

PLAN OF WORK  
FOR  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY  
1963-1964

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A MAJOR EMPHASIS - EDUCATIONAL PLAN

PROJECT AREA: AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, MANAGEMENT  
AND NATURAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

PHASE: Livestock - Feeding Hogs, Year - 1963

The Situation:

Many farmers in the county are not feeding their hogs proper rations, thereby causing slow and expensive gains. Many are feeding the same rations to hogs weighing from 40 pounds to 200 pounds.

The Specific Problem:

Feeding improper rations to hogs.

The Program Objective:

To get more farmers to feed a balanced ration, thereby increasing the net income from hogs.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To get farmers to realize the economy in feeding a balanced ration.	Hog production in Va. Bul.192 Information provided by Experiment Station  Specialist	Holding a meeting on feeding hogs. News Articles	Jan.	Specialist & Agent Agent
To encourage more farmers to feed a balanced ration.	Bulletins	Letters & Farm Visits	Jan.- July	Agent
To get farmers to understand what a good feed efficiency is.		Tour to other farms in neighboring counties and Middlesex who are doing a good job of feeding hogs proper rations.	Aug.	Agent

EVALUATION:

Individual contacts and informational surveys to determine number of farmers who improved rations.

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PHASE: English Pea Production, Year - 1963

The Situation:

A small percentage of the cropland in Middlesex County is grown in english peas. The yields are not as high as they should be due to improper fertilization, liming and weed control.

The Specific Problem:

Farmers are not following the recommended fertilization programs.

The Program Objectives:

To increase the use of lime and fertilizer on english peas and to improve weed control, thereby receiving larger yields.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To encourage farmers in the use of more lime and fertilizer on english peas.	Specialist & Agent	Letters, soil samples, news articles, farm visits, demonstrations plots.	Jan. & Feb.	Agent
	Bulletins published by V. P. I., University of Maryland and a commercial fertilizer bulletin.	Educational Meeting held for farmers on english pea production.	Mar. & Apr. Feb.	Agent & Specialist Specialists
To encourage farmers to use herbicides for weed control in english peas.	V. P. I. Weed Control Guide Specialist	Letters, farm visits, news articles	March	Agent & Specialist

EVALUATION:

To determine the increased yield of english peas by the use of fertilizer, lime and herbicides for weed control in english peas by individual contacts.

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PHASE: Soybean Production, Liming, Fertilization, and  
Insect Control - Year - 1963

The Situation:

The Largest cash crop grown in Middlesex County is soybeans. Observation of soybeans grown in the county have shown lack of lime and recommended fertilization practices. As a whole, insect control has not been effective due to improper insecticides, time of application, rate of application, etc.

The Specific Problem:

Farmers are not following recommended practices of liming, fertilization and insect control.

The Program Objective:

To increase the use of fertilizer and lime on soybeans and to encourage the farmer to use the proper methods of controlling insects.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To encourage farmers in the use of more lime and fertilizer on soybeans	Growing Soybeans, in Va. Circ. 656 Handbook of Agronomy Specialists	Demonstration Plot News Articles Letters Soil Samples Tour of Experiment Station Individual Farm Visits	June March Apr. & May June-April August Jan.-Sept.	Agent & Specialist
To encourage farmers to use the proper insecticides for insect control and other methods of controlling insects.	Circ. 648 - Controlling Soybean Insects Yearbook of Agriculture on Insects			Agent
To teach farmers how to calibrate a sprayer.	V. F. I. Circular on Calibrating a Sprayer	Demonstrations News Articles	May - Aug.	Agent & Farmers

PHASE: Soybean Production - Liming, Fertilization, and Insect Control, Year - 1963

EVALUATION:

To determine the increased yields of soybeans by the use of more lime and fertilizer and also the insect control by individual farm visits.

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PROJECT AREA: EXTENSION HOME ECONOMICS

PHASE: House Furnishings, Year - 1963

The Situation:

The homemaker takes great pride in her furnishings and a deeper appreciation is formed when she refinishes, repairs, or makes an accessory. Therefore, the homemaker is always eager to be doing something that gives her the feeling of satisfaction.

The Specific Problem:

The homemaker lacks knowledge in the skills and methods of repairing furnishings.

The Program Objective:

To improve the quality of house furnishings and the workmanship in restoring and making accessories.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To provide an opportunity to revive some old arts	Local women will teach the class	Demonstration and exhibit on arts	January	Leaders
Teach methods of chair caning	Local Leaders	Chair-Caning Workshop	Feb. 14	Leaders
To provide the homemaker with knowledge and teach the skill of toled trays	Rural Arts Specialist	Tole Tray Workshop	March	Specialist
Leaders teach others how to etch trays and glass	Leaders will conduct this class and use extension bulletins	Demonstration and exhibit on trays and glassware	April	Leaders
To teach methods of flower arranging and the art of making dried plaques.	A member of a garden club and Rural Arts Specialist	Demonstration and exhibits and lectures	May	Guest

PHASE: House Furnishings (Con't)

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To teach better selection of picture frames and the art of framing pictures.	Agent	Agent will give a demonstration	June	Agent
To teach principles of making gifts. This gift workshop will include items from all phases of home economics.	Agent and Specialist	Christmas Gift Workshop	Sept.	Agent Specialist Guest
To provide information on the selection of draperies and hardware.	Specialist & Trained Leaders	Monthly demonstration before HD Clubs	Sept.	Leaders

EVALUATION:

The agent's observation of furnishings remodeled and repaired and the trend toward simplicity in the home.

