

## Freeman's FBLA Members Rise To The Top!

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On February 3, thirty-six FBLA members from Freeman HS attended the 2010 North-east Region FBLA Conference at the Faith Bible Church in north Spokane. They joined approximately 350 other students from throughout the region to compete in a number of business related areas such as Job Interview, Network Concepts, Accounting, Public Speaking, Entrepreneurship, Business Ethics, Desktop Publishing, and over 50 other categories. The top five in each competition qualified for the state conference which will be held in Yakima during the second week of April. Top finishers at the state competition earn the honor to compete at the National FBLA Conference in Nashville in July.

A big congratulation goes out to the following students who made it into the top 5 in their area and will be heading to the state conference!

- Chelsa Ayers – 1<sup>st</sup> place in Public Speaking 2
- Josh Grandinetti and Brian Hart – 1<sup>st</sup> place in Entrepreneurship
- Tyler Hjaltalin – 5<sup>th</sup> place in Help Desk

Banking and Financial Systems

- Chelsea Grady and Christina Ramelow – 4<sup>th</sup> place in Banking and Financial Systems
- Andy Coumont, Dalton Fetsch, Josh Grandinetti – 1<sup>st</sup> place in Management Information Systems
- Danny Cossey and Hanna Weathers – 1<sup>st</sup> place in Emerging Business Issues
- Morgan Romey, Alex Quinnett and MacKenzie Deruyter – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Emerging Business Issues
- Tucker Rudy, Steven Sainsbury and Jess Wingett – 4<sup>th</sup> place in Emerging Business Issues
- Shelby Nelson – 5<sup>th</sup> place in "Introduction to Business"
- Travis Sorensen – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Sports Management
- Taylar Franz – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Economics
- Cody Dickinson – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Cyber Security
- Alex Quinnett and Morgan Romey – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Global Business
- Chelsa Ayers, Danica Cramer, MacKenzie Deruyter – 4<sup>th</sup> place in Business Ethics
- Andy Coumont, Dalton Fetsch, Josh Grandinetti –

- Zeke Flack and Eric Hjaltalin – 1<sup>st</sup> place in
- Dalton Reilly – 5<sup>th</sup> place in Job Interview

In addition, the following students will be competing in competitions that are not offered at the regional level:

- Andy Coumont, Chelsa Ayers and Travis Sorensen – Business Presentation
- Andy Coumont and Travis Sorensen – Annual Business Report

A big congratulation goes out to all the FBLA members who represented Freeman in an excellent manner! Freeman

High School's FBLA is the premier organization for students preparing for careers in business. It is the largest and oldest student business organization in the world with more than a quarter of a million members! FBLA prepares students for 'real world' professional experiences, with members gaining the competitive edge for college and career successes. For more information, please contact Freeman's FBLA advisor, Scott Moore at the high school (291-3721, ext 201 or smooore@freemansd.org).



Freeman Students take home top honors at the 2010 FBLA Winter Competitions

## Emily Stickel: Freeman's next "American Idol"

By McKenzie Setter  
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Dreams of being a singer still haven't left one Freeman High School student, Senior Emily Stickel.

"My mom is the one who got me into singing," Stickel said. "She was a singer in high school and since I love to sing, it just became what I did."

Stickel has taken her singing farther than just the mirror. Last July, she flew to Colorado in hopes to try out for American Idol.

"It wasn't what I expected at all. I only got 20 seconds to sing in the pre-televised rounds," Stickel said. "I also watched a horrible singer get in and even a man in a mouse costume get through without even having to sing. It just wasn't what I expected."

Before trying out for American Idol, Stickel placed second in the Miss America pageant for the talent piece. Stickel also placed third in last year's Spokane's Got Talent competition, which landed her an agent and free studio time.

Stickel plans on attending Spokane Community Falls for college. She definitely wants to keep on singing.

"I'll be in choir definitely, but if I really had my way, I would be a professional singer and college would be my plan B," Stickel says. "I like to sing with girls and boys,

so I would like to join Chamber choir."

