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AND ALL OUR FRIENDS
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

4-H'ers appreciate their meeting place

A 4-H club which meets in a church found a way to express appreciation for use of the church as a meeting place. A committee of 4-H members discovered that the church needed pulpit cloths. Four girls in the advanced sewing class,

with the help of two mothers, made four pulpit cloths for the four different seasons of the church year.

The group, the Lucky 13 4-H Club of Neosho County, has their regular meetings in the basement of the First Christian Church in Erie; they also meet there for committee meetings, project meetings, box suppers, and practices for chorus

and square dance groups.

The pulpit cloths were presented to the church during morning worship on 4-H Sunday, when 30 members and their families attended the service. After church the group met at Lake McKinley for a covered dish dinner, fishing, hiking, and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Loy Reinhardt are leaders.



Darlene Angleton, club president, representing the Lucky 13 4-H Club members, presents one of four pulpit cloths to Reverend Jordan, representing the First Christian Church congregation. The cloth pictured is the white cloth, a symbol of purity, joy, and truth used at Christmas and Easter. The dove expresses innocence and purity. It signifies the Holy Spirit and the presence of God. The flames of fire refer to the Pentecost, the sending of the Holy Spirit to refine and purify a people for God.

4-H'ers' skills benefit senior citizens' center

Members of Highlander 4-H Club in Thomas County take an active interest in residents in the Meadowlark Manor Senior Citizens Center of Colby.

The latest projects were making of a sign and a bookcase for the center. An earlier project was making 42 planter boxes for each apartment's porch; these were repainted by the club this spring.

For the past three years each family has taken turns in taking cookies to the center.

Pictured above are members of Highlander 4-H Club and the bookcase. At right is the sign which the club members constructed.



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Look for the unexpected

By Dr. Glenn Busset
 State 4-H Leader

What do you see when you look at the boys and girls in the 4-H club you serve as leader? Do you see the Barton girl and the Federicks boy — and all the others — blondes, brunettes, shorts, talls, skinny, lumpy, buck teeth, elbows, and knees? What do you really see?

Do you see these boys and girls as a collection of children, giggly or quiet, bold or shy, bashful or forward, poised or nervous — do you see them as potential problems that you must somehow help — or — do you see them for what they can or should be — can you see them for what they could develop into, if they ever actually realize their full capacities? There is nothing more exciting in the world than the potential of a child.

As you look at these boys and girls with whom you have a direct, personal 4-H contact — are you able to sort out the plodders, the drifters, those who never have felt the spark of ambition in their bones — can you — are you sure? Can you predict who will be leaders, who will become followers, and those who will fail? Are you sure you can tell? What do you really see? Let's look at some other people, in other days, and some of their situations.

In England, the 12 men and the board of student admissions at Harrow were considering the application of an extremely sorry candidate. Skinny, red headed, and obviously belligerent, he had such a poor prep school record that the majority of the board favored rejecting his application for admission. In fact, the vote was 11-1 against him as a student. But there seemed to be some hidden promise that appealed so much to one member of the board, that he prevailed on the others to grant probationary admission.

Had he seen some indication of possible future greatness? Was there a flash of intuition? No one can say, but Winston Churchill was admitted to Harrow, the only school that ever considered his application. The unexpected? Yes — and how would the history of the English speaking people have been altered had not someone seen a glimpse of the unexpected?

A penniless, itinerant, unemployed Italian seaman had wandered about the Mediterranean world for many years. People laughed at his silly supposition that one could reach India by sailing into the unknown western sea. Everyone knew that India lay to the east. He was scorned out of his own city of Genoa, even out of Italy itself, and later out of Portugal. But someone — a woman

with intuition — saw the unexpected and pledged her crown jewels to finance Christopher Columbus in his wild, imaginative scheme. Unexpected? Yes — but many years later the American poet Edwin Markham stated the case with rare perception:

*“ . . . so gallant was
 his dare
 Had there not been
 land ahead
 God would have put it
 there.”*

If you have read the thrilling and inspiring book, “The Inn of the Sixth Happiness,” you will recall that the heroine was determined to leave England and become a missionary to China, yet no one wanted her. She was the least likely candidate that had ever asked for an overseas missionary post. No one would encourage her or even talk to her about her dream of becoming a missionary. Dismissed from the China Mission Center after only three months of study, she took a job as a maid. After three years of saving, she bought a rail ticket and traveled alone, friendless and penniless, across Russia, Siberia, and China — a 30 year old spinster with absolute determination as her only real asset.

Her success in a wild, remote mountain region; her epic journey across rugged, unknown mountains with more than a hundred homeless orphans, sought by the Japanese army; all these were to make fascinating reading to millions of Englishmen, including those who turned her out of London's China Mission Center as an impossible candidate. The unexpected? Yes, but Gladys Aylward possessed the unexpected quality of unusual determination — and a faith that matched her determination.

Standing up at home plate, he was the least likely looking athlete on the baseball field. Spindle-legged, knock-kneed, narrow-shouldered, and big around the middle, he gave the impression of an absurd clown who had somehow wandered into a baseball uniform and onto the playing field by mistake — his failure record was already in excess of anything in the big leagues, for in his lifetime, he struck out more than a thousand times . . . but he hit more than 700 home runs in his career, far exceeding that of any other major league player in previous history. Babe Ruth was the unexpected — a pitcher who turned to home run hitting when his pitching arm had lost its cunning. The unexpected, yes, for no one could possibly have predicted his fabulous career.

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Weekly radio programs continue for 20 years

By Traci Price
Goodland

Warren Star Busy Bees 4-H Club in Sherman County has been in charge of 4-H radio programs over the local radio station KLOE in Goodland on a weekly basis for more than 20 years.

The 4-H'er responsible for starting the radio programs for Warren Star Busy Bees was Jean Roeder in 1954. Many other club members including Gary Mogge, David and Leta Gattshall have held this responsibility over the years, with Traci Price and Alan Roeder presently being in charge of the project.

These members give the first-of-the-month news report of local 4-H events and announcements the first Sunday of the month and schedule the radio programs the remaining Sundays of each month to various



The Kansas representative in the national Miss Rodeo contest at Oklahoma City December 3-8 will be Deana Wieggers, Leoti.

A 10-year member of Pleasant Valley Boosters 4-H Club in Wichita County, Deana won the Key Award in 1972. This fall she received a gold pin — the first 4-H'er to receive this honor in Wichita County.

other 4-H clubs in the county. Community leaders of all clubs are given a schedule for the radio talks and are responsible for having one of their members prepare material for the program about some phase of 4-H. The local station cooperates in allowing the 4-H member to tape the program ahead of time if desired.

