

News From

Transylvania 4-H Clubs



4-H Bicycle Program Combines Learning And Fun

How about a bike hike? It's the thing to do, you know. It's wonderful exercise, produces no air pollution and it's fun for the whole family. An indication of the growing popularity of the 4-H bicycle program is seen in the enrollment statistics. During 1970, some 135,000 4-H boys and girls participated in the program supervised by the Cooperative Extension Service.

Sponsored by the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, the program is designed to teach young people between the ages of 9 and 19 care, maintenance and safe operation of the bicycle and the fun opportunities of cycling. Kids learn the rules of the road and ordinances of the community pertaining to bicycles and bicycle riding. And they gain appreciation of these laws for personal safety and courtesy to others.

There is an added bonus here as most of the laws concerning correct bicycle riding also pertain to driving an automobile. Today when "having a set of wheels" is no longer a luxury, these young people will move easily to the driving of a much more powerful piece of equipment. But before that day comes, a bicycle is providing more and more young people with fun, mobility and exercise.

Rules of the road are but one aspect of the "learning by doing" 4-H bicycle program. The young people also learn how to repair, adjust and take care of their equipment. They also learn to judge when a job is too big for them to handle alone and when a reliable serviceman should be consulted to keep their bicycle in safe working condition.

4-H Swine Growers Provide Quality, Low-Calorie Produce

Today when everyone is "thinking thin," many people avoid pork in their diet even when they enjoy its succulent taste and inviting texture. They needn't! Today's hogs are not at all the same as the animals of a few years back. "In fact, today's hogs yield just half the

lard of those 20 years ago. And a 3 1/2 ounce pork chop now has only 240 calories, compared with 377 two decades ago," according to the Cooperative Extension Service.

There are over 106,000 youths between the ages of 9 and 19 who are helping provide this high-quality pork for America's table. They are the young people enrolled in the national 4-H swine program sponsored by Moorman Mfg. Co., Quincy, Ill. The swine program, supervised by the Cooperative Extension Service, gives young men and women, the opportunity to learn about breeding, nutrition, research and marketing of hogs. They also may make a profit when they market their animals.

This year's National Pork Queen, Miss Patricia D. Cline, 20, of Pleasant Plains, Ill., worked nine years in the 4-H swine program. She and her older sister maintained a herd of purebred Spotted Poland Chinas until Patricia entered college with profits from the hog projects.

Topping the list in incentives and recognition offered by Moorman Mfg. Co., national 4-H swine program donor, are six \$700 educational scholarships, an increase of \$100 each over the previous year. The company also offers an expense-paid trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, November 28 - December 2, for a winner from each state. And up to four medals of honor are offered to promising young swine growers in each county.

In 1970, 43 states qualified for expense-paid trips to 4-H Congress and 2,000 counties awarded some 5,700 medals of honor. Last year's scholarships were awarded to young men from Colorado, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Pennsylvania, and to a young lady from Oregon.

For more information about the 4-H swine program, contact the county extension office.

Glass Drive Set

There will be a glass collec-

tion on Saturday, August 14, at 10:30 a.m., at the Extension Service Office, basement of the Brevard Post Office Building. Have the glass free of metal and paper and also clean.

4-H Picnic, Recreational Program

The 4-H Picnic and Recreational Program will be held Thursday, August 19, at Camp Straus from 3:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. A special demonstration will be given at 5:15 p.m. by Du Pont Company employees.

Eating will begin at 6:00 p.m. All 4-H'ers are invited to attend.

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Quarterly Meeting Of Council Of Community Clubs Set, 17th

The quarterly meeting of the Council for Community Development Clubs will be held Tuesday, August 17th, 7:30 p.m., at the T C Henderson School Cafeteria. The Quebec Community Club is host for the meeting and would like to have good rep-

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Farmers are reminded that they may not harvest a crop of any kind from their set-aside acres under the 1971 wheat and feed grain program until after December 31.

Farmers shall not graze their set-aside acres until after September 30th.

A third reminder is that representation from all Community Development Clubs throughout the county.

Persons planning to attend should call Mrs. James Whitmire at 966-4472, or the Extension Service Office at 883-2760, for meal reservations.

set-aside acres must be maintained in a soil conserving use. This includes control of erosion, weeds, insects, and rodents. These practices are especially important in that they help reduce silt pollution of streams, lakes and rivers.

Beekeeper Indemnity Payment Program

Section 804 of the Agriculture Act of 1970 gives beekeepers the opportunity to apply for an indemnity payment if honeybees were lost from pesticides. The pesticide reported as causing the damage must have been registered and approved for use by the Federal govern-

ment at the time of its use. Beekeepers must establish that the loss was not the result of disease, starvation, or neglect on his part.

Non-Participating Feed Grain Farms To Make Report

All farm owners with a feed grain base should report their planted acreage even though they are not participating in the set-aside program. Failure to report the acreage will result in a reduction in the base for 1972. A double post-card has been mailed to producers requesting this information. Farmers are asked to enter the acreage sign and return the card promptly if they have not already done so. If a farmer failed to receive this postcard or has lost it he may either come by the ASCS Office or call and we will send him another post-card.

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Hints From The County Extension Chairman

By - JERRY PURSER



CORRECTION

Area Development Tour

The Area Development Tour will be held Thursday, August 19th, instead of the 17th as was announced in last week's column. The tour will be to the Glenville Community in Jackson County.

The program will start at 5:00 p. m. at the Hamburg Baptist Church in Glenville. This is a dinner meeting, and reservations are necessary for those planning to attend. Anyone interested in attending can receive additional information from any of the presidents of the Community Development Clubs, or the Extension Service Office in Brevard.

Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis

I am sure that each of you are now aware of the serious concern within the horse industry created by the outbreak of Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis in Texas. Because this disease poses a threat to both man and animals, it is doubly critical.

Because of the potential seriousness of this disease, we encourage owners of horses, mules, ponies, etc., to consult a veterinarian should any of their animals show signs of sickness.

As a part of the national preparation for controlling this disease, each state is being asked to obtain an accurate census of all equine species in that

state. North Carolina already has such a survey underway. The Office of the Statistics Division of the Crop Reporting Service has sent out survey forms to individual owners to obtain this information. Everyone who receives one of these forms is asked to please complete it and return it promptly. The date obtained from this census may be the basis for allocating vaccine supplies should the disease spread into this area.

Tomato Notes

1. Tomato Blight — Up to this date tomato blights have not been serious in most cases. Growers should use a Maneb type fungicide (Manzate D; Dithane).

2. Botrytis Blight — This is another disease which can be controlled by spraying with Dytene, and should be applied when the disease first appears.

State University Open House

The date for the 1971 Open House for the School of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and School of Forest Resources is Saturday, October 9th. Exhibits to show students in interesting curricula in the broad areas of agriculture, life sciences, and forest resources have been planned.

Every department in the two schools will be represented, and many will have counseling tables to answer any questions about their programs. In addition to the Open House tour, those attending will be able to attend the football game between State and Wake Forest that evening at 7:30 p. m.

Open House visitors will be able to purchase tickets at \$1.00 each. Additional information will be available at a later date.

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