s give it up one more time for all the members that were recognized tonight. On behalf of the officer team and Galt FFA thank you for joining us in our First ever Fall banquet. We are glad to have been able to recognize all the members of Galt FFA who have risked bodly and worked hard during the summer and fall time. Thank you to those members and thank you to the families and friends who came tonight. (Closing Ceremony)

**Gabby Announcements:**

I do! Please don’t forget that Poinsettia Order form are due tomorrow to Mrs. Goehring and Wreath order forms are due to Ms. Titus.

We would also like to invite you to enjoy some cake, desserts, and light refreshments following the adjournment of the banquet. Please feel free to utilize the FFA backdrop to take pictures. Thank you!

(Maico Adjourn)