

2. Leaders visit homes of new 4-H club members.
3. Have open house in individual communities for parents and club members.
4. Have senior club members serve as junior leaders.
 - a. have definite members to contact.
 - b. help club members with individual projects.
5. Train vice presidents to make-up and conduct club programs in each club meeting.

3. Need a variety of club programs
4. Lack of interest shown by parents.
5. Need publicity in county other than through newspapers.
6. Need more adult leaders .
7. Need to create a desire on part of club members to complete project work.

III. OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

A. General

1. Publicize outstanding achievements of older club members.
2. Have a special program at each 4-H Club meeting.
3. Have publicity directly centered towards parents.

B. Short-Time Goals

1. Promote direct publicity.
2. More participation in surrounding county fairs.
3. Promote individual competition among 4-H club members in project work.
4. Have 80% completion of projects.
5. Have more participation in State awards program.
6. Sponsor IFYE delegate to county.

C. Long-Time Goals

1. Sponsor County Fair.
2. Have a college scholarship fund available to 4-H Club members.
3. Sponsor an IFYE delegate from county.

IV. Recommendations

1. Participation by 4-H Club members in the following.
 - a. radio
 - b. writing news articles
 - c. making posters giving publicity to current activities.

RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY
4-H PROGRAM PLANNING STATEMENT..1959

I. SITUATION

There are nine organized 4-H Clubs in the County with a combined enrollment of 255 boys and girls, 130 boys and 125 girls.

There are six junior 4-H Clubs and one senior club that meet in school during school hours and two senior clubs that meet once a month in the homes in the community where the clubs are organized out-side of school.

There are 479 boys and 586 girls of 4-H age in the County, or a total of 1065 potential 4-H club members, in "Club Year " of 1959:

- (1) Only 27% of boys reached by 4-H .
- (2) Only 21% of girls reached by 4-H.
- (3) Only 24% of total eligible girls and boys reached by 4-H.

Project Completion :

Only an average of 72% member completion in the year 1951- through 1958.
Only 71.5% project completion during the same length period.

County 4-H Camp

Attendance from County per year as taken from the average of the past eight years from 1950- through 1958: 8 boys and 23 girls attended camp.

County Council :

The County Council, which is made-up of officers from each of the nine 4-H Clubs in the County and serve as the core for 4-H activities in the County, is limited in the financial support it can give to club members in regard to prizes and awards won by such members in county activities as well as for superior project completion.

II. PROBLEM AND NEEDS

1. More participation of youth.
2. Lack of overall interest .

c. At the fall County Council meeting have the Honor Club officers present so joint plans can be made for Achievement night. Also officer training meeting will be held later that same evening with those honor club members attending, assisting.

B. 4-H Camp ... Only eight to ten boys are annually attending camp.

1. Objective and Goal ... increase the number of boys attending 4-H Camp from 10 to 15.

2. Method :

Visit the parents of boys expressing interest in 4-H Camp, making sure they understand that there will be adequate supervision at the camp.

- b. Have 90% completion of project.
- c. Have productive and usable or salable product.

2. Method :

- a. Interest boys in supplying food for home use and excess to be sold.
- b. Frequent farm visits during Spring and Summer.
- c. Have boys follow extension approved practices in regard to kind of seed, preparation of land, proper planting and harvest time.

V. Organizational Projects :

- A. Honor Club... need to reorganize club and develop program so as to stimulate interest among club members as well as serve as a useful county 4-H organization.

1. Objectives and Goals

- a. Have three meetings a year.
- b. Develop leadership by :
 - 1. each honor club member help at least two or more younger 4-H members with their project work and records.
 - 2. Become a junior leader
- c. Work in conjunction with County Council in Achievement Night Plans.
- d. Help with officer's training at fall County Council meeting.

2. Method :

- a. Meetings:
 - 1. one meeting for initiation of new members in May.
 - 2. one social in July or August.
 - 3. one for business, elections, and plan of work in October.
- b. Ask honor club members to be responsible for at least two 4-H'ers in their individual clubs.

- c. Make farm visits and help with construction of bird houses or feeding units. Encourage members to display record books as well as bird houses or feeding units in school and Culpeper Farm Show.

