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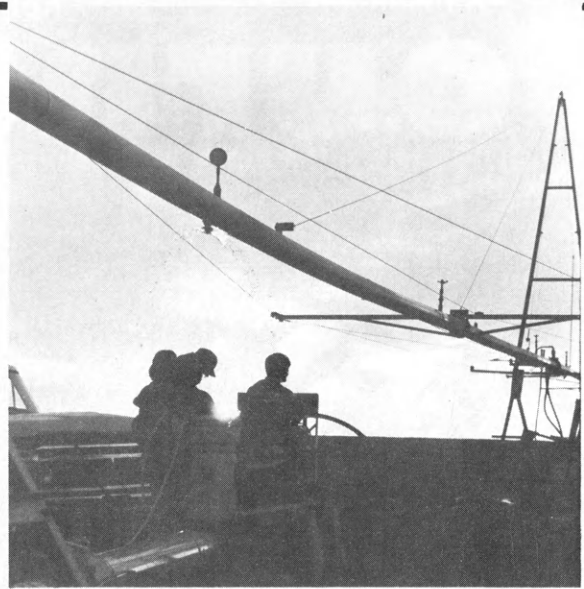
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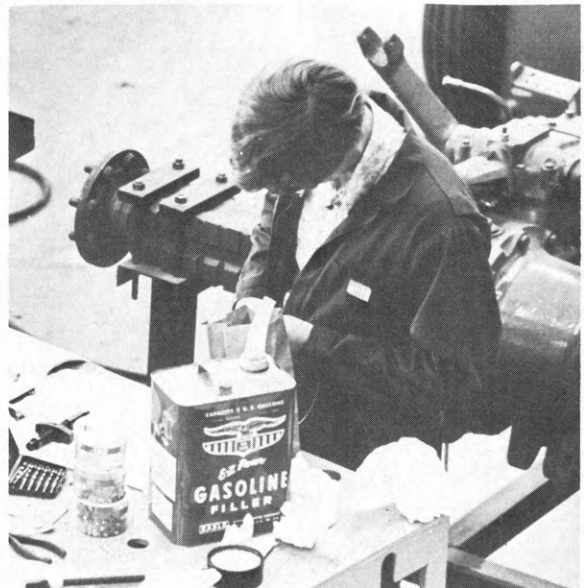
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## Not a spectator sport

By Bill Riley

Associate Director, Kansas 4-H Foundation  
 President, Missouri Valley Section of the American Camping Association

Those of us who have been around since the days when the Romans enjoyed watching the lions and gladiators battle on Sunday afternoons realize that the activity in the good old days was much the same as watching the battle of the New York Jets and the Detroit Lions at the height of the professional football season. I suppose learned sociologists and myself could spend considerable time comparing these events in terms of entertainment value and emotional outlet for our society. I can at least say that they are both spectator sports, unless you happen to be in the arena.

Camping is not a spectator sport. Much in the manner of other deeply rewarding experiences, camping must be lived to be appreciated. After that supportive statement, I feel challenged to discuss the definition of camping that might be the basis for making such a statement. Camping is a lot like making homemade ice cream or cooking steaks in the back yard — very personal, and your own is always better than someone else's. Camping to the Winnebago driver is an electrical hook up, a sewage disposal plug, and a water hose for his shower. From that level of camping extravagance, the type of camping experience available moves extensively in many disciplines that are a reflection of our personal philosophies, habits, economic status, or even need for personal challenge. A camping experience is deeper than a simple analysis of the type of equipment involved. The backpacker who moves with freedom in the aesthetically satisfying wilderness area tends to his personal needs of food and shelter from a well thought-out and engineered system of lightweight camping gear. He is consciously utilizing that gear as a means to an end.

He would have difficulty identifying with the poorly-conditioned, once-a-year backpacker who is plodding through the out-of-doors with his head between his knees burdened by 80 pounds of "lightweight" gear and determined to "find himself" in the wilderness. Again, the point is that equipment and style may be "methods," but should not be objectives in themselves.

Let us move to another significant example of the camping experience providing a means to an end. During the coming summer of 1976, it is estimated that 10 million youngsters across the United States will participate in organized youth camping programs. These will range from one day experiences with a minimum of travel to extensive programs of several weeks with travel opportunities of many thousands of miles, demanding intensive personal efforts on the part of the young people involved. Some of these youngsters may be involved as a result of their desire to become more proficient in music, sports, or camping skills. Youngsters from highly urbanized areas find summer camp to be an alternative to spending the summer on the streets of the city. Opportunity to select from a variety of camping experiences is a fortunate by-product of our American way of life. The quality of that experience will, in most cases, be a reflection of

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## About the cover

Again in 1976 hundreds of 4-H members will go to county camps and other conferences at Rock Springs Ranch and Wa Shun Ga south of Junction City and at Southwest 4-H Center near Dodge City. At Lake Perry 4-H Center young campers will have opportunities to learn special outdoor

skills. Older 4-H members may choose to travel to the Ozarks or to the Rockies and to Utah.