The 4-H'er from Warren Star Busy Bees responsible for the proj-

ect also reminds community leaders by post card so there is always a radio program prepared or taped each Sunday afternoon.

This has been a very successful community project in Sherman County over the 20 years as it gives every club in the county an opportunity to have several radio programs each year. It also promotes 4-H work to everyone in the listening area.

Look for the unexpected

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In the year 1819, there was a minor crisis in a crude rural school district in Southern Indiana, the Pigeon Creek School. The teacher had been there only a few weeks when he resigned and moved on, for he said—"in that sorry land there was no material worth staying for"—so he moved on to a land of better promise. And so, for a while, there was no school — and some pupils learned their letters and ciphers the best way they could at home, until another teacher could be found. One was found — and schooling started over again for Tom Lincoln's son, Abraham. The unexpected? Yes — perhaps divine providence, perhaps not — but someone saw in this crude country boy the unexpected — and provided the spark that set an intellect on fire that would save his country at a later day.

One night in a little theatre in London, the manager looked out at a skimpy audience of fewer than 50 people who had come through the miserable weather to watch the performance of a new play. He thought of calling it off and refunding the money of those who were there. Discouraged with the small attendance, the young leading actor called his cast together and asked their opinion of the cancellation. All agreed except Edwin Booth, a veteran of the stage for many years, who insisted that the play go on as scheduled.

"We must go out there tonight and play just as if the King of England is in the audience," he insisted. The play did go on — and the King of England was in the audience, looking for an evening of relaxation. Inspired by Booth's example, the cast gave the best performance of their lives, and the play was acclaimed a success. And after that evening, it was Sir Edwin Booth, knighted on the spot by the King for an outstanding performance.

What does this mean to you here as the Christmas of 1974 nears? It should mean that you act as if every boy and girl that you know, that you have in your 4-H group, is a candidate for greatness. It means that you

so inspire them that every time they perform, to a full house or to a handfull, their preparation and their performance is of the quality that it would be "if the king were in the audience." This is perhaps the best lesson you can give them when they ask "What does it mean To Make the Best Better?"

How do you look for the unexpected? How do you begin? Where do you start? You look for the unexpected by trying to spark in every boy and girl, regardless of who they are or of how little promise they seem to have, the curiosity to say "why" — the willingness to do more than what is "just good enough" — the fire of ambition to excel, not some one else's performance, but every day to exceed in every way the very best they could do yesterday. You set them on fire with visions of what could be — you challenge them to look beyond today, to try to see the kind of man or woman they want to be — you challenge them to goals — goals they never have dreamed of themselves. Rabelais said it perfectly: "A child is not a vase to be filled, but a fire to be lit."

The genius of 4-H club work is the project. It is the means, the handle by which you take hold of a boy or a girl in a very special way — not to create a perfect bookrack or plate of brownies or record book, but to establish attitudes of industry, of accuracy, of promptness, of cooperation, of getting the job done, of pride in accomplishing a task — and as you take hold of the boy and girl through the resource of the skill developed in the project, then you challenge him — you spark his ambition to seek out — you set fire to his own desire to find out what he is here on earth for and what his life can do. No one ever accomplished more than he dreamed of.

The unexpected, yes! Look for the unexpected, the unusual. The most exciting thing in the world is the potential of a child.

When you see this and realize that you have set afire the ambitions that are almost limitless in scope, then you will understand you have received your own reward for leadership. No one can improve on that kind of recognition.

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When Jack Frost was lurking around the corner, Kim Steffy, left, and Kris Ewert transplanted begonias to be brought inside for the winter.



With the guidance of project leader Mrs. Ron Ewert, Kim Steffy, center, prunes her begonia as Kris Ewert looks on.

Girls to give begonias

At Christmas time, residents of a nursing home in Leavenworth County will receive gifts of a bit of springtime, thanks to members of Valley View 4-H Club enrolled in Beauty from Horticulture. The gifts will be potted begonias.

When frost was near, project leader Mrs. Ron Ewert helped Kim Steffy and Kris Ewert transplant begonias by bringing them out of the flower garden and indoors for winter. The girls learned how to transplant, studied soil types, and experimented with drainage, using clay and ceramic glazed pots.

The second project meeting consisted of a "pinching party." When the begonias were well established after transplanting, Kim and Kris "pinched" their plants back to make them grow bushier. The cuttings were placed in water to root. When well rooted, the new plants were potted; they are the plants planned for the residents of the nursing home.

It is hoped that the potted begonias will survive the winter and will be healthy enough to put in outside flower gardens in the spring.

4-H members gather toys for children

Because Christmas and toys for children go together like snow and sleds, members of some 4-H clubs make a special effort to see that at Christmas children have toys who might not otherwise have some.

A group which annually contributes

to Toys for Tots is Newbury 4-H Club in Wabaunsee County. Each year the 4-H members take toys to the fire academy in Topeka. For their support last year the club received a letter of thanks with this comment, "We know from the smiles on the children's faces it

was surely appreciated."

Another club with a similar project is Whitemound Builders 4-H Club in Jewell County. The toys they collected were sent to the Girls' Industrial School at Beloit to be restored and given to needy children at Christmas.



This is part of the pickup load of used toys collected by members of Whitemound Builders 4-H Club, reports Kathy Alexander.



Making their annual presentation of Toys for Tots are, from left, Mrs. Walter Hund, community leader; Karon Hammarlund, reporter; Patrick Flach, treasurer; Jean Flach, secretary; Billy Flach, vice-president; Denise Hund, president; and Walter Flach, community leader.

IDEAS & News

With a variety of talent, members of **Mapleton Cloverleaf 4-H Club** entertained older persons in Mapleton in **Bourbon County**. After the program the group played bingo, and then the 4-H'ers served refreshments.

A week later, the club had its last gathering, a chicken dinner, as the club has closed because of lack of members and of project leaders, according to reporter **Jay VanBuskirk**. A gift was presented to **Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rogers** in appreciation for their leadership the past six years.

Leaders since 1967, **Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bergeson** have resigned as community leaders for the **Fairview Hilltoppers 4-H Club** in **Cloud County**. Although their own two children were too young for 4-H work, **Ann and Bill** consented to be club community leaders so the **Fairview Hilltoppers** would not have to disband. Each year since they have been leaders, the club has received a purple seal, **Mike Jones** reports.

Kansas teenagers joined others from Missouri, Iowa, and Oklahoma at the American Royal 4-H Conference in Kansas City in October. Delegates are selected in the counties in recognition of their accomplishments. About 230 Kansas 4-H'ers took part in the conference.

