

ANNUAL NARRATIVE REPORT

OF

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Greenlee County
Duncan, Arizona

From June 1, 1948 to September 4, 1948

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I. PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

A. Extension Organization and Planning

The summer plan for Greenlee 4-H clubwork was to re-organize clubs and to organize new clubs for summer project work under lay leadership. A county achievement day was to be held at the end of the summer. There were three 4-H clubs in Greenlee county including projects in clothing, foods selection and preparation, food preservation, and room improvement.

The junior assistant home demonstration agent visited the leader of the 4-H foods club in Duncan early in the summer and supplied her with bulletins and forms and outlined the general summer program.

Working with members of the York Homemaker's Club a new 4-H clothing club was organized in York. A community meeting was held in York to discuss organization of the club and the junior assistant with the leader of the club visited parents of prospective 4-H members.

The girls of Duncan chose their own clothing club leader and notified the Extension office.

A leader training meeting on 4-H judging was conducted by Mrs. Ellen Kightlinger State 4-H leader in July. A leader letter about this meeting follows this report section.

Most of August was devoted to preparations for the county 4-H Achievement day held September 2nd. Women of the county acted as judges and a training meeting was held for them. A program of the event follows this report section.

The junior assistant home demonstration agent gave individual help to one girl carrying a Room Improvement Project.

The junior assistant home demonstration agent conferred with the home demonstration agent on all 4-H program planning.

July 12, 1948

Dear 4-H Leader:

We are fortunate in having Ellen Kightlinger, Assistant State Leader in 4-H clubwork with us in July. Summer is a busy time for 4-H clubs, and the time of year that 4-H leaders need more help. Therefore we plan a leader's training meeting on Wednesday, July 21st, at 2:00 P.M. here in the Extension office of the Courthouse in Safford. Could you attend such a meeting?

The subject of the meeting will be judging and demonstrations. We are proud of our Greenlee County 4-H record at the State Round-up this year. This meeting will help us to better prepare our clubs for achievement days and the Round-up next year.

Mrs. Kightlinger will also answer questions which might be puzzling us. This is our chance to tie our 4-H club work in with the State program so that all work done is uniform and the children will begin on an equal basis in the state contests.

Would you please return the enclosed card stating whether or not you will be able to attend. Remember it's the 21st of July, at 2:00 P.M.

Do try to be here.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Cowan
Junior Assistant
Home Demonstration Agent

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B. Clothing and Textiles

A group of girls in Duncan were interested in 4-H clothing club work. After some difficulty they found a leader for themselves. The junior assistant home demonstration agent visited the new leader and helped her to understand the 4-H program and her duties as a leader. She was also supplied with the necessary bulletins and forms. The club included girls carrying 2nd, and advanced sewing projects.

At a Homemaker club leader training meeting attended by the junior assistant home demonstration agent in Duncan two women of York expressed the desire to form a 4-H club in their community. It was arranged to hold a meeting at the home of Mrs. Mattie Foote and invite the members of the community to make concrete plans for organizing the club. County Agent, Mr. Sears attended the meeting also. The meeting was poorly attended but two women volunteered to lead the club and a date was set for the first meeting. Homes are widely scattered in the York community so the leaders volunteered to provide transportation for the first meetings.

The first meeting was poorly attended so the junior assistant home demonstration agent and one of the leaders visited the homes of girls of 4-H age. The visits were well received and mothers co-operated nicely in helping to get their daughters to the meetings. Usually 2 or 3 mothers visited every 4-H meeting thereafter. The junior assistant home demonstration agent visited two of their meetings during the summer.

A leader training meeting was held by Mrs. Ellen Kightlinger, State 4-H leader, in July. One clothing club leader attended. The junior assistant home demonstration agent visited the other leader and presented the material to her and later attended a meeting of the club and gave a demonstration on judging using slips for illustration.

In August each club leader was visited and a meeting of each club attended by the junior assistant home demonstration agent to prepare the clubs for the county Achievement Day. The program was presented and special emphasis given to demonstrations and judging. The junior assistant gave suggestions for possible demonstrations.

