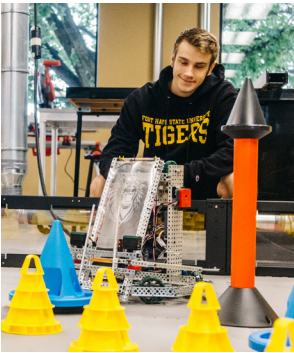




FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY



FHSU's tech team earns firsts

Teams from Fort Hays State University's Technology and Engineering Education Collegiate Association chapter placed in eight of 10 events at the recent International STEM

Education Association regional conference in Branson, Mo.

FHSU took first in Live Communications, Transportation, Problem Solving, Robotics Challenge, and Photography Challenge – Color Splash.

The Live Communication team was Davin Smith, Assaria, and Danae Buschkoetter, Holdrege, Neb.

The Transportation team was Zach Peach, La Crosse; Jesus Felix, Alma, Neb.; Dason Sweat, Minneapolis; and Jack Heimer, Wellington.

The champion Problem Solving team was Blake Hinson, Great Bend; Fidel Mascote, Olathe; Smith and Peach.

The champion Robotics team was Devin Thomas, Russell, and Mascote.

Buschkoetter was also FHSU's champion in the Photography Challenge – Color Splash.

The competitors in the Southwest Region were Fort Hays State, Pittsburg State University, the University of Wyoming, and Arkansas State University.

FHSU Shotgun Team wins nationals

Fifteen members of the Fort Hays State University Shotgun Team placed highest overall team at the recent 2018 Scholastic Clay Target Program College National Championships, held in Marengo, Ohio. Twenty-two colleges sent 220 shooters.

The first-place trap team (988 out of 1,000 targets) was Austin Svoboda, Burwell, Neb.; Riley Ross, St. Paul, Neb.; Cody Escritt, Pleasanton, Neb.; Jake Whipple, Cambridge, Neb.; and Wyatt Pursell, Topeka.

The first-place skeet team, Jerrod Lies, Minneola, Escritt, Pursell, Svoboda and Whipple, scored 989 out of 1,000.

The first-place sporting clays team was Josh Crankshaw, North Platte, Neb.; Escritt, Ross, Svoboda and Whipple, with a score of 919 out of 1,000.

Heather Gordon, Pine Valley, Calif., won highest overall woman with 554 out of 600. Svoboda won highest overall man with 588 out of 600.

Jenny Schoenecker, Akron, Colo., was first in sporting clays.



Sias students participate in weekend of service

One of Fort Hays State University's unique exports is the class called LDRS 310: Fieldwork in Leadership Studies, a product of the university's Department of Leadership Studies.

In China, students are seldom obliged to perform the kind of community service that many American students are required to perform. So, said Dr. Jill Arensdorf, chair of the Department of Leadership Studies, 380 students this semester at Sias International University, Xinzheng, China, "faced a very steep challenge."

FHSU faculty at Sias organized a series of projects at three different sites over the course of a weekend.

The first day, 150 students visited a local orphanage, leading 10-14-year-olds in activities including basic English lessons, outdoor games, and art projects. Another 130 other students visited a local primary school where they led similar activities. The final day, 100 students visited a school for blind and deaf children, reading to the blind students and playing games with the deaf children.



FHSU livestock judging team earns 2nd place in Pennsylvania exposition

The Fort Hays State University Livestock Judging team earned second place overall at the recent Keystone International Livestock Exposition competition in Harrisburg, Pa.

With an overall team score of 4,512 in reasons, the FHSU team was close behind Ohio State University with its team score of 4,521. FHSU also earned first-place honors in the team sheep category, second place in the team swine category, and fourth place in the team cattle category.

Quentin Haas, Madison senior, sixth overall individual, finished the contest with a total score of 360, the individual reasons with a fourth-place rank, and two seventh-place ranks in the individual swine and individual cattle categories.

Regan Kats, Prairie View senior, finished third place in the individual swine competition and completed the livestock judging contest with a score of 358.

Garret Brunk, St. Francis junior, placed fifth overall in the individual sheep contest, and finished the livestock judging contest with a total score of 345.



Did you know?

- Dr. Brooke Moore, interim chair and assistant professor in the Department of Advanced Education Programs, received the 2019 Distinguished Research in Teacher Education Award for her article on cultural awareness.
- Dr. Hendratta Ali, associate professor of geosciences, has received \$120,426 of an overall \$300,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to conduct research with U.S. students on carbon transfer in the environment in the African country of Cameroon.
- More than 700 Kansas high school students from almost 60 schools – from 1A through 6A – participated in the 40th annual Math Relays at Fort Hays State University, held Nov. 8.
- Fort Hays State University has been awarded the 2019 Leadership Transformation Grant for the maximum amount of \$25,000. This means the Tiger Transformational Team will have access to 40 spots in any of the Kansas Leadership Center's core leadership training programs in 2019.

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