**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN Cherokee County**

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The Rusk FFA finished the Fall 2020 semester with wins in several contests and the National FFA Leadership Development Conference.

The chapter also had an outstanding Fall Semester, with its eight Rusk FFA Fall of Work Service days being filled in early December when chapter members gathered 355 cans and 115 pounds of food to benefit The Community Table.

The FFA chapter is currently preparing to begin their new activities for the new year. The fall semester 2020 was a great success, and the chapter is excited to help the community again in the new year.

### Winter Activities

The Rusk FFA has several activities planned for the winter months. The first event is the Winter Banquet, which will be held on January 15th. The banquet will feature a keynote speaker and an awards presentation. Additionally, the chapter will be holding a Winter Auction on January 22nd to raise funds for the chapter.

### Community Service

The Rusk FFA continues to be involved in community service throughout the year. The chapter has contributed to local charities and events, including the annual Food Drive, which collects non-perishable food items and distributes them to local food banks.

### Future Activities

The Rusk FFA is planning several events for the remainder of the year. These include a Winter Ag Awareness Day, a Career Day, and a Future Farmers of America Day. The chapter is also working on a new project to create a community garden in the area.

### Contact Information

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