Lay judges officiated at the Achievement Day. They were sent judging score sheets previous to the event. A short training meeting was held on the day of the contests.

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The Achievement Day was held the afternoon of September 2nd, in the rooms over the Duncan Extension office. Contests open to girls in clothing projects were the dress revue, judging, and demonstrations. A demonstration was given on putting in a dress sleeve. The entrants in the dress revue were very satisfactory. Slips were judged. In addition to the contests each club helped to provide refreshments and the presidents had a part in the program ending the Achievement Day. Ellen Kightlinger, State 4-H leader, was present and made the awards.

The number of 4-H clubs in Greenlee are few but there is an increasing amount of interest and the established clubs are making fine records locally and in the state.

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C. Food Selection and Preparation

Greenlee county had one 4-H Foods club. It was ably led by the mother of one of the members. She was visited early in the summer by the junior assistant home demonstration agent and the summer program was explained and necessary bulletins and forms were supplied to her. First, second, and third year food selection and preparation projects were carried by members of the club. Most of them also carried canning projects. One girl did a frozen foods project. The junior assistant visited two club meetings during the summer.

The leader of this group attended the leader training on judging held by Ellen Kightlinger in July. She devoted one of her club meetings to judging training following the training meeting.

In August the junior assistant home demonstration agent visited the club leader and attended a meeting of the club in preparation for the Achievement day. Special emphasis was given to demonstrations and judging.

The Achievement Day was held on the afternoon of September 2nd in the rooms over the Extension office in Duncan. Contests open to girls in foods projects were judging, demonstrations, and the showmanship contest. There were no entrants in the showmanship contest, but arrangements may be made later to hold a special contest if interest in this event is developed. Canned fruit and butter cakes were judged. Demonstrations were given in making a fruit salad using citrus fruit. In the division of dairy foods demonstrations an individual prepared a buttercake.

In addition to the contests the girls helped decorate and clean the hall, supervised by the junior assistant. They also supplied punch for refreshments and their president welcomed the group in the program at the end of the Achievement Day. Ellen Kightlinger presented the awards.

The judges were lay people. Previous to the day they had been sent judging score cards and a short training meeting was held on the day of the Achievement Day.

Though there is only one foods club in Greenlee county it is very encouraging to note that they are an enthusiastic group, most members are doing a preservation project as well as their regular preparation and selection project, and they have a very fine state record. Undoubtedly the good success of this club will stimulate other communities to become active in 4-H work.

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D. Homemaking and Room Improvement

Donna Lee Lunt worked on a room improvement project during the summer. The junior assistant home demonstration agent visited Donna's home twice during the summer in connection with the project. The regular bulletins were supplied her and in addition, illustrative and informative material was loaned her from the county Extension office. At the county Achievement Day Donna gave a demonstration on window treatments.

In the York community another 4-H member is interested in a Room Improvement project and will probably do it during the winter months. Project requirements were sent to her.

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E. Recreation

Two girls and two 4-H boys attended the sectional 4-H camp held near Oracle, Arizona, August 2nd to 9th. A form letter was sent to each club leader informing them of the camp and included forms for interested members to fill out and return to the Extension office. Later the 4-H members going to camp were sent a form letter listing expenses of the trip and requiring a health certificate from a doctor or registered nurse to enable them to go to camp.

The junior assistant home demonstration agent's duties at camp were to supervise the club members from Graham and Greenlee counties, supervise kitchen police, take charge of the closing ceremony, and assist where ever possible.

The closing ceremony for the camp was a modification of the ceremony used at the national camp. Two club members from each county representing health, heart, head, and hand took part in the program. A chorus of Graham and Greenlee 4-H girls sang "Dreaming" while each camper lighted a candle from the candle used at national camp.

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F. Publicity

Articles concerning 4-H activities appeared in the county paper the "Copper Era" as follows:

State 4-H Leader Visits Here
York wants a 4-H Club
State 4-H Leader Visits Duncan
4-H Campers Have a Good Time
4-H Achievement Day

Samples of news copy follow this report section.

