

4-H Clover Express



4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



MARCH 2006

VARIETY SHOW CLUB & SPECIALTY ACTS

Can you play a musical instrument, dance or lip synch to your favorite song? Or maybe YOUR CLUB would like to PERFORM a SKIT! If so, then you need to make plans to be part of the **2006 4-H VARIETY SHOW** scheduled for **Saturday, March 18th**, at East Hardin Middle School. Check-in starts at **10:00 a.m.** and followed by Show at **11:00 a.m.**

SPECIALTY ACTS are made up of the following categories: **INSTRUMENTAL** (piano or musical instrument); **VOCAL** (singing to background music of your favorite song); **PHYSICAL SKILLS** (dancing, drill team or gymnastics) and **THEATRICAL** (drama, lip synch or comedy). All Specialty Acts will have a **4-minute time limit** with 1-4 youth per act. Youth participating in more than (2) specialty acts must be in different categories. *Any Act exceeding the time limit will not be considered for the Champion Award.* **CLUB ACTS** will have a **15-minute time limit including setup, performance and tear down.** 4-Her's may participate in no more than (1) club act with at least **5 or more club members participating.** Club acts with (1) or more senior 4-H members will be considered a Sr. Club Act. *Acts longer than 15 minutes & 20 seconds will not be considered for the Champion Award.* In both specialty and club acts, only one person may accompany the 4-Her (such as a pianist) and **ALL ACTS SHOULD BE IN GOOD TASTE** keeping with local values. Awards will be given in both junior and senior divisions with champion winners eligible to compete in the **Area Variety Show—April 22nd in Larue County.**

NOW is the time to begin **PLANNING** and **PRACTICING** for the 4-H Variety Show. If you or your club is interested in participating please call the **Extension Office** at (270) 765-4121 by **Friday, March 10th** to register by giving us the **TITLE** and **CATEGORY OF YOUR ACT** along with your **NAME** and **AGE**. **DON'T FORGET** to also submit **NAME** and **AGE** of all club members participating in **Club Acts**.

NEW! NEW! - ADULT CATEGORY— Say you always wanted to be on stage, well here's your chance! Each year we enjoy the wide range of talent among our 4-H members and thought it would be a great idea to give adults a chance to show off what they can do as well. **WITH ALL ACTS BEING IN GOOD TASTE**, awards will be presented for the: *Funniest, Most Creative, AND Peoples Choice.* To register please call (270) 765-4121 by **Friday, March 10th** and give us the **TITLE** of your act and **NAMES** of those involved.



2006 POETRY CONTEST RESULTS

What creativity, as over 30 poems were submitted for this year's contest. Twelve were sent to the District Contest and results will be revealed in the April newsletter.

TOP TWELVE

BRANDON GOODMAN	<i>"Dragon"</i>	BLUE & CHAMPION
JASON GAINES	<i>"I Love Baseball"</i>	BLUE & RESERVE CHAMPION
BRANDON WALKER	<i>"Creek"</i>	BLUE
DEVIN HICKS	<i>"The Dinos"</i>	BLUE
KAYLYN COOPER	<i>"Little Puppy"</i>	BLUE
LOREN CARMAN	<i>"I Love Dancing"</i>	BLUE
FREDDIE RIGGS	<i>"Puppies"</i>	BLUE
STEPHANIE THOMAS	<i>"I Love Basketball"</i>	BLUE
AMBER CURTSINGER	<i>"What a Day"</i>	BLUE
JAMEY POPHAM	<i>"School"</i>	BLUE
BROOKE WOODCOX	<i>"Cold Winter"</i>	BLUE
KARLISSA POLLUCK	<i>"I Love Autumn"</i>	BLUE