The **Bobcats 4-H Club** of Roeland Park in **Johnson County** met for mass at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Mission for the kick-off for 4-H Week. After mass, the group went to the **Loren Mullen** home for cider and doughnuts.

A fast-growing project is geology; in three years, the number of state fair entries has more than doubled — from 37 exhibits from 25 counties in 1972 to 81 exhibits from 44 counties in 1974. Judges awarded 12 purple ribbons at the 1974 Kansas State Fair to geology exhibits.

Four top quality photographs taken by Kansas 4-H members are included in a display at National 4-H Congress in Chicago. **David Von Riesen** selected the four, the maximum number Kansas could send, from 260 exhibits at State Fair.

The four photographers are **Pam Bailey**, **Butler County**; **Cathy Reed**, **Saline County**; **Sheri Smith**, **Barton County**; and **John Pendleton**, **Douglas County**

Welcome to two new members of **Good Hope Boosters 4-H Club**, **Norton County**! They are **Tom Otter** and **Kathy Heikes**, **Jimmy Wolf** reports.

At a county 4-H Sunday service in **Morton County**, **Mrs. Carol Swinney** was the main speaker. Services were followed by a weiner roast. Reporter is **Diann Tucker**.

In **Thomas County** community leaders for **Brewster Prairie Gem 4-H Club** for this 4-H year are **Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Goetsch**, with **Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crampton** as assistant community leaders, writes reporter **Bonnie Crabtree**. Thirteen other leaders will guide project work

4-H'ers enrolled in veterinary science or in an animal project may want to send for a new 20-minute free film, "Veterinary Biologicals: Safeguarding

America's Livestock." To get the film, write to **York Studios, Ltd.**, 4950 York Street, Denver, Colorado 80216.

Reporter **Ronda Jepson** writes that the **Shunga Valley 4-H Club** of **Shawnee County** polished off their '73-'74 year with a weiner roast. **Mike Reilly** was honored upon retiring after six years as community leader.

Some new 4-H presidents are, in **Harvey County**, **City Slickers 4-H Club**, **Dawna Miller**; **Kellas**, **Barbara McNeill**; in **Riley County**, **Zeandale**, **Rusty Berry**; **Happy Go Lucky**, **Donna Reichert**; and in **Norton County**, **Nancy Goldsby**, **Good Hope Boosters**.

President of the National 4-H Service Committee is **Omer Voss**, executive vice-president of **International Harvester Company**.

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INSURED SAFE

In October the Logan County 4-H horse judging team won third in the judging contest during the American Quarter Horse Congress in Columbus, Ohio. Members of the team were Ed Darnall, Debbie Kester, Tami Mitten, and Darvin Strutt.

Winning teams in district land judging contests will represent Kansas in the International Land Judging and Home-site Evaluation Contest in May 1975 in Oklahoma City. The districts, counties, and team members are: Southwest: Ford-Charles Nicholson, Bryan Owens, and Lane Newell; Northwest: Rooks-Ron Eggers, Eddie McQueen, David Chaffin; South Central: McPherson-Loren Koreker, Roger Regehr, and Mark Kroeker; Northeast: Shawnee-Brenda Hundley, Sandra Hundley, and Terri Weixelman; and Southeast: Linn-Judy Stainbrook, Robert Shelton, and Dan Stainbrook.

Congratulations to all winners of Union Pacific scholarships!

Scholarship winners by counties are: Clay—Rebecca Benson, Clay Center; Dickinson—Casey Garten, Diane Robson, Janet Stoffer, Abilene; Douglas—Carol Lyon, Overbrook; Ellis—Kathryn Slimmer, Plainville; Graham—Linda Billips, Hill City; Jackson—Douglas Fisher, Rita Guess, Holton; Kel Lee Parr, Delia; Jefferson—Elaine Hefty, Valley Falls; John Heston, Oskaloosa; Patrick Mulvihill, Perry; Leavenworth—Margaret Schwinn, Leavenworth; Lincoln—Leesa Wallace, Barnard; Marshall—Linda Peterson, Home; McPherson—Elaine Case and Carrie Young, McPherson; Osborne—Jan Dugan, Alton; Pottawatomie—Jennifer Edwards and Susan Gibbs, Olsburg; Catherine Honig, Onaga; Riley—Gail Eystone, Lorrie Lindsey, and Janis Pretzer, Manhattan; Marsha Hagenmaier, Randolph; Russell—Melo Dee Mai and

Audrey Rein, Russell; Saline—Pamela Kohman, Gypsum; Charles Lindshield, Smolan; Sheridan—Howard Karnes, Studley; Trego—Joleen Moden and Janelle Schoenthaler, WaKeeney; Washington—Scott Elsasser, Clyde; and Kayleen Pelesky, Haddam.

For 4-H Sunday the Fairview Hilltoppers 4-H Club, Cloud County, had a chicken roast for past members and leaders, Brian Paulsen reports. Fifty-five persons attended. Valerie Palusen and Donna Alderson were on the committee.

Congratulations to Nancy Reichert, Happy-Go-Lucky 4-H Club, Riley County, for winning 10th place in the National Jersey Youth Production Contest sponsored by the American Jersey Cattle Club, Columbus, Ohio. In October she received an award at the All American Junior Banquet in Columbus. Nancy appeared on the cover of the April Kansas 4-H Journal.

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Kitchen Bowl



Cheesy meat loaf is a good recipe to try on a cold day. Ronda Glasgow sent it; she was enrolled in meat utilization last year, and this is one of her favorite recipes.

She writes, "My family likes meat loaf and loved the different taste — I hope you'll feel the same."

Ronda is a member of Sasnak 4-H Club in Saline County.

Cheesy Meat Loaf

- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1 8-ounce can tomato sauce (1 cup)
- 2 beaten eggs
- 4 ounces process American cheese, diced (1 cup)
- 1 cup soft bread crumbs (1 1/4 slices)
- 1 tsp. salt
- Dash pepper
- 1/4 tsp. dried thyme leaves, crushed (optional)
- 1 1/2 pounds ground beef
- 1/2 pound ground pork (or use all ground beef)

Cook vegetables in boiling water till tender; drain. Stir in remaining ingredients except meat. Add meat; mix well. Shape into loaf in baking dish. Bake at 350 for 1 1/2 hours. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

National winners

The names of seven 4-H members receiving national and sectional honors in 4-H projects were announced at National 4-H Congress in Chicago this week.

