

3 Million 4-H Members Keep Busy on Projects

Four-H members are widely known as "doers." As a matter of fact, 4-H pioneered the "learn-by-doing" method of informal teaching.

Today an estimated 3 million boys and girls between 9 and 19 years of age are engaged in some 50 different projects. These projects have been developed over the years by the Cooperative Extension Service which supervises all 4-H work. The majority of the projects — or programs — are suitable for urban as well as rural 4-H'ers.

For example, agricultural projects such as livestock, crops and marketing are designed for farm youngsters who make up about 39 per cent of the national enrollment. Projects and activities in science, consumer education, home and money management, home economics, health, safety, leadership and mechanics are suitable for all 4-H members.

The projects are set up so the 4-H'er can advance in an orderly fashion under the guidance of volunteer adult leaders and experienced 4-H junior leaders. When projects are completed, 4-H'ers are encouraged to evaluate their own achievements. Not only is it possible to compete with other 4-H'ers engaged in like projects, but there is a special program called "achievement" which considers progress in their total 4-H efforts.

It is the national 4-H Achievement program sponsored by the Ford Motor Company Fund. Annual awards are offered for the best overall records submitted in county, state and national competition.

Last year, for example, nearly 9,000 members in 50 states, qualified for county medal awards. The top state award is a trip to the National 4-H Congress held in Chicago the week after Thanksgiving.

From the 1968 state winners, 12 will be chosen for national \$500 scholarships. A special award of an engraved silver serving tray, presented in the name of the President of the United States, will be given to the highest ranking girl and boy from among the national winners.

Ford officials are hosts to the achievement award winners and leaders during the national Congress, and also at a luncheon for the entire Congress delegation of some 2,000 persons. Ford has supported the 4-H program for the last two decades.

Go where the action is! During National 4-H Week, October 6-12, you'll have a chance to see what 4-H is doing in the "Jet Age." If you're between the ages of 9 and 19, you can become a part of the action-oriented 4-H membership. Now's the time to contact your local county agent for details.

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Youth Everywhere Observe National 4-H Club Week

National 4-H Week, October 6-12, will be observed across the nation by more than three million 4-H youths, a half-million volunteer leaders, thousands of professional workers and friends of 4-H.

The unprecedented expansion of 4-H in the last decade will be highlighted, according to Gail McCarty, Morrow county extension agent.

One of the advances in 4-H project work has been more emphasis on science, experimentation and efficient farm and home management. Personal development and leadership also have been accelerated.

Introduction to 4-H via television is another major advance. Projects such as general science, automotive, electric, dog care and training, and emergency preparedness are among the TV series offered by the Cooperative Extension Service. About a million boys and girls between 9 and 19 years of age have participated in TV 4-H this past year.

Any boy or girl can be a 4-H'er: As a regular club member, a TV member, or a short term project member. The Extension Service has worked out simplified programs to fit families in isolated or low income communities.

The 4-H youths are engaged in projects or activities that cover just about every home situation, personal goal and ability. Among some 50 programs which carry awards for outstanding achievement, are home economics, health, safety, field crops science, conservation, livestock, marketing, photography and veterinary science.

Support comes from private industry in the form of scholarships, educational trips, reference books and technical assistance. The county and state Extension Service is the mainstay of the overall 4-H program.

"There's something for everyone in 4-H—including parents—and everyone gets something out of 4-H," observes McCarty. Working on projects of their own choice often paves the way for a college education or a future career, he added.

The slogan for National 4-H Week is: "Join 4-H... A World of Opportunity." Parents are invited to learn more about 4-H and enroll their youngsters. Information can be obtained from the county extension office, Heppner.

Three million young Americans can't be wrong. 4-H Clubs all over the United States are demonstrating this during National 4-H Week, October 6-12.

From the President . . .

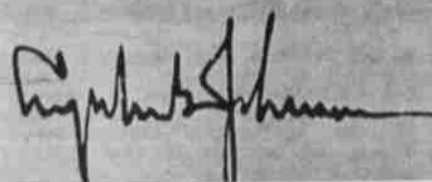
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Dear 4-H Members:

You have my best wishes as you prepare for the 1968 observance of National 4-H Week. You can be proud of your accomplishments, and I assure you that the nation shares your pride.

The 4-H program benefits Americans of all ages and walks of life. And through the Head-Heart-Hands-Health plan, its good results have spread to over seventy-five nations abroad.

I hope your friends will be encouraged by your example to join 4-H, and share your goals for better homes and communities, and better understanding of the challenges of our trying time.



320 Taking Part In 4-H Club Work

A total of 320 youths are taking part in 4-H club work in Morrow county, according to figures compiled by Gail McCarty, county extension agent.

These participants have a total of 442 projects. The number of members is down slightly from last year's total of 341 and the number of projects is also down somewhat from the 555 last year.

Membership in 4-H here in 1966 was 290, showing a big gain for 1967, with some decline for 1968.

Leaders this year total 48. Total projects for the various types of clubs is as follows: Livestock, 85; horse, 95; akl,

58; knitting, 55; clothing, 58; foods, 50; outdoor cookery, 13; Empire Builders, 23; dog, 5.

Evenly Divided

Did you know that the three million 4-H members are about equally divided between town and country, city and farm? And did you know you can choose from plenty of projects, regardless of your interests? And did you know that this is National 4-H Week, the time to get in-the-know about 4-H? Tomorrow it may rain, or your alarm clock may not go off, so do it today. Join a 4-H Club during National 4-H Week, October 6-12.

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. . . these will come from a group of young people who are practicing good citizenship today. Such are the 4-H members throughout Morrow county. They are learning the best ways to serve their communities, families, and themselves. By doing, they are discovering new methods of farming and homemaking. The knowledge and habits they acquire mean a better America.

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