H. Rural Electrification : Fourteen boys are currently enrolled in this project.

1. Objectives and Goals:

- a. Have 80% project completion.
- b. Send one boy to 4-H Electric Congress in Richmond.
- c. Have demonstration in District competition.

2. Method

- a. Have one meeting each month, October through February and put special emphasis on individual demonstrations.
- b. At the conclusion of the project a trip is planned to an electrical plant in Front Royal.

I. Tractor Maintenance : Have twelve boys interested in this project.

1. Objectives and Goals

- a. Have at least eight boys taking project.
- b. Have 80% completion of projects
- c. Secure two leaders to instruct project work and have at least one of them attend training school.

2. Method

- a. Interest boys on farms to take project, pointing out the value of knowledge of farm machinery and it's continuous operation.
- b. Check records weekly at the beginning of each training session.
- c. Set up tractor operation contest at class of project in February.

J. Garden : Have three boys interested in fulfilling garden record requirements for next summer.

1. Objectives and Goals :

- a. Increase number of boys taking project to six.

and six boys have expressed interest in planting seedlings next spring.

1. Objectives and Goals :

Increase interest among club members in Forestry; it's preservation and planting seedlings on individual farms.

2. Methods:

- a. Keep interest-up among club members enrolled in Forest Appreciation by taking field trips and urging them to display record books and leaf collections in school libraries.
- b. Show individual club members and parents where it would be beneficial to plant trees on their respective farms.
- c. Have an area demonstration for planting seedlings and have field-day at one 4-H'er's farm who has planted trees; Harrison Powers, Flint Hill early in March.

E. Dairy: ... Only two boys enrolled in project. Will work with them individually.

F. Poultry:... Only three boys enrolled in project. Will work with them individually.

G. Wildlife: Have seventeen boys enrolled in project.

1. Objectives and Goals

- a. Have 80% completion of project.
- b. Correct identification of buds observed.
- c. Construction of bird houses or feeding stations by members enrolled in project.

2. Method :

- a. Devote one 4-H meeting to study of wildlife. Answer any questions members have in regard to project work.
- b. See that each member has necessary identification material.

1. arrange judging workouts
2. place emphasis on oral reasons.

B. Sear's Pig Chain:

1. Objectives and Goals:

- a. Have number of pigs at weaning age increased for each litter.
- b. Create a demand for weaned pigs, through producing a local market for them.
- c. Have each boy show and sell a single and/ or pen of three in local hog show and sale in September.

2. Methods :

- a. Visit club members periodically and stress management practices.
 1. stress importance of farrowing house with guard rails and heat lamp.
 2. give ration for lactating sow.
- b. Through newspaper articles and radio announcements advertise purebred gilts.
- c. Encourage boys to feed out at least one of their pigs in first litter, pointing out that breeding is just one phase of hog production, and knowledge of feeding is just as important as breeding.

C. Crop : Six members enrolled in the corn project.

1. Objectives and Goals:

Have all 4-H'ers follow extension recommendations as to securing seed, proper planting and fertilization practices.

2. Methods :

Make individual farm visits and advise club members rather than having special meetings during Spring and Summer as boys are kept busy on own farms.

D. Forestry:Eighty-six boys are currently enrolled in Forest Appreciation

1. Objectives and Goals:

- a. improve the quality and increase the number of livestock projects.
- b. have more participation in area livestock shows.
 - 1. Richmond Jr. Premium Show and Sale..... April 13 & 14th
 - 2. Winchester Fat Lamb Show May 1, June 15
 - 3. Orange Area Hog Show and Sale August 25th
 - 4. Culpeper Farm Show August 24th - 29th
- c. develop a local hog Show and Sale.
- d. have everyboy enrolled in sheep projects attend the Area Sheep Shearing School and District Sheep Shearing Contest.
- e. have a livestock judging team in competition at Short Course .

2. Methods:

- a. Teach 4-H'ers selection, proper feeding and management practices through project work and farm visits.
- b. Visit every 4-H'er taking a livestock project.
 - 1. Inform club members as to date and place of various sales and shows and help arrange transportation to these events.
 - 2. Give recognition to members competing in show and sale through radio, newspaper articles and announcing in club meetings.
- c. Meet with County Agent of Warren County and schedule Warren-Page-Rappahannock Hog Show and Sale early in September at the Front Royal Livestock Market.
- d. Encourage all members enrolled in 4-H sheep projects to attend sheep shearing school and arrange for them to be excused from classes and furnish transportation.
- e. Encourage all interested qualified 4-H members to try out for the
- f. Livestock Judging Team

records, preferably at the February meeting.

5. Train vice-presidents to make-up and conduct club programs in each club meeting.
6. Work closely with County Council.
 - a. Money to be made at the Annual 4-H Club Supper to be held March 14th.
 - b. Ask secretary of each club to be responsible in seeing that National 4-H News is placed in school library. Copy of 4-H news will be mailed direct to adult leaders.
 - c. Leader and 4-H'ers have met and plan to have the 4-H Club Supper March 14th, Radio Program March 5th or 10th and Newspaper articles March 12th.
 - d. Publicity:
 1. The Sperryville Sr. and Flint Hill Sr. Clubs will assume responsibility of maintaining the road sign in their respective communities.
 2. articles to be written by agents concerned.
 3. Agent check at Club meetings and assist secretary if necessary in write up articles.
 - e. At the March County Council meeting plans will be made to have the observance of Rural Life Sunday, May 3rd
 - f. A committee appointed by the County Council President will plan the "Share the Fun Contest " for Friday May 9th and awards for the contest will be taken from the council's treasury.
 - g. Also at the County Council in March a committee will be appointed to plan and serve at the county-wide picnic to be held July 11th or 18th.

IV. 4-H Projects :

- A. Livestock... the 4-H club members in Rappahannock are primarily interested in livestock projects. The following projects are listed in order of their importance: sheep, brood sow, market hogs, beef cows and heifers, dairy and baby beeves.

least each month to the County paper telling of the activities of their club.

e. have a special Rural Life Sunday Service.

f. sponsor " Share the Fun Contest " in May.

1. the junior winner receive expenses for registration at 4-H camp.

2. the senior winner receive expenses for registration at State Short Course.

g. sponsor 4-H County-wide picnic in July.

III. General Methods:

1. Promote publicity by :

a. participation of club members in the following: radio, writing news articles, and making posters calling attention to current activities.

b. have open house in individual communities for parents and club members.

2. Provide junior leaders with a definite responsibility.

a. definite members to contact

b. help members with individual projects.

3. Have All Stars, Randall Updike and Jean Lillard, present the requirements and advantages of becoming an All Star to senior club members.

4. Increase project completion by:

a. explanation of achievement awards available for successful completion.

b. promote individual competition among club members in project work.

c. check records during each 4-H club visit

d. only those club members completing project work will be eligible to go to 4-H Camp in August.

e. use visual aids in teaching club members on how to correctly keep

RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY 4-H Plan of Work.... 1959

- I. Situation ... There are nine organized 4-H Clubs in Rappahannock County with an enrollment of a hundred and thirty boys. The six junior and one senior club conduct monthly meetings during school hours. The two senior community clubs hold ten night meetings a year in the home of various club members. The 4-H County Council serve as the core of the County 4-H Program.
- II. General Objectives and Goals..... To assist in the development of boys into useful and desirable citizens.
1. Promote direct publicity of 4-H Club work and it's activities to 4-H parents, 4-H club members, non-members and County population as a whole.
 2. Have senior club members serve as junior leaders.
 3. Recommend one boy and one girl for All Star each year if eligible .
 4. Have at least 80% completion of projects and turned in records.
 5. Have a special program at each 4-H Club meeting.
 6. Work with the 4-H County Council to help them achieve their following goals:
 - a. pay part of the expenses for two girls and 2 boys to State Short Course
 - b. purchase copies of National 4-H News to be given to leaders and clubs.
 - c. sponsor 4-H supper during National 4-H Club Week. Give publicity during 4-H Club Week in newspapers and on radio .
 - d. publicity :
 1. maintain 4-H road signs.
 2. sponsor one girl and one boy as 4-H'er of the year during National 4-H Club Week.
 3. Have reporter from individual clubs send in an article at

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