



4-H Update



December 2008

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ☆ December 1 Fashion Board meeting, 6:00 pm, St. Francisville Inn
- ☆ December 2 Junior Leader Club meeting, 6:00 p.m., St. Francisville Town Hall
- ☆ December 13 4-H Contest Day and Birthday Celebration, St. Francisville UMC Fellowship Hall (see flyer for events and times)
- ☆ December 18 Deadline to turn in Livestock Show Poster contest entries
- ☆ January 17 -18 Capitol Area Horse Show
- ☆ January 23 Feliciana 4-H/FFA minifarm, 8:30 am, Ag Education Barn at WF Sports Park
- ☆ January 24 Feliciana 4-H/FFA junior livestock show, 9:00 am, Ag Education Barn at WF Sports Park
- ☆ January 24-25 State 4-H Fashion Camp, Camp Grant Walker

RIFLE TEAM NEWS!

The West Feliciana 4-H rifle team had a team score of 2208 and placed 4th at the International Air Rifle meet sponsored by the University of Mississippi. The 4-H team of high school students was shooting against nine college teams from all over the southern area of the US. Team members are Michael Liuzza, Christian Hashagen, Victoria Hines and Leah Ewing.

The team also participated in the Louisiana and Mississippi State Championship for 3-P (Prone, Standing, and Kneeling) Precision Air Rifle match at McComb, Mississippi. The team scored in first place with a total score of 2264 out of the possible 2400.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

4-H Contest Day and 100th Birthday Party

We will close out the 4-H centennial year with a special event on December 13, starting at 10 am at the St. Francisville UMC Fellowship Hall. It will feature competition and celebration for all interested 4-H members. Former 4-H members and 4-H supporters will be invited to join the party.

Contests will include Ground Beef Cookery, Seafood Cookery, 4-H Decorated Birthday Cake contest, Photography Contest, and Bicycle Rodeo. There will also be a talent showcase and exhibits of historic 4-H photos and items.

Registration is required by December 9 for all events except the talent showcase, which requires registration by December 1. Extra registration forms are available at the 4-H office, at some schools and on the parish website at www.lsuagcenter.com.

Livestock Show Poster Contest

This contest to promote the parish livestock show and minifarm is open to all interested 4-H members. See the flyer for details and turn in your posters by December 18.

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

January and February are busy months for livestock and horse exhibitors. The events start with the parish livestock show and minifarm, followed by district and LSU livestock shows. If you are planning to show an animal and have not received information on upcoming shows, contact Mr. Spoto at 683-3101 as soon as possible.

4-Hers planning to show Rabbit or Poultry Projects in the parish Livestock Show on January 24th need to let Mr. Ken know by December 23.



André Brock
Assistant County Agent



Kenneth Spoto
County Agent

FOUR-H FACTS

Facts about Frogs – What's inside a frog? What is the difference between a frog and a toad? There are many intriguing facts about frogs, which are one of the fascinating creatures in our wetlands.

A frog has a tail as a baby and webbed feet as an adult to use in swimming. It has gills as a baby and lungs as an adult for breathing. Its skin also helps it breathe. A frog can leap up to 20 times its body length! And its mating call can be heard over a mile away.

Frogs are beneficial creatures of our state because they eat insects, worms, and snails that can wreak havoc in a garden or to a crop.

JANUARY CLUB MEETINGS

Bains Elementary	Tuesday, January 6
WFMS	Wednesday, January 7
Tunica Elementary	Thursday, January 8
WFHS	TBA

Those in the "Discovering 4-H" project should do the section on "You and Your Family", pages 8 to 23, to be checked at the next meeting.



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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!