On the cover we glimpse a moment from such a trip; the picture was taken by John Abell, Kansas 4-H specialist in outdoor education. He has written an article, beginning on page 8, about the 1976 programs at Lake Perry 4-H Center.



# 4-H Around the State



By the State and Area 4-H Staff

**Day Camps** — Exciting summer day camp programs are beginning to take shape in Franklin, Linn, Shawnee, and Bourbon counties. Crawford and Leavenworth counties are planning overnight experiences. Geared primarily to interest and educate pre-teen youth, many of these camps will attract youngsters never before exposed to 4-H. Bicycle carnivals, fishing contests, archery, arts and crafts, food and nutrition, camping skills, music and dramatics, stunts and games, and nature activities highlight the day camp programs. 4-H junior leaders, community leaders, and county resource specialists all work closely with Extension agents in putting these programs together.

**Finney County** — A new 4-H club, Prairie Pride, has provided concessionaire services to the two 4-H dog shows, and as a result has cleared more than \$100 from each show. Organization so that all members work at the event is the key to success.

**National 4-H Leader's Forum** — The Leader's Forum scheduled for April 4-10 at the National 4-H Center is in a condition to "go" according to Loren Whipps, Southwest Area 4-H Specialist, who is giving leadership to the trip. More than 30 leaders have signed up for the "trip of a lifetime." This will be one of Loren's last major official contributions to the state-wide 4-H program. He will retire from the area 4-H position effective June 30, 1976.

**Ford County** — One of the highlights of the year for the horsey set in Ford County is the well planned and attended 4-H Horse Trail Ride. The ride begins with the gathering of some 35-40 4-H members and leaders, complete with horses and gear, at the southwest Ford County ranch. The ride begins in the late afternoon and features a night on the trail.

**Ski Trip** — Dickinson, Saline, Marion, McPherson, and Rice counties went to Winter Park Ski at Granby, Colorado. Thirty-six 4-H members attended this exciting weekend.

They went by chartered bus and stayed at the Rockies YMCA Camp. One broken thumb was the only injury received in two days of skiing. "Tubing," the practice of sliding on tractor innertubes, was introduced to these 4-H'ers. The 4-H Foundation coordinated this program for the five-county group. Another trip has already been scheduled for next year.

**Dickinson County** — The annual 4-H basketball tournament was held March 6 and 9. Eight boys' and girls' teams competed for a traveling trophy. The 4-H teams follow rules recommended by the State High School Activities Association. 4-H'ers participating in school sports are not eligible for 4-H basketball. No admission is charged for spectators to enjoy the game.

**Sedgwick County** — Held a Junior Leadership Teen Teacher Workshop January 24. The 4-H'ers discovered new techniques in leadership, saw films on leadership "styles" and talked about their roles as leaders. They discovered how teens can be effective leaders with young boys and girls when they are enrolled as teen teachers for Sedgwick County. They will plan and implement a teen teacher program for about six sessions with younger boys and girls. This is the third year for the teen teacher program in Sedgwick County.

**Wabaunsee County** — Two days in the saddle may be a new experience for some, but it's possible. May 27-28-29 are the dates the 4-H'ers plan to follow General Walt's trail from Harveyville to Alma with overnight stops at Lake Wabaunsee and Fred Gnad's farm. The finish will be at noon May 29 at the Alma fairgrounds. Horses must be shod, the equipment must be safe and in good repair, and wagons will require brakes.

**Wyandotte County** — Is involved with the State School for the Blind in developing 4-H clubs on the campus. Volunteers from the 4-H program and as well as some from outside 4-H who have had experience with working with the blind and other handicapped persons will be conducting the program.

**Miami County** — 4-H members and leaders have been busy the past several months preparing content for the Miami County 4-H History Book. Each club is responsible for obtaining photographs and writing feature stories about the history of their 4-H club, leaders, and members. The History Book, a bicentennial project, is being printed by a professional printing company but promoted and sold by 4-H members. The book will contain approximately 180 pages and is expected to be ready for delivery about July 1.

**Chase County** — Leader training and program planning are usually accomplished by asking leaders to attend a county-wide session scheduled by the agents. However, the procedure was reversed in Chase County and each community leader was visited at home by the agents. A follow-up meeting is planned to share ideas and concerns discussed during the home visits — a good way to strengthen club and county programs and to provide appropriate training for leaders.

**Southwest Area** — Six southwest Kansas counties are designing a simplified project record to suit their own needs. Stanton, Grant, Haskell, Morton, Stevens, and Seward county leaders and agents are designing and developing a form especially for younger members and for those who do not wish to participate in an awards program. The new form will be tested with 4-H members this year. In addition to a simplified recording of project information, members may also list things at the beginning of the year that they would like to learn. At the end of the year, they may describe the progress they feel they have made.

**Jefferson County** — The 1976 bicentennial inter-state exchange program is with Frederick County, Maryland. This exchange was selected because of the proximity of Frederick County to Washington, D.C., and other centers for the bicentennial program.

**Geary County** — A new 4-H club has been organized at Ft. Riley. This is possibly the first 4-H club organized on the Post.

# art's in the heart HI!

“There is art in 4-H—Head, Heart, Hands, Health.”

This was the theme of the reserve champion booth at the Wabaunsee County Fair. The Flinthills 4-H Club, under the leadership of Mrs. Joyce Blue and Charles Macy, had their prize winning booth displayed for the months of October and November in the Kansas Arts Commission Building in Topeka. The display showed different forms of art — string craft, leathercraft, painting, drawing, and pottery.

In January and February, Douglas County 4-H photography, sponsored by the Lawrence Arts Council, was on exhibit at the Kansas Arts Commission building. The 27 photographs were part of an arts and crafts exhibit, “Creativity in

4-H,” in Douglas County, where in October 72 different articles of 4-H members’ work were displayed in the Lawrence Arts Center. The 4-H members had shown their creativity by working with string art, dough art, drawing, painting, corn husks, and mosaic, as well as photography. The 4-H arts and crafts leader in Douglas County was Mrs. Albert Pendleton; the county photography leader is Mrs. Todd Seymour.

The exhibitions indicate the interest of the Kansas Arts Commission and the Association of Community Arts Councils of Kansas in arts activities throughout the state.

Jonathan Katz, executive director of the KAC, and Romalyn Tilghman, executive director of ACACK, have encouraged Arts Councils across Kansas to work with local 4-H clubs and other organizations.

Zoe Slinkman, KSU extension specialist, cultural arts, invited Romalyn Tilghman to travel across Kansas with her. This has also broadened the lines of communica-

tion between 4-H clubs, EHUs and local Arts Councils.

Now 4-H clubs use their Arts Councils to help them find professional and non-professional artists who are interested in sharing with young people their expertise in arts such as weaving and painting. County extension agents request help from Arts Councils in finding qualified judges for county fairs. Local Arts Councils recognize and often display 4-H arts products.

Arts are happening in Kansas! Both the east and west coasts are looking to the mid-west to see WHY suddenly the performing arts are moving their tours into this area — Joffrey Ballet, City Center Acting Company, Ballet West, and so on. Artists from the mid-west are gaining recognition, and artists from other areas are moving to the mid-west for a new point of view and for inspiration.

We know WHY! It is because Kansas people are creative. Their pioneer ancestors made replacements of artistic possessions left

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By Janice Lee

Past President, Association of  
Community Arts Councils of Kansas  
Member, Governor’s Advisory Board  
of the Kansas Arts Commission



By Ann Seymour, Meadowlark 4-H Club, Douglas County  
David Kehler, Douglas County 4-H club agent, and Ann Evans, director of the Lawrence Art Center, look at 4-H photos exhibited at the Lawrence Arts Center in October and at the Kansas Arts Commission in January.



## Wellington businessman was elected in 1975 to 4-H Board of Trustees

John T. Stewart III, elected in 1975 to the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees, is vice-president of Plessy, Inc., a multi-national telecommunications and electronics company which has its headquarters in London.

Mr. Stewart manages Plessy's Mechanical Products Group with two divisions in Wellington and one in Missouri, and is a corporate officer in Plessy's New York headquarters. He also owns Stewart Properties at Wellington, is a partner in Welvest Company, a vice-president of Westwind Industries, chairman of Airport Resort at Grand Lake, Oklahoma, and a director of four banks.

Born in Wellington, Mr. Stewart was graduated from the University of Kansas in 1958. He is a Chancellor Associate of the University of Kansas; an advisor to the School of Business there, and is vice-chairman and a trustee of the University of Kansas Endowment Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, their three sons, John, Scott, and Deric, and a daughter Stacia Dru, live at their home Winrock near Wellington. The oldest son, John T. Stewart IV, plans to attend the University of Kansas this year.

The new member of the Foundation Board of Trustees likes to play golf, to hunt, and to attend football and basketball games. He is a member of the Wellington United Methodist Church and serves on the Board of Trustees of Wesley Medical Center.

## Not a spectator sport (Continued from page 3)

the philosophy of the individual and/or organization that administers the camping program.

There are few activities for young people that can offer the opportunities that we find in the field of camping. We may say that camping can almost be all things to all people. It is individual effort and group unity. It is community and personal freedom. It is challenge and security. Possibly most important, it is available. Not for spectators, only for participants. You do not "describe" camping, you experience it.



## April 1776

In the colonies in April 1776 there was more political activity than military activity.

On April 4 the Second Continental Congress set forth more stringent price-fixing regulations to curb war profiteers. On April 6 the Congress opened colonial ports for trade with all nations but Great Britain. This ended the king's right to regulate American commerce.

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# Delegates chosen for National 4-H Conference

A trip to the nation's capital will be part of the bicentennial year for the four Kansas 4-H members who will go to the National 4-H Conference April 24-30. Meetings will focus on three major themes relating to the bicentennial—heritage, horizons, and celebrations—while the overall theme for the conference is "4-H '76 . . . Spirit of Tomorrow."

