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## MONROE COUNTY 4-H NEWSLETTER

### 4-H HONOR CLUB



Are you in at least 6th grade? Have you been an active 4-H member? Do you enjoy leadership and citizenship activities? Then, maybe you can become a Tennessee 4-H Honor Club member! Honor Club is for junior high (6th-8th graders) and senior (9th-12th graders) 4-H members who have been active members of their local clubs. Membership is based on an application form. You get points for everything you do... completing your projects, participating in events and activities, making presentations, helping other 4-H'ers, volunteering in your community, you even get points just for joining 4-H! Contact Greg or Morgan for more information.

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### 4-H JUDGING TEAMS

There are many opportunities available to 4-H members outside the classroom, and one of those is participating in a judging contest! Listed below are some of the judging teams offered in Monroe County, and you must be in grades 6 through 12 in order to take part in these events:

**CONSUMER DECISION MAKING:** Youth learn how to rank consumer products over others based on standards and quality. Examples of consumer items include cereals, headphones and luggage.



**FORESTRY JUDGING:** 4-H members learn to identify leaves, wood, insects and diseases, measure trees, and use a compass to find their general direction.



**FCS SKILLATHON:** 4-H members compete at stations to identify items related to clothing, housing and interiors, and food and nutrition.



**LIVESTOCK JUDGING:** Members learn to evaluate classes of beef cattle, sheep, goats, or swine and place them on their ability to produce meat or to produce offspring.



**MEATS JUDGING:** This contest teaches youth to identify and judge retail and wholesale cuts of beef, lamb and pork.



### 4-H Camps

It's never too early to start thinking about 4-H Camp in Greeneville. Clyde Austin has provided campers with enjoyable experiences since 1949. With no more than 100 acres of well maintained grounds, the camp has huge playing fields for sports and games, a 3 acre lake for fishing and canoeing, a brand new swimming pool with a spiral water slide, rifle and archery ranges, volleyball, basketball, and many more activities. We will be promoting camp in the classrooms in the month of March, so start saving your money now in order to take part in a great experience.

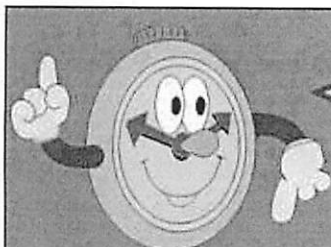


### 4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,  
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,  
my **HANDS** to larger service,  
and my **HEALTH** to better living,  
for my club, my community,  
my country, and my world.







What is a Demo?

## The 4 Minute Demo

It's a combination of a speech and an exhibit!

It's teaching someone how to do something!

It's a Lot of Fun!

## Example Demo

Project: **Line and Design**  
Topic: **How to build a birdhouse**  
Title: **"Home Sweet...Birdhouse."**  
Things Needed: **Hammer, Nails, Wood, Saw, Sandpaper, and Paint**

Step 1  
Pick your topic

Pick something you like!

What will you show?

The topic must be in a project area.

Pick a topic you know something about

What resources do you have?

Step 2  
Plan your Demo

What will you teach?

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## Posters

Home Sweet



Birdhouse

Title Poster

Things you will need:

Hammer  
Nails  
Wood  
Saw  
Sandpaper  
Paint

Needs Poster

Needs

Step 3  
Putting it together

4 Posters outlining your demo.

Equipment and Materials

All materials must fit in a small box which can be carried by 4-H'er.

14 x 22 is best... can be on poster board or foam core.

Step 1.  
Cut wood to plan  
Step 2.  
Arrange Parts  
Step 3.  
Hammer Parts  
Step 4.  
Sand along edges  
Step 5.  
Paint

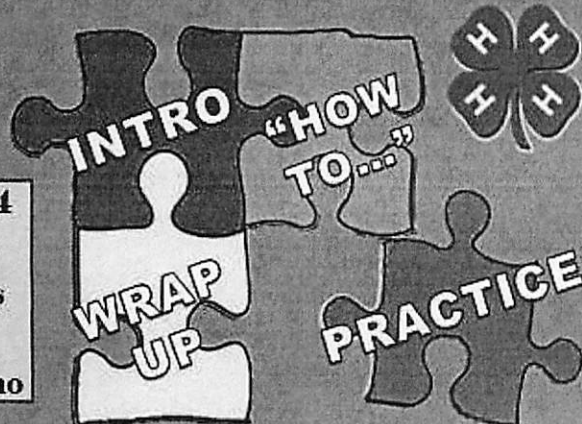
Method Poster

Remember:

Saw wood under supervision of adult.  
Arrange all pieces before nailing.  
Use a water based paint.

Conclusion or "Remember" Poster

Step 4  
The Parts of A Demo



## Set-up

Posters for Demo

