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**Program Highlights
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Ag & Natural Resources

- Assisted producer with design and layout of new mayhaw orchard
- Home visits made relative to strawberry production, landscape concerns, greenhouse production, fruit varieties, and recommendations made on trees and shrubs
- Assisted producer in setting up fig variety demonstration
- Cattlemen's Meeting held with 100+ attending, an educational program was conducted and meal served
- Landscape and Nursery Field Day held with participants receiving information, as well as, demonstrations being conducted
- Private Applicator's Recertification Meeting held with approximately 30 being recertified and 4 taking test for certification
- Forty-three soil samples submitted for analysis
- Eight poultry litter samples submitted for analysis
- "Beef Cattle Extra" newsletter mailed to 145 cattlemen
- Watermelon Growers Meeting held with approximately 12 attending and receiving information on growing melons and the upcoming Watermelon Festival Quality Contest
- March Lunch Bunch Meeting held with more than 30 attending and receiving information on "Alternative Agriculture" (Goats)
- Junior Cattlemen's Meeting held with several youth participating
- Master Farmer Meetings held with approximately 100 receiving information

Family and Consumer Sciences

- January Lunch Bunch Meeting held with approximately 30 attending and receiving information on "Time Management"
- "Fight Bac" FNP Program presented to approximately 10 Special Needs students
- "Food Guide Pyramid – Food Groupies" presented to 32 Head Start three-year olds
- "Lose A Million Bacteria" game prepared and presented to approximately 650 4-H'ers
- "Serving Louisiana Families" newsletters mailed to 192
- Planning and preparations for FNP Garden Project at Farmerville Elementary School started

Community Economic Development

- February Lunch Bunch Meeting held 30+ attended and received an update on the new Recreation Facility to be built in Farmerville
- Parish Reports were prepared and presented to parish Police Jury and School Board members at their regular meetings

4-H and Other Youth Development

- Fifteen youth participated in Parish Livestock Show/Sale

- Approximately 15 youth participated in Ag Expo Livestock Show, with Union youth winning 27 awards
- A number of youth participated in the Northeast District Livestock Show and won numerous awards
- Junior Leader Meeting held with 17 youth attending; they received information on the pilot program "Step Up to Leadership"
- Four educational displays set up at Ag Expo with 7 youths assisting with Mini-Farm and other booths
- 650 youth received information on "Cyber Safety" in regular club meetings
- Lifeguard Orientation Meeting held with 49 receiving information, Red Cross and State Park personnel assisted
- Two youth participated in State Executive Council Meeting
- A large number of youth participated in "Speak-Up" Contest held in individual clubs and 18 participated in the parishwide contest
- Three youth participated (with two placing) in the Area Rice Cookery Contest
- Several youth participated in Shooting Sports Orientation and received training in outdoor skills and shooting sports
- Outdoor Skills Camp was held with 12 youth participating
- Challenge Camp was held with 23 4-H'ers participating
- Two youth participated in State Fashion Camp
- Youth (2) participated in Commodity Cookery Contest and placed