Kansas' four delegates are Bill Beems, Topeka; Laura Lee Keller, St. Francis; Mary Jane Smith, Onaga; and Jim Swanson, Kansas City.

Bill Beems, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Beems, is a freshman at Baker University. He was a member of Rochester Heights 4-H Club in Shawnee County for eight years.

Bill participated in the Kansas 4-H Invitational Conference, was vice-president of the Shawnee County Fair Board one year, and served on the committee to acquire funds for the 4-H fund drive. Other activities include being chairman of a 4-H walkathon and of a 4-H Day Camp for underprivileged youth, and of working on the county 4-H Expansion and Review Committee.

To describe Bill, his county agent, Eldon Clawson said, "His deep interest lies with helping people. That's what he does best."

Laura Lee Keller has been a member of Plum Creek 4-H Club in Cheyenne County for 10 years. Now a freshman at Kansas State University, she is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E.J. Keller, St. Francis.

The 1975 Cheyenne County Fair was exciting for Laura Lee; she showed the grand champion steer at the fair, and in addition, won grand champion in the style revue, wearing the pantsuit she had made.

Laura Lee was project leader for a group of young girls in the Tricks for Treats project. In addition to clothing, foods, and beef, some of her other projects have been knitting, safety, citizenship, and leadership.

For 10 years Mary Jane Smith was a member of Triple V 4-H Club in Pottawatomie County. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Smith, she is a freshman at Kansas State University.

She served her club as an officer



Mary Jane Smith  
Pottawatomie County



Laura Lee Keller  
Cheyenne County



Bill Beems  
Shawnee County



Jim Swanson  
Wyandotte County

for eight years and in 1974 was president of both her 4-H club and the county 4-H council. Mary Jane was a member of the 4-H and Youth Round-up Advisory Committee, participated in the Citizenship Short Course in Washington, D.C., and helped organize a Teens Action Club for junior leaders in Pottawatomie County. She has been a project leader in forestry and in community resource development. Mary Jane describes her 4-H years as "thriving, busy and extremely rewarding."

The fourth delegate is Jim Swanson, a member of Nearman 4-H Club in Wyandotte County for 10 years. Jim has served his club in all offices except one, being president for two years, and was also president of the Junior Council in Wyandotte County.

In 1975 he won the Top 4-H Boy award in his county, the Key Award, and the conservationist of the year award given by the Rod and Gun Club. Jim's major projects are veterinary medicine, beef leadership, and photography. In photography he has been a project leader for three years, and has contributed several pictures which have appeared in Kansas 4-H Journal.

Jim is the second of the delegates to have a veterinarian for a father; he is the son of Dr. and Mrs. J.J. Swanson. Jim is a freshman at Kansas State University.

At the conference the delegates will meet with governmental officials and national leaders, and will share ideas with other 4-H members from all parts of the country.

## Art

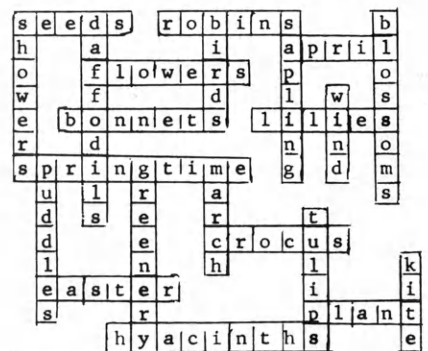
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behind and created their own entertainment. This artistic heritage has now resulted in new generations of Kansans expressing themselves through all the art forms. 4-H is a leader in developing this creativity and 4-H is recognized by both the Kansas Arts Commission and the Association of Community Arts Councils of Kansas for an outstanding program in the arts.

If your 4-H club is involved in a unique arts program that you would like to share, please contact the KAC or ACACK at 117 W. 10th, Topeka, Kansas 66602. Let them and your local Arts Council know about your club's arts activities. They are interested!

Camella Cave, president of the Kansas Arts Commission, who is also known for her outstanding community work in Dodge City, said, "The Kansas Arts Commission highly commends the wisdom of participation in a choice of creative forms in the 4-H program and the recognition that the arts are important in the development of the whole person. Such participation may encourage a vocation in the arts and it certainly is the most persuasive method of building audiences for those who make their livelihood in the arts."

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*A place to begin . . . . .*

By John Abell  
Extension 4-H Specialist in  
Outdoor Education

As 4-H leaders, parents, and youth, we occasionally reflect upon these vital questions:

What is 4-H?

What contribution is it making to the growth of a child, a parent, a leader?

The answers are as many and as varied as the informal learning ex-

periences that present themselves within the 4-H program. Learning by doing is a central theme in 4-H. It is the cornerstone of the camping program at the Lake Perry 4-H Center.

