

Local 4-H members win at state

Warren County 4-H members proved to once again be leaders in state competition by having multiple winners at this year's State 4-H Roundup and All Star Conference. The conference held July 23-27 at the University of Tennessee Martin, recognizes 4-H members for their outstanding project work and leadership.

Over 350 4-H members across the state of Tennessee attended the yearly event hosted on the University of Tennessee Martin campus. During the 95th Roundup, 4-H'ers competed in project areas through interviews with UT specialists, volunteer leaders and business professionals. Members previously submitted a portfolio consisting of project goals and accomplishments. Other events during the week consisted of a service project, breakout sessions, tour of UT Martin departments, entertainment by the 4-H Performing Arts Troupe, visit to a water park, and the election of State Council and Vol State ceremony. Over \$75,000 in college scholarships was awarded to project winners.

Eleven Warren County 4-H members competed in their respective projects for an opportunity to earn college scholarships. Claire Brooks, daughter of Duane and Jennifer Brooks, was recognized as the State Level I winner in the performing arts and recreation project. Level I State winners each received a \$500 college scholarship as well as the Tennessee 4-H Foundation Horizon Award.

Jacob Scott, son of Marlin and Sheila Scott, was recognized as State Level I winner in engineering and safety science. Caroline Brooks, daughter of Duane and Jennifer Brooks, was recognized as the State Level II winner in the performing arts and recreation project. Ethan Hitchcock, son of David and Jacqueline Hitchcock, was recognized as a State

Level II winner in plant science. Karley Warner, daughter of Tyler and Wendy Warner, won State Level II in the sheep project. As Level II State winners, they received the Lee Medallion, silver bowl, a college scholarship and a trip to National 4-H Congress.

National 4-H Congress is an educational and inspirational national leadership forum designed to expose youth to current leadership philosophy and research in areas such as agricultural, environment, community, families and communications. The conference will be in November in Atlanta.

Emily Pennington, Erica Cantrell, Will Prater, Tyson Warner, Meghan Madewell and Marynia Harris also attended the event competing in their respective projects. Caroline Brooks was elected as State 4-H Council Vice President and will preside over the Tennessee State 4-H Council. The council, which meets twice a year, designates the theme for Congress and Roundup and organizes both events. Joining Caroline on state council this year are Emily Pennington and Ethan Hitchcock.

Four Warren County 4-H members were also recognized Thursday night at Roundup by receiving the prestigious Vol State Award. The purpose of the Vol State Award is to give recognition to 4-H members and others on a statewide basis who have displayed outstanding records in project achievement, leadership and service in 4-H. The 4-H members must have completed the 11th or 12th grade and be an Honor Club and All Star Member. Emily Pennington, Marynia Harris, Karley Warner and Caroline Brooks received the Vol State Award at Roundup. The Vol State Award is the highest level of recognition a Tennessee 4-H member may receive.



Photos provided
Warren County student Jacob Scott was recently recognized as a Level I state winner in the engineering/safety science project at the Tennessee 4-H Roundup held at the University of Tennessee at Martin. From left is Jeff Aiken, Farm Bureau Insurance of Tennessee; Tim Held, Level I winner from Cleveland; Robert Burns, donor; and Scott. He received a specially crafted Horizon Award and a \$500 college scholarship.

BEST WISHES

Southern Standard readers are invited to extend happy birthday and anniversary best wishes to friends and loved ones through this weekly column. Please submit your messages by our noon deadline each Thursday. No more than three wishes to any individual, please.

Aug. 21 – Happy birthday Earl Anderson. Love, Marlene and Jimmy.

Aug. 23 – Birthday wishes to Brentlee White-Hobbs. Love, your family and friends.

Aug. 23 – Steve Roberts, happy birthday to you. Love, Marlene and Jimmy.

Aug. 25 – Happy birthday wishes to Tiffany Simpson.

ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Aug. 21 – Happy anniversary wishes to Emma Lee and Robert Owens. Love, Marlene and Jimmy.

Aug. 25 – Happy wedding anniversary Rusty and Patti Barnes.



Ethan Hitchcock was recognized as Level I state winner in the plant science project.



Warren County sisters, from left, Caroline Brooks and Claire Brooks were recognized as the Level II and Level I winners, respectively, at Tennessee 4-H Roundup held at the University of Tennessee at Martin. Claire received the Horizon Award and a \$500 college scholarship, with Caroline receiving a silver bowl and a \$1,000 college scholarship and a trip to National 4-Congress in Atlanta. Shown with them are Daniel Sarver UT Extension specialist and Jim Byford, donor.



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Vol State inductees, from left, Karley Warner, Emily Pennington, Caroline Brooks and Marynia Harris are recognized for 4-H excellence in all phases of 4-H, as well as service and leadership rendered in the communities. The Vol State award is the highest level of recognition a Tennessee 4-H member may achieve.

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