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UPCOMING EVENTS

July 18, 1995: **PROGRESSIVE FARMER** Farm Safety Day Camp, L.D. Brown Agricultural Exposition Center, WKU Farm, Bowling Green, KY. Call 502-745-6328 for more details.

August 19-29, 1995: Farmedic Class for EMS/fire/rescue personnel at the Charles Taylor Center, WKU University Farm. Please call Bill Carver, KY Tech Fire/Rescue Training Coordinator at 502-746-7461 or 502-843-5461 for more information.

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THE KENTUCKY PARTNERSHIP FOR FARM FAMILY HEALTH AND SAFETY

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PRESIDENT'S PEN

I hope each of you have had a productive and safe planting season with high hopes for an abundant harvest! It has been a very unusual Spring for South Central Kentucky.

The Kentucky Partnership has been busy planting Farm Safety Camp plans to be harvested on July 18, 1995. Several teams have been hard at work planning special activities for campers ages 3-13. If you would like more information about the Farm Safety Day Camp, please contact me or The Kentucky Partnership office.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

As you know, The KY Partnership was established with funds from The W.K. Kellogg Foundation in collaboration with The University of Kentucky and Western Kentucky University. Grant funding will end August 31, 1995 and we need your support to continue the activities of The KY Partnership. I am pleased to report that The Ky Partnership has acquired not-for-profit organizational status and is providing services to reduce illnesses and injuries on our farms. I challenge each of you to urge your neighbors, family members, agribusiness associates and everyone interested in helping make a difference in the health and safety of Kentucky's farm families to **JOIN THE KENTUCKY PARTNERSHIP.** Call 502-745-6328 for more information or mail in your membership application today.

Angela Vaughn

SAFETY DAY CAMP FOR KIDS

Twenty-six individuals attended a Fiesta Camp Kick-Off meeting on March 27, 1995 to begin planning the Safety Day Camp scheduled for July 18, 1995! Check the insert for the details of this special event. Call 502-745-6328 to register that special child in your life or to volunteer to assist with the camp. We anticipate hosting 200 energetic campers from ages 8-13 along with visits to the mini sessions for young campers ages 3-7. A special thanks to all individuals who are working hard to make the dream of having a Safety Day Camp for Kids a reality!!!!

STAKEHOLDER BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors of The KY Partnership convened recently with the Stakeholder Board members at a dinner meeting to review the achievements of the organization and discuss plans for sustaining the organization. Representatives of the Stakeholder Board present to offer valuable advisory comments were Larry Piercy, Joe Claxon, Romanza Johnson, and Donna White. Special guests (pictured below) included Dr. Robert McKnight, Project Director for the W. K. Kellogg grant from the University of Kentucky and Drs. Martin Houston and Frank Conley, Dean and Assistant Dean, Ogden College, Western Kentucky University.



ACTIVITIES PROMOTING THE KENTUCKY PARTNERSHIP'S MISSION

Members continue to share their expertise and time to achieve the goals of The Kentucky Partnership....to reduce agricultural illnesses and injuries. Examples of recent activities to promote safe agricultural health and safety practices and expand the efforts of The Kentucky Partnership are outlined.

SIMPSON CO. ACTIVITIES



*Sponsored a First Aid Class for all members on March 28, 1995.

*Organized a program "Farming: A Stressful Occupation" presented by Dr. Kay Carr on April 25, 1995. The farm family members learned to recognize stress and strategies to better manage stress.

*Written several Public Service Announcements (PSA's) addressing agricultural health and safety issues. The PSA's can be heard on Franklin's local radio station, WFKN.

*Hosted a booth addressing hearing protection and promoting The KY Partnership for 230 attendees at the Simpson County Fair on May 6, 1995. Approximately 230 individuals visited the booth.

*Presented a CPR/First Aid class and certified 9 employees at Pig Improvement Company (PIC), May 10, 1995.

*Planning a family get together during the month of July.

For more information on the Simpson County activities contact Robbie Bullington at (502) 586-9357.

WARREN CO. ACTIVITIES

*Organized a CPR/First Aid Class at the Richardsville Community Center for 17 farm women and their family members on March 3, 1995.

*Presented a farm safety program to 300 K-5 students at Oakland School, March 24, 1995.



*Organized a CPR class at Marris Hill Church of Christ on Friday night, March 31, 1995. Thirty individuals attended the class with 25 receiving participatory certification in CPR.

*Sponsored program on "Electrical Safety" presented by Bill Gott, Safety Officer, WRECC, on April 7, 1995.



*Shared table-top display and demonstration on farm safety at Warren County 4-H Expo, May 11, 1995.



It's never too soon to become aware of farm safety. . . .Perry Swack, grandson of John Swack, Warren County's Extension Agent for 4-H and Youth Development, visited The KY Partnership's table top display at the recent 4-H Expo.

*Visited Richardsville Elementary and Bristow Elementary preschool and kindergarten classes with "Barnyard Rodeo" and discussed how to handle small animals safely.



Pictured, Zachery White, son of Robin & Felicia White at Richardsville Elementary School.

*Presented Farm Safety Program at the following schools:

DATE	SCHOOL	# of CHILDREN
3/24	Oakland Elementary School	300
4/5	Moss Middle School	665
4/6	Rockfield Elementary School	320
4/8	North Warren Elementary School	70
4/11	Richpond Elementary School	24
4/19	Warren Elementary School	15

*Elected Warren County Officers on May 8, 1995.



Officers elected: Arithia Willis, Treasurer; Faye Alford, President; Norma Cochran, Vice President and Debbie Vernon, Secretary

STATE/REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

*Shared table-top display and information about The Kentucky Partnership at the LaRue County Extension Expo on March 18, 1995.

*Presented an overview of The Kentucky Partnership at the IL Rural Health Conference, Effingham, IL on March 22, 1995.

*Hosted a second year resident in Family Practice from the University of Louisville on March 30, 1995. Dr Copeland was interested in a grassroots effort to address agricultural health and safety issue since she plans to return to her home state of Mississippi and practice medicine in a rural setting.

*Utilized the photonovel, "Prevention of Skin Cancer" for a group discussion at the KY Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Conference in Lexington, KY. in March, 1995.

*Presented an overview of The KY Partnership and shared table-top display with information about the organization at the Skyline Trauma Symposium in Louisville, KY on April 7, 1995.

*Presented slide presentation highlighting the mission of The KY Partnership and a poster session describing the association of nursing students with The KY Partnership at Sigma Theta Tau Kappa Theta's Research Day, Bowling Green, KY, April 7, 1995.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

The following individuals, families and businesses have renewed or pledged their membership with The Kentucky Partnership during the past 2 months. Financial support through membership is essential to continue our efforts to reduce risks to farm families' health and safety. Please join others in the community striving to achieve this important goal.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Karen Davis Parker
- Brenda Steranka
- Chip Wilcoxson

FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS

- Mary Ann & Bruce Basham
- Betsy & Louis Berman
- Suzanne & James Cochran
- Ann & John Evans
- Tina & Ronnie Hargett
- Anne & Randy Mann
- Diane & Joe Konow
- Valerie & Chad Konow
- Patricia Phillips & family
- Mr & Mrs Glenn Vaughn
- Jane & Ray Wilcoxson

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