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## Southampton County Report February 16, 2009-March 15, 2009

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The 4-H Program was represented at the Southampton High School Career Day presenting information on activities in the 4-H youth development program that are available to high school age students. Along with what the Extension Service is and the services it provides.

A volunteer leaders meeting was held for all active 4-H club volunteers. The meeting serves as the quarterly training for volunteer club leaders to help them best serve their job. During this meeting the leaders also decided to have the March of Dimes serve as the county wide 4-H club project. All 8 clubs will participate in the walk on May 15 in Franklin.

4-H camp and 4-H clubs were marketed through the school system. Camp registration was sent out to all active and inactive 4-H members and to all youth in the 3<sup>rd</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grades.

The 4-H Library Club held their monthly meeting. Youth learned about caring for injured animals and the steps they need to do to protect themselves against injured animals.

A county contest for Fine Arts and 4-H Presentations for all 4-H members in the county was conducted at the county Extension office.

A class on soil formation was taught to 4<sup>th</sup> graders at Southampton Academy. The youth identified layers of soil in samples and then made edible soil layers. The youth identified the layers while they were making the tasty treat.

The teen leadership council met. Twelve youth planned upcoming events, social activities, and fundraisers, and also participated in a hand on leadership activity.

Agent judged Arts & Crafts and Photography entries during the Chesapeake City Contest.

A Terrific Tuesday Class at S.P. Morton Elementary was taught on Gardening 101 for Kindergarteners.

The Winter ELC meeting was held at the Extension Office. An Extension Leadership Council chairman was elected. Amy Lehman will serve this position for 1 year. The ELC discussed the purpose of the council and activities that the council will be in charge of doing over the next year. The council set the meeting dates for the next year.

Agent participated in the Southeast District 4-H Advisory meeting and Pre-camp planning meeting.

Agent facilitated the Southeast District Contest Horse and Pony demonstrations. Two participants from Southampton County participated in the district wide contest.

Mailings for this month: Mail: 302 pieces Internet Hits: 10 Calls: 115 Visits: 53  
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