Charles Odgers, a junior at Sublette High School who hopes to become a farmer, is a national agricultural winner. Agricultural projects carried in 1974 include wheat, alfalfa, corn, and sheep; he was also assistant county sheep leader. At the district 4-H wheat show, he showed the grand champion sample in the mill and bake section.

In 1974 Charles was president of his 4-H club and of Haskell County 4-H Council and was a 4-H Ambassador. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Odgers, Sublette. International Harvester Co., Chicago, Illinois, provided Charles with a \$1,000 scholarship and the trip to Chicago.

In nine years, **Tracy Brunner**, Ramona, a national winner in the beef project, increased the size of his beef herd from a baby beef crossbred steer to 8 baby beef steers, 70 deferred steers, 30 mixed stock cows with calves, and 7 half-blood Simmental heifers to calve in early March.

Tracy's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Brunner. The Dickinson Countian is a freshman at Kansas State University. The Celanese Chemical Co., New York, New York, provided his trip and a \$700 scholarship.

Bruce Wilmeth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilmeth, Jr. of Grenola, received one of two \$800.00 scholarships for the study of veterinary medicine. The donor is Champion Valley Farms, Inc. of Camden, N.J. Bruce was an Elk County 4-Her for 12 years.

James Schesser, Jr., of Horton, received one of two national awards of \$800.00 scholarships in the 4-H crop protection-production program. The scholarships were donated by Chevron Chemical Co., Ortho Division. James, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Schesser, Sr. is a sophomore at Kansas State University and a former Atchison County 4-Her.



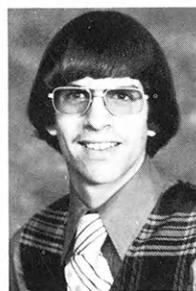
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Janice Ewing
Montgomery County
Clothing



Linda Collins
Neosho County
Swine



Charles Odgers
Haskell County
Agriculture

A national winner in clothing, **Janice Ewing** from Montgomery County, has made 378 articles during the 10 years she has been enrolled in clothing. This includes curtains, quilts, and bedspreads as well as clothing. She helped conduct a clothing workshop for 4-H leaders and a modeling demonstration for 4-H clubs.

Only 17, Janice is a junior at Kansas State University. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ewing, Independence. Her trip and a \$700 scholarship came to her from Coats and Clark, Inc., New York, New York.

Linda Sue Collins, Savonburg, Neosho County, is a national winner in the swine project. In her seven years in this project, she has farrowed and bought 17 market pigs and bought and farrowed 36 breeding gilts.

Moorman Manufacturing Co., Quincey, Illinois, provided a \$700 scholarship and the trip to Chicago for Linda, who raised both Yorkshires and Hampshires. Her pigs have been shown at county and state fairs, and she entered a carcass in a carcass evaluation show.

Sectional winners

A girl from Cloud County, **Sheila McKain**, is a sectional winner in the poultry project. Enrolled in poultry for nine years, she usually has a laying flock of from 50 to 100 hens. This year she made more than \$300 by selling about 215 California White roosters as fryers. Kentucky Fried Chicken provided her trip to Chicago. Sheila is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan McKain, Miltonvale.

James Schesser Jr. from Atchison County is also a sectional winner. In entomology he has collected 976 specimens from 154 families and 23 orders. James plans a career as a 4-H extension worker. Donor of his trip is Hercules, Incorporated.



James Schesser
Atchison County
Crop Protection
Entomology



Sheila McKain
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Poultry

State winners in other projects

Other winners of Chicago trips

Twenty-one other Kansas 4-H members won trips to National 4-H Congress as state project winners. Their names, towns, counties and projects are: **Robert Kellogg**, Phillipsburg, Phillips, achievement; **Mike Brothers**, Lyons, Rice, automotive; **Lynne Raaf**, Gridley, Coffey, bread; **Gregg Gasche**, Hartford, Lyon, conservation of natural resources; **Brenda Johnson**, Meriden, Jefferson, consumer education; **Bob Charvat**, Independence, Montgomery, dairy; **Debra Penner**, Hillsboro, Marion, dairy foods; **Susan Hutchison**, Shawnee, Johnson, dress revue; **James Bergh**, Marienthal, Wichita, electric;

Gloria McLean, Piedmont, Greenwood, food-nutrition; **Christa Fagan**, Benton, Butler, food preservation; **Dana Maxwell**, Fort Dodge, Ford, health; **Kaye Klema**, Russell, Russell, home environment; **Judy Lehman**, Abilene, Dickinson, home management; **Gayle Davis**, Jetmore, Hodgemen, horse; **David Cox**, Linwood, Leavenworth, horticulture; **Deryl Waldren**, Tribune, Greeley, leadership; **Serena Stum**, Ness City, Ness, livestock; **Gene Van Horn**, Ottawa, Franklin, petroleum power; **Alex Mih**, Chanute, Neosho, photography; and **Terri Sue Reinhardt**, Erie, Neosho, safety.

Also at National 4-H Congress as winners of Santa Fe Railway awards for achievement were **Cindy Gistad**, Nortonville, Atchison; **Jim Gordon**, Fort Scott, Bourbon; **Mark Schaake**, Douglas, Lawrence; and **Karl McNorton**, Topeka, Shawnee, who received \$500 scholarships, and **Peggy Love**, St. Francis, Cheyenne; and **Adel Visser**, Riley, Riley.

State winners in other projects are: **Becky Topliff**, Goodland, Sherman, achievement; **Calvin Glasco**, Goodland, Sherman, best groomed boy; **Brady Simpson**, Garland, Bourbon, bicycle; **David Shepard**, Clearwater, Sedgwick and **Melody Hull**, Arkansas City, Cowley, citizenship; **Jan Dugan**, Alton, Osborne, and **Donita Buethe**, Lincolnville, Marion, citizenship in action; **Dean Stoskopf**, Hoisington, Barton, and **Martin Becker**, Russell, Russell, commodity marketing;

Leland Gattshall, Goodland, Sherman, corn; **Glenda Johnson**, Larned, Pawnee, dog care and training; **Dean Parker**, Peck, Sumner, emergency preparedness; **Keith Allen**, Kismet, Haskell, field crops; **Carlene Seeliger**, Burden, Cowley, and **Rita Blecha**, Chester, Nebraska, Republic, food awareness; **Terry Lee Craft**, Oxford, Cowley, forestry; **Rick Russell**, St. John, Stafford, health; **Cherie Bayer**, Cheney, Sedgwick, leadership; **Clayton McIlvain**, Madison, Greenwood, legumes and grasses; **Clay Story**, Udall, Cowley, and **Janice Davies**, Junction City, Geary, meat utilization; **Cecilia Kasl**, Cuba, Republic, newswriting;

Emil Wittenborn, Arkansas City, Cowley, potato; **Sonya Green**, Arkansas City, Cowley, rabbit; **Paula Johnston**, Lawrence, Douglas, recreation; **Andrea Hamilton**, Coffeyville, Montgomery, sheep; **Jim Lobmeyer**, Garden City, Finney, sorghum; **Dean Mitchell**, Coffeyville, Montgomery, soybeans; **Leonard Queen**, Grainfield, Gove, veterinary science; **John Baumgartner**, Sabetha, Nemaha, weed control; **Kurtus Reusser**, Clearwater, Sedgwick, wheat; **Keith Miller**, Great Bend, Barton, **Steve Rowan**, Ingalls, Gray, and **Randy Schoenthaler**, Ogallah, Trego, wheat quality; **Loren Seaman**, Waverley, Coffey, woodwork.

