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**Brenda Mathies - Halton's 4-H
Coordinator**

Over the past couple of months you have seen a "new" face amongst the crowds at 4-H meetings, achievement programs and events around the county. The "stranger" in your midst is Brenda Mathies. Her title is 4-H Coordinator but who is she really? Well, lets meet her . . .

While growing up in Campbellville, Brenda actively participated in the local 4-H program to the best of her abilities. In total she completed 27 projects. These included quilting, cooking, heritage, farm safety and maple syrup but no animals! Brenda enthusiastically participated in many opportunities during her 4-H career and was often acknowledged for her efforts. One of the most memorable moments for Brenda was when she was awarded the Press Reporter's Award. The prize - the opportunity to represent 4-H magazine at a Toronto Blue Jay game and interview Frank Wills for the 4-H magazine.

Brenda believes that the 4-H program in Ontario provides so many positive things for so many of today's youth that she has always wanted to be a part of the organization. Brenda wants to make a positive difference to society and believes that by participating to the fullest in the 4-H program (member, leader, and/or support staff) her goal can be accomplished.

With a B.A. in English/Rural Extension from the University of Guelph, Brenda is one of the many Halton 4-H success stories. She sees her position of 4-H Coordinator as an opportunity to grow with and assist in the growth and development of today's Halton 4-H members.

To contact Brenda and discuss your 4-H future (past, present and future members and volunteers), she can be reached by phone/fax 519-822-0285, or e-mail bmathies@sympatico.ca.



Brenda Mathies

Crop and Soil

by Norman Tosh

The fifth meeting for the Crop and Soil was August 17. The meeting was held at Richardson's farm in Burlington. We looked at different mixtures of hay, then the group went for a wagon ride to the fields. Some of the grass isn't doing that well. Back at the barn we talked about marketing hay and other crops. The meeting was adjourned with a snack provided by the Richardson's.

Junior Farmers' Autumn Profile

The Junior Farmers' Association of Ontario, Autumn Profile Committee will be hosting their annual cattle and agriculture show on October 13, 2001 at the Great Northern Exhibition Grounds just outside of Collingwood.

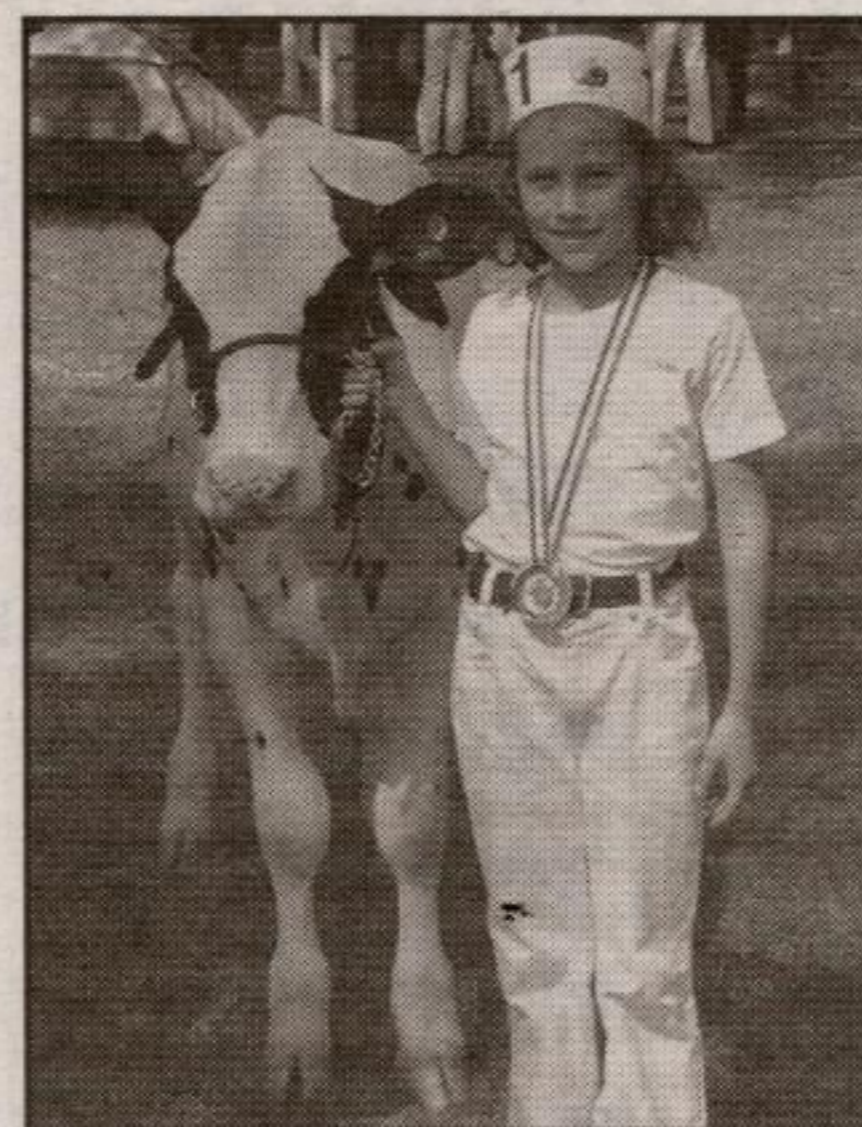
This event is held annually and is an excellent opportunity to showcase local talent. This year the committee is pleased to announce a new class for 4-H members. These members could show in a 4-H showmanship class and get a banquet ticket for \$40.