Spencer Lucas	<i>"Really Big Bucks"</i>	Blue
Rebecca Taylor	<i>"Summer"</i>	Blue
Brendan Bird	<i>"Life"</i>	Blue
Dustin Hicks	<i>"You"</i>	Blue
Cassie Meredith	<i>"My Papaw"</i>	Blue
Shawn Hayes	<i>"Mean Green"</i>	Blue
Ryan Blair	<i>"Hunted Out"</i>	Blue
Landen Whitlock	<i>"4-H"</i>	Blue
Rebecca Puckett	<i>"I Love Spring"</i>	Blue
Ashley Vasquez	<i>"I Love Football Games"</i>	Blue
Buddy Lee Knapp	<i>"I Love Baseball"</i>	Blue
Sara Hack	<i>"4-H Poem"</i>	Blue
Jacqueline Carver	<i>"4-H Poetry"</i>	Blue
Michael Riggs	<i>"I Love Winter"</i>	Blue
Chandi Wilson	<i>"Kentucky"</i>	Blue
Jacob Barnes	<i>"Baseball"</i>	Blue
Kristen Wilson	<i>"Cheerleading"</i>	Blue
Sara Monroe	<i>"Christmas"</i>	Blue
Josh Newton	<i>"Baseball"</i>	Blue
Sara May	<i>"Ice Skating"</i>	Blue
Harlie Terry	<i>"Basketball"</i>	Blue



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES




4-H Electric Workshop



Thanks to our friends *Todd Drake* and *Jason Mattingly*, at Nolin RECC, we will be offering a **Basic 4-H Electric Workshop 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.** starting on **Thursday, March 30th**, **Monday, April 3rd** and the final session on **Thursday, April 6th** all held at the Extension Office. The class outline is as follows:

- March 30 - Basic fundamentals of electricity, conductors, insulators and circuits
- April 3 - Safety, production and distribution
- April 6 - Soda Can Lamp Making Project

There will be a **\$10** registration fee which will cover cost of the lamp kit and refreshments. Participants need to be at least 9 years of age. To register for the class please fill out the attached form & send it along with a \$10 check to the address indicated. **Class is limited to 25-30 participants with registration deadline on Friday, March 17th.**



Farm Safety Symposium



Mark your calendars for **Friday, March 10th** for the 13th Annual Farm Safety Symposium to be held at the **Pritchard Community Center** in Elizabethtown. Exhibits will open at **5:00 p.m.** with a Lawn Mower and Chainsaw Safety Presentation starting at **7:00 p.m.** A primary focus of this event will be the safety issues with the widely used zero turn mowers. Please contact the Extension Office (270) 765-4121 as additional details will be forth coming.



Talk Meet & Demonstration Contest



Did you know that the **#1 fear** of most adults is **speaking** in front of a group of their peers? If only they had participated in their 4-H Speech and Demonstration Contest. Now is the time to begin working on a speech or demonstration to present at the **Talk Meet & Demonstration Contest** on **Thursday, April 20th**. Registration will begin at **6:00 p.m.** with the county program starting at **6:30 p.m.**

You must pre-register for this event. To do so call the Extension Office (270) 765-4121 and give your: **Name, Title** of your speech or demo and **Birth Date NO LATER THAN Friday, April 7th**. Due to the state 4-H communications regulations **NO LIVE ANIMALS ALLOWED.** **Late registrations will not be accepted.** Please call (270) 765-4121 and ask for Jessica, to receive a copy of the Rules and Regulations which will also be posted to our county 4-H website (www.ca.uky.edu/hardin).





2006 4-H Summer Camp



Now is the time to mark your calendar and make plans to attend **Lake Cumberland 4-H Summer Camp, July 24-28, 2006**. Youth between the ages of 9-13 can look forward to a fun filled week of recreation, fishing, swimming, crafts and meeting new friends from Taylor County. **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING UPDATES FOR 2006 SUMMER CAMP:**

- **Cost** for the (5) day camp will be **\$120 per camper** with a **\$50 deposit due** into the Extension Office by **June 9th**.
- **Registration forms** will be mailed upon request by calling 765-4121 and ask for Jessica Vincent or Bonnie Jolly.
- **Parent / Camper Orientation** will be held on **Thursday, June 29th** at the Extension Office. It is mandatory that all parents and campers attend.
- **Counselors** - required to have 24 hours of training. For applications call (270) 765-4121.