In the people-to-people project, winners are **Jan Horlacher**, Colby, Thomas; **Tina Olsen**, Horton, Brown; **Patti Moore**, Medicine Lodge, Barber; and **Jeanie Loop**, Bird City, Cheyenne.

Public speaking winners are **Casey Garten**, Abilene, Dickinson, and **Janet Slater**, Mahaska, Washington. Awards for their Kansas 4-H Foundation talks go to **Vicky Meireis**, Norton, Norton, and to **Carol Carnes**, Weir, Cherokee.

Winners of trips to National 4-H Dairy Conference are **Eva Marie Blevins**, Riley, Riley; **Keith Heikes**, Leonardville, Riley; **Terry Lust**, Iola, Allen; **Janice Ewing**, Independence, Montgomery; **Wayne DeWerff**, Ellinwood, Barton; and **Carol Reichert**, Riley, Riley.

Adults who won recognition as outstanding alumni are **Roetta Dee Mann**, Quinter, Gove; **Beverly Bradley**, Lawrence, Douglas; **Phillip Lunt**, Wichita, Sedgwick; and **James Tangeman**, Colby, Thomas.

IDEAS & News

Members of **Bavaria 4-H Club** in **Saline County** have been busy with a paper drive to help support their adopted child from Asia. They have been active in the people-to-people project for two years.

During 4-H Week, reporter **Lee Weis** spoke on KINA radio promoting geology and 4-H.

At the Kansas State Fair at Hutchinson, **Roger Daily** took two blue ribbons on his ducks and one blue on chickens; **Joni Kline** took purple in geology and **Julie Kline** took blue in entomology

In October, **Webber Wide Awake 4-H Club, Jewell County**, followed their regular monthly meeting with an auction.

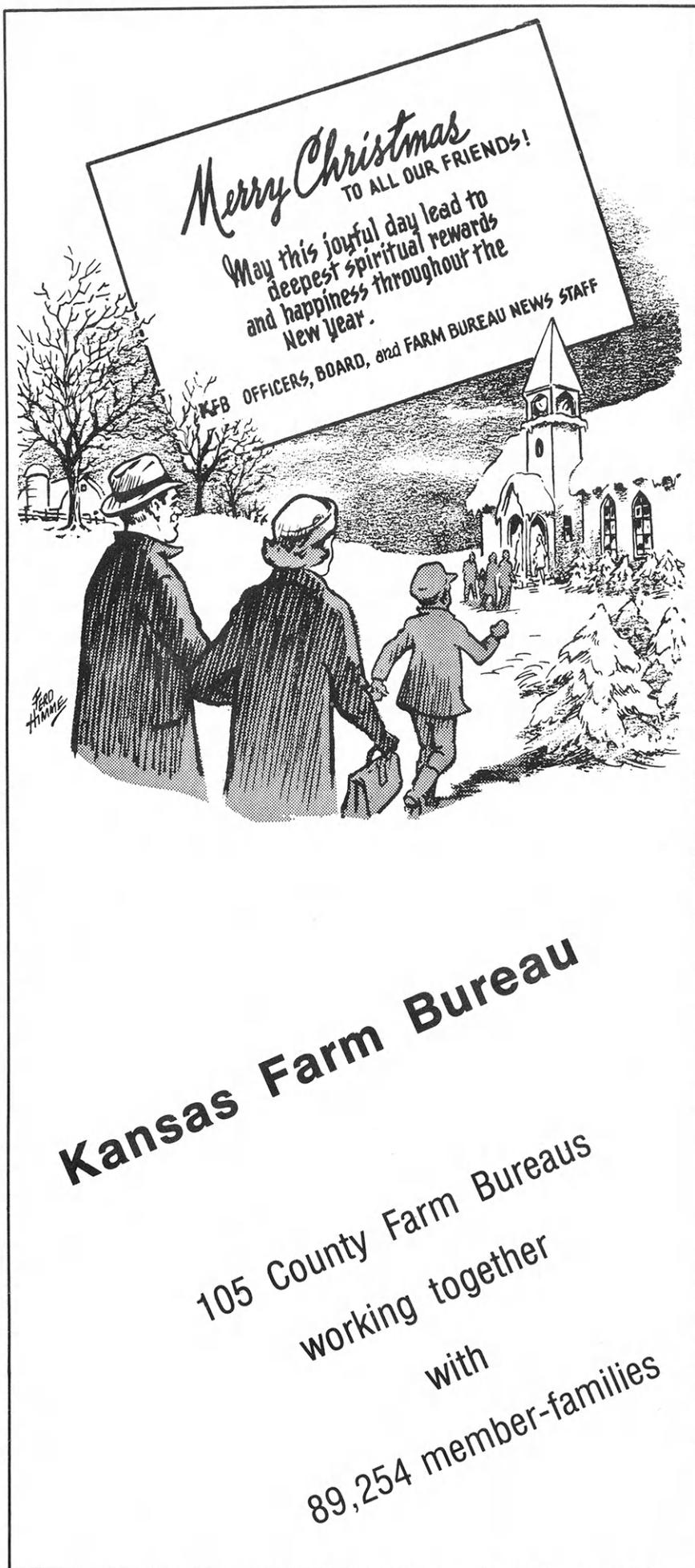
"The public was invited to attend both the auction and the meeting in order to encourage and promote 4-H to non-4-H'ers," **Denise Dahl** writes. "The auction is held annually as a moneymaking project. Everyone becomes involved as the younger members help the auctioneer, and the older members join in the laughter as two members from the same family unknowingly bid against each other.

"Our club finds this auction a real success. Everything (ranging from food to knitted caps and surprise boxes) is donated by club members. This year we made approximately \$247 and would like to thank our families and those who supported us."

