

Macon County 4-H Clubbers Are Celebrating National Week

CLUBS ARE FEATURING 4-H EVENT

Parade in Franklin Slated On Saturday; Articles Written

Macon 4-H clubbers this week (March 12-17) are celebrating "National 4-H Week."

Their celebration, to set the record straight, is a week later

than the national observance (March 3-11).

Extension agents James G. Flanagan and Mrs. Jessie D. Cabe are meeting with clubs this week and programs are centering on the national week.

A parade of 4-H floats is scheduled for Saturday through downtown Franklin.

The following articles are by 4-H members and explain some of the work undertaken:

COUNCIL IS CENTER OF 4-H ACTIVITIES

The county council of the 4-H program is exactly what the name indicates—a council of all officers

of the many 4-H clubs over the county. Its purpose is promoting the club program and training for leadership.

In the council meetings the members assist the agents with suggestions about club programs as well as receive help and leadership hints which we take to our individual clubs.

The council, through its members, helps stimulate the 4-H interest, even to all communities, as well as to the many clubs in the county. Also, parliamentary procedure is practiced and is taken back to the various clubs represented in the council.

In the meetings, members also receive help in filling out records, which are very essential in the club work. It can never be stressed too much the importance of records.

The officers of the council are as follows: President, Patricia Tatham, who comes from the Franklin High and the Franklin Senior clubs; vice-president, Peggy Jean Morgan, who represents the Nantahala club; secretary, Jackie Ann Cabe, who represents Holly Springs club; treasurer, Brenda Cunningham, who comes from the Carson club, and song leaders, Wanda Bailey and Linda Neal, both of whom come from East Franklin club.

With the leadership of these officers, the 4-H Club County Council does everything to promote the 4-H motto—"To Make The Best Better."

Patricia Tatham

WHAT 4-H PROGRAM MEANS TO A YOUTH

The way I see it, 4-H is not just a club for boys and girls, but an organization through which the young people of America can learn opportunities and responsibilities. The young people of today are the men and women of tomorrow. Through 4-H these young people learn of the many trials they will soon face in the world. Take, for instance, a boy who is fitting out a calf for the show.

To him, the calf is one of the best-looking calves he has ever seen. He is sure it will win a blue ribbon, or it might be a grand champion. When he takes it to the show it only gets a white ribbon. The boy is disappointed and he feels like all his work was in vain. Still, the boy will be prepared the next time, because he knows that the world is not always rosy. He is being prepared for life.

4-H is not just dairying or dress-making for it offers several projects that will suit every boy and girl. 4-H teaches perseverance and industriousness.

Believe me, 4-H is one of the best organizations for youth.

Bud Shope

APPRECIATION OFFERED TO ADULT 4-H LEADERS

We, as 4-H members, would like to express our gratitude to our local leaders. They are helping us grow into finer men and women to perform the duties of tomorrow.

The local leaders help us in many ways. They take time with each member as well as with the group. Six of the most important ways in which they aid us are:

1. Get all youth in the neighborhood to join the 4-H club.
2. Help members with projects.
3. Are able to give any information to a member needed to conduct a subject.
4. Help members select equipment for project.
5. Help each member individually in keeping record books.
6. They have faith in club members, believing they can be something for "ourselves, our club, our community and our country."

Today, we have approximately 400 4-H club leaders from the various communities.

Local leaders are:

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Owenby, Mrs. D. L. Owenby, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Teague, Mrs. Zeb Guffie, Arrowood Lee, Mrs. Dan McDowell, Ellis Ledford, Mrs. Carl Prince, Mrs. Arma Lee Hunt, Mr. and

Mrs. Howard Carpenter, Mrs. Ted Blaine, Roy Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Len Stiwinter, Mrs. Harvey Bell, Gilmer Henson, M. B. Moore, Bryant McClure, Mrs. Elizabeth Pitts, Mrs. Cecil Alexander, Mrs. Sible Fulcher, Mrs. E. M. McNish, Jesse Shope, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer Setser, Mrs. Bryan Setser, Rex Lindsey, Mrs. Homer Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Wells, Mrs. Harley Stewart, Mrs. Walter Swanson, Richard Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. Hillard Solesbee, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Southards, Mrs. Jim Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Waldroop, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Conley, Adolph Zoellner, Mrs. DeWitt Thompson, Mrs. Vernon Bryson, Mrs. Dorothy Bowers, Wallace Morgan, Mrs. George Mallonee, Mrs. W. W. Berry, Mrs. Everett McClure, Mrs. Harvey Bryant, John Clark, Willard Pendergrass, Mrs. Wiley Brown, Donald Brown, Mrs. Charlie Sutton, John Blaine, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Justice, Walter Taylor, Mrs. Jack Cabe, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ammons, Mrs. Donald Seagle, Mrs. Jess Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Downs, Jim Raby, Paul Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Gibson, Milton Fouts, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Leatherman, Mrs. Ralph Bradley, Bob Ramsey, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bradley, Mrs. Robert Parrish, Mrs. Margaret Picklesimer, John Wasilik, Mrs. Roy Pendergrass, Mrs. W. L. Hall, Mrs. Grover Sheffield, Mr. and Mrs. George Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pennington, Mrs. Faye Cowan, Mrs. Furman Welch, Miss Annie Ledford, Mrs. Kermit Bateman, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Calloway, and Mrs. Elizabeth Pruett.

