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SAFETY TIP

Stress is a part of living. It makes life interesting, but stress can have detrimental effects. Check out the enclosed article on stress which highlights the sources and symptoms of stress along with techniques for managing stress.

STAKEHOLDER BOARD MEETING

A joint dinner meeting of members of the Board of Directors and Stakeholder Board members was held on Tuesday, May 7, 1996. Past activities and accomplishments of The KY Partnership were shared followed by a brainstorming session regarding the future direction of the organization. A special thanks is extended to our Stakeholder Board members for their advise and guidance as The KY Partnership grows and develops. Members of the Stakeholder Board and special guests attending were: Romanza Johnson, Retired Home Economist from Bowling Green Municipal Utilities; Patti Blankenship, Director of Program Development, Ky Farm Bureau Federation; Larry Piercy, Farm Safety Specialist, UK Cooperative Extension; Dr. Martin Houston, Dean of Ogden College at Western Ky Univ. and Dr. Bob McKnight, Dept. of Preventive Medicine and Environmental Health at Univ. of Ky.

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THE KENTUCKY PARTNERSHIP FOR FARM

FAMILY HEALTH AND SAFETY, INC.

NEWSLETTER

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The Kentucky Partnership is a not-for-profit community based organization focused on bringing together farm women, their families and their communities to improve the health and safety of Kentucky's farm families.

PRESIDENT'S PEN

Spring has finally arrived!!! I encourage everyone to have a safe planting season. Remember to wear sunscreen or hearing and eye protection, if needed. Take time to replace safety shields and faded SMV symbols, and always be careful while transporting equipment on the highway. Farmers are valuable assets to our communities.

Again this year The Kentucky Partnership will be sponsoring a Farm Safety Day Camp on June 11. I hope you will send your children and grandchildren to the camp and take advantage of this opportunity to help teach our children about health and safety on the farm.

angela Vaughn

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Warren County

(Submitted by Norma Cohron, Vice President of Warren Co. Chapter)

▲Saturday, February 24, 1996: Faye Alford, Norma Cohron, Linda Dickerson and Debbie Vernon attended the McLean County Breakfast and Farm Safety Workshop

A special thanks to J. Marshall Hughes for sponsoring the "Kids are Special" program which was also included. There were over 200 in attendance.

▲March 7, and April 23, 1996: The Warren County Partnership Meetings were held at WKU Expo with Faye Alford, President, presiding.

▲March 14, 1996: Debbie Vernon presented a program on PTO Safety to the Young Farmers class in Edmonson County with 22 farmers in attendance.

A special thank you to Central Tractor for donating a combine, and to Richard Chapman of Agri-Power in Owensboro for donating a toy tractor and disc to be used as teaching tools for the Partnership.

School Programs

Programs on Farm Safety have been presented at the following schools:

March 14, 1996 ▲ Rockfield Elementary School ▲ Moss Middle School March 15, 1996 March 27, 1996 ▲Bristow Elementary School

▲North Warren Elementary ▲ Richardsville Elementary April 4, 1996

March 30, 1996



Other Activities in Warren County

▲Sponsored a farm rescue and cardiopulmonary resuscitation course on February 24th at the Richardsville Fire Station. The farm rescue course was taught by Richardsville Fire Chief Buddy Steele and the CPR class was presented by Vivian McClellan.



▲Sponsored a Farm Family Safety Day on Sunday afternoon at the Alvaton Fire Station. David Oliver and Gary Madison presented a stimulating program on farm rescue to the adults while Joy Strain entertained the children with a special program on fire safety.



One example of picture drawn to show something learned in the children session. Great job William!

(A special thanks to David, Buddy and Gary--all graduates of the Farmedic Program.)

▲ Presented poster sessions on "Skin Cancer", "Stress", "Tick, Snakes, Spiders" and "Protect Your Lungs" at: Hadley One-Stop, Kitchen's Grocery in Drake, Martin's Farm House in Rockfield, Alvaton-Greenwood Market and 231 Market at Alvaton, Steff's Pro Hardware & Supply, Baldock's Lumber & Supply Co. and Rich Pond Market in Rich Pond and Donita' Country Diner in Smiths Grove. We would like to thank Western Ky Univ., BS Nursing Students, LifeSkills, Inc. and the Kentucky Cancer Program

for their support in reaching out into the communities of Warren County.

