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A SUGGESTED MONTHLY PROGRAM FOR COUNTY-WIDE

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4-H FORESTRY PROJECT

BLACKSBURG, VA.

(Agents or leaders may want to use these programs in a different order or may only want to use some of them. We hope these suggestions can at least be a guide in making up your own program.)

First Meeting: Organize club. Explain project. Discuss program for next meeting.

Second Meeting: Program may be

- a. Show 72 frame filmstrip "The Woods of Home" about plant and animal life in a virgin forest.

OR

- b. Take a trip to a nearby woods.
- c. Describe how a forest differs from a park, an orchard, or a shady lawn.
- d. Have members fill out requirement #1.

Third Meeting: Discuss requirement #5 - How a Tree Grows.

- a. Use chart "How a Tree Grows."

OR

- b. Use chart above and sample cross section(s) of trees.
- c. Take a field trip to show actual parts of a tree and to show actual cross section of a log or stump in a mill yard or a cutting operation.
- d. Have members fill out first part of requirement #5.

Fourth Meeting: Discuss remainder of requirement #5 - (1) What We Get From Our Forests and (2), Forest Enemies.

- a. Use charts "What We Get From Forests" and "What We Get From Trees".
- b. Have members bring samples of products made from wood.
- c. Discuss enemies of the forest.
- d. Have members fill out remainder of requirement #5 except "name your favorite tree".

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Fifth Meeting: Special forestry program - Outline and aids available from Forestry Extension on request.

- a. Have members put on the program.
- b. Describe 4-H forestry demonstration program and hand out demonstration program material.
- c. Have members fill out last part of requirement #5 on "name your favorite tree". (Senior project only.)

Sixth Meeting: Introduce the 4-H forestry demonstration program.

- a. Explain procedure for forestry demonstrations and put on a sample demonstration.
- b. Plan school or club display of record books and possibly a later display of leaf prints and/or mounted leaves.
- c. Select members to put on forestry demonstrations at next meeting.

Seventh Meeting: Have members put on 4-H forestry demonstrations.

Eighth Meeting: Collect leaves and identify trees.

- a. Discuss how to identify trees.
- b. Explain and demonstrate how to make leaf prints and how to mount leaves.
- c. Complete requirements #2, 3 and 6.

Ninth Meeting: Give V.P.I. Tree Identification quiz or one developed in county.

- a. Have members fill in requirement #4.
- b. Check record books for completion.

Alternate Program and Aids:

1. Methods of caring for and planting tree seedlings.
2. Decorating trees.
3. Show "Color of Life" - a 38 min. film on the life of a tree from a seed to maturity through the four seasons of the year.
4. Best lumber tree and why.
5. Show "Timber Tale" - a 13 min. film showing the basic importance of Virginia's forests, forest industries and forest management.

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