

TJCAA Convention 2011

TVCC Ag Club Members attended the 2011 Texas Junior College Agriculture Association Convention on April 6-8. This year's convention was held in Alpine, Texas and hosted by Sul Ross State University's Department of Agriculture. There were many junior college Ag departments from across the state represented by numerous students at this event. TVCC agriculture students attending this year's convention were Samantha Kinzie, Holley Meroney, Jessica Price, and Ryan Patton.

The competition segment of the convention was held on Thursday along with campus and Ag center tours. Holley Meroney placed first in the Agricultural Economics Quiz and first in the Entomology Quiz. Ryan Patton placed third in the Agronomy Quiz and third in the Entomology Quiz. Samantha Kinzie and Jessica Price competed in the Public Relations contest and placed second. Jessica Price also prepared a very nice scrap book that placed fourth overall.

During the convention all of the state officers for the upcoming year were elected and other business that needed to come before the members was reviewed and voted on. Upon arrival in Alpine Wednesday evening, we all met at the Kokernot Lodge, located near SRSU main campus. At this very nice lodge, which is built near a spring that was mapped by a Spanish explorer in 1684 as an important watering hole, students competed in various games before and after a very nice hamburger and hotdog meal. On Friday morning, the day after the competitions, the students and faculty enjoyed an excellent tour of Fort Davis, one of the best preserved nineteenth century forts in the country.

Overall, the students had a wonderful experience and we look forward to attending the 2012 T.J.C.A.A Convention which will be held at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas.



From Left to Right: Marc Robinson (Faculty Advisor), Ryan Patton, Jessica Price, Samantha Kinzie, and Holley Meroney.