Radio broadcasts given from Safford reached Greenlee county and news of interest to Greenlee was included in the broadcast material. The junior assistant participated in 6 radio programs during the summer. The junior assistant home demonstration agent, Mr. Owens, County Agent, and 2 4-H club members broadcasted the activities of the State 4-H Round-up. One program was devoted to the recreational and educational advantages of 4-H work, two programs concerning food and clothing clubs were presented in the form of interviews with 4-H members, another presented two actual demonstrations given by four club members.

News Release
Dorothy Cowan
Junior Assistant
Home Demonstration Agent
To: Copper Era
For: July 28, 1948

4-H CAMPING DAYS ARE JUST AHEAD!

Camping days for 4-H club members are here at last! Greenlee County club members attending 4-H camp at Camp-O-Wood near Oracle will leave for their eight day outing next Monday, August 2nd, announces Dorothy Cowan, Junior Assistant Home Demonstration Agent.

The group from Greenlee County will include Janice Axton and Nancy Coon of Duncan. Mr. John Sears, Greenlee County Agent will serve as leader for the 4-H boys Sharron Lunt and Lauri Golding.

The camp program will have evening dances, games, movies, and a talent night. Each day there will be swimming, and activities will include insect and nature study led by Dr. J. N. Roney, and handicraft by Ethel Stockton. David Record will provide information on minerals. A camp nurse and life guard are to be on duty. Everyone expects to have a gay time.

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Dorothy Cowan
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To: Copper Era
For: Immediate release

WINNERS AT 4-H Achievement Day

The Greenlee County 4-H club Achievement Day held September 2nd was very successful. Three clubs took part with the following results. Janice Axton and Nancy Coon won a blue ribbon on their demonstration of ways to serve grapefruit. Juanita Daniels and Delphia Slaughterbeck received a white ribbon by demonstrating "How to Make a Fruit Salad". Betty Davis made a peach whipped cream cake for a dairy foods demonstration and got a blue ribbon. A blue ribbon went to Donna Lee Lunt for demonstrating window treatments. Juanita Daniels and Delphia Slaughterbeck got a red ribbon for showing how to put in a sleeve.

In judging cakes a blue ribbon went to Juanita Daniels, red to Betty Davis, Nancy Coon, and Delphia Slaughterbeck. Juanita Daniels and Shirley Park received blue ribbons on judging slips, and in the red ribbon division were Peggy Sanders, Elaine Brubaker, Patsy McCarty, and Delphia Slaughterbeck.

Nancy Coon placed first as a judge of canned fruit, with Juanita Daniels, Delphia Slaughterbeck, Donna Lee Lunt, and Janice Axton getting red ribbons. Wilma Daniels, Shirley Park, and Sally Foote won blue ribbons on their dresses and red ribbons went to Patsy McCarty and Kathleen Brubaker.

The highest prize in the dress revue was won by Shirley Park, with second to Wilma Daniels, and third to Sally Foote.

The day was closed by a short program with refreshments served. Mrs. Kightlinger, Assistant State 4-H Leader, attended the Achievement Day and awarded the ribbons.

The Extension Service and the 4-H clubs express their appreciation to the following people of the community serving as volunteer judges: Mrs. Irma Lunt, Mrs. Dessie Moffett, Mrs. Frances Zumwalt, Mrs. Mack Clark, Mrs. Cammie Scott, and Mrs. Irene Kennedy.

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II. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

E. Statistics

Months in Service	3
Days in Greenlee County	.....	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
Days in Field	.....	13
Days in office	.....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Home Visits	.....	58
Different homes visited	.....	37
Office Calls	.....	11
Telephone Calls	.....	11
Bulletins distributed	.....	35
News articles	.....	6
Radio Programs	.....	6
4-H Clubs	.....	4
Enrollments	.....	30
Leaders in 4-H work	.....	19
Demonstrations	.....	11
Attendance	.....	85
Other Extension Meetings	.....	2
Attendance	.....	354