When Kansas youth pack their bedrolls and bathing suits and head for Camp Perry they have taken a stride into the world of direct, wholesome outdoor learning experiences. They quickly become a part of a small group of 9 or 10 campers. Guided by the love, understanding, and skill of a college age counselor, the group becomes a community facing the challenges of outdoor living and learning together. In an atmosphere of adventure, wholesome social relationships develop. Individuals are given respect. They must take on and share responsibilities for the comfort and welfare of their living units. They must work as a team to solve problems. Through the democratic process, each boy and girl is free to choose activities and participate in decisions that affect his way of living. As the campers acquire new skills they gain a greater appreciation of their own capabilities. As they share 5 or 10 days of activities, learning and living together,

memories and friendships are made that last a lifetime.

In 1975, 260 young people attended the sessions at Lake Perry 4-H Center. Campers from all over Kansas traveled to the 480 acre center nestled near the northeast corner of Lake Perry, 25 miles from Topeka. An overwhelming majority said they hoped to return another year and stay longer.

The summer of 1976 will find some new elements added to the program, with longer camping periods, and special camps for community clubs, organizations, and families. The main emphasis will again be placed on individual camping experience which young people can gain by attending the Discovery Camp of 5 days or the Threshold Camp of 10 days. For youth 15 through 19, two additional programs begin at Perry and offer travel, one to the Ozarks of Missouri and the other to the Colorado Rockies.

### The Discovery and Threshold Experience

Young people aged 10 to 15 are eligible for these 5 or 10 day sessions throughout June and July. Emphasis is placed on small group

Programs	Agcs
<b>Discovery</b> Camp Sessions M-F Weekly June 7-July 29	10-15
<b>Threshold</b> Camp Sessions-10 days M-W bi-monthly, June and July	10-15
<b>Youth Expedition Series</b> Camp sessions-21 days Course Series A-Canoeing- Cave Exploration, SE Missouri	15-19
Course Series C-Backpacking- Mountaineering, Colorado Rockies- River Rafting-Utah	15-19
<b>Family Camp</b>	
<b>4-H Community Clubs</b>	
<b>4-H Project Leaders Workshops</b>	

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Whoops! Camper just passed the tip test.



living, outdoor skills, and environmental education. Backpacking, canoeing, expeditioning, camp crafts, survival skills, photography, bowhunting, map and compass reading, and nature crafts are among the outdoor skills offered. The pond, forest, meadow, and lake environments are investigated by the campers. They explore with hand lenses, collecting jars, increment borers, live traps, seines, and cameras.

A Discovery or Threshold camper is absorbed in many facets of outdoor learning . . .

A young person who has never cooked before learns quickly to prepare over an open fire that tasty stew or apple dumpling dessert . . . food is too important to take lightly.

Campers construct a shelter that protects them from wind, rain, and even bugs. They learn that sleeping on the ground can be comfortable using proper insulation with forest litter and duff. They learn to respect and handle a knife and axe as important tools in establishing their camp. They discover the haunts of Charlie the Bard Owl, Jimmy Coyote, and Bill Beaver, watching animal signs and tracks and identifying sounds in the fields, forests, and water. With

practice, they learn how to successfully catch, clean, and cook their bass and catfish dinners. They become totally familiar with teamwork in handling a canoe. For campers who learn their lessons well, expeditions along the 160 miles of lake shoreline are available. Campers are trained to handle all emergencies safely, including procedures of maneuvering a capsized canoe to shore. They learn to observe the feeding and nesting patterns of birds or the aquatic life necessary to sustain the life cycles of pond communities.

Campers learn how to select their backpacking and canoeing expedition objectives with a map and compass. They guide themselves to their destinations knowing exactly their whereabouts at all times. Campers learn to distinguish between different species of trees, their value to man, and how to investigate their growth and potential. They enjoy the challenge of one of the best bowhunting courses in Kansas. After learning the techniques of bowhunting, they make difficult shots at game targets in the woods and fields.

They feel the exhilaration of zipping down a guy wire 30 feet off the ground or of mastering the two-rope bridge and obstacle course. Given six matches, a tarp, and fishhooks, campers learn what it's like to rely on their own resources for a 24 hour solo survival exercise. Those who have learned how to fish, to build fires, and to know which plants are edible will stay warm, comfortable and even fed.

A camper learns to overcome obstacles through persistence and hard work. He or she reaps the rich rewards of making an outdoor living experience fun and rewarding. They learn what is meant by the group supporting one another. They know what it is like to really care about other people who may have been friends for only a week. A camper brings home not just a memory and experience, but a different perspective, measuring himself with the out-of-doors and a living situation that can lift the very spiritual center of his being.

#### 4-H Community Clubs, Family, and Organization Camps

In 1976 Lake Perry Center is extending a special invitation to 4-H community clubs, families, and other organizations wishing to bring

groups to Lake Perry for overnight weekend camping experiences. This will be an opportunity for leaders, parents, and youth to become acquainted with the Lake Perry 4-H Center and our staff. As part of groups' overall plans, they should arrange to bring their own food but to utilize the camp staff and programs.

#### Youth Exploration Series

Older youth from 15 to 19 years old are offered the ultimate outdoor challenge through the 21 day Y.E.S. program.

