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At a meeting in November of the 4-H County Council a training session was held in separate groups for Presidents, Vice Presidents (program chairman), Song Leaders, Secretaries and Reporters. Further training and assistance was given by agents and leaders at club meetings and individually, when necessary.

b. 4-H Adult Leader Training

Eight clothing leaders were given training in sewing techniques, construction of collars, sleeves, zippers, and the latest information on interfacings, hem types, and patterns, in preparation for assisting with the County 4-H Clothing project.

Since all of the community clubs did not take the same project, the agent met individually with club leaders and trained them in conducting project work. Four leaders working with the Light Horse and Pony project were worked with individually and at monthly club meetings to help them understand and get the principles of 4-H across to club members. These leaders were all experienced in feeding, care, management and horsemanship.

c. 4-H Camp Leader Training

Eight Junior and two adult leaders were trained in over-all camp leadership and in crafts to be taught at camp. Training was given two adult leaders in

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leaders for all craft programs were trained at the County Craft Workshop (nine classes taught). The agent did follow-up and supplemental leader-training as needed - by individual conferences, telephone calls, correspondence, and sending helpful materials. The leaders were encouraged to continue their work in the project beyond the club demonstration - conducting special interest classes, giving demonstrations to other groups, working with youth groups, and giving individual assistance. The high quality of much of the H. D. Club leadership in the county is the result of leadership development work over a period of years. Another factor is the time and effort put into preparation for leaders' training meetings. The satisfaction that the women have found as leaders - and the inspiration of other leaders - is evident when they volunteer for the next years' programs.

b. Home Demonstration Club Officers

An officers' training meeting was held for H. D. officers and others who were interested. The County H. D. Club Parliamentarian conducted the training.

2. 4-H Club Officer Training

a. County Council Training Meeting

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Four boys and four girls serve as Junior Leaders at Jamestown 4-H Camp. They assist with educational classes, crafts, sports, and help guide the younger 4-H'ers in general camp activities.

Adult leaders and agents were assisted by Junior leaders in conducting the following summer project groups: four Food and Nutrition; one Clothing; one Electric; one Your Room and one Home Grounds.

3. Agricultural Leaders

The Tri County DHIA, which was organized a year ago, was in bad shape financially. During the reorganization, a member of the County Dairy Committee was elected Vice President, and another was elected Treasurer. Through their leadership and interest in the Association work, the Tri County DHIA has advanced to a strong position financially.

The members of the Poultry Committee showed a great interest in the recent educational meeting on the Poultry Products Act, passed by the 1964 General Assembly. One hundred percent of those requested to attend this meeting, were present. They are keenly interested in the future of the poultry industry.

C. Leader Training

1. Home Economics

a. H. D. Club Project Leaders

Fourteen leader-training meetings were held with a total attendance of 396 leaders. In addition

a. Adult Organizational Leaders

Adult Organizational leaders helped reorganize the community clubs and took the responsibility of seeing that these clubs met monthly during the year. Again this year the leaders were the instigators of the 4-H Round-up, which was introduced into the 4-H Club program last year. Leaders served as hosts, hostesses, judges, guides, coordinators and advisors for the following 4-H activities: Share the Fun Contest; Public Speaking Contest; County Demonstration Contest; District Contest; 4-H Round-up; 4-H Sunday Service and 4-H Camps.

b. Adult Project Leaders

Twenty-one project leaders assisted with the 4-H program. Ten were also organizational leaders who not only reorganized the club at the beginning of the club year, but conducted the general business meeting each month. Project leaders conduct the project work for the club, and help the vice president (program chairman) select and prepare club members in giving a demonstration concerning that months program topic. They are instrumental in getting 4-H'ers to complete their project, fill in record sheets, and turn them in to the agents to be checked. Project leaders encourage 4-H'ers to participate in county contests and activities and compile achievement records.

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Four clothing project leaders conducted three summer sewing groups and one assisted the agent in conducting a Your Room summer project group. Summer project leaders explain the project, teach the subject matter and give out the written materials.

Five adult leaders conducted subject matter meetings in the 4-H Light Horse and Pony project. During the Summer and Fall several trail-riding outings were held. Leaders gave instructions on feeding, care, barn management, detecting blemishes and proper riding form.

c. Junior Leaders

Sixteen Junior leaders assisted as guides, hosts and hostesses, summer project leaders, and participants in County activities such as 4-H Round-up, Share the Fun Talent Elimination Contest, Share the Fun Talent Show, Public Speaking Contest, District Contest, and County Demonstration Contest.

With the help of their sponsor the Honor Club members planned and conducted the 4-H Sunday Service (the Honor Club's annual project). Members served as ushers, members of the choir and took part in the service. Lunch at 4-H Round-up was served by 4-H Honor Club members again this year. They planned the menu, made the dessert, helped prepare the food, served, and cleaned up.