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PHASE: Nutrition, Year - 1963

The Situation:

The Nutrition Committee feels there is still a great need for further study in nutrition.

The Specific Problem:

To make better use of the time allowed in order to plan nutritious and attractive meals.

The Program Objective:

To improve food preparation methods.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN?	BY WHOM
To teach proper methods of meat cookery	Local Home Economist	Demonstration at HD Clubs and Exhibit	March	Home Economist
To provide additional information on preparation of salads	V. F. I. Bulletins Food & Nutrition Specialist	Demonstration by leaders at HD Clubs	June	Leaders
To teach new ways of outdoor cookery	Leaders & Specialist	Demonstrations & Bulletins	May	Leaders
To teach proper methods of making puddings and cakes	Food & Nutrition Specialist	Demonstration at HD Clubs Recipes from Extension Service	Nov.	Leaders

EVALUATION:

The Foods and Nutrition Committee meets in February to evaluate the year's program. They will make additional plans for work in this field which will be added to the annual report in 1963.

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PHASE: Clothing, Year - 1963

The Situation:

The County Clothing Committee feels the situation is one of changing the attitudes of the people. The committee feels that there is also a definite need of improved methods of construction among local women.

The Specific Problem:

Homemakers lack the desire to improve their own workmanship and they feel that their present work is acceptable.

The Program Objective:

To stimulate an interest among homemakers and encourage them to improve their construction methods in order to give the garment the professional appearance and to improve the general appearance of the woman.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To provide knowledge on personal grooming.	County Cosmetologists Extension Bulletins	Demonstrations on hair styling Demonstration on the selection of hat styles	Feb. Feb.	Cosmetologists Agent
To furnish knowledge on fabrics, patterns and equipment	Local Stores Extension Bulletins	Demonstration and exhibit on fabrics	Feb.	Agent
To teach construction on wool	Illustrative material	Workshop on tailoring	March	Agent
To teach skill in coordinatng costumes	Leaders from Hat Class in 1962	A two day workshop on hat-making	Feb. & March	Agent & Leaders
To provide information on recognition of clothing fabrics and importance of labels	Clothing Specialist Trained Local leaders	Demonstration by local leaders	May	Leaders

PHASE: Clothing (con't)

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To provide knowledge on the proper selection of foundation garments	Extension Clothing Specialist Local Stores	Demonstration by Agent and Exhibit	October	Agent

EVALUATION:

The County Clothing Committee will conduct a survey among home demonstration club women, special interest and F. T. A. groups, to determine their needs.

The agents observation as to the results of the demonstrations.

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PROJECT AREA: 4-H AND OTHER EXTENSION YOUTH PROGRAMS

PHASE: 4-H Adult Leaders, Year - 1963

The Situation:

More 4-H boys and girls can be reached in 1964 if parents would volunteer to serve as 4-H leaders.

The Specific Problem:

People lack time and they are not willing to give up something else to work with youth only one or two hours each month.

The Program Objective:

To secure a parent to become a 4-H project leader in four communities in the county.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To train and assist parents to become 4-H leaders.	Extension Bulletins State 4-H Staff Specialist	Individual contacts County-wide Leader-training Mtg. To get 4-H leaders to help 4-H members with their 4-H projects during the year.	April May	County Staff
To assist leaders in working with 4-H project and to encourage them to train 4-H members.	Bulletins Illustrative Material	Method demonstration To encourage them to attend county council meetings and other county 4-H meetings.		Leaders

EVALUATION:

4-H records submitted by leaders.

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PHASE: 4-H Honor Club, Year - 1963-1964

The Situation:

The senior club members need an area where they can excel in leadership.

The Specific Problem:

Boys and girls lack time in completing projects, therefore they are non-eligible for the Honor Club.

The Program Objective:

T To organize an Honor Club.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To encourage boys and girls to select projects that they can complete and have the feeling that it has been of educational value.	County Staff	Discuss at county council meeting	April	County Staff
	Printed material from 4-H Dept.	Check records Tap at Special 4-H Program		

EVALUATION:

Through individual contacts with 4-H Club boys and girls and summarize the leadership project that the Honor Club selects.

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PROJECT AREA: COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

PHASE: Public Affairs, Year - 1963

The Situation:

The county has the resources for recreational areas but these areas are in need of developing.

The Specific Problem:

Lack of funds to start a project.

The Program Objective:

To establish a recreation park in the county.

TEACHING OBJECTIVES	SOURCE OF SUBJECT MATTER	METHODS	WHEN	BY WHOM
To create a desire among the local people to establish a recreational park.	Local Board of Tidewater Recreational Center	To meet with committee and hear of their plans	Feb.	Home Demonstration Program of Work Chairmen

EVALUATION:

The realization of a recreational park for residents of Middlesex County.

OTHER FIELDS OF WORK:

Home Economics

House Furnishings

Housing

Landscaping

Consumer Education

Feeder Pig Sale & Marketing Livestock

Livestock Disease Control

V. P. I. Mail-In Record Program

Farm Buildings

Poultry Production

Insect Control on Crops

Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Service

Soil Conservation

Dairy Production