#### Missouri Ozarks Exploration

Geology and ecology are the major disciplines studied in this course. At Lake Perry, students begin practicing basic outdoor living skills and making environmental investigations. After a week's time, the group will travel in cars to the Current River in the Ozarks of Missouri. A canoe float trip studying paleozoic stratigraphy and cave and river development will be featured. A three day exploration of the Ozarks Underground laboratory will offer the students an opportunity to study cave hydrology, geological disposition, and cave fauna first hand. Ozark history and the study of social communities will be enhanced by the community service project planned and performed by the students on location.

#### Colorado Rockies — Utah Canyons

The second 21 day course has its beginnings at the Lake Perry Center. The group then travels to Colorado's Rocky Mountain Na-

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Dates	Cost
June 7-11, 14-18, 21-25, 28-July 2, July 5-9, 19-23, 12-16, 26-30	\$45*
Course I-June 7-16	\$95*
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Now let's see how we can get back in this canoe.

# IDEAS & News

The community can be drawn together through the church and 4-H work; this is the belief of members of **Elmont Wildcats 4-H Club** in **Shawnee County** who meet regularly at the **Elmont Methodist Church** and attended church there for 4-H Sunday. The minister, **James Coder**, wrote a letter to the 4-H'ers thanking them for their contributions to the 4-H Sunday service and added, "We are pleased that we have a place for you to hold your meetings and we hope this arrangement can continue indefinitely. We are proud to have a small part in your success as a club."

Highlights from **Huntsville 4-H Club, Reno County**, come from reporter **Kent Farney**. First, **Debi Hill** received the **Forrest Roach** award for overall 4-H achievement in the county. Then **Tim Rinehart** won fifth place on wool in the ½ blood combing class at the **American Royal**, and **David Roth** was one of the group who took second in sheep judging.

In December **Bryan Schmucker** and **Kent Farney** judged in the state **Angus** judging contest. Then in January at the **Western Stock Show** in **Denver**, **Ken Schmucker** placed second on his **Charolais** yearling heifer.

In **Clark County** the **Englewood Blazers 4-H Club** has been organized again after having been disbanded several years ago, and is flourishing with 18 members. President of the club is **Donnie Stevens**, and the community leaders are **Eugene Woodruff** and **Mrs. Charles McKinney**. Several members participated in **Clark County 4-H Days**, winning blue and red ribbons.

More than 600 students from kindergarten through fifth grade took part in a pumpkin growing contest in **Seward County** in 1975.

Last spring teachers in the elementary schools told their students about the contest. Interested students were given packets of five pumpkin seeds along with instructions for correctly planting and caring for the pumpkins.

Participants were able to exhibit their pumpkins at a special show the weekend before Halloween.

Another Pumpkin Club is planned for this spring, county 4-H agent **Neil Smith** reports.

Worlds of Fun at **Kansas City** has scheduled a 4-H weekend April 24 and 25. Information's on page 15.

## WASHINGTON BLIZZARD ...



### And more on the way!

In 1965, there were 3,803 different government reports required of the public over and above such things as income tax returns.

In 1971, the number was 5,298.

Today, it's something over 6,000!

... Kind of like rabbits — no good at addition, but terrific at multiplication.

Be concerned. Get your parents concerned. Complain to your congressman.

... a suggested action from Farm Bureau

## 1976 4-H Family Camp at Rock Springs Ranch

All families wishing to spend a special bicentennial Fourth of July weekend should consider going to Rock Springs Ranch for Family Camp, open to any Kansas family.

Approximately three days of activities for all members of the family are planned, with attendance optional for all or part of the three days. Registration will begin Saturday morning, July 3, at the Ranch, with activities winding up the afternoon of Monday, July 5. A special bicentennial pageant will be given as one of the Fourth of July program features.

Other activities available will be swimming, horseback riding, riflery, archery, canoeing, fishing, hiking, volleyball, tennis, and softball. 4-H Family Camp and the Kansas State University Alumni have been joining forces for this program and again this year will share the experience. Participants are to bring their own bedding and swimming gear and should expect to share in mealtime table serving.

The experience will cost a \$1 pre-registration fee for everyone over 5 years of age, and \$6 per day for youth 5 to 17 years old. The cost for adults will be \$8 per day. The total cost for three full days — registration, lodging, and seven meals — will be \$24 for adults 18 and over and \$18 for those 5 to 17 years of age. There is no charge for youngsters under 5.

County extension agents will have registration forms or they can be secured from the State 4-H Office, 211 Umberger Hall, Manhattan, Kansas 66506.



Hmm, how was that square lashing supposed to go?

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tional Park for backpacking, mountain climbing, and camping in the back country along the Continental Divide. Traveling with map and compass, the students will cover a route passing through several life zones. Here they will investigate the effects of wind, water, sun, soil, fire, predators and man on plants and animals at different altitudes. They will study first hand the geological formation of mountains, valleys, glaciers, lakes, and streams.

