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One hundred and sixty-one Morehouse Parish 4-Her's participated in the 2008 Award's Day and Centennial Celebration. All participants completed a project book to attend. Awards were given to best project book in each book. 4-H Leaders chose outstanding club members from each club. Schools that participated were Beekman Junior High, Delta Junior High, Cherry Ridge Elementary, Morehouse Magnet School, Southside Elementary, and Bastrop High.



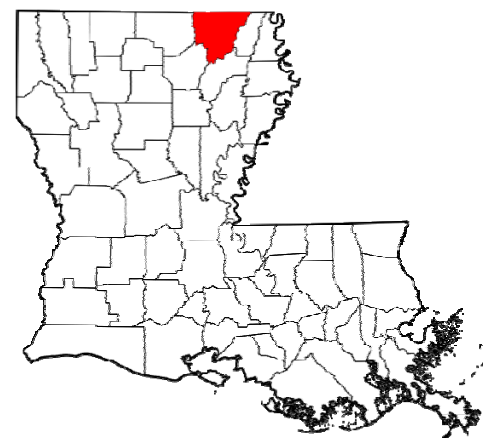
4-H Day at the Capitol

Morehouse Parish 4-Hers participated in the Fifth Annual 4-H Day at the Capitol on Thursday, June 5, 2008, in Baton Rouge. Four-Hers from across the state met on the steps of the Capitol to thank Louisiana legislative members for their support of the Louisiana 4-H Program. Representative and Mrs. Sam Little visited with our group and provided a tour of the Capitol. The group dined at the LSU Union and took a short tour of the LSU Campus of which the highlight was visiting Mike VI. Four-Hers who participated in this event were Angela Nichols, Charlse Nichols, Katelynn Gray, Sydney Murray, Emily Cooper, Sierra Bowe, Denise Bowe, Hilary Irby, Taylor-Brooke Gunter, Blake White, Autumn Kirby, Laura Patrick, Amanda Patrick, Brooklyn Rea, and Laura Harper

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FCS

Agent conducted two child care provider classes during this quarter.

Orientation for Family Day Care Providers, a mandatory program for all in-home providers who are registered with the Office of Family Support, was held on May 12.

Presented *Creating Safe Environments for Preschool Children*. This program was designed for child care providers who are working toward their Child Development Associate credential and also satisfies a portion of the 12 clock hours of training licensed and registered child care providers are required to earn each year.

The Morehouse Volunteers for Family and Community hosted the State VFC Convention. Area Director Charlene Johnson chaired the event with Karen Waters serving as Co-chair, Shirley Kellick as Treasurer, Mariann Lively as Registration Chair, and FCS Agent Danna Gillett as Advisor.

AGRICULTURE

Agents participated in a career day to share information about the LSU AgCenter to over 200 youth.

Participated in producers meeting with the new Ag Commissioner, Mike Strain, with our 250 clientele attending.

The parish chairman participated in the Parish Chairman's Conference at Camp Grant Walker in Pollock, LA.

Morehouse agents participated in two research field days; a wheat field day at the Macon Ridge Station, and the St. Joseph Research field day.

Ag agents were involved with the parish wide celebration of the 4-H Centennial Celebration with over 500 youth and adults participating.

Over 300 farm and home visits made by agriculture agents to assist Morehouse clientele with ag and horticulture related problems.

Morehouse Ag agents have several crop demonstrations planted in the parish to be used as teaching tools for producers to increase on farm profitability. They include 3 cotton, 3 corn, and 2 soybean variety demonstrations, a cotton nematode demonstration and a grain sorghum variety demonstration.

Agents attended and participated in LASA State meeting in Baton Rouge, LA to learn more on agronomic and pest management practices.

A plant science team was organized and trained by agents to compete in the 4-H University in Baton Rouge when they placed 7th and received a blue ribbon.



AgCenter Agent Odis Hill and assistant James Sylve participated in planting a soybean demonstration plot.

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Nine Morehouse Parish 4-Hers attend the 94th Annual 4-H University in Baton Rouge June 17 -20, 2008. Two participated in the Clover College Programs, Alexis Chaffold in Your Health Rocks and Katelyn Gray in Sportsman's Paradise. Charlse Nichols participated in the Fashion Revue – Ready to Wear. Zach Moore, James Letlow, and Dakota Hawkins participated in the Plant Science Contest. Zach Moore placed 10th in individual scores. The team placed 7th overall. Carey Herrington, Britney Stanfill, and Denise Bowe participated in the Poultry Judging Contest. The team placed 7th in the competition.