



## Kentucky HOSA Celebrates Its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Since the beginning of Kentucky HOSA, thirty years ago, there has been tremendous growth and advancement. This was further proven true at the 2008 Spring Leadership Conference when approximately nine hundred HOSA members attended. The conference theme was "Kentucky HOSA's 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday" where we celebrated thirty years of Kentucky HOSA.

Members were offered opportunities to enhance their education by attending a variety of educational symposiums which included: University of Louisville Trauma Team, U of K Trauma Team, Meth Watch Program and tours of the University of Louisville Medical Center. Kentucky HOSA also incorporated the new competitive events such as Forensic Medicine, Community Awareness and Creative Problem Solving. Each event being recently recognized by Kentucky HOSA had a huge turnout and was a great success at this year's State Competition.

To kick off the celebration, Kentucky HOSA Advisors participated in and sponsored events such as Kentucky HOSA Idol, Deal or No Deal, Line Dancing and KY HOSA Bingo.

Since the 2008 Kentucky HOSA Spring Leadership Conference, the Kentucky HOSA Officers along with the Kentucky HOSA Executive Council have been busy planning for the 2008 National Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas. The new officer team has been having many bonding experiences. The Executive Council is extremely excited about the upcoming year with many new events to continue the growth of HOSA.

## First HOSA National Leadership Conference

**IN WASHINGTON DC  
September 22 – 25, 2007**

In 2007, the first National HOSA Washington Leadership Academy was conducted. It was held September 22-25 in Washington D.C. Emily-Kate Cardwell, Kentucky HOSA President, and her advisor, Carla Wallace attended the Conference. Emily-Kate networked with other state officers from

all over the nation and participated in leadership training. The final day, Emily-Kate and Mrs. Wallace were joined by Kentucky HOSA's State Advisor, Elizabeth Bullock. The three met with U.S. Congressman Ed Whitfield,



**Carla Wallace, Emily-Kate Cardwell, Congressman Ron Lewis & Elizabeth Bullock**

Congressman Ron Lewis, Congressman John Yarmuth and representatives of other Congressman and Senators. Emily-Kate and Mrs. Wallace toured the Capitol, Arlington National Cemetery, and many other national sites.



**Emily-Kate Cardwell & Congressman Ed Whitfield**



### 2007-2008 KY HOSA Officer Team

- President:** Emily Kate Cardwell (Ohio County ATC)
- Vice-President:** Casie McCann (Bowling Green Technical College)
- Secretary:** Abby Anderson (Bowling Green Technical College)
- Treasurer:** Aleidra Allen (University of Kentucky)
- Historian:** John Thomas (Louisville Central High School)
- Parliamentarian:** Jon Linn (Hancock County ATC)