Contrasting sharply with the life zones of the mountains, the desert canyons of southeastern Utah offer the next exploratory adventure for

the students. Expeditioning in 15 foot rubber rafts, teams of four students in each raft head into the desert and canyon country of the Green River's Desolation and Gray Canyons. With approximately 120 miles of river wilderness to explore, the students follow in the footprints of the Indians, learning primitive survival skills, eating wild edibles, and stalking desert animals. During exploration of side canyons, the young people find Indian petroglyphs and cliff dwellings dating back several centuries.

The possibility of giving high school credit for these Youth Exploration Series courses is being explored with several school districts.

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To receive information about Lake Perry 4-H Center, send the form below to your county extension agent of the Cooperative Extension Service located in your county seat, or call the extension office if you have questions.

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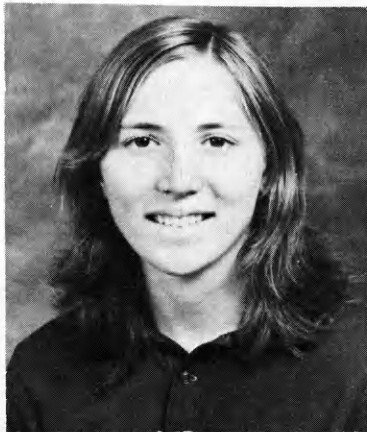
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## STATE WINNER

Growing potatoes and selling them to grocery stores in Topeka earned about \$1,000 in 1975 for Denise Lewis, who won a trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago as state winner in the 4-H horticulture project. For nine years she has taken the market garden phase of the horticulture project, working with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Lewis, to produce potatoes and using the family's washer, sorter, and sacker to prepare the potatoes for market.

For six years Denise enrolled in the beauty with flowers phase, growing flowers and helping the rest of the family with landscaping the family yard. She teaches flower arranging to other members of her club, Grove 4-H Club in Shawnee County.

Denise has also been enrolled in the science in horticulture and in the mini-garden phases of the horticulture project, and she has carried out experiments with irradiated seeds.

In Denise's second major project, veterinary science, she is the county junior leader.

A senior at Silver Lake High School, Denise is a member of FFA, enjoys basketball and softball, and has attended Girls' State.



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# Tribute to a 4-H leader

By Mary Garten  
Abilene

"My club leader, Mrs. Flora," is a phrase that has been said by literally hundreds of 4-H youngsters during the past 34 years.

Who is this person? She was community leader of the Sand Springs Rustlers 4-H Club through the years of 1941 to 1975. She is not a big woman with a voice that roars like thunder, but actually a very short, small woman with a tiny voice that has managed with much success to influence even the largest and loudest group of kids.

It all started back in 1941 when Mrs. Flora and her husband, A.H. Flora, were asked to be community leaders for a young robust club formed only four years prior. They had just moved to the Abilene community a year before in 1940 and were now taking on a club with some of the toughest and meanest kids in Dickinson County.

Together they worked as a husband and wife team until 1954, 13 years later, when Mr. Flora quit because of health reasons. She stayed on, though, and worked the past 21 years with community leaders Frank Garten and Merlin Moorman, both her former club members. She was also assisted in the past 10 years by Mrs. J.M. Gaskill. In her 34 years of service to the Sand Springs club she has reached many goals and has been rewarded by her club members' achievements as well.

She led the club to 22 years of purple seals, receiving purple seals the last 17 years straight. Maybe everyone does not realize that a purple seal to a club leader means hours of long and hard work. She has also helped the club achieve five county champion and two reserve champion booths, with one grand champion and two reserve champion booths at the state fair.

The one achievement she takes most pride in is the state award winners that she has led in 4-H work. In her 34 years she has had 16 state winners with 2 attending National Club Congress and 5 state safety winners attending National Safety Conference.

Back in 1948 two of her club members, Frank Garten and Jackie Scott, won the meat judging and identification contest at the American Royal.

She also remembers when folk games or square dances were extremely popular and when Sand Springs had a group of youngsters, ages 11-13, square dance in competition across the state and even appear on TV. It was a great joy to her to see youngsters having fun and doing something worthwhile.

Why would any one person stay as a leader so long? When she was asked she replied, "It's a worthwhile organization, and next best to church . . . it seems I've made so many, many friends."

Much can be said about her accomplishments and some was said at the club's annual achievement night in January 1976 at the Sand Springs Community Center. Mrs. Flora was honored with a special plaque presented to her by two former club members, Lisa Gaskill and Carl Garten, as the club's token of thanks for those 34 years of dedicated service.

She has gained from her years as a community leader, if nothing else, the memories and knowledge that she has helped hundreds of youngsters to become leaders in their communities.



Mrs. A. H. Flora, Dickinson County

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# Family Fun Page

Sam: How much is a haircut?

Barber: Two dollars.

Sam: How much is a shave?

Barber: Fifty cents.

Sam: Shave my head then.

Renae Bland, Elk Falls

First cannibal: What is that book you are reading?

