

FBLA Fall Leadership Conference

By Sydney Davey, Reporter

The Upton FBLA chapter attended the Fall Leadership Conference on October 2nd, in Casper, Wyoming at the Ramkota Hotel. This year's state theme is "Elevate Your Future". There were 430 members from 30 chapters that attended.

Sydney Davey, State Parliamentarian, conducted the opening session, helped organize the event, and lead workshops. She led FOCUS training teams and Battle for Babies competitions. The competition helped with fundraising for the March of Dimes. The March of Dimes is a non-profit organization that dedicates its efforts into building awareness and funding for premature babies. Davey dedicates a lot of his time to the FBLA organization. She went to Casper on Sunday October 1st to help the officer team and her state advisor prepare for the conference.

The Upton Chapter received a ribbon for September Sweeps. The September Sweeps is an award that pertains to completing 12 activities and uploading files to the internet. Kade McMillan received the Membership Madness and Mania awards.

The Welcome and Opening Session consisted of honoring the flag with color guards and the National Anthem. Then there was an introduction of the DECA and FBLA officers. Then the FOCUS leadership training team delivered interactive leadership experiences for students and educators. You can learn more about them at <http://www.focustrainingedu.com/> Members had the option of attending several different workshops such as: Grid Walk, What's the Big Idea?, Human Machine, and Speak Up! Following the workshops teams from several schools competed in a competition regarding FBLA knowledge. This competition was named Battle for Babies. Upton had two teams. Team one consisted of the following members: Kade McMillan, Hannah Olson, Josie Olson, Anna Lewis, and Riley Coburn. Team two consisted of the following members: Audrianna Materi, Abbey Douglas, Yasmine Donner, Laine Claycomb, and Jasmine Calderon.