STATE, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

▲ Presented four 20 minute round table discussions focused on "A Community's Response to Health and Safety Needs" at the KY Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Conference in Lexington, KY on March 28, 1996. Resources available from The KY Partnership to address health and safety issues were shared at the discussions.

▲Peggy Tucker, member, Board of Directors, along with the Regional Coordinator attended and participated in the poster session at the 3rd Annual NIOSH Conference in Iowa City, IA in March, 1996.

ANNUAL MEETING

Eighty-one individuals convened for the annual meeting of The KY Partnership on January 23, 1996. The program included a brief report of the status of the organization including chapter reports and a panel composed of local individuals who have experienced agricultural illnesses or injuries. The personal stories shared by these panel members were educational and warmed the hearts of the audience. The names of panel members and their topics are: James Bates, Hearing Loss Associated with Farming; Ronnie Doyle, Survivor of a Tractor Roll-Over; Bill Hullett, Skin Cancer Victim after Years of Sun Exposure; Ellen Sutherland, Mother of Teenage Daughter Fatally injured in Tractor Roll-Over); Kaelin Vernon, Survivor of a PTO Accident; and Tim Westbrook, Experienced an Electrical Shock from Lightning. A special thanks to Dan Modlin, News Director, WKYU for serving as moderator for this program and to Kristin and Kelly Smith, Hertiage Feed and Grain for sponsoring the delicious meal.

The results of the election for the 1996 Board of Directors was announced by Peggy Tucker, Secretary. The following individuals will be providing leadership for The KY Partnership during the new year:

Robbie Bullington, Norma Cohron, Lori Hughes, Theresa Lowe, Kristin Smith, Peggy Tucker, Angela Vaughn and Elizabeth Westbrook. Congratulations!!!

HATS OFF TO A SPECIAL GROUP

A special thanks to former Board of Directors; Jan Akin, Faye Alford, Gail Ballance Nancy Bunton, Linda Dickerson, Elizabeth Hawkins, Vivian McClellan and Debbie Vernon for sharing their talents and time promoting The KY Partnership. The seed you assisted in planting will grow and develop!!! Thanks for all your efforts.

FARM SAFETY DAY CAMP

Mark your calendar and register the kids and grandkids, ages 6-13, for the 2nd FARM SAFETY DAY CAMP on Tuesday, June 11th! The one-half day event, sponsored by **PROGRESSIVE FARMER**, will be filled with fun and educational activities! Call 502-745-6328 for a registration form.)

Tuesday, June 11, 1996 11:00 am-5:00 pm for 6-13 Year Olds

Cost: \$10.00 Add \$5.00 for Each Camper per Family

L. D. Brown Agricultural Exposition Center Western Ky. University Farm Bowling Green, KY

Safety Sessions:

ATV/Bicycle Safety
Fire Safety
Electrical Safety
Posionous Creatures—Be Aware
Tractor/PTO Safety
First Aid/Choking
Animal Safety
Summer Sizzlers
Chemical Safety

Whit Potter, age 9 and Sara Sloss, age 13, were presented new bicycles and safety helmets recently by Danny Pope, Fred's Discount Store and Angela Vaughn, President of the Board of Directors of The KY Partnership. Whit and Sara's names were drawn from the returned forms evaluating the 1995 Safety Day Camp. A big thank you to Fred's Discount Store for donating a bicycle and safety helmet for this drawing.



Pictured: Danny Pope, Fred's Discount Store; Whit Potter, son of Kris and Marty Potter of Rockfield, KY and Angela Vaughn, President of the Board of Directors



Pictured: Danny Pope, Sarah Sloss, daughter of Kitsy and Ron Sloss of Bowling Green and Angela Vaughn

NEED A PERFECT GIFT?

Are you searching for a useful, educational, attractive & practical gift for a birthday celebration or perhaps a father's day gift?????

Call The Kentucky Partnership office for the solution to your problem. Select a first aid kit, a sweatshirt, a coloring book.....!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

The following individuals, families and organizations have joined or renewed their membership with The KY Partnership during the past several months. Membership dues will be used to support the mission of this community-based organization. Thanks for your support!!!!

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