

Family and Consumer Sciences - FCS



As a part of Ag Expo this year 979 fourth graders and 85 teachers attended LSU AgCenter Ag Alley's "Welcome to the Pizza Garden." Students learned about herbs and vegetables they could plant and grow to put on a pizza.

Family Resource Management (FRM) agent Ginger Boutwell and Nutrition agent Terri Crawford have teamed up to present monthly news articles to the local newspaper throughout the year entitled "Simple Steps to Health and Wealth."

Nine parenting classes were conducted this quarter with 2 parents completing the six lesson course.

Ag Adventures was held again in Delhi with 614 students having the opportunity to learn about rice, poultry and livestock.

Head Start faculty and staff are participating in "SAIL: Saving and Investing for Life", a course on how to make your money work for you.

Three farmers completed the FSA Borrower's Training that was offered in West Carroll parish.

Head Start parents and children receive lessons each month from Nutrition Educator Terry Wade and FRM agent Ginger Boutwell.

Two Child Care Provider Classes were presented this quarter with 30 providers receiving certificates.

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Corn Bagging System utilized by local grain producers and elevator operators.

A corn bagging system was used by producers and a local grain elevator for temporarily storing grain this season. Several bags were monitored from the time they were filled until they were emptied. The data was presented at the Corn and Soybean Forum in Delhi and the Louisiana Agricultural Sciences Association meeting in Baton Rouge.



Ronnie Walker and Ricky Campbell, Jr. are shown at planting of a Corn Variety on-farm demonstration.

The Extension tradition of teaching through demonstrations is continued with the planting of an on-farm corn variety demonstration on Ricky Campbell, Jr.'s farm. These demonstrations give the participating producer and their neighbors the opportunity to view a non biased planting of varieties and see how they perform in local conditions.

4-H Youth Development



4-H Agent Laura Bradley at Ag Adventures

4-H Agent Laura Bradley taught Northeast area fourth grade students and teachers attending Ag Adventures in Delhi about the nutritional value of rice and its importance to our state.



Area Cookery Contest participants

Seven Franklin Parish 4-H'ers represented our 4-H program at the Area 4-H Cookery Contest in Delhi, La on January 30. The cookery categories were Rice, Pecan, Sweet Potato, Egg, Chicken, Catfish, Beef, and Corn. The cookery contest allows 4-H'ers to display their cooking skills as well as learn about health and fitness topics.



Delhi Livestock Show exhibitors

Thirteen youth participated in the Delhi Livestock Show this year. The youth were able to show their animals and enter the Premier Exhibitor Contest. The Livestock show gives youth the opportunity to learn the responsibility of caring for an animal.



Dr. George Gowan is shown at the Franklin Parish 4-H Centennial Reception relating stories of his experiences showing livestock, his children showing livestock and his father as the parish 4-H Agent in the 1930's.