"Teen Counselors" - in a supervisory role must be 16 years of age as of January 1st. "**CIT's**" or **Counselors in Training**", who are 15 years of age as of January 1st, are still eligible to apply. **Primary consideration will be given to those individuals who are currently enrolled in 4-H and/or have attended camp in previous years.**

Adult Counselors - Must be 21 years of age and complete a background check. Qualifying adults are eligible for (1) \$120 camp scholarship for their child.

- Additional details to be in the April Newsletter and found at www.ca.uky.edu/hardin.



Graduating Seniors



The Hardin County 4-H Council will once again be offering a \$500 scholarship to all graduating High School Seniors who are actively enrolled in the Hardin County 4-H Program. This scholarship is based on their accomplishments in 4-H and can be used for college or vocational-technical school. Application deadline is **Friday, May 5th**. For more information please contact Bonnie Jolly at (270) 765-4121 or visit our website (www.ca.uky.edu/hardin).





LEADER'S CORNER



“Thank You”

I wish to extend my appreciation and gratitude to all those who attended our first annual 4-H Chili Supper. Thanks to your support the 4-H council earned over \$2000 for events, activities and awards. Your Ways and Means Committee: Sue Carlin, Mike Williams, Pam Cunningham and Shirley Ogden were overwhelmed at the response and are already making plans for 2007. I would also like to recognize our auctioneer, Randy Bush, for doing such a GREAT JOB and donating his time to make this such a successful and enjoyable event. Thank You also goes to all club leaders, families and members for their displays and theme baskets. Club proceeds will be mailed soon.



Thanks to Beth Loving and the 4-H Needlework Club for making and donating this beautiful quilt which earned \$100 for the 4-H Council.



Paws Dog Club members Ashley Basham and Alex Skillman carry a basket loaded with pet supplies to the highest bidder during Chili Supper & auction.

STATE LEADERS FORUM



Fort Knox leaders Kathy Embry and Arnita Furgason presented their GPS workshop and Livestock Club leaders, Shaune & Brian Williams, Shirley Ogden & Teresa Shumate attended several animal science workshops & were proud of the GREAT JOB done by State Teen Council President, Janie Williams. Also attending & not pictured was Angela Cox.



State 4-H Officers: Breannan Smith, Daniel Cook, Janie Williams and Carrie Tilghman.





LEADER'S CORNER. continued

4-H COUNCIL

Your next **4-H Council meeting** is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday **April 25th** at the Extension Office. **In the meantime I will be needing help with the Variety Show on March 18th & Talk Meet on April 20th.** If you know of someone who could assist with judging & other areas please let me know.

LEADER'S CERTIFICATION

Congratulations are in order for *Ron Blair* and *Dale Givan* for recently receiving rifle certification during the Shooting Sports Coaches Workshop. They will be working with members & leaders in the Target Masters 4-H Shooting Sports Club as they plan for upcoming events and activities.



CLUB NEWS

ROUGH RIDERS

Members meet the first Wednesday of each month at the Fort Knox Stables. Cloverbuds (youth 8 years of age & under) will meet at 5:00 pm. with all other members to meet at 6:00 p.m. For more details please contact **Nikki Chapman**, club leader (502) 799-0614 or **Haleigh Kemmerly**, media officer (502) 942-4962.



HOP-TO-IT RABBIT CLUB

Members prepare to **meet** at the Extension Office at 7:00 p.m. **March 13th** with an armload of activities. We will work on breed identification and have a "mini"workshop for those interested in speeches and demos for the County Talk Meet in April. Parents and members we also need your input for ideas during county fair, club activities and club website. This is the month to let your voice be heard! For more information and details contact **Bobby** or **Sandy Ray** (270) 369-9241.



PAWS

Final Club Act practice will be during our **next meeting** at 7:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, March 14th** at the Extension Office. A rough draft of the club by-laws will be presented along with information about State 4-H Dog Camp. For additional **club act practice dates** please contact **Judy Skillman** (270) 862-9756 or **Cathy Basham** (270) 862-2624. For meeting details contact **Becky Miller** (270) 862-9095.



TARGET MASTERS

Congratulations to Ron Blair and Dale Givan as our newest certified rifle instructors! They along with other coaches have been making plans for some exciting upcoming events:

- **State Shooting Sports Camp** - March 29th - April 1st - 4-Hers attending will be *Jared Givan, Orry Williams, Abigale Chandler, Megan Chandler* including adult leaders *Brian Williams & Dale Givan*.
- **Archery Practice** - 6:00-7:00 p.m. - **Monday, March 13th** at Woods and Water Outfitters - Contact: Phillip Reesor
- **Spring "Kick Off" Meeting** - 6:00 p.m. - **Tuesday, March 28th** at the Extension Office - Pizza and refreshments will be served - call (270) 765-4121 to RSVP by Friday, March 24th. Discussion topics to include:
 1. Enrollments, dues, insurance
 2. Disciplines and Practice Dates
 3. Basic Safety & Rules
 4. Parent Expectations
 5. Shooting Sports Camp Departure
- **Spring Camp Out** - 5:30 p.m. - **Friday, May 26th** thru 12 noon on **Saturday, May 27th** at Valley Creek Archery - Contact: Shirley Ogden.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Phillip Reesor (Reesorpk@cs.com) ~ 862-3560

Shirley Ogden ~ 737-9327

Gary Miller (bgamiller@wmconnect.com) ~ 862-9095

Dale Givan ~ 862-3957

Ron Blair ~ 862-9152



LIVESTOCK CLUB

The next **educational meeting** will be **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14th** at the Extension Office. Record Books and resource material will be available, with a "hands on" lesson by certified leader Nicky Clark. Skillathon and livestock judging practices are currently being held on a weekly basis. Contact *Nick Stuecker* (369-6267) or *Teresa Shumate* (737-1745) for additional details. I also encourage you to visit the Hardin County 4-H Website (www.ca.uky.edu/hardin) for an updated list of events and activities. **Market Steer KUIP & Weigh-IN: 3:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Friday March 24** at the Hardin County Fairgrounds. KDA will only be responsible for collecting hair samples. **Adults will be needed to assist with tagging, weigh-in etc.** I would like a head count of potential numbers at our March meeting. Those participating in club acts need to contact Janie or Shaune Williams (737-8031) for a complete list of dates, times & locations. **BEST OF LUCK** to *Olivia Kirkman, Todd Miller, Wesley Edwards, Walton Grider, J.T. Miller, Ashley, Candice & Kassie Huffman* and *Briann & Orry Williams* as they prepare for the **KY Beef Expo** and **Washington County Livestock Judging Contests** and to *Zach Heibert, Allison Dixon, Katie Bialczak, Ariel Williams, Caitlin Timberlake, Hannah Thomas, Celia Thomas, Emily Churchman, Danielle Heibert, Kyle Heibert, Clayton Heibert* and Coach *Brenda Thomas* as they will be competing at the **State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl** Competition on March 13th at University of KY in Lexington!

TRAILBLAZERS

Upcoming Events!

Business Meeting: March 13th, 7:00 p.m. -Ext. Office

Club Acts Practice: March 3rd & 17th - 6:00 p.m. and March 11th - 10:00 a.m. -Ext. Office

Craft Night: March 10th , 6:30 p.m. -Ext. Office

Hardin County Variety Show: March 18th

Bronze Honor Program: March 24th - 6:30 p.m.—Ext. Office

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY OUR STUD OWNERS, FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE 2006 STUD FEE AUCTION!

~ For Changes in Events, Visit our Website ~

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Joe Dirolf (270) 877-6512 or
Nan Campbell (270) 769-6573



WEBSITE: 
 Check out the NEW Hardin County Trailblazers Website at www.4htrailblazers.com

HOME SCHOOL CHEFS

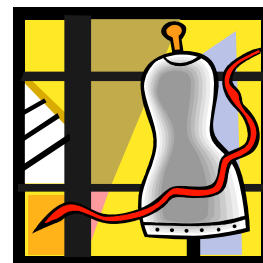
The Home School Chefs will be meeting **March 24, 2006** at 2:00 p.m. Please register by **Monday, March 20th** by calling **Beth Loving** at (270) 765-4121 or by e-mail nloving@uky.edu.