This upcoming summer Stickel has been offered a regional tour by local artist Tommy Gant.

"I don't know if I will go yet, but it was an amazing offer," Stickel said.

Stickel also submitted a vocal audition this winter to the Sweet Adelines's, which she won. Stickel will receive a \$500.00 scholarship and will be featured at a Sweet Adelines's performance on March 14<sup>th</sup>, time and location are still to be announced.

Congratulations to Emily Stickel for all of her achievements. May the best of luck come to her in singing.



Photo Courtesy of Emily Stickel

Stickel (left) sings for the camera in hopes of going on *American Idol*.



Photo courtesy of Emily Stickel

A crowd of aspiring singers (including Stickel) test their talent at the *American Idol* pre-televised auditions in Colorado

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## WHO ARE YOU MOST LIKE AT FREEMAN HIGH SCHOOL?

### 1. How do you usually spend a Saturday night?

- Salsa dancing
- Night skiing or watching football or a movie
- It depends. It seems like the older you get the more social functions you are obligated to attend. If it's not someone's birthday, baptism, anniversary, or wedding, my wife and I are usually out and about. We like watching movies, hanging out with friends, or going out to various around town.
- Well, I used to hang out with Carley, but now that she's gone, I watch *Pineapple Express*.
- Hangout with friends and watch SNL!

### 2. What is your favorite movie and why?

- Avatar!!* Because I like the blue giants J
- Many movies; *Remember the Titans* & *Cool Runnings*: the message is cooperation, overcome obstacles, work together, and accept everyone
- I really like any good comedy, drama, or thriller. I am not big on the horror flicks. I don't have a true favorite. On the other hand, I really feel like a loser when my wife rents a touchy feely movie that she intends on watching by herself and I wasn't supposed to watch it. Soon I am sitting there next to her watching intently on what happens next. *The Notebook*? Gets me every time.
- Pineapple Express* because I like heat-seeking missiles
- District 9* because the story and effects are awesome!

### 3. What is your favorite thing to do in your spare time?

- Read a good book
- Hike, snow-ski
- Any chance I get I go outdoors. Fishing, hiking, biking...the usual activities that appeal to your average Spokaneite. I like going boating on my yacht as well, it's a 1979 18' Silverline, we call it the Brown Cow because of its intense beauty.
- Bowling
- Play guitar

### 4. What would be your ideal mode of transportation?

- Teleportation- like "I dream of genie"
- Electric car- "The Tango"
- A blue 1999 Ford F-250 diesel with lots of scratches and a kind of funny smell on the inside of the cab.
- Train
- A hover board

### 5. If you were an animal, what would you be? And why?

- A flamingo because they are pretty and pink!
- Falcon. Wouldn't flying be incredible? Also, you're the top of the food chain!
- Obviously a hippo. Hang around the pond all day and eat, once in awhile chase off an enemy with your friends; that would be the good life, unless there was a drought and your friends couldn't help you fend off a troop of crazy monkeys or a pack of hyenas...that would be a little rough.
- A monkey because they look funny
- I would be a mouse because they are inter-dimensional beings--at least according to Douglas Adams.

### 6. Who is your celebrity crush?

- Tom Cruise- I don't like him, but I think he's pretty handsome!
- Charlize Theron
- Honestly I think that we give too much credit to celebrities. It annoys me when celebrities get international attention for their views on a specific subject. "Tom Cruise thinks this", "Bono thinks that"; who cares about what an actor or rock star thinks on a specific subject, so you're rich and famous and you're smart, nope you just look good and are able to sing.
- Megan Fox
- Hermione Granger (Emma Watson)

## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



**Front Row:** Taylor Vold

**Second Row:** Austin Fish, Haley Barnes, Felicia Jackson, Elizabeth Kosanke, Cody Dickinson.

**Third Row:** Christian Dresback, Wyatt Smith, Sadie Woodard, Danica Cramer, Elizabeth Parker.

**Forth Row:** Connor Hopkins, Chris Barkley, Justin Alt-meyer, Katie Bauer.

**Back Row:** Daniel Willard, Peter Heinen.