

4-H plans "exciting year"

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LANCASTER — Lancaster County 4-H clubs are anticipating a great year according to Nancy Myers, 4-H county agent.

"Our leaders are already excited about some of the programs we will be offering. We hope to make this year a year that Lancaster County 4-H clubs really grow," she said.

"We are offering a lot of 4-H awareness programs because 4-H is always changing and we are trying to meet the needs of all youths. 4-H isn't just for farm kids anymore. Our suburban and city enrollment far outnumbers our rural enrollment."

One such 4-H awareness program took place Thursday morning, January 22, to senior citizens in the New Holland area.

The program, held at the Trinity Lutheran Church, featured various projects on which the New Holland area clubs are working. Some of them are handyman, rabbit and pet care.

Said Nancy, "Everyone enjoyed that day. The senior citizens really like being shown what the kids are doing and we helped make them aware of 4-H's role in their community. Hopefully some of those attending will want to help us grow."

The program, headed by Fern Huber, New Holland Community Club, also featured a clothing and crafts presentation by Jennie Phillips of Garden Spot 4-H.

The 4-H clubs of Lancaster County not only recruit their leaders, but they also continually help them learn along with the youths.

On January 21 and February 5 over 20 leaders from the county joined in various workshops presented by the leaders of the Leader's Advisory Council. Their instruction, which included new projects, promotion ideas, leadership skills and group participation, was entitled "Ins and Outs of Club Organization."

"We want to reach the hard to



There is no generation gap here as Linda Eva Hoover a pet care project at a 4-H Sue Huber, future 4-H'er shows senior citizen Awareness program in New Holland.



Leaders from the 4-H Leader's Advisory Council gathered for a workshop entitled "In and Outs of Club Organization." Pictured are (left) Kathy Phillips and Dot Charles who worked together as instructors for the class. With her back to the camera is Barb Engle.

reach areas such as intercity youth, the handicapped and just anybody who still believes that 4-H is all raising cattle and sheep." Nancy explained I think anyone we could talk to would be surprised at what all we offer. Even our leaders are learning more about us all the time. And they really get excited. Imagine how the kids would feel and benefit if they only knew everything we do."

Looking ahead, the roster for the Lancaster County 4-H clubs includes such events as a Night at the Spectrum, March 6 to watch the Philadelphia 76'ers play the Denver Nuggets, a spring fling, a regional event to be held in York, February 21, featuring communications workshops, clowning and pantomime, promotion techniques and group discussions, and a teen leader retreat to

Doubling Gap, April 10-12 for the Capital Region - this retreat will feature a juvenile justice system with mock disposition hearings and role playing of different professional positions such as lawyers and judges.

Other future events include Roller skating, March 9 Home ec leaders training, March 25

Teen, leader, agent training retreat to Washington, March 27-29 Capitol Days to Harrisburg, April 27-28

4-H officers training, May 12 Philadelphia fabric trip, May 16 Camp Nawakwa, June 9-12 Public speaking contest, June 17 4-H leadership congress, June 22-26 Day camp, July 14 Fashion revue, July 16 State Achievement days, August 10-12

Many more events are planned and you can read about them in future issues of Lancaster Farming.

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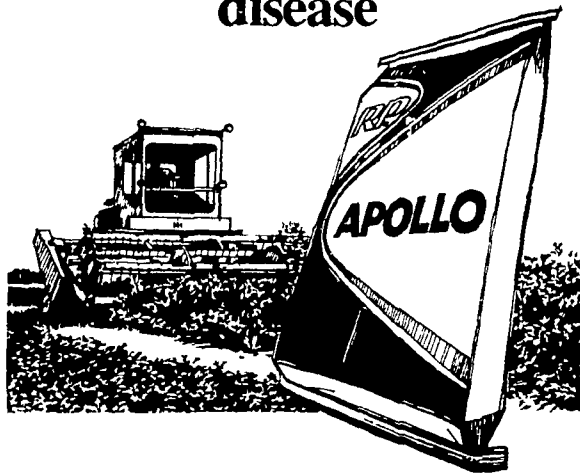
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