

# AMS Board Communications

## January 2011

7th Grade Ag is starting a new semester of Career Portals. We will start off by learning all about checkbooks, credit and debit cards and financial management. Last semesters group finished up the year by constructing mini models of shed buildings. It was a learning experience for all involved!

8th Grade Principals of AG is starting off the new semester with an intense round of Animal Science. We will be covering Cattle, Swine, Horses and possibly lambs, goats and chickens.

Ms Alyssa Watson will be joining us around the middle of February as Mrs. Gilbreath's student teacher. She is highly recommended to our program from Dr. Bob Williams at Texas A&M Commerce. She stems from the Celina Ag Department and we are very excited for her to join our team for a few months.

Aubrey FFA is in full show gear as we start our trek of shows. We will start off at the Fort Worth Stock Show at the end of January with 10 breeding swine, 25+ market goats, 5 market lambs, 5 heifers, and a horse judging team as well as a goat judging team. We will then venture to San Antonio and San Angelo in February for even more competitions.

AMS Library had a lot going on last semester. Students did a lesson on cyber safety, which was a lesson on learning how to be safe while on the internet. The week before Christmas the library served hot chocolate to the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes while they talked about traditions. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes were served traditional wassel while they read A Christmas Carol.

6<sup>th</sup> grade reading will begin their studies on the novel Number the Stars. This is a Historical Fiction novel which takes place during World War II during the German occupation of Denmark. This novel is about friendship, tolerance and has some great lessons for students. Students will be traveling to Denmark and visiting some of the locations mentioned in the novel via Google Earth and YouTube.