"4-H is more than cows and cooking" is the title of an article about a suburban family belonging to an urban 4-H club; the article, which appeared in *Farmland News*, is about **John, Jim, and Julie Swanson**, who are members of **Nearman 4-H Club** on the edge of Kansas City in **Wyandotte County**. The **Swansons** have contributed both news and pictures to *Kansas 4-H Journal*.

Things were happening for members of **Huntsville 4-H Club, Rice County**, during National 4-H Week. First, the 31 members attended the monthly meeting. Then at the county achievement night, 22 members of the club were recognized for their accomplishments. **Ken Schmucker** and **Debbie Hill** received the Key Award. Finally, to climax the week the club worshipped with members of the **Sterling Evangelical Mennonite Church**.

"We hope to continue having a share in Making It Happen throughout the year," writes reporter **Gayle Farney**.



Kansas Farm Bureau

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Loans help 4-H'ers start projects

By Morgan Williams

Farmers Home Administration Director for Kansas

Four hundred young people in Kansas received youth project loans totaling nearly 1 million dollars from the Farmers Home Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture during the past year.

Kansas had one of the largest youth loan programs in the nation. Approximately 200 of these loans were to 4-H club members who financed 17 different type projects.

The most popular projects were those to establish a cow-calf operation. Several loans were made to finance club-calf and swine projects also. The average size loan was for \$2,400.

The youngest person to receive a loan was 7 and the oldest was 19.

The smallest loan was for \$60 and the largest was over \$10,000. Approximately 80% of the loans were to boys and 20% to girls.

Four major objectives have been accomplished by the program:

- 1) All young people have access to loan funds.
- 2) Larger, long-range, money-making projects are now possible.
- 3) Economic and credit principles are learned.
- 4) Young people start building equity and experience for future goals and dreams.

The Farmers Home Administration can make loans to individual rural residents under 21 years of age to establish and operate income producing farm or nonfarm enterprises of modest size.

To secure a Fm.H.A. youth loan one must:

- * be a citizen of the United States
- * be under 21 years old
- * live in the open country or in a town of less than 10,000 people
- * be unable to get a loan from other sources
- * conduct an income-producing project in a supervised program of work, as outlined above.

Also one must have a good character and be capable of planning, managing, and operating the

project under guidance and assistance from a project adviser. The project adviser must agree that the project is a good one and recommend the loan be made. If the youth is under legal age, the parents or guardian must also agree to the project.

The project must be carefully planned with all indications that it will produce sufficient income to

pay back the loan. Youth organization advisers or leaders and the local Fm.H.A. county supervisors will help develop projects and provide guidance after it is started. The youth's project leader will be expected to perform a major role in planning and supervising the youth's project.

A project is an educational under-

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4-H member donates premium money

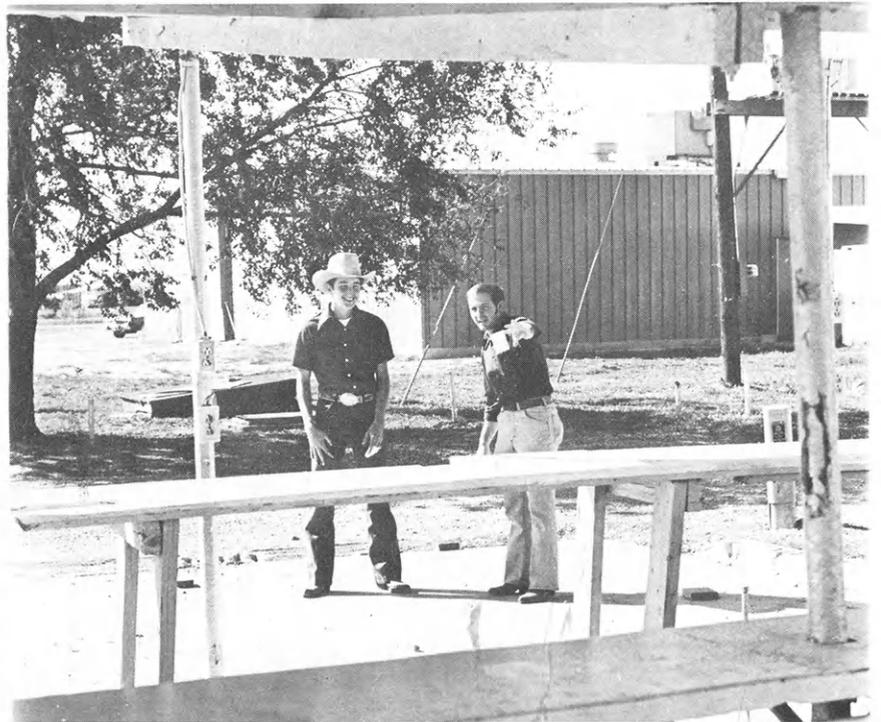
The ball is rolling for a new 4-H council food stand in Lyon County, thanks to Gregg Gasche, a 4-H member who gave the project a boost when he donated his fair premium money to the council to apply toward building the food stand. Other Lyon County 4-H members followed suit and also donated their premium money.

Gregg is the 1974 state winner in the conservation project. This past 4-H year, Gregg helped with livestock judging schools for younger 4-H members. He has been a fair superintendent, and has been on 4-H and FFA judging teams the

past two years. He has been a member of Busy Beavers 4-H Club for nine years.

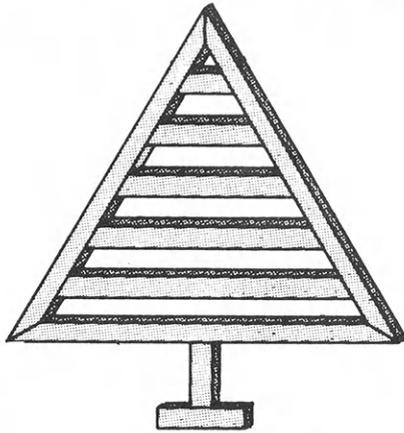
For the 1974-75 4-H year, Gregg is president of the Lyon County 4-H Council. He attends the Flinthills Vocational Technical School in the advanced agriculture program.

The dream of the new food stand is looking more like reality, county 4-H agent Alton Malone comments. A new 21' by 42' modular steel building has been decided upon; it is hoped it will have air conditioning. Lyon County 4-H members hope the building will be ready for use by the 1975 fair.



Gregg Gasche and 4-H agent Alton Malone discuss plans for a proposed \$10,000 food stand at the Lyon County fairgrounds. The old 4-H concession booth was destroyed by the tornado. During National 4-H Week, Lyon County 4-H members raised money for the new building.

