District III Report

November 3, 2008 - Grace Wittman
The Lincoln County vacancy has been filled. County fairs went very well. Minidoka teens went to Illinois for 4-H exchange. A lot of summer camps have been held in areas such as ATV, natural resources, judging, and more. State Leader’s forum was hosted in Salmon, which required a lot of participation and planning from District III. 190 attended the DSA banquet and there 150 participant registrations for Leader’s Forum. Cindy Kinder has started an Afterschool program in a charter school in Gooding County that is going very well. District III continues to meet on a monthly basis to continue Forum planning.

Fairs: All County Fairs were well attended and went smoothly.

Contests: Dog (September 8th – Jerome), Rabbit (September 8th – Twin Falls), Style Revue (September 15th – Cassia), Horse (September 22nd-Twin Falls- Jerome hosts)

Staffing:
Steve Hines moved from Lincoln County Crops to Twin Falls County Crops
Christi Falen returned to Lincoln County Crops
Mario de Haro Marti is new to Gooding County
Tiana Fife is new to Twin Falls County Livestock
Karma Fitzgerald new Lincoln 4-H Coordinator
Katie Hoffman hired as new FCS Position in Lemhi County
CYFAR Afterschool Grant is ongoing in Cassia County
Kathy Kimball has returned as Blaine County 4-H Program Coordinator

April 2, 2008-Grace Wittman

October 2, 2007-Grace Wittman
Donna Gillespie reported: - The District III 4-H Team met in September in conjunction with the Statewide 4-H Orientation, and will meet in November to review the progress on the goals we set last year and schedule professional development for 2007-08. We are also meeting in December to review the NDSU Baking curriculum and some social time (Christmas treats and eats). The Team also attended the Statewide 4-H Training in October in Caldwell.

District III Leaders Association is meeting on October 11th in Lincoln County to elect officers and plan 2008 activities, meeting will be followed by bowling for everyone. The 2008 State Leaders Forum planning committee is meeting in Salmon on October 26-27 to look at facilities and continue Forum planning.

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All County Fairs were well attended and went smoothly.

District Contests:
Dog (September 8th – Jerome)
Rabbit (September 8th – Twin Falls)
Style Revue (September 15th – Cassia)
Horse (September 22nd-Twin Falls- Jerome hosts)
Public Speaking (September 29th –Minidoka) – Cancelled

Staffing:
Steve Hines moved from Lincoln County Crops to Twin Falls County Crops
Christi Falen returned to Lincoln County Crops
Mario de Haro Marti is new to Gooding County
Tiana Fife is new to Twin Falls County Livestock
Kristy Boguslawski moved from Lincoln County 4-H Assistant to 4-H Coordinator
FCS Position in Lemhi County is being interviewed
FCS Position in Gooding is approved
CYFAR Afterschool Grant is ongoing in Cassia County
Kathy Kimball has resigned from Blaine County 4-H Program Coordinator

April 11, 2007-Grace Whitman
Spring Break camps have just finished. Twin Falls, Cassia, Minidoka had great attendance, and was a huge success. The district has been meeting working on planning two camps for ’07 as well as many mini or day camps (Lamb Camp, Swine Camp, Dutch Oven Camp, Livestock Judging, Wildlife Camp, District Horse Contests, Overnight Camps, Summer mini classes). There was a volunteer retreat; an attendee from Cassia County reported that it was a great professional development opportunity, lots of valuable information, and FUN! Minidoka County will be hosting Texas delegates from the State exchange. Planning is underway for the State Leaders Forum in Salmon.