HOME SCHOOL SEWING



SENIOR SEWING GROUP—MARCH 9TH
JUNIOR SEWING GROUP - MARCH 17TH



NEEDLEWORK CLUB



The 4-H Needlework Club will meet on **March 23, 2006** from 4:30—6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Please register by **Monday, March 20th**, contact Beth Loving at (270) 765-4121 or by e-mailing nloving@uky.edu.

Red work embroidery was the starting point for the 4-H Needlework Club, which formed in October. After learning and practicing the technique, each member completed an 8-inch by 8-inch printed fabric square in an outline stitch. Everyone brought their squares to the January meeting, where the lesson was basic quilting. Each red work square was assembled into a quilt, which was donated to the Hardin County 4-H Council. The quilt was auctioned at the 4-H Council's Chili Supper on February 20th, selling for \$100!!




From Top to Bottom Left—Gabrielle, Megan, Colleen, Victoria
From Top to Bottom Right—Rachel, Alexis, Rachael



OTHER 4-H CLUB MEETINGS



T.K. Stone Panther Club	March 14th
Baptist Youth Ranch.....	March 3rd
Wesley Hilltop House.....	March 13th
Lincoln Trail Elementary	March 21st
Glendale Campus School	March 15th
Valley View Panther Place	March 16th
Elizabethtown Alternative.....	March 24th
East Hardin Middle School	March 7th



SCHOOL CLUBS

It is my hope to have some special four legged visitors at this month's school club meetings. Keep your fingers crossed in hope that things go as planned!

RINEYVILLE ELEMENTARY

March 9th

HOWEVALLEY ELEMENTARY

March 16th

CREEKSIDE ELEMENTARY

Sonora Students— March 7th

Upton Students—March 14th



Creekside Elementary students spent Valentine's Day exploring the secrets of an "Owl Pellet"

~THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH~

Failure is only postponed success as long as courage "coaches" ambition.
The habit of persistence is the habit of victory.

~ Herbert Kaufman

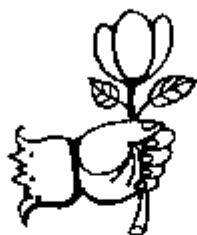
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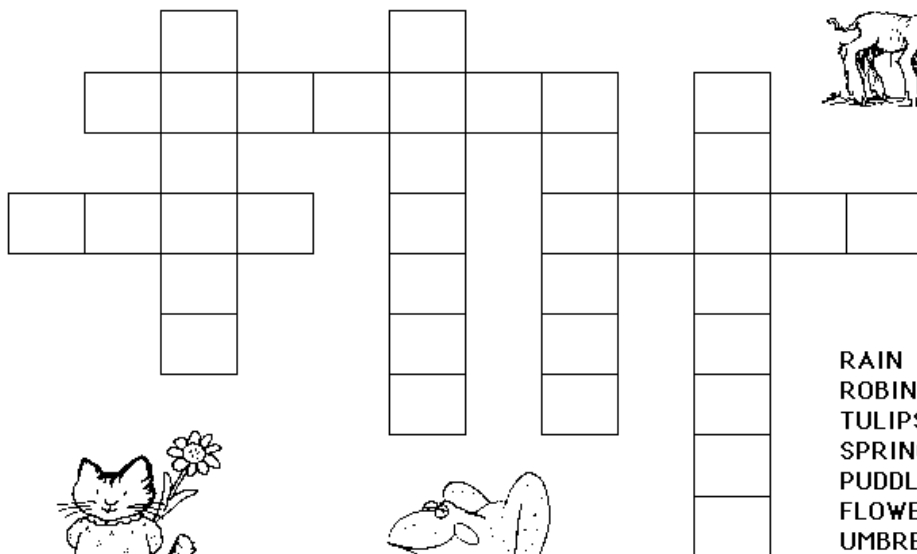
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- IRIS
- JACK IN THE PULPIT
- LADYS SLIPPER
- LILY
- MARSH MARIGOLD
- MAY APPLE
- MAY FLOWERS
- NARCISSUS
- PHLOX
- POPPY
- PRAIRIE ROSE
- SHOOTING STAR
- SNOWDROPS
- SPRING BEAUTY
- TULIPS
- VIOLETS



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