

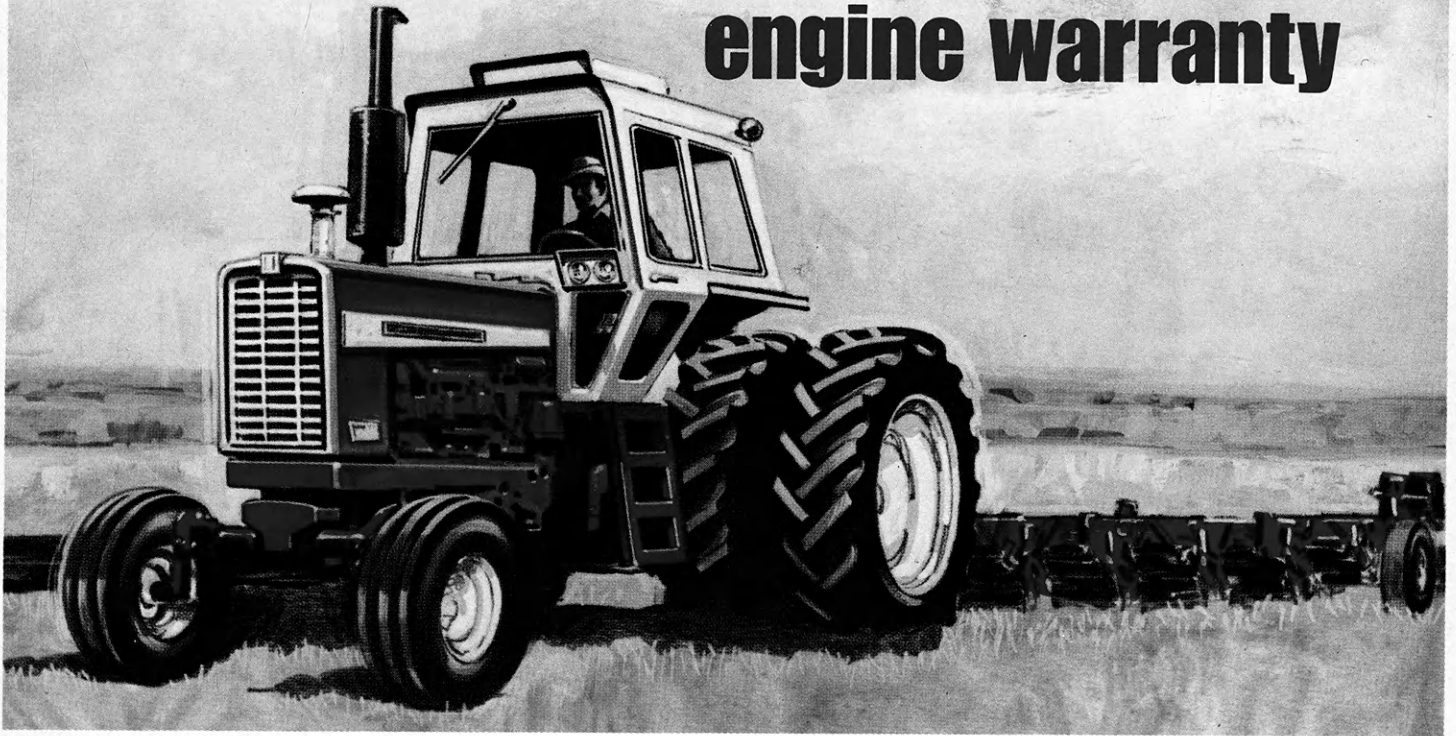
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# The space-age child and the 4-H leader

By Glenn M. Busset  
 State Leader, 4-H and Youth

The children of today are living in a world that did not even exist ten years ago. Their plight is like that of passengers on a bus who have already passed their stop before they have decided where it is they want to go. They are space-age children, living and associating with parents, teachers, leaders, and other adults who are products of the slower paced agricultural-industrial age.

As parents, 4-H leaders, and interested adults, we often wonder just how much we can contribute to the lives of our space-age children. If we cannot share with them our values, our experiences, our opinions, our hopes and our anxieties, how can we communicate, how can we hope to influence their lives? If our experiences as adults who grew up in the industrial age are not valid for today's space-age youth, what is it that we have to offer children and youth? Do we have anything? I believe we do—we can offer ourselves.

We can offer our feelings, we can identify who it was that influenced our lives, we can tell where it was that our values originated, why we have our beliefs and opinions, the viewpoints that we do have, and why they are important to us. We can tell our children about our experiences and our ideas, and why we think and believe as we do. The key is communication, this often neglected art of engendering openness between generations. We can open and maintain communication simply by talking.

Sometimes in our widely scattered reading habit, we come across a little jewel that we wish we had written. Such a commentary was made by Dr. John Henderson Powell, Jr., on the topic of bringing up children. We share this commentary with you, hoping you will find it useful, and perhaps be willing to pass it along to other parents and leaders:

"So far I know, there are no foolproof rules for bringing up children. But I doubt if most parents want to direct their children's lives after the children have reached an age of discretion. So no such specialized knowledge is required of them as was the case with Progressive Education school teachers.

"And for the communication of ideas no new techniques have been discovered or invented superior to speaking and writing. So the fundamental requirement for parents is just to talk to their children.

"If you are a parent, tell your children about your experiences and your ideas, and when your children get to the age when they can understand such things, tell them why you think and believe as you do. When your children are small,

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On the cover is shown the commemorative plaque in which the 50 state seals were assembled in a ceremony at the 50th National 4-H Congress.

Representing Kansas' 34,000 4-H'ers are Russell Crosson and Lynn Shannon Carpenter as they presented an official state seal to Blaine J. Yarrington, president of the National 4-H Service Committee. Dr. E. Dean Vaughan, at left, assistant ad-

ministrator, 4-H Youth, Extension Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, represented the United States government in the ceremony.

Russell Crosson, a member of Ottawa County Woodsdale 4-H Club, was a delegate to the Congress as state winner in the sheep project. Lynn Carpenter was the state winner in home improvement. She is a member of Mt. Pleasant 4-H Club in Rooks County.

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**J. Harold Johnson, Kansas 4-H Foundation, and A. D. Jellison confer about Rock Springs Ranch.**

Editor's note: A. D. Jellison and Leo Ewert, two men who died this winter, did much to make Rock Springs Ranch what it is today.

Mr. Jellison, a philanthropist and former Junction City banker, and Mrs. Jellison made major financial contributions to the state 4-H center. For many years Mr. Jellison was on the Board of Trustees of Kansas 4-H Foundation.

Mr. Ewert's skill with stone contributed to many of Rock Springs Ranch's distinctive areas; for example, the council circle. In 1970 he was honored when the path from the swimming pool to Williams Dining Hall was dedicated as Ewert Walk. He had built the bridge, shown below right, where the walk crosses the stream.

The Kansas 4-H Journal pays tribute to these generous and gifted men.

## *In memoriam*

**By J. Harold Johnson  
Kansas 4-H Foundation**

With the passing of Mr. A. D. Jellison, Kansas lost a beloved citizen and its youth a true friend. His long life was devoted to others. He gave assistance to countless individuals and organizations; not money alone but he gave of himself, also.

Mr. Jellison's standards were always the highest and one of his desires was to help youth "make something of themselves," recognize and accept their responsibilities as citizens of this nation, the most wonderful on earth to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Jellison saw Rock Springs Ranch as an outstanding opportunity to assist

Leo Ewert, center, and Mrs. Ewert visit with John Hanna of the state 4-H staff.



in providing for young people a center where they might come together for profitable experiences in learning and good fellowship. As a result, they provided the first buildings — chapel, conference-auditorium, and health center — and had given \$200,000 as a challenge for the construction of the Citizenship Center which will be completed this year — the first and the last of their contributions to the Center, but far from all.

They gave scholarships, grants, and made countless loans to young people desiring to further their education, but only after the young people understood they were expected to put forth their very best efforts. Late in life, Mr. Jellison proudly stated that only one young person out of the hundreds who had come to them for assistance had failed.

Mr. Jellison was a man of great faith — faith in God and man. He enjoyed life to the fullest as he helped others in all walks of life to do likewise. We will miss him, but the memorials he built through service to others during his 95 years will never let us forget him.

"A friend is one who incessantly pays us the compliment of expecting from us all the virtues, and who can appreciate them in us."

— Thoreau

Leo D. Ewert, Hillsboro, who gave 12 years of most outstanding service to Kansas 4-H youth through his work at Rock Springs Ranch, passed away January 6. Survivors include his wife Anna and a daughter and son.

In his work as supervisor of Rock Springs facilities Mr. Ewert believed in giving his best and expected the same of those with whom he worked. He set unquestionable examples for good for all his associates.

He had many talents and put them to full use in the development of the state 4-H center. As was said many times by members of the Rock Springs Committee, "He built his own memorials." However, the greatest of all memorials is the deep love for him in the hearts of his numerous friends and acquaintances — affection which will never deteriorate.

Another staunch friend of youth is gone, but wonderful memories remain.



# Busy Bees work "for my community"

By Nelta Egli

Community service is where the action is for the Lansing Busy Bees 4-H Club of Leavenworth County.

As an information project to aid the community, the club's health and safety night entitled "Drugs and You" was planned and presented to the community. This was accomplished by working closely with Dr. Paul Kasper, area 4-H specialist. Special invitations were sent to all organizations including all of the other 4-H clubs in the county. Shirley Ruebhausen, Director of Nursing of St. John's Hospital in Leavenworth, discussed drugs in the home as well as illegal drugs to the age group 7-12 years of age. Films including "Drugs are Like That" were also shown to this group.

Teenagers and adults met with a panel consisting of Dr. Kasper; Dr. Harold Ford, Chief of Psychiatry of Wadsworth V.A. Center; and J. P. Morgan, a reformed drug addict of Topeka.

The club's most recent community service project was that each member of the club adopted a foster-grandparent from residents of the Golden Age Lodge Nursing Home in Leavenworth. The members are making valentines for their foster-grandparents and a valentine party is planned for February 13 at the home. Club members plan to brighten the lives of our aged by visits, remembrances on special days, holidays, and birthdays, as

Steven Garten of Dickinson County recently lost his life in an automobile accident. Steve, 17, was a senior at Abilene High School and was in his ninth year of 4-H work with the Sand Springs Rustlers 4-H Club. His major projects were leadership, crops, and beef.

He was a member of the Dickinson County livestock judging team at Mid America Fair and Kansas State Fair, and had shown at the Kansas National Junior Livestock Show.



well as planning parties for the grandparents.

Future plans for community service include painting playground equipment for local schools. The club has a working committee which is looking for other needed services in our community.

Club members feel that by concentrating on community service they are making profitable use of the H's on the 4-H clover which stand for head, heart, hands, and health.

## State 4-H leader chosen for national 4-H board

Dr. Glenn M. Busset, state 4-H leader, Kansas State University, began a three-year term this month as a member of the National 4-H Club Foundation board of trustees.

Chairman of the 15-member board is Dean McNeal, group vice president of Pillsbury Company, Minneapolis. He is a native Kansan.

Members of the board are appointed by the 4-H subcommittee of the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy, a national policy making group for the Cooperative Extension Service. The board consists of state Extension administrators and executives of companies including Pillsbury and Ralston-Purina. Busset is the first Kansas Cooperative Extension Service staff member to be named a trustee.

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## 4-H junior leaders invited to weekend at Rock Springs Ranch

"You're invited to Rock Springs Ranch April 8 and 9!" This is the invitation to 4-H junior leaders from the Kansas State University Collegiate 4-H Club.

The traditional clean-up weekend will include opportunities for discussions of college life and personal goals.

In addition to junior leaders, members of collegiate clubs of other Kansas colleges have been invited to the annual event.

To register, contact your county Extension agent.

## Ford County 4-H'ers will be in TV movie

Five 4-H'ers in Ford County, children of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Clair, will appear in a movie called "Friends" to be shown on children's programs on television. Made up of a 100 different parts filmed in 100 different areas in the nation, the movie will show children giving educational information and having fun wherever they live.

In the Ford County segment, the children demonstrate getting their 4-H calves ready to show, an activity in which the Clairs have had lots of experience. Last fall they exhibited eight calves at the county fair and five at both Kansas State Fair at Hutchinson and at Kansas National Junior Livestock Show in Wichita.

Oldest of the Clair children is Linda, 15, who showed the champion baby beef at the 1971 Ford County Fair. In 1969, Debbie, 11, showed the top hog in the Businessman's Swine Show, and Caroline, 10, who narrates the movie, had the champion lamb in last fall's county fair. The younger Clair children are Lloyd, 9, and Henry, 7.

4-H calves isn't all that the Ford County segment shows; it also includes a gunfight at Front Street replica in Dodge City.

The television movie will be released in the summer of 1972.

Debbie Clair has contributed to Kansas 4-H Journal as reporter for Wilroads Gardens 4-H Club.



## Wheels whiz for woodworking winner

A 13 year old who likes competition is Bradley Fuller, a member of Miltonvale Hustlers 4-H Club, Cloud County.

Last year Bradley designed and built a wooden racing car to Soap Box Derby specifications as part of his 4-H woodworking project. He entered the derby at Salina where he won the prize for best construction and was eighth among 39 in the race. His car, which took about 450 hours to make, won a purple ribbon in woodworking at Hutchinson at the Kansas State Fair.

"I learned a lot from building my car and I would encourage any boy (or girl) between 11-15 to build a racer and take part in a Soap Box Derby," Bradley writes. "The experience is something you learn by and it is not easily forgotten. Most large towns hold soap box derbies and sign-up will be held soon for races held in June and July. The winner of each local race then competes at Akron, Ohio, trying for part of the \$30,000 offered in college scholarships."

Each entrant receives official Soap Box Derby wheels, tires, and axles. Other materials combined, except paint and lettering, must cost no more than \$35. The individual's sponsor, in Brad's case the Bennington State Bank, pays the entry fee and cost of supplies.

Brad has already signed up for the 1972 derby, but he'll have some family competition — his sister. This year, for the first time, girls may enter; the change in rules is the result of a court action in an eastern state.

In 4-H work last year Brad won county championships in swine, woodworking, general livestock, demonstration, and news-writing. He had the champion

market barrow at Cloud County Fair. Heifers are another 4-H project, and in woodworking he makes things which are useful for his livestock, such as salt-boxes, feedbunks, and a gate. At 4-H Days, he has consistently given blue-ribbon talks. Brad is a regular altar server at St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Another interest is sports. At Miltonvale Grade School, where he is an eighth grader, Brad has lettered in football three years, track two years, and basketball one year.

Bill McDaniel, national 4-H electric winner, won the Salina Soap Box Derby a few years ago. It is sponsored by Jim Sullivan Chevrolet and the Salina Jaycees. Chevrolet is the national sponsor.

## Kansans second in Denver

The Harvey County 4-H livestock judging team, representing Kansas in the recent contest during National Western Livestock Show in Denver, placed second.

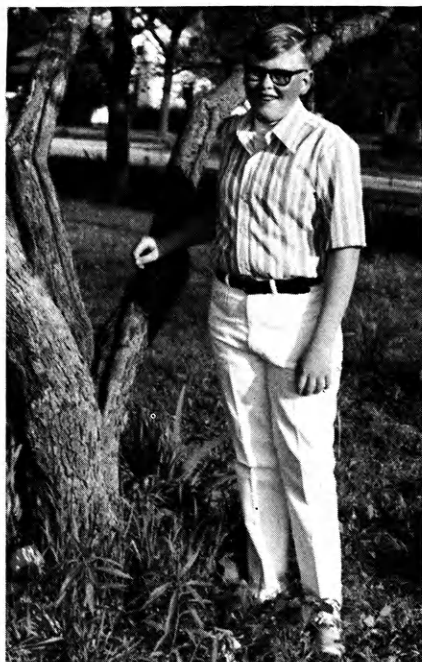
The Minnesota team placed first, reports John Hanna, Extension 4-H and youth specialist, Kansas State University.

Members of the Kansas team were Kathy Gatz, Bill McNeil, and Don Voth, Newton; and Don Suderman, Walton. Benny S. Robbins, Newton, Harvey County Extension 4-H agent, accompanied the team.

Bill was third high-scoring individual and Don Suderman ranked sixth in the contest.

In sheep judging Don was fifth high individual and in swine he ranked third. Bill was the fourth high ranking judger in beef.

# Let's go back to th



By Mike Shertz  
Peppy Progressive 4-H Club  
Montgomery County

Editor's note: Mike Shertz is only 13 years old, but he is already an experienced member of the green thumb set. Now in his sixth year of 4-H gardening, he was a county champion last year and also a member of the county horticulture team. He won first place in the 11 to 14 age group in the 11th Annual National Flower and Garden Foundation Contest.

Since the publication of "Silent Spring" by Rachel Carson, millions of Americans have become aware of the dangers stemming from the lethal chemicals used to control insects and plant diseases on our farms and in our gardens. What we are largely unaware of are the natural controls developed by modern science that will in the long run be much safer and more effective than the deadly chemicals with which we are now poisoning our own environment.

Sound gardening practices and healthy soil are essential in helping plants to resist bugs and blights. When trouble comes, strong poison is not the best or only answer, although such materials have their place when

used with precision and a knowledge of their effects. Often one of the biological controls developed by modern science will do what is needed.

There are, for example, viruses which will attack specific caterpillars. Dormant ladybugs can be purchased ready for release in the garden. A preparation is now available that will cause Japanese beetle grubs to sicken and die but will not infect other insects or the birds that feed on them. There is a beetle that attacks nothing but the Klamath weed, destroyer of miles of western pasture. Through these and many other recently developed ideas you can maintain healthy gardens without the use of hazardous chemicals.

It was five years ago that my parents and I moved to a small 10 acre farm in Liberty, Kansas. We had always wanted to grow our own food and have our own piece of land.

Many years ago Horace wrote "This was what I prayed for: a piece of land not so very large, where there is a garden, and near the house an everflowing spring of water and above this a bit of woodland." The love of the soil, an urge to make it bear fruit or vegetables, is a part of the heritage of most of us, whe-

ther we live in a city or live in the country.

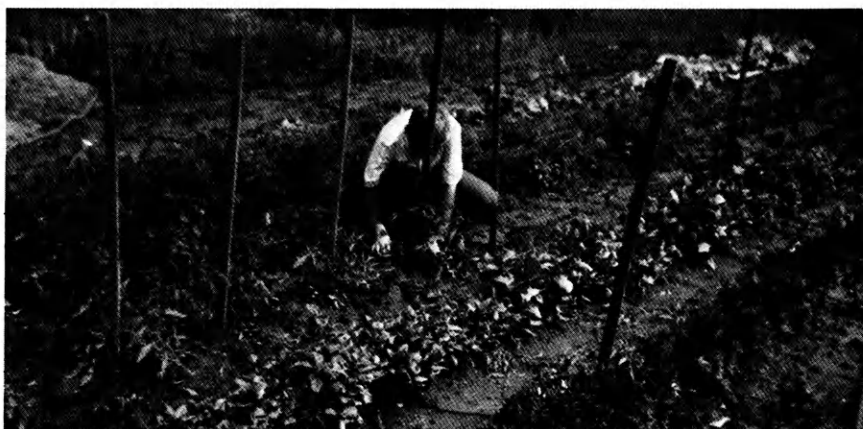
Well, our dream came true. A friend gave us our first copy of "Organic Gardening and Farming" magazine. Both of my parents came from farms, and had helped in the garden, but there was that big garden plot (80' x 90') and so much to know and learn.

We knew right from the first we didn't want to use poison sprays of any kind; we could get that kind of vegetables in town in the grocery stores. So we got the organic gardening magazine out again and read it.

Just what is organically grown food?

Organically grown food is food grown without pesticides; grown without artificial fertilizers; grown in soil whose humus content is increased by the additions of organic matter; grown in soil whose mineral content fertilizes; has not been treated with preservatives, hormones, or antibiotics. We wondered if organic gardening is ecologically necessary. YES! it is necessary to the well-being and health of the entire nation for four reasons.

1. The present need to care for the land, to conserve its remaining vitality and to restore what's been taken from it.



Here is one view of the garden which won a \$200 prize in a national contest, with Mike, a down-to-earth fellow, putting into practice some of the organic gardening ideas.



# land with organic gardening

2. The brutal degradation of the entire environment which can only be stopped and corrected through the safe recycling of wastes both organic and inorganic.

3. The progressive deterioration of personal health brought about by mechanized, computerized, supermarket foods plus lack of proper physical activity.

4. Achievement of a sense of wholeness that can come only through personal fulfillment.

"Wouldn't you rather eat an apple with a little bit of poison than one which is riddled with worms?" You would think by reading that question only two alternatives exist: an acceptance of modern agricultural practices with its poisonous pesticides, or a complete do-nothing approach in which noxious insects and plant diseases would lead to mass starvation.

In reality it is not necessary for you to choose between them. It is possible to grow a sound vegetable or fruit crop, in farm or garden, without resorting to the extremes of either position.

We have reached a critical period. The harm done by the widespread use of poisons is becoming increasingly apparent and BAD. At last the public has been aroused to some realization of problems which have been disturbing the scientific community for years. But there is a lack of general awareness of the the middle road between the two extremes of poison and famine. Agriculture has been dominated in recent years by the rapid development of economic poisons. The over-emphasis on the chemical approach has obscured many biological, cultural, and physical controls which either have gone out of fashion or await development.

Yet modern science, which has given us the chemical pesticides, has also given us deeper insight into basic biological laws that

govern all living organisms. We can begin to use in a logical and effective manner those natural forces which earlier generations were barely aware of but which they did not comprehend. Effective pest control demands a team approach of entomologist, geneticist, agronomist, horticulturist, forester, pathologist, public health physician, food and drug administrator, and others who may share responsibilities for various aspects of the problem. We begin to appreciate how outbreaks of infestations of garden pests may be far removed from their causes which germinate in modern agricultural and sociological practices. These problems cannot be separated from present widespread practices such as poor land husbandry, overgrazing, monoculture, lack of crop rotation, oversimplification of the landscape, or failure to maintain soil fertility.

A new approach to these problems is necessary in which biological factors are given consideration. They must be supplemented by good cultural practices and physical controls which offer no hazards. Doubtless there will be instances which require limited chemical control, as long as unnatural demands are made upon agriculture. But hazardous materials should be considered after all other possibilities are exhausted, and viewed as emergency measures to be used sparingly.

Let's all — and I mean all — of us, write or call our county agricultural agent and tell him to get the organic wave length, to find out what organic people are doing, and to start telling people how to garden and farm organically.

County agents have a tremendous influence on all farm and garden practices, including the use of chemicals. They write articles for local newspapers, make many speeches, and even

appear on educational television. In addition, they are in personal contact with thousands of growers. If we can make the county agents more aware of the extent of interest in organic methods, we will help to reduce the usage of artificial fertilizers and poisonous pesticides in our own areas.

Is organic gardening ecologically necessary? From the health point of view, YES. Also, there is always that sense of achievement that gardening bestows on the homesteader. Organic gardening is a complete operation that lets a man or a woman do something . . . from start to finish.

The garden, with its let downs and hard work, its many failures and unexpected successes, is all yours. What you do in the garden is your business, and what you raise there is the result of your own efforts. If you will garden just long enough, you will surely come to realize that the garden represents your point of view and what you, as an individual, truly stand for.

As stated in the August 1971 "Organic Gardening and Farming" I am sure that organic gardeners will be glad to learn that gardeners get less cancer than non-gardeners. This idea is described and commented on in the recent book "Happy People Rarely Get Cancer."

From organic gardens each of us can learn what to do in his own town and state to introduce safe and sound techniques and to enjoy the benefits of them.

A man once said "To own a bit of ground, to scratch it with a hoe, to plant seed and watch the renewal of life . . . this is the commonest delight of the race—the most satisfactory thing a man can do."

*(In a later issue, Kansas 4-H Journal will present another view of organic gardening.)*

*The symbol in the center of this page is the organic farmer seal.*

## IDEAS \* & News \*

From a bake sale the **Decatur County** 4-H Council received \$106 to use for shingles for the 4-H building. Farmers National Bank gave the council \$300 to advance 4-H work. **Benny Bennett** is council reporter.

Girls enrolled in clothing in **Sunny-side 4-H Club** in **Johnson County** went to a style show at Glenwood Manor. Various talent acts were given during the show, including "Uncle Ed" from the TV show "Tree House Lane." Admission was a toy which went to Children's Mercy Hospital, writes reporter **Annette Norris**.

Did you notice a question about 4-H in the Junior Editors Quiz in your daily newspaper one day this winter? **Jim Swanson**, a member of **Nearman 4-H Club** in Kansas City, did, and found some comments misleading and some right down incorrect. Jim wrote a letter which was printed in the Kansas City Star; here is an excerpt from it: "4-H not only teaches us skills in farming and economics, it provides us with projects in ceramics, photography, horsemanship, reading, personal development, woodworking, electricity, small engines, home improvement, citizenship, entomology, forestry, knitting, leadership and time management, to name a few. The 4-H public speaking project offers us more experience in all phases of public speaking than any other young people's organization in the world."

**Jim** gave some up-dated information about 4-H, and concluded, "I hope my information of the changes in 4-H will put you up to date concerning 4-H—an organization that 'Bridges the Gap,' the theme for the National 4-H Service Committee celebrating our 50th anniversary." Good letter, Jim!

The **Wyandotte County** 4-H'er is an effective photographer as well as letter writer; in 1970 he contributed to the Kansas 4-H Journal a cover picture of his sister sewing and a photo of his brother.

"**Miami County** 4-H'ers are grateful to the Osawatomie Chamber of Commerce for providing a place to have our banquet and for giving monetary aid toward the banquet," **Connie Debrick**, junior leaders' reporter, writes. Fifty-nine county champions were announced at the banquet. All 13 clubs in the county won purple seals.

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## County agents honored with check for 4-H center

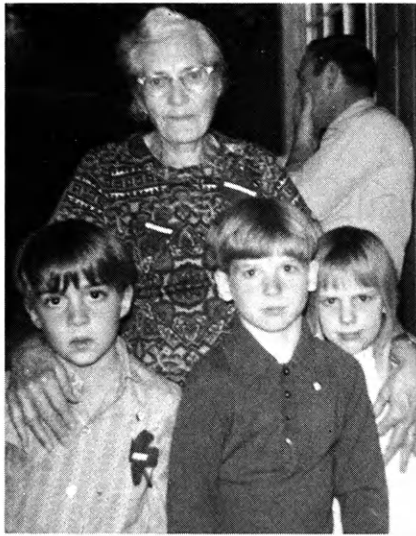
To show appreciation to Joe Neill, county Extension agricultural agent, and to Mrs. Trella Currie, county Extension home economist, for all the support and guidance they have given to 4-H members individually and to 4-H work throughout the county, Cloud County junior leaders set up a special fund to complete the Cloud County pledge to the Rock Springs Ranch dining hall.

Junior leaders' secretary Andrea Jackson writes, "We received great response to this project and were proud to present Joe and Trella this check at our achievement banquet."

The check was for \$443. The county council sent it and \$215.97 more to complete the pledge of \$2070. Kansas 4-H Foundation provides a receiving and dispensing point for such funds.

(See picture below.)

In the pie crust recipe in the January issue, the amount of water was not given. Two tablespoons of water is a satisfactory amount.



Mrs. J. H. Lightner welcomes new members Gary Hibler, Troy McGraw, and Mary Lobmeyer into Wide-A-Wake 4-H Club, Finney County. Mrs. Lightner, a past community leader, is grandmother to Gary and great-grandmother to Troy.

## Kansas Pork Queen contest is in March

Your family's farm produces pork? You've had your 18th birthday, but not your 22nd, and you have good ideas about using pork?

Then you're a natural for Kansas Pork Queen!

A new queen to succeed Noralee Nagel will be chosen March 21 in Kansas City, where contestants will present short oral essays about pork or the pork industry. Contestants must send two black and white glossy photos not larger than 5 by 7 inches; entries must be received on or before March 7.

The new Pork Queen will receive a \$100 scholarship from the Kansas Porkette Association.

For an entry blank, call or write the contest chairman, Mrs. John Teagarden, Route 2, La Cygne, Kansas 66040. Her telephone number is 913-757-2138.



Joe Neill and Trella Currie are shown with a check for the Rock Springs Ranch Dining Hall. 4-H'ers in the picture are members of a committee who planned the special fund in

Joe's and Trella's honor. From left to right are Mary Ann Hart, Andrea Jackson, Joe Neill, Trella Currie, Diann Lambert, and Jerry Link.

### Do you know that—

22,000 persons in 217 groups registered at Rock Springs Ranch during 1972? 3,500 others attended special events?

more than 162,000 meals were served?

the state 4-H center was in use 285 days — almost 5.5 days per week?

stone cottages can house 280 persons year-round, summer facilities house 700?

In addition to 4-H and Extension groups, the campus is used by churches, families, educational institutions from junior high schools to universities, as well as by civic, commercial, and professional groups for a variety of educational programs?



Members of Beacon Boosters 4-H Club of Finney County met at the home of club leader Mrs. Clifford Mayo to make Easter favors for the retarded children's day care center in Garden City. Char-dell Myers is reporter.



Jim and Jackie Fink of Paradise Dell 4-H Club in Russell County prepare Easter baskets to take to patients in the hospital.

## Fun and games and much learning in store at recreation workshop

"Our Kansas Heritage" is the theme for this year's Kansas Recreation Workshop at Rock Springs Ranch April 25 to 29.

Registration fee is \$37.50; some scholarships are available. For scholarship applications, write to Loren Woodson, Route 3, Kingman, Kansas 67068. For registration forms, write to Pat Bridges, 319 Park, Smith Center, Kansas 66967.

Any adult who is interested in leisure time activities for his own personal pleasure or to help him in working with others may attend the workshop. Games for children, for teens, for adults, and for older adults will be included.

Training will be given in leathercraft, card and finger weaving, macrame, bead work, tole painting, papier mache, and many other crafts. All participants in the workshop are encouraged to bring and share with others any crafts they can do.

Ron Klataske, National Regional Representative of the Audubon Society, will present a class on ecology. A trip to the blue heron rookery is a highlight of outdoor activity. Bird study will be taught by Margaret Boyd from Baldwin.

A new feature will be canoeing with a float trip planned. Dan Stoops from Kansas City will be the instructor in canoeing.

Julian Stein from the American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation will give special help in working with handicapped children in recreation programs.

Photographers who are interested in developing their own pictures will not want to miss the classes taught by Ben and Dorothy Fink from Topeka.

"This and much, much more is in store for anyone who can attend Kansas Recreation Workshop," Arliss Honstead, Extension specialist, 4-H and Youth, and one of the instructors, said, "and don't forget to get your registration to Pat Bridges by April 10."

## 4-H members visit rest home residents

By Blane Kleymann

An annual event for the members of Thrifty Thrivers 4-H Club of Greeley County is to entertain the residents at the Helmwood rest home in Tribune. Last fall club members along with some parents entertained them by playing bingo and serving refreshments. Each 4-H family brought two or three gifts to be used as prizes. The folks at the home seemed to enjoy the fellowship with some of the 4-H youth of Greeley County.

As a part of the program for the December meeting the club members sang Christmas carols for the folks at Helmwood and left tray favors, made by club members who are enrolled in the 4-H health project, to be used on Christmas Day to help make the holiday a little more festive.

Cynthia Herl, a member of Thrifty Thrivers 4-H Club of Greeley County, is visiting with residents of Helmwood rest home in Tribune.



## Quarter Horse clinic in Hutchinson Mar. 18

4-H'ers of the state are invited to attend the Third Annual Stallion Review and Quarter Horse Clinic to be held at the Exhibition Center, State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson, on March 18, starting at 9 a.m.

This event, sponsored by the Kansas Quarter Horse Association, will include demonstrations in care, show, fitting, and performance given by some of the top experts in these areas of interest. Special emphasis will be directed to making these demonstrations meaningful for the youth that attend.

The general public is invited to see what Quarter Horse breeders and the KQHA have to offer. There is no admission charge.

# Arbor Day 1972

By Gene W. Grey  
Assistant State Forester

March 31 is the one-hundredth anniversary of Arbor Day. Here are some things that you or your club might do on this centennial day dedicated to the planting and care of trees. These ideas range from the easy to the difficult. Why not try the difficult?

1. Plant a tree at home.
2. Plant a tree at school.
3. Enroll in a 4-H forestry project.
4. Write an article about trees for your local newspaper urging people to plant trees.
5. Organize a tree planting project at school.
6. Organize a tree planting project in a public park. Here's how:
  - a. Contact your city council for permission and support.
  - b. Contact a landscape architect or nurseryman for a planting plan.
  - c. Ask for support and donated trees from local service clubs and other organizations. Local businessmen may wish to help too.
  - d. Ask your newspaper for publicity.
  - e. Make arrangements for tools to plant the trees.
  - f. Plant the trees (you will need a foreman and a lot of workers).
  - g. Make arrangements for caring for the trees through the summer.

You will find most people more than willing to help you. Draw up a plan of action and divide the responsibility. The world around you will be a little better for your efforts.

## Breed association formed

Is the Polled Hereford your favorite breed? Then you'll be interested in a new organization just beginning — the Kansas Junior Polled Hereford Association. For more information, write to either Dwight Watson, Rt. 2, Barnard, Kansas 67418, or to Marty Kolarik, Caldwell, Kansas 67022. Dwight and Marty think Polled Herefords are the breed of the future.

W. G. and Charlen Watson are organizational sponsors. They are leaders in Rainbow 4-H Club, Lincoln County.



In appreciation of her long service to Chapman youth, Frances Sheeran Mark, right, editor of the Chapman Advertiser, is given a plaque from Chapman Shamrocks 4-H Club of Dickinson County. Ruth Wood, left, club president, and Cheryl Lang, secretary, made the presentation. Reporter is Lucille Cregan.

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# Notes

By Dr. Margery A. Neely

*Because four Kansas 4-H'ers cared, the first annual conference inviting 4-H youth to speak out will be held this year at the same time as Round-up. Janet Rewerts, Ed Juno, Sheri Hewitt, and John Reynolds were 1971 National 4-H Conference delegates, and they pledged their time and effort toward instituting the Kansas 4-H Invitational Conference. The following article was written by them.*



## Kansas 4-H Invitational Conference

Do you care about the future of our Kansas 4-H program? If you do, you can do something about it by applying for the first annual Kansas 4-H Invitational Conference. "We Care" is the theme for this year's conference which is to be held at Kansas State University from June 5 to June 9.

The Kansas 4-H Invitational Conference will provide an opportunity for selected delegates to make recommendations for 4-H programs for the future. These recommendations will be based on study, discussion, and interaction of delegates throughout the week and should reflect the consensus of each advisory group. As selected representatives of all 4-H'ers in every county, it will be both an honor and a responsibility to be chosen as a delegate.

Evaluating the Kansas 4-H program on the county and state level and making recommendations for improvement as well as giving the delegates leadership experience will be the main objectives of the conference.

The delegates will be divided into four advisory groups dealing with major concerns of the Kansas 4-H program. The topics of these groups will be: Self Awareness, Community Development, Alternative Lifestyles, and Reaching Out. In addition, the delegates will be working on conference operation committees and will have many responsibilities for conducting the conference. Other highlights of the week will include guest speakers and entertainment.

More specific information and applications are available at your county Extension office. Show that you care about the future of 4-H. The Kansas 4-H program needs **your** ideas!

### Space age child —

(Continued from page 3)

they'll listen to you, because up to a certain age they think you know everything. That stage won't last too long, however, and time will come when they think they know more than you do and they'll not be very tolerant of your ideas.

"But don't despair. This isn't a new experience. T. R. Glover, the well-known Cambridge scholar of a generation ago, tells us:

"The Spartan legislator, Lycurgus, it was said, noticed that at 13 or 14, boys develop a certain independence and uppishness, as you may prefer to call it; so he piled on extra discipline, extra tasks and drilled into them a respect for their elders nowhere else to be found in Greece."

"That was obviously the way to make real Spartans out of these boys; but it took real Spartans to do it. And I doubt if we are Spartan enough for the job, or really want our boys to become Spartans.

"But keep talking to them. Discuss their opinions with them; explain the reasons for your own convictions—this is the time for that, rather than just being dictatorial and arbitrary. At this age your children probably won't agree with you; they may not appear even to be listening. But they probably will be repeating your ideas in classroom discussions, and expressing them as their own views, without your being aware of it.

"We want our children to be good people—intelligent, polite,

well-mannered, with good principles. We want to live in a good society; and we want a good society for our children and their children. Accomplishing these things isn't easy. But it isn't impossible, either. It can be done if we all do our part as citizens and as parents. And we can do our part, if we use our brains and try."

The key words in Dr. Powell's thoughts are these, "It isn't easy—but it isn't impossible either." Communication can be accomplished if we are willing to use our opportunities and mostly, if we just keep trying. From one of the Beatles' songs, there was a pitiful and poignant phrase,

"She's leaving home,  
After living alone,  
For so many years."

In the 4-H "vehicle" we have an excellent opportunity to communicate and share ourselves with children and youth as they move toward becoming meaningful persons in their own right. The wonderful world of 4-H provides a common ground for communication, with other children and especially, with our own. In this world, we all talk the same language.

## Pebble Pups meet

By Shannon Martin, Reporter  
Bluestem 4-H Club  
Butler County

Bluestem 4-H Club members in Butler County enrolled in the new geology project decided on the name "Pebble Pups" to describe their group of young rock hounds. The "pebble pups," ranging in age from 8 thru 13, met at the W. O. Jones home in December to begin studying rocks.

Mrs. Jones, a Wichita elementary science teacher, provided everyone with samples of sedimentary rocks, which included sandstone in two colors, red and yellow; coal; red and blue shale; limestone; red selenite; and five others. Mrs. Jones in describing each also gave many locations where various rocks may be found in Kansas. Members chemically tested some limestone, which will effervesce in a solution of vinegar, showing the presence of calcite.

# WE SALUTE ELECTRIC WINNERS



The Investor-owned Electric Companies of Kansas proudly salute the Electric Project winners listed here. These worthy 4-H'ers received Westinghouse Medals for their fine work. If you are not enrolled, join the many 4-H'ers in this project to learn more about electricity and the proper care and use of electrical equipment. Contact your club leader for more information.

**State Winner:** Billy McDaniel, Saline County, received a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, where he was named as a national winner in the electric project.

## 1971 Electric Winners

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