



4-H Happenings

February 2020

4-H Public Speaking

Congratulations to the youth who competed at the Hamilton County contest. Winners in 4th grade: Chelsee Gulett, 1st; Cora Waddell, 2nd; Liam Cook, 3rd. Winners in 5th grade: Lauren Bacon, 1st; Ella Butterfield, 2nd; Ciara Clayton, 3rd. Winners in 6th grade: Gracie Sikes, 1st; Sophie Cook, 2nd. Winners in 9th grade: Caroline Burns, 1st; Jack O'Keady, 2nd; Brock Griggs, 3rd. Others participating: Aiden Blackmon, KeAsijah Campbell, and Tatum White. Thank you to the judges of the Hamilton County 4-H Public Speaking Contest: John Goggans, Linda Green, Mark Kennedy, Andrew Sabin, Jim Tanner, Harold Wilkins and LaTina Wilkins.

The 1st place winners in 4th-6th grades will compete at the South Eastern Corner Multi-County 4-H Public Speaking Contest in Bledsoe County on March 17. The 1st place winners in Senior High will compete at the Eastern Region Senior High Public Speaking Contest on February 1 at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

4-H Hippology and Horse Bowl Contest winners

Congratulations to the youth from Hamilton County who competed in the Eastern Region 4-H contests. In Hippology, Austin Moore received top ten honors placing 7th overall. The junior high team of Makenli Ayers, Brooklyn McCorkle and Austin Moore placed 4th in the region and qualified them to compete at the state contest. Mason McGraw received top ten honors in the junior division placing 10th. Beau Duvall also competed in the junior Hippology Contest. In Horse Bowl the senior high team of Ayla Luna, Enrique Perez and Jacob Presley placed 4th. This team will also compete at the state contest representing Hamilton County and the Eastern Region.

Special thanks to the coaches and volunteers working with the youth. The horse club members will be competing in 4-H Horse Judging contest in the spring. Call the Extension Office if you want to get involved in the 4-H Horse Club, which meets on the first Monday of each month in Soddy Daisy.

4-H Art Poster winners

Congratulations to the youth who competed in the Hamilton County 4-H Art Poster Contest. County winners: Michael Murphy (4th), Susanna Smith (5th) and Hannah Parr (5th). Additional first place winners in the County contest: Sophie Cook (6th), Jacob Palmer (7th), Kyle Ake (8th), Tobias Ringheimer (9th). Second place winners: Cash Daniels (4th), Sophie Moore (6th), Manoa Hall (7th). Third place winners: Ethan Massengale (4th), Braxton Pinney (5th), Logan Smith (7th).

4-H Citizenship Club

Create different types of artwork at 4-H Citizenship Club meetings this spring. The Club meets on the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Extension Office. At the March 14 meeting, 4-H'ers will learn how to make a watercolor resist painting with visiting artist Catherine Gilreath. There is no charge to participate.

4-H Chick Chain

The deadline to register for the 4-H Chick Chain is Friday, February 21, 4:00 p.m. Participants will raise 12 hens and bring 3 back to the Hamilton County Fair. This is a great animal science project. Cost is \$40. Call for a registration sheet.

National Cornbread Cook-off for 4th graders

Reminder - The first-place prize is \$500 cash along with special gifts from Lodge Cast Iron and Martha White. Recipe entry deadline is March 1, 2020. Go to http://nationalcornbread.com/food/cornbread-cook-offs/ for more information (see the section on 4-H Cook-off).

4-H Beekeeping Essay

2020 Theme - Overwintering: Bee Survival through the Cold Season State 1st place wins \$100, national winner receives \$750 March 15, 2020, deadline to submit essay electronically. This contest is open to all 4-H youth. Let us know if you submit an essay. For all guidelines go to: https://4h.tennessee.edu/Pages/beeessay.aspx

Piggy Bank Pageant

This pageant is part of the Tennessee Saves Program.

Rules and guidelines

Bank should be made by the youth

Bank should not exceed 12 inches by 12 inches by 12 inches (anything larger will not be eligible to compete at the next level (county contest))

There should be a way to both put money in and get money out of the bank

Bank should be sturdy enough for transport

On an index card or paper print: name, phone number, school, grade, savings goal (amount you would like to save per month)

Deadline is: March 4-H Club meeting or March 27, 4:00 p.m., to Extension office

Categories (six different groups):

Pre-K – 1st Grade 4th Grade 6th – 8th Grade 2nd – 3rd Grade 5th Grade 9th – 12th Grade (This contest is open to younger youth)

March Extension Month Photo Contest

During March Extension month we are having a photo contest for both youth and adults. You can go to our website to get more information about the contest and entry deadlines. Photos will be due March 29th. There will be multiple categories. Both youth and adults may enter one photo per category. Check out the guidelines at https://hamilton.tennessee.edu

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