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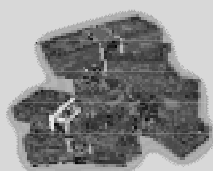
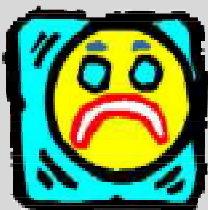
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CNN writer shares with Creek students Eldon continues to light sparks around the world



CNN writer: Amy Eldon

Imagine being 19 and having your mother call you to tell you that your brother has been stoned to death by an angry mob. How would

you cope? What would you do? Amy Eldon now a CNN journalist took control and sought answers.

Creek's journalism I classes saw the results of Amy's quest in the documentary film *Dying to Tell the Story*. Impressed and moved by her brother Dan's story, the students wanted to let her know how much they were affected. Doing what journalists do best, they wrote it down. In Letters to her they expressed how deeply and personally they felt about the bravery shown by both her brother and her.

FFA Livestock Show is back again in March: join in on the fun

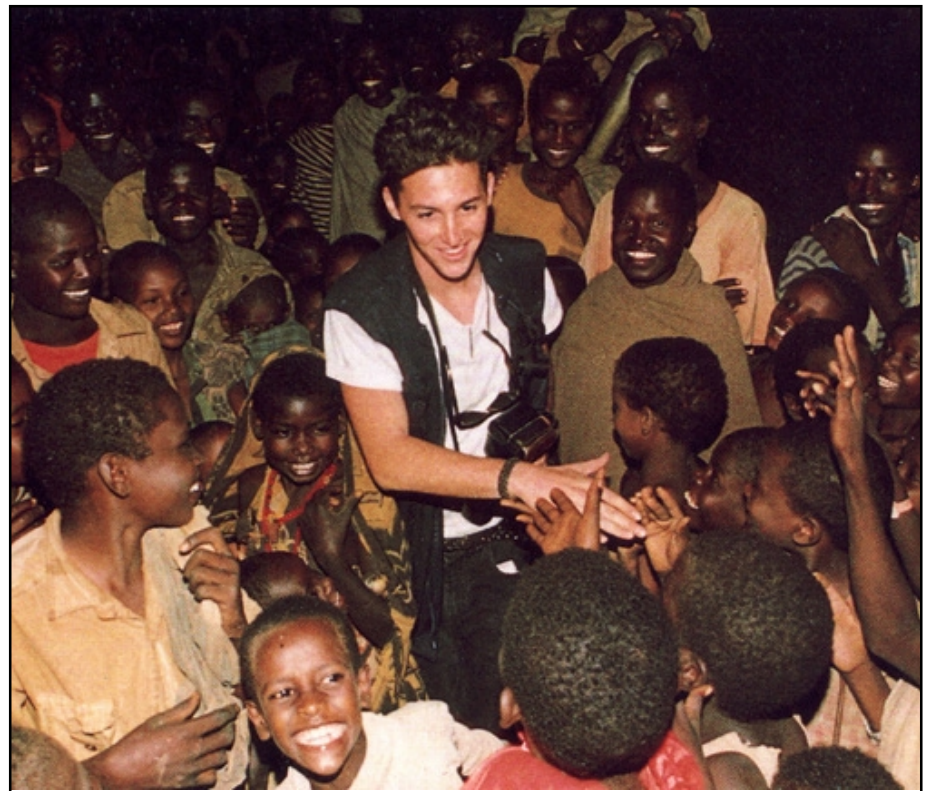
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FFA (Future Farmers of America) is having their annual livestock show here at Creek the week of March 8-12. Everyday there will be a number of different events and contests taking place in a number of different categories. The FFA organization is much like any other organization or club on campus.

They have certain rules and regulations that the students must follow at a times while a member of the group. They have a special FFA jacket which is their most recognizable symbol of the organization. Any member of the group has the responsibility to ensure proper use of the jacket. Them members have a certain list of guidelines to follow which are their responsibility.

All members of the group are ordered to follow a Code of Ethics to which states how they are to conduct themselves at all time in order to be a credit to the organization, chapter, school, and community.

They attend many events during the year besides the Livestock Show here at Creek in order to help them improve their skills. Some of the different con-



Dan Eldon before his death.

Photo by Axel Koester / Sygma

"...silly things like parking tickets, stubbed toes, and lousy boyfriends don't matter anymore..."

Lucky for us, the Eldon family is unique in more ways than one. Amy sat down and hand wrote individualized postcards to every student who wrote to

Eldon story continued on centerspread...

tests include: Leadership contests, Judging contests, Curriculum contests, and Agricultural Mechanics contests/shows. Among these categories there's a variety of individual contests.

Many local and national scholarships are given out to chapter members meeting a certain number and amount of credentials. A variety of companies, individuals and foundations sponsor the scholarships through the National FFA Foundation, and new ones are added every year. There are numerous local scholarships available for Creek FFA members. Many of them have specific requirements that are explained in detail in each application.

Due to the FFA organization being a national one, there are a huge number of bylaws with a constitution. This is a big organization that is not often recognized at Creek.

On Monday, March 8, all livestock is moved into the area where the contests will be taking place. Included in this set up are: roasters, broiler, turkeys, steers, lambs, goats, and rabbits. At 3PM, the Floral Design Contest will take place and at 9PM the barn will close.

On March 9, elementary tours will begin at 8AM. All exhibits must be

moved in between 2:30 and 4PM. At 3:30, there will be an official welcome and then the judging of poultry, broilers, roasters, turkeys, market rabbits, and breeding rabbits. At 5PM on Tuesday night, the judging of market swine will take place, with the barn closing at 9PM.

Again, on Wednesday, March 10, at 8AM, the elementary tours will start again. From 1PM until 6PM the judging of all exhibits, market lamb/goats, and market steers will take place.

On Thursday, March 11, at 6:45PM, the awards ceremony will happen. Then at 7PM, the livestock auction will be underway. After the auction, the barn will be cleaned up and the next day, Friday, March 12, at 4PM all animals must be out of the barn.

There is a long list of general rules that all exhibitors must follow at the show. This is a serious activity and very regimented much like a basketball, football, or any other sports game.

A very popular thing among the majority of students is the menu of food that they will be selling out at the bard during the week of the Livestock show. From breakfast burritos to barbecue sandwiches, the food from the past will be there again this year.