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# 4-H Happenings

## FEBRUARY

## 2022

### Monroe County 4-H Newsletter

#### Service Project

Monroe County 4-H is conducting a service project to support the first ever Tennessee Food Waste Awareness Drive.

**YOU CAN HELP!**

We are asking for all 4-H classrooms to bring canned food to support this great cause.

Examples can include:

- Canned Fruits (Peaches, Pears, Pineapple, etc.)
- Canned Vegetables (Corn, Peas, Carrots, etc.)
- Canned Protein (Tuna, Pinto Beans, Baked Beans, etc.)

*We will collect the items at your March 4-H Club Meeting. Remember, the items you bring in will count toward points for Outstanding Club of the year.*



#### 4-H Public Speaking Contest Results



The Monroe County 4-H Public Speaking program once again had a very successful year! Approximately 776 speeches were given in the classroom across the county, and 36 youth delivered their speeches at the county contest. The Monroe County 4-H Public Speaking Contest was held on January 9, 2022 at Vonore Baptist Church. The award winners were as follows:

**First Place:** Zoey Self- 4th Grade (TPES); Lila Standridge- 5th Grade (TPJHS); Karly West- 6th Grade (RVES); Eli Byrum- 7th Grade (MMS); Jackson Plemons- 8th Grade (TPJHS); Elli Martin- 11th Grade (Home School); Mary Beth Chester- 12th Grade (Cross Creek).

**Second Place:** Kendyl Debety- 4th Grade (TPES); Ava Watson- 5th Grade (BIS); Radley Rhymes- 6th Grade (BIS); Kendyll Smallen- 8th Grade (MMS); Riley Smallen- 11th Grade (SQHS).

**Third Place:** Zayne Nabors- 4th Grade (RVES); Noah Watson- 5th Grade (MMS); Landon Dacus- 6th Grade (MMS).

I PLEDGE

**MY HEAD**  
to clearer thinking

**MY HEART**  
to greater loyalty

**MY HANDS**  
TO LARGER SERVICE

**MY HEALTH**  
to better living

FOR MY CLUB & MY  
MY COMMUNITY  
MY COUNTRY WORLD.



The sponsors for the contest were Sweetwater Lions Club and Lee Mini Storage.

To all those involved -

4-H members, parents, teachers, principals - thanks for all your support!

This is a very important life skill activity, and get ready to give speeches again in November.

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During the month of March, 4-H members have the opportunity to enter the 4-H Baking Contest. For those of you who are interested in this activity, pull out your measuring cups and get ready! Remember, these products need to be made from "scratch" - no mixes of any kind are allowed to be entered into the contest.

Remember to include your recipe. Entries will be judged on taste as well as presentation. The following is what each grade can bake:

**4th Grade: (3) Muffins- any kind**



*Suggested: Plain, Fruit/nut, Bran/whole wheat, Cornmeal- plain or Mexican*



**5th Grade: (3) Biscuits- any kind**

*Suggested: Plain, Cheese, Fruit*

**6th Grade: (3) Cookies- any kind**



*Suggested: Drop cookies, bars or squares, rolled cookies, filled cookies, decorated cookies*



**7th Grade: (1/2) Cake- any kind**

*Suggested: Unfrosted, frosted, decorated, upside-down, coffee, stack cake, bundt cake*

**8th Grade: (1/2) Quick Loaf Bread- any kind**

*Suggested: Banana But, Pumpkin, Zucchini*

*\*Due to COVID-19 concerns,  
please only bring enough items  
for judging. (3)*

*1/2 Loaf, Yeast Bread*

*1/2 Loaf, Sourdough*



Ready, Set,  
**BAKE**



MORE INFO  
COMING SOON!



Just a reminder, we will be promoting the 4-H camping program in the classroom during the month of March. Each 4-H member will receive a camp brochure, and also an application so you can sign up and attend camp.

**Junior 4-H Camp (Grades 4-6) is May 30 - June 3, 2022**

**Junior High 4-H Camp (Grades 7 and 8) will be July 11 - July 15, 2022**