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planned and conducted a program of high quality, attended by approximately 200 county people. The Educational Tour Committee planned and conducted a successful tour to the Beltsville Research Center (85 County people participated). 260 women attended the County H. D. Club Annual Luncheon, planned and conducted by the Luncheon Committee. The agent served as advisor to these and other committees, but committee members assumed most of the actual duties required.

d. Project Leaders

All major programs of the H. D. Clubs were conducted by 556 project leaders. These programs included Home Economics, Civil Defense and Home and Community Beautification. In addition to giving the programs to their clubs, many conducted the projects for other adult or youth groups. Much of the success and value of the 1964 Home Economics program was due to the work done by these leaders.

2. 4-H Club Leaders

33 women and 11 men served as adult leaders in the 4-H program. Ten were both organizational and project leaders. Eleven served as project leaders, five as teacher sponsors, and eighteen as general county leaders (assisted with county-wide 4-H activities and events.)

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and enrollments taken for special interest programs. Program Development leaders contributed much to the success of the years' programs, as well as to the development of a worthwhile program for 1965, based on real needs of the people.

b. County H. D. Club Officers

County officers demonstrated excellent leadership qualities in carrying out their responsibilities of planning and directing county activities. The County president participated in State Federation and District Federation meetings, District Leadership Conference, District Federation Planning Meeting, the Area Meeting for Resource Development, and the Governor's meeting on Conservation of Natural Resources. She presided at county-wide H. D. Club events, and appointed and directed all County H. D. Club Committees. Her conscientious attention to details and her personal contact with the clubs and committee members did much to inspire and encourage a high quality H. D. Club program in the county.

c. County H. D. Club Committees

All County H. D. Club committees functioned well, and contributed much to the enthusiastic response to the club program this year. The Craft Workshop Committee

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of 4-H'ers have evolved a new idea for a county-wide contest, to recognize the most outstanding 4-H Club in the County, recognition to be based on project completion, meeting attendance, and activity participation. At the end of the 1965 club year the All Stars will present a plaque to the outstanding club. They hope that this will encourage more and better participation of 4-H members.

6. Agricultural Committees

County Committees are organized in Agronomy, Dairy, Livestock, and Poultry. The Horticultural planning is done through a county-wide general interest landscape planning committee. At meetings, the members contribute freely to discussions and in final planning. All members of these committee display a great knowledge of Agriculture and Floraculture needs in the county.

B. Contributions made by local leaders

1. Home Economics

a. H. D. Club Program Development Leaders

These leaders led program development work in their clubs, and were responsible for seeing that 1964 programs were well prepared and presented. They saw that leaders were appointed for all programs, that the club was represented at leaders' meetings,

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in the county regarding the 4-H program. They advise the agents in setting the policy for the county 4-H program, study financial needs and help in securing necessary support. The committee was the instigator in sending four deserving County senior 4-H Club members to Citizenship Shortcourse in Washington. Two of these 4-H'ers have already told of some of their Citizenship Shortcourse experiences to two Civic Clubs and a school assembly.

4. Adult Leaders Organization

The Adult Leaders Organization is composed of eighteen men and women who have a sincere interest in 4-H Club work, and the youth of the county. They assist the agents in planning, conducting, and evaluating 4-H programs and activities on a county-wide and community basis. Sponsors for the 4-H Honor Club and County Council are selected from the organization by its members.

5. 4-H All Stars

Henrico 4-H All Stars are each year a major source of leadership, help and support for the 4-H Club program. They plan, conduct and sponsor financially the county-wide 4-H Public Speaking Contest. These young men and women who are always encouraging more and better work

I. INVOLVEMENT OF LOCAL LEADERSHIP IN PLANNING
AND CARRYING OUT THE EXTENSION PROGRAM

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A. Planning Committees, Organizational Leadership

1. Home Demonstration Club Officers

All H. D. Clubs had four or more major officers who conducted club business and directed programs and program development.

2. County Home Demonstration Club Committee

This committee is composed of the presidents and program development leaders of all H. D. Clubs, and the four major County Officers. The Committee had two meetings and one executive board meeting this year for planning and directing county-wide activities and programs. Sub-committees were: Program Development, Educational Tour, Rural Arts (County Craft Workshop), Yearbook, Annual Luncheon, Budget, Nominating, and Audit. Each of these held one or more meetings to plan and prepare for County special events and execute H. D. Club business. A special planning group on Home and Community Beautification was composed of the Beautification Chairman of all clubs. The agent advised and assisted county officers and committees, and kept club presidents and program development leaders informed by monthly letters and personal conferences.

3. 4-H Adult Advisory Committee

The 4-H Adult Advisory Committee has an active membership of eight men and women, who study and analyze the situation

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