Second cannibal: It's called "How to Serve Your Fellow Man."

A: How did you get that black eye?

B: I got hit by a guided muscle.

Daffynitions:

Pasteurize: too far to see.

Hatchet: what a hen does to an egg.

An archeologist: a person whose career lies in ruins.

Coincide: what most people do when it rains.

Cara Dinkel, Lebanon

## Kriss Kross

Fit these words into the puzzle:

**4 letters**

kite  
wind

**5 letters**

April  
birds  
March  
plant  
seeds

**6 letters**

crocus  
Easter  
lilies  
robins  
tulips

**7 letters**

bonnets  
flowers  
puddles  
sapling  
showers

**8 letters**

blossoms  
greenery

**9 letters**

daffodils  
hyacinths

**10 letters**

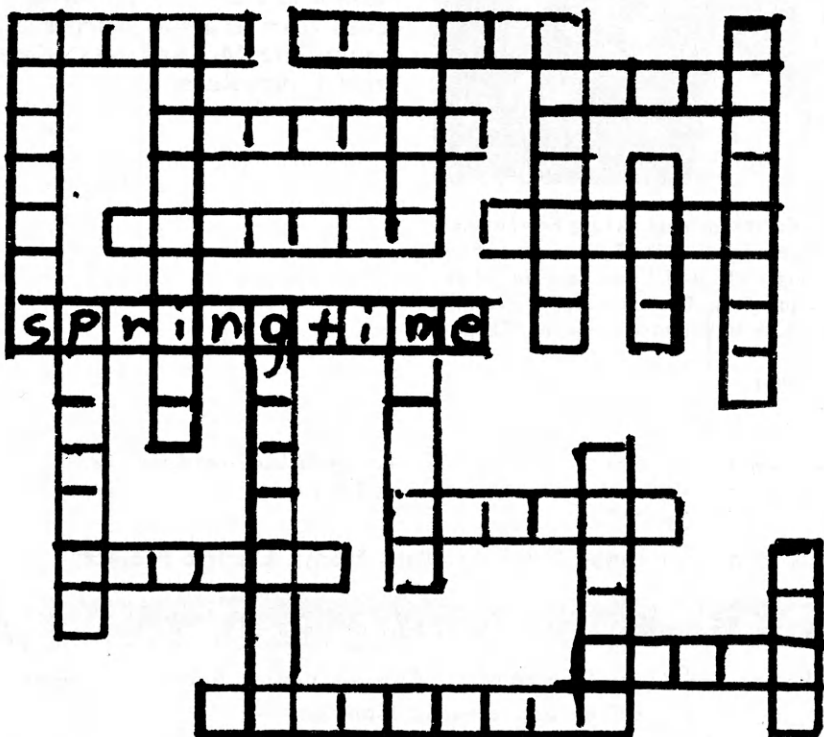
springtime

Note: Springtime has been placed in its right position in the puzzle.

Watch out! It's tricky! Helpful hint: Work the puzzle with pencil, then you can erase if you have a mistake.

Solution is on page 7.

Shari Hanson, Stillwell



4-H's, Have We Got A

## SCREAM

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### SCREAMROLLER

4-H's don't miss your special 4-H Weekend — April 24th & 25th, 1976, at the all new world of fun at WORLDS OF FUN called Bicentennial Square—it's 3½ acres of colossal American Heritage Square—highlighted by the awesome, seven story, upside-down SCREAMROLLER. Ride it and celebrate by pinning on your "I Did It" button and eating free upside down cake. Super attractions like Uncle Sam's Skeeball Hall, Calamity Games, The Magnificent Minutemen, the Mount Vernon Boys and WORLDS OF FUN's lovable costume characters add to the rest of the exciting, one time only activities 4-H's will enjoy in Bicentennial Square.

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## Trouble light no trouble

"I got my parts from Dean Schadel, my electricity project leader. The parts included a plug-in, 25 feet of electric cord, and the trouble light.

"I first stripped back the protective covering and exposed three wires. I then cut the three wires back ½ inch. I applied flux to the copper part of the wires and then soldered them. Now I was ready to hook the wire ends to fit the screws and put the plug-in together. I did the same thing with the other end of the cord and inserted the wires into the light.

"I really enjoyed my first year in electricity and plan to continue taking electricity as a project. I hope eventually to get into electronics."

In addition to the electric project, Kraig has been enrolled in beef steer, heifer, wheat, corn, and junior leadership projects during his seven years as a 4-H member. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kyrle Froetschner, Rozel.

Even though 1975 was only his first year in the electric project, Kraig Froetschner, Rozel, won a purple ribbon on his exhibit, a trouble light, at the Kansas State Fair. The versatile 4-H'er is vice-president of Conkling Cubs 4-H Club, reporter of the Pawnee County 4-H Council, and was a member of the Pawnee County livestock judging team which went to the state fair in 1975. A sophomore at Pawnee Heights East, Kraig is also active in sports and music.

At right, he tells how he made his trouble light.

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