

FREEDOM TO BE



Warren County 4-Hers Rally Behind The Theme!

4-H is an informal, learn-by-doing approach to education for boys and girls 9-19. Individual projects are the life of 4-H. In 1977, 578 youth in Warren County enrolled in 1,689 4-H projects. "4-H: Freedom to Be" is an appropriate theme for 4-H nationwide. In 4-H, youth choose their own projects and set individual goals for their achievement.



"Chicken, Chicken, don't bite me."

Ivan is learning and at the same time having fun! Ivan Alston lives with his guardians, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry H. Spruill, at Embro. This is his first year as a member of the Embro 4-H Club. His 4-H Poultry Project was climaxed when his pullets sold for the third highest bid at the annual 4-H Pullet Show and Sale last week. This is only the beginning of many exciting and challenging years for Ivan in 4-H.



Lou Ann Qualls has a deep affection and admiration for her three-year-old Appaloosa mare, "Wednesday." Wednesday is very special around the Qualls' home. As strange as it may sound, she roams free during the day and comes home on her own. At supper time, she joins the cats and dogs at the back door. Lou Ann then walks to the stable as Wednesday follows knowing that her supper awaits and the warmth of the stable to retire for the night.

Lou Ann Qualls, a member of the Arcola 4-H Club, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy C. Qualls, Jr., of Hollister. Lou Ann has been in 4-H for two years. She is presently enrolled in her first 4-H Horse Project. Wednesday is definitely not just another horse but a very special pet at the Qualls' home. This 4-H project is therefore not just another project but truly a learn-by-doing yet a greatly enjoyable experience for Lou Ann.



...Norlina Youth Improvement Club members include, left to right, first row: Mrs. Louise Fields, adult leader, David Sledge, Stacy Fields, Renee Kersey and Marvin Hunter; second row, Wendell Alston, John Hargrove, Evette Manson, Dorrin Williams, and Mrs. Mamie Kersey, adult leader; third row, S. M. Cheston, adult leader, Robert Harrison, Alphonso Smith, Charlie Fields, Jr., Joyce Alston; fourth row, Derrick Cheston, John Hunt, Sharon Cheston, Dorothea Sledge, Timothy Sledge and Evelyn Fields; fifth row, Oita Cheston, Pamela Kersey and Deborah Kersey; sixth row, Kevin Cheston, Calvin Alston, Wayne Kersey and Alfreda Hunt.



The Norlina Youth Improvement 4-H Club presented a special 4-H Sunday program to start off National 4-H Week. Each club member participated in the program. Such involvement is typical of this club.

The club also took the lead in community service in the area of conservation of natural resources during the past year. Each 4-H'er cleaned up and improved their home lawn.

Special appreciation goes to Mrs. Louise Fields (head leader), Mr. S. M. Cheston, and Mrs. Mamie Kersey for their dedication to serving the youth of their community through 4-H.

The "Community Echoes" sang at the 4-H Sunday Program. All the group members are presently or have been 4-H members. Their outstanding performance showed that they are still abiding by the 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better."



Community Echoes include, left to right, Lillie Branch, Mary Harrison, Tammy Branch, Peggy Downey, Antoinetta Ball, Arvella Downey, Delores Burwell and Brenda Branch.



For Tony Williams (left) and Martin Clayton (right) their 4-H bicycle project has led to a hobby that is still growing. Tony, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams of Rt. 2, Ebony, Va., and Martin, son of Attorney and Mrs. T. T. Clayton of Eaton's Ferry Road, are both in the Elam's 4-H Club. They started out two years ago with a simple bicycle project. They now have a bicycle repair service in the backyard. One of their fondest memories is a "2 seater 20-speed bike" they built out of two 10-speed bikes. They hope to progress to a small engine repair service as they continue to learn-by-doing. They have already started on their new adventure by enrolling in the 4-Stroke Small Engines 4-H Project.



We need you to be a part of 4-H in Warren County. For more information call the Extension Office at 257-3997.