Iva Lee Brookshire

A MEMBER LOOKS AT 4-H CAMPING

The rural people, especially the boys and girls, need recreation more than ever before. A desirable type of recreation and a vacation for farm boys and girls is offered at the 4-H camp. The camp has direct means for giving practical instruction and promoting and

holding the interest of 4-H boys and girls.

Since only active club members who have done satisfactory work are permitted to attend, the camp is used to encourage better work on the part of club members. As a reward of good work, the camp is restricted to club members only.

Each summer, Macon county has a good number of deserving members attending Camp Shaul in Waynesville. The camp activities consist of devotional, clean-up duties, class instructions, general assemblies, and much wholesome recreation.

Other than having a good time, the camp gives us an opportunity to make life-long friendships among campers and leaders, to gain new practical information, and for us to try ourselves out to find our capacities. The camp provides training in leadership, citizenship, and sportsmanship.

A leadership conference is now held each summer at Camp Swannanoa. Three boys and three girls who have done outstanding work in the county are chosen to go to this conference. Here, we have classes in all kinds of crafts, swimming, record keeping, and leadership. These classes are taught by experienced instructors. Leadership is stressed most at this camp.

The ultimate success of the camp program is determined by the information and inspiration which club members bring back to their respective clubs and communities.

Helen Cochran

HEALTH IS COMMON QUEST OF MEMBERS

Everyone has a quest for something. It may be a quest for money, lands, friends, spiritual power, or love. But each of us has one quest in common, we should have—the quest for health.

Health is the state of physical, mental, and emotional well-being, not merely the absence of disease.

We can obtain physical well-being by making healthy living a habit. The rules include correct food, plenty of fresh air, sunlight, clothing, proper housing, conditions, correct amount of sleep, practice of cleanliness, individual cleanliness and cleanliness of surroundings, good posture, practice of safety, and protection from disease.

We should cultivate a calm and confident state of mind. We can do this by facing our problems as we meet them. And if we appear to be in bad health we should examine our thoughts and desires very carefully. Frequently people feign illness. If they have a difficult problem to face they tell of illness as their excuse for not dealing correctly with the problem. These people are ill, but not physically. The cause of their illness is the fact that they are unhealthy mentally and emotionally.

So, to be a healthy person we have to be healthy physically, mentally, and emotionally.

Along with all the 4-H's

our county, accept the quest for health.

Nancy Cable

4-H CHURCH SUNDAY EMPHASIZES SERVICE

"4-H Church Sunday" is observed by church organizations throughout the nation to emphasize the meaning of Christianity in rural life.

The observance of a day of this manner dates back to the ancient Egyptians. In the earliest days of Egypt, the ceremony of blessing the land and the seed at the time of planting was widely observed.

When 4-H members assemble on May 6th to worship God on 4-H Church Sunday, they will join a long succession that comes out of the dim past of history, in seeking the blessings of God upon the land, the seed, the cultivation of the earth, and the enrichment of home and community life.

The purpose of 4-H Church Sunday is to develop in the individual a full, well-rounded life of service to God, nation, and community. Through the centuries, the church has proved a source of strength that has enabled both youth and adults to meet life's problems. It has given hope to those whose feet have faltered. It has helped to renew faith in their ability to serve and to serve well.

Last year, 25 churches in Macon County observed "4-H Church Sunday." 4-H members took part in various services under the guidance of ministers, 4-H adult leaders, and church group captains. In observance of 4-H Sunday, 4-H members are again urged to attend the church of their choice. This helps us to stand firm, to make the best better not only in our project work, but also in our spiritual development.

Let us set an example for our nation so that they may follow and make this world and nation more prosperous and create a better understanding among all men.

As every 4-H member goes to church on May 6th let us have this prayer in our hearts: "Give us grateful hearts, our Father, for all thy blessings; help us to be more worthy members in our homes and more responsible citizens in our communities; make us mindful of those in need; give us strength to do our full part; relieve the sufferings of the world; and grant peace in our time. Amen."

Robert Baker

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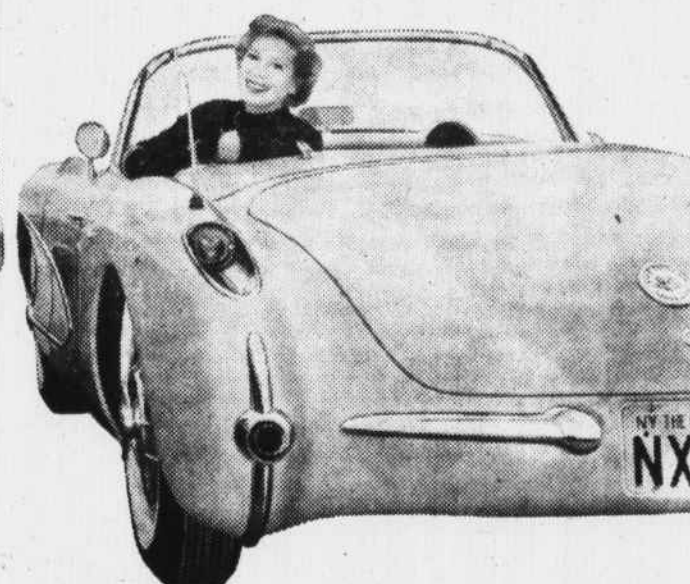


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