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1959—Signing the 4-H Week proclamation—1979



As Governor George Docking signs the 1959 4-H Club Week proclamation for Kansas, John Carlin, Smolan; Wayne Grover, Stockton; Nancy Nagel, Valley Center; and Grace Wallace, Eureka, look on.



Twenty years later, Phyllis Harris, Kansas City, takes a peek at the 4-H Week proclamation while waiting for Governor John Carlin to sign his name. Dolores Born, Eudora, and Galen Huck, Scott City, are also witnesses.

On a February day in 1959, four Kansas 4-H members were at the capitol in Topeka for a special reason: to represent Sunflower State 4-H members when Governor George Docking signed the 4-H Club Week proclamation. None of them would have guessed that 20 years later one of them would be signing the 4-H Week proclamation as governor while a new generation of 4-H members looked on.

John Carlin is the 4-H member who became the governor, and the three young people who were present for the 1979 ceremony are Galen Huck, Scott County; Dolores Born, Douglas County; and Phyllis Harris, Wyandotte County.

Their varied interests reflect the varied opportunities available through 4-H for young people today.

Galen Huck of Scott City is the 1979 state 4-H beef winner, with feeders, show steers, and breeding heifers in his beef project. Other livestock projects are swine and sheep. As president of Manning Jayhawkers 4-H Club, Galen puts to use skills learned in two other projects: citizenship and leadership.

Typical of many children who are associated with special project groups is 10-year-old Phyllis Harris, Kansas City. She's participated in an after-school nutrition class and in a three-day nutrition camp. Phyllis's eyes sparkle as she describes the camp as "Fun!"

Eleven-year-old Dolores Born, Eudora, rates citizenship as her favorite project, not surprising for a

member of a club which puts special emphasis on citizenship. Dolores also likes sewing, cooking, and health projects.

Accompanying the young people to Topeka were parents and extension agents Albert Maddux, Nancy Kelly, and Lindy Richardson.



In 1959 the other 4-H members in addition to John Carlin at the proclamation signing were Wayne Grover, now a veterinarian at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; Nancy Nagel, now Mrs. Randall Pedersen, a homemaker at Beatrice, Nebraska; and Grace Wallace, now Mrs. Curtis Newby of Wichita. All had gone to National 4-H Congress in Chicago in 1958, Grace as state 4-H home improvement winner, John as dairy winner, and Wayne and Nancy as Santa Fe scholarship winners.

Minor changes during the 20 years are apparent: in 1959 the week honoring 4-H was called 4-H Club Week and came in the spring; now it's 4-H Week and comes in October to begin the 4-H year.

The 1959 proclamation, which invited youth from 10 to 20 to join the

4-H program, said that the state had benefitted from 4-H members' "individual efforts to increase production." And "two major state-wide projects" were cited: International Farm Youth Exchange, now International 4-H Youth Exchange, and the development of a "permanent year-round leadership training center, Rock Springs Ranch," now so well established that it's almost taken for granted.

But the 1979 proclamation on the facing page shows that the basic ideas are the same.

From the White House in Washington comes a message from Jimmy Carter for National 4-H Week, 1979. He concludes, "I commend you for your accomplishments and challenge you to continue to pursue your quest for knowledge and ways to help solve the many needs and problems of our day. By your involvement, you greatly enrich the lives of all Americans and build a stronger future for our country."

About the cover

A child's face and the light from a jack-o-lantern combine to reflect the spell of Halloween. Grace Chapman, Towanda, caught the magic moment on film when she was 12 and her brother, John, was 7. The picture won purple ribbons at four shows.

Now, three years later, Grace is enrolled in 4-H photography for her seventh year. Other projects for her are clothing, cooking, junior leadership, and dairy goats.

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4-H WEEK

PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

Executive Department
 State of Kansas
 Topeka, Kansas

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Kansas has every reason to join with pride in the observance of National 4-H Week; and

WHEREAS, 4-H provides a unique combination of the resources of the Kansas State University Cooperative Extension Service faculty and the service of over 12,000 volunteer adult leaders to provide "learning by doing" educational experiences for Kansas' youth; and

WHEREAS, the 1979 National 4-H Week theme, "4-H—Expanding Horizons," applies especially well to Kansas, both in that 4-H programs expand horizons for tens of thousands of Kansas youth through their achievements and self-fulfillment and in that Kansas' program has expanded to include not only community clubs but also special interest groups, camps, clinics, conferences, and cooperative efforts with other youth serving agencies and organizations so that even more Kansas young people are being aided toward positive growth, no matter what their cultural, economic or social background; and

WHEREAS, 4-H provides training to help Kansas adults as they work to guide young people in learning to develop self-confidence, to make decisions and set goals, to work and have fun with others, to care for their community and those living in it, and develop a spirit of inquiry that will last their life long; and

WHEREAS, Kansas 4-H in the past and in the present has represented our roots in the land and in the strength of our people; and

WHEREAS, our Kansas 4-H'ers make contributions through their projects and activities in community service, energy conservation, environmental improvement, health, food production, international understanding, cultural enrichment, nutrition education, family life and many other areas vital to us all,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN CARLIN, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby establish and proclaim the week of October 7-13, 1979, as

4-H WEEK

in Kansas and hereby urge all citizens of this State to join in appropriate observance of that week, to the end that 4-H members and leaders be honored for their contributions to Kansas and to the nation.

DONE at the Capitol in Topeka
 under the Great Seal of
 the State this 5th day of
 September, A.D., 1979.

BY THE GOVERNOR: John Carlin

4-H members tell what their clubs have done at Halloween

People Pleasers 4-H Club of Kearny County put six rules for trick or treating safety on a paper, along with a hidden word puzzle. The junior leaders passed these papers to all the kids in grade school. They all seemed to enjoy this as well as benefit from it.

Tami and Charles Michel

This is the time of year that your 4-H club should think of interesting activities for the upcoming year. One fun-filled event of the Iowa Union 4-H Club of Phillips County was a Halloween party and hayrack ride. Club members followed a lighted jack-o-lantern route to a pasture, riding on a hayrack through a haunted creek filled with spooks, a P.A. system, cobwebs, and a headless horseman. At the end of the route the club had apple cider, wieners, potato chips, and roasted marshmallows.

Melody Townley

For Halloween one year, the Pioneer 4-H Club of Johnson County decorated the Grange building, where we meet, as a spook house. The junior leaders dressed as scary creatures and it was a big hