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4-H Newsletter

Please contact Brenda Mathies at 519-822-0285

Press Reports
Kiwanis Luncheon
by Troy Nurse

On Monday, December 3, the Kiwanis Luncheon winners attended a lunch at The Old Mill in Toronto. After all the 4-H members, leaders, some parents and Kiwanis members arrived, we sang O' Canada and the Maple Leaf Forever.

We then had lunch, where each of us sat at a different table and talked to Kiwanis members. We were introduced by the Kiwanis members and we talked about which clubs we were in.

Following lunch, Paige and Stephanie Gregson and I, received our major Kiwanis awards again and talked about 4-H. Well at least the girls did - Mrs. Comber tried to interview me. We also sang some Christmas songs and had a photo taken.

Thanks to the Kiwanis members for a special lunch and the keeper plaques given for their awards.

Scholarships, Bursaries and Awards

The Canadian Millennium Scholarship Foundation offers Excellence Awards and Bursaries to young people furthering their studies in post secondary institutions. Interested members please visit www.millennium-scholarships.ca for information on criteria and application processes.

FCC Scholarships

Planning to attend college or university? The Farm Credit Corporation is once again sponsoring scholarships to 4-H members. For more information contact Brenda at 519-822-0285 before February 28.

FWIO Scholarships

The Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario is once again sponsoring scholarships to 4-H members. One scholarship will be awarded in each County/District/Area and one scholarship in each of the four Provincial Regions. For more information contact Brenda at 519-822-0285 before March 1.

Summer Employment Opportunities with 4-H Ontario

4-H Ontario is again offering the following summer employment opportunities for youth.

Youth Corp Coordinator (2 positions)
Develop and facilitate programming at five 4-H Members Conferences across Ontario; promote 4-H member events and facilitate 4-H member focus groups; provide written documentation to 4-H Ontario staff as designated

4-H Resource Assistant (2 positions)
Aid in development and review of resources; research and prepare technical updates for current resources; assist with writing, editing and proofing resources for youth and volunteers
For additional information please visit www.4-hontario.ca (opportunities).

Red Angus Semen Donation to 4-H Members

Handford Red Angus are going to donate 1000 straws of semen to 4-H members across Canada, to use for AI to get a 4-H calf. This is our way of helping to promote Angus cattle, as well as showing 4-H members and their families what Angus cattle are all about.

Angus cattle, both red and black, are easy calving, very maternal, usually have lots of milk. Calves are up and sucking within one half-hour. Very few calves need assistance nursing.

This is a program that we (Handford Red Angus) will continue each year. Interested members please contact you leader to make all of the arrangements.

Attention Public Speakers !!!

Are you interested in public speaking? Across Ontario, Lions Clubs hold local and district Effective Speaking Competitions in February and March of each year for youth 10 to 13 (Junior Program) 14 to 16 (Intermediate Program) and 17 to 20 (Senior Program). These competitions provide wonderful opportunities to hone your public speaking skills, with significant cash prizes and opportunities that will take you across Ontario and Quebec. For more information and details contact your school principal or a local Lions Club member.

IMPORTANT DATES
Be sure to mark your calendar!

January 10: Safety Day Committee meeting.
January 15: Final registration for 2002 Building our Future with Hands across the Province.
January 15: 4-H Provincial Leadership Camp application deadline.
January 15: First meeting for the Competitive Judging Club.
January 23: First meeting for the Campbellville Lifeskills - Good Foods Fast club.
January 24: Halton 4-H Association meeting.
February 15: Royal Bank IPE deadline and Camp Enterprise deadline.
February 15-17: 2002 Building our Future with Hands across the Province.
February 27: The Halton 4-H Association hosts its annual meeting at Hillcrest Church.
February 28: Deadline for FCC Scholarship applications.
March 1: Deadline for FWIO Scholarship applications.
March 9-14: Provincial Leadership Camp (Port Sydney).
March 15: Summer Employment Opportunities with 4-H Ontario deadline.
March 27: Halton 4-H Kickoff Night at Hillcrest Church.

Upcoming Projects

Campbellville Lifeskills - Good Foods Fast. Under the leadership of Patty Lasby and Brenda Mathies the first meeting of Good Foods Fast will be held on January 23, 2002 (location TBA). For more information please call either Patty (905-854-0137) or Brenda (519-856-9702).

Alternative Farming. Please join Marie Martin and Nancy Comber while they investigate the "other" farming practices of Halton county. Included will be the exploration of Elk and Ostrich farming, alternative crops, aquaculture and value added elements of a farm. This project will be starting towards the end of January. For more information please contact Marie (519-856-9702) or Nancy (905-878-4955).

Safety. Tom and Barb Parker aim to help all Halton 4-H members identify the hazards that are present on their own farms. This is a chance for the youth of today to really make a difference in the outcomes of tomorrow. This group of young people will also play a very important role in Halton's Safety Day (to be held in March). To participate please call Tom or Barb at (519-856-9255).

Judging. First meeting for the Competitive Judging Club to be held January 15. Contact Doug McDonnell 905-878-4394 or Marie McNabb 905-877-3750.

Non-Competitive Poultry. To learn more about the poultry industry, please join Charlie Tilt on the adventures of a chicken. Excursion to start in March. For more information please call Charlie at 905-854-2713.

Royal Bank Inter-Provincial Exchange

Five delegates from Ontario will be selected to represent our province and travel either to Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick or British Columbia and then host the delegate they are paired with. Deadline to apply is February 15, 2002. For more information contact Brenda at 519-822-0285.

Camp Enterprise

This opportunity to expose, explore, challenge and spur your imagination on the subject of business and private enterprise is offered through the Rotary Club of Toronto. The deadline to apply is February 15, 2002. For more information contact Brenda at 519-822-0285.

4-H Trading Post

Check out the items for sale, trade or giveaway on the new 4-H trading post on the 4-H Ontario web site at www.4-hontario.ca.

Leadership Camp

4-H Provincial Leadership Camp is truly an "Opportunity of a Lifetime." It's a unique experience that every senior 4-H member should participate in. Enjoy the great times and friendships with fellow 4-Hers from all across Ontario. Identify and develop your leadership and organizational skills in a fun "learn to do by doing" atmosphere. For more information please contact Brenda at 519-822-0285 before January 15.

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

4-H Mini Store

Christmas may be over but the great specials offered at the 4-H Mini Store are always in season.