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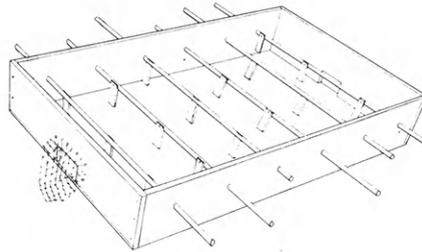


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A summer job at RSR

An ideal job which combines work with fun in an outdoor environment is a position on the staff of the 4-H leadership center, Rock Springs Ranch. A variety of experience is available for the many high school and college students employed each summer at the center.

If you will have completed your junior year in high school by next summer, write Rock Springs Ranch, Junction City, Kansas 66441, by early January 1975 to apply for a summer job.



The Riley County horticulture judging team won first place in the national judging contest in Washington, D.C. Members of the team are, from left, Connie Pelton, Sharon Pletcher, Mary Hurlburt, and Lorrie Lindsey.

Lorrie was second high individual in the contest with Mary third and Sharon tenth. Team coaches were Dr. Charles Marr and Dr. Frank Morrison, extension horticulturists, Kansas State University.

The Riley County horse judging team placed fifth at the Northeast Regional 4-H Horse Judging Contest in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Team members were Mary Hurlburt, Debbie Tarrant, Darcie Wallace, and Julie Wells. Mary was third high individual.

The 5 year 4-H fund drive

In Riley County, the county 4-H council sponsored a county-wide chicken barbecue to raise money for the council quota for the five-year 4-H fund drive. District extension elections followed the barbecue. 4-H clubs and extension homemaking units had exhibits relating to work done.

The Riley County 4-H Council plans to match funds raised by the clubs to meet the county quota.



Pete Murry, Crawford County commission chairman, signs a resolution declaring the week of October 6-12 as 4-H Week in Crawford County. Looking on are the other county commissioners, D. J. Saia and Johnnie Brown; county 4-H agent Beverly Kiehl; and members of the 4-H Week committee. The

4-H'ers and their clubs are: Donna Mahnken, Harmony; Carolyn McClaskey, Lucky Liberty; Colleen Bishop, Win or Bust; Ann Brooker, Harmony; Brent Cherry, Myers Mixers; Randy Brunk, Farlington Best-Yet; and Bryan Cherry, Myers Mixers.

Kansas 4-H Congress

The 90 4-H'ers who attended Kansas 4-H Congress in Wichita this fall did some serious thinking about the meaning of law and its effect on their lives.

"Law and Reason," the theme of the conference, received its title from a series of films developed by Elinor Anderson, an extension specialist at Kansas State University, the Office of Extension Radio, Television and Film, and the Kansas Bar Association. After seeing the cussion with Jerry Holler, a probation counselor in Sedgwick County, and Mrs. Anderson in which the reason for law and the place for law in our society was explored. 4-H members had a chance to ask questions, and later met in small groups for discussion of the issues involved.

Delegates to Kansas 4-H Congress were members of clubs who

Loans help 4-H'ers

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taking that will enable a youth to learn basic economic and credit principles. It is a practical undertaking that provides an opportunity for a youth to acquire on the job experience and skill. A project requiring large capital investment and generating substantial annual gross income is not considered as a modest project and cannot be financed with a youth loan.

Any person desiring further information or wanting to make an application should contact the local Fm.H.A. county office serving his area. If that information is not available, please write Chuck Ladner, Farmer Programs Section, Farmers Home Administration, 630 New England Building, Topeka, Kansas 66603. A Fm.H.A. representative will be pleased to visit with you about the program and also to come to your club and explain what can be accomplished with a youth loan.

had done outstanding work in certain projects, as well as two judging teams, and outstanding individuals in the electric project.

Groups honored were the home economics judging team from Brown County, weed identification and seed analysis team from Wallace County, 12 4-H'ers in the electric project throughout the state, and members and leaders from these clubs:

Soul Seekers, Haskell County, acres for wildlife; Lincolnville Wide Awake, Marion County, citizenship in action; Straight Ahead Strivers, Greeley County, emergency preparedness; Sumner, Osborne County, health; Mt. Zion Rustlers, Brown County, recreation; and Best Yet, Neosho, safety.

Charles Bates, a member of the state 4-H staff, was coordinator of the congress. Kansas 4-H Foundation coordinated the awards program. Donors of trips were Hesston Corporation, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, American Legion of Kansas, Folger Coffee Company, Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Wichita and Production Credit Associations of Kansas, Wichita Bank for Cooperatives, and Kansas Farm Bureau.

The last morning of the congress, in a session called "This Is What We Did," the 4-H members shared information about the work done in their clubs in the winning projects.

Export port viewed

Houston, the No. 1 wheat exporting port in the United States, was the destination in late October for a group of five Kansas 4-H members.

Winning the trip for their work in the wheat quality program are Randy Schoenthaler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Schoenthaler, Ogallah; Steve Rowan, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rowan, Ingalls; and Keith Miller, Great Bend. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller. Kent Ashley, Decatur County, was a winner but was unable to go.

Winners in commodity marketing are Curtis Willhite, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Willhite, Leon, and Martin Becker, son of Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Becker of Russell.

Explaining the purpose of the trip, Dr. Robert Schoeff, extension grain marketing specialist, said, "The 4-H members become more aware of the complexity of the market structure and of the procedures used to maintain wheat quality and to move wheat abroad."

The Kansas Wheat Commission sponsored the trips.

Dean Stoskopf, Hoisington, top winner in the commodity marketing program, will go to the National 4-H Commodity Marketing Symposium in Chicago next year. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stoskopf.

We Are Proud . . .

. . . of the achievement of Kansas 4-H Club members in improvement of wheat quality, raising crops, records of prizes at district and Kansas State Fair wheat shows, and judging crops. On behalf of Kansas wheat producers, we are pleased to have a part in recognizing these accomplishments, as well as excellence of records and studies on wheat. Kansas grows the best wheat in the world, and 4-H helps "to make the best better."

WE CONGRATULATE the three state award winners in the 4-H wheat quality program and two of the top 4-H'ers in commodity marketing, who were our guests on an educational trip to inspect Gulf Port export facilities.

Kansas Wheat Commission

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Family Fun Page

Merry Christmas!

Here are some ideas you may want to try for gifts, decorations, and games for parties or 4-H meetings.

Gifts you can make:

Pomander ball

A good gift for Christmas is a pleasant-to-make pomander ball. You can do most of the work while watching television or talking with friends or family. To be ready for Christmas, begin now.