The rules read that the 4-H showmanship class will be open to any 4-H member of Junior Farmer age (15 years). Any 4-H member wishing to participate in other class-

es must become a Junior Farmer Member (by paying the membership fee).

By paying the Junior Farmer membership fee, they could compete in a beef/dairy class and pay an extra \$2 for each additional class or competition. Other competitions are cropmaster, judging, superfarmer, team clipping and fitting and any other conformation classes.

For more information contact Ellen Batchelor at 519-923-5193 (evenings), ellenbatchelor@hotmail.com.



Future 4-H Achiever, Kristie Laidlaw took 1st in the Open Dairy Pre Junior (10 years of age and under) Showmanship class at the Georgetown Fall Fair.

The Kiwanis Club of the Kingsway and the Halton 4-H Association are pleased to offer:

Maple Syrup
2L \$27 ea. 1L \$15 ea.
375 mL \$7 ea.

Net proceeds assist and support the efforts of the Halton 4-H Association to continue programming

West-Central Junior 4-H Calf Show Elmira Fairgrounds, August 22, 2001

by Marie McNabb

Halton Junior Dairy Club members participating: Kaitlyn Devore, Troy Nurse, Scott Gooding, Kylie MacGillivray, David Gooding, Katelyn Laidlaw, Kelly Laidlaw and Jessica Lutes. This is the first time this competition was offered to 10-13 year olds. There were 57 competitors from six counties.

Showmanship: Jessica was Reserve Champion Senior Showmanship and Reserve Grand Champion Showman. Katelyn Laidlaw won Champion Junior Showman and Honourable Mention Grand Champion Showman. Kaitlyn Devore won Reserve Champion Junior Showman.

Conformation: Kaitlyn won 1st Senior Calf and Reserve Grand Champion Calf. Troy won 1st Junior Calf. Kelly won 2nd Junior Calf. Kylie won 3rd Junior Calf. Jessica won 3rd Intermediate Calf.

Thank you to Royal Bank of Canada and Dumfries Mutual Insurance.

Halton 4-H Rabbit Club Achievement Day September 8, Georgetown Fall Fair

Leader Ward Brownridge was very proud of his club's accomplishments as displayed to judge Fred Funston of Orangeville.

Jessica Lutes: 1st in Junior Showmanship, 2nd in Californian Conformation. Deanna McPhail: 1st in Senior Showmanship, 1st in New Zealand Conformation, Champion Showperson and Reserve Champion Rabbit. Clark McPhail: 1st in Mini Rex Conformation and 4th in Junior Showmanship. Julie Rogers: 1st in Californian Conformation and Champion Rabbit. Megan Milne: 1st in Standard Conformation. Naomi Lutes: 2nd in Senior Showmanship, 5th in Californian Conformation and Reserve Champion Showperson. David Gooding: 2nd Junior Showmanship. Melissa Rogers: 2nd Mini Rex Conformation. Jessica Lutes: 2nd Californian Conformation. Donna McPhail: 2nd New Zealand Conformation. Cassandra Wartlick: 2nd Standard Conformation.

Congratulations to all the Rabbit Club members and thank you to the Georgetown Agricultural Society for sponsoring the event and Peel Seed Co-Op of Brampton for donating prizes.

4-H Beef Project Online

The 4-H Online Beef Project is up and running! It allows members to surf the web, use e-mail and other technology to learn more about beef cattle. This innovative club involves young people from across the province in the same club. The members do not require a calf or need to live on a farm. Link from the website and apply online under "Join the Club" or check out the site by using "visitor" as the login and passcode to obtain temporary access to the site.

Campbellville Welcomes Back Lifeskills

Lifeskills is coming back to Campbellville! For more information about the "NEW" Campbellville 4-H Lifeskills Project contact Brenda Mathies at 519-822-0285 or Patty Lasby at 905-854-0137.

4-H Mini Store Great for Back to School

The recently opened 4-H Mini Store is currently offering Back to School specials. Falcon Promotions offers a wide range of clothing, gifts and momentos to choose from.

New Sponsor for Beef Heifer Show

The National Junior Beef Heifer Show welcomes Top Meadow Farms as the new official sponsor. The Top Meadow Farms National Junior Beef Heifer Show will be held Friday, November 9 to Sunday, November 11 at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Arrival of calves and registration held Friday, November 9. Showmanship competition begins 9 a.m.

Nominations Needed for Arbor Awards

The Ontario 4-H Council is now accepting nominations for the Arbor Award for Volunteers. Please consider nominating your Associations Outstanding Volunteers for this award. Deadline for nominations is November 1, 2001.

Semex Alliance "Walk of Fame"

Semex Alliance is looking for four Intermediate 4-H members to assist with the Walk of Fame display at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Interested 4-H members should contact Brenda to get their application form. Deadline for entries is October 12, 2001.