Wash and dry a small orange. Beginning at the stem end, stick whole cloves, touching each other, into the orange until it is covered. If the orange skin seems tough, pierce it with a darning needle or tines of a fork. You may want to protect your pushing finger with a thimble, band-aid, or finger from a discarded glove. Once started, finish each orange within 24-hours.

Then mix three teaspoons spice and three teaspoons powdered orris root, which can be bought at drug stores. For the spice, cinnamon is a traditional choice, but cloves, allspice, nutmeg, ginger, or a mixture can be used; choose what you like best.

Roll the orange gently in the orris root-spice mixture until it is well coated. Leave the fruit in the mixture in an open bowl in a warm dry place for two weeks, turning the ball daily.

Then dust off the powder and tie a ribbon around the ball. Tie it around once, then the opposite way, just as you would a square package. Make a bow on top for hanging. Or you may prefer to decorate your ball with lace or braid or nylon net.

A pomander ball may be hung in a closet, placed in a drawer, or displayed in an ornamental dish. Or several may be piled in a dish for a centerpiece, or tied together with ribbons and hung in clusters on doors.

Oranges are the traditional pomander fruit, but you can also use apples, limes or lemons.

Wastebasket

Save plastic foam egg cartons. Some are already colored; you can add color to the white ones with water color, or you can spray paint them.

Eight cartons make a nice size basket.

Cut off the top of each carton, leaving about an inch flap, to match the one on front, the one that locks the carton shut

when it's full of eggs. Set cartons on end, with flaps facing inside and touching back to back. Staple them together securely. Now you have a circle of cartons. Add a cardboard bottom or fit and glue if necessary, over an old wastebasket.

Decorations:

Yarn wreath

Left over strips of bright green yarn can be made into small wreaths to hang on the tree or use on a package. Each wreath requires 15 strands of yarn each six inches long. Group into three bunches of five strands each and tie at one end—braid the strands and tie at the other end. Sew the ends together and cut off any loose pieces. Insert a one-inch piece of chenille stem in one bunch and bend the end back so it will stand as a candle. Make a small bow from a single strand of red yarn and tack this to the top of the wreath. Glue five or six small beads or sequins around the wreath with clear drying craft glue. A metal sewing hook can be sewn on back to hang on tree. A strand of mohair yarn in each strip of the wreath will produce a frosty look.

Milk weed pods

Milk weed pods can be made into unusual tree ornaments with the addition of paint and braid. After the pod is open, the opening is just large enough to hold small ornaments with package tie-ons. Paint interior of the dry pod and glue braid around edge and glue ornaments inside. Attach a hook to hang on tree.

Knitted Christmas bell

For a bell, you'll need size 8 needles and knitting worsted. Cast on 16 stitches. Knit across, Row 2: K 11; P 5. Repeat rows 1 and 2 for 42 rows. Bind off. Sew ends to-

gether. The edge that curls under is the bottom of the bell. Draw bell together at top. Make a loop of yarn inside bell to hang a jingle bell on. Make a yarn loop at top to hang up. Decorate bell with sequins. This makes a nice non-breakable tree ornament.



Tree for a door



For your bedroom door, cut a tree from silver or green cardboard with wide sweeps between the boughs. Base of tree and tops of boughs are lined with cotton banding or flock. Bottom of boughs is accented with strings of red Christmas beads; a gay, sparkling ornament decorates the tree tops.

Games:

Musical gifts

Have ready beforehand several small inexpensive wrapped gifts.

Players sit in a circle and pass a gift while music plays. When the music stops, the person who has the gift gets to keep it. Play as many times as there are gifts.

Santa race

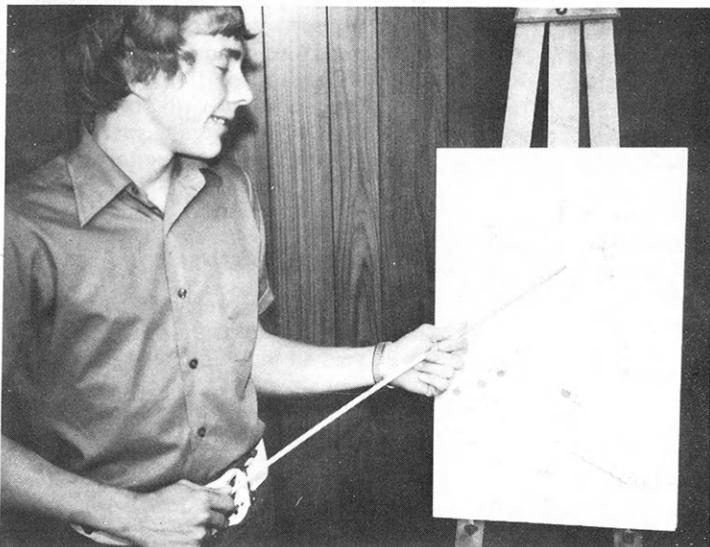
Divide into two groups. Give each team a sack full of things. Each member carries the sack to a certain spot and back. The team finishing first wins.

USE CHRISTMAS SEALS



FIGHT EMPHYSEMA,
AIR POLLUTION, TUBERCULOSIS

State winner expects project work to help in career



James' illustrated talk, "Outdoor Electric Safety," received a blue at Wichita County 4-H Day and at Scott City Regional 4-H Day.

"The 4-H electric project will be of definite value in my planned career of aeronautical engineering," James Bergh writes. The 1974 Kansas winner in the electric project is a senior at Wichita County High School.

Reviewing his seven years in the 4-H electric project, James writes, "Each year I have tried to do something different. The first years were spent learning about electricity and wiring more complex items each year. The last years were spent assuming more responsibility in our electric sessions — finally being the county electric leader in 1974. A special thank you to Mr. Harry Smades and Mr. Eldon Glanville for encouraging me in this leadership.



"... we held three work sessions and toured Scott City Wheatland Electric Plant. My students did well at the fair; this pleased me almost as much as my own blue ribbons.

"Attending the Kansas 4-H Congress for three years as district winner has been a great experience." Electric Power Suppliers of Kansas provide trips to the Kansas 4-H Congress for 4-H'ers who are outstanding in the electric project.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bergh, Marienthal, are James' parents. He is a member of Marienthal Meadowlarks 4-H Club.

As state winner in the electric project, James represented Kansas at the National 4-H Congress in Chicago; donor of the trip is Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

What are you or your family doing to conserve energy? Please send your ideas, with illustrations if possible, to Electric Page, Kansas 4-H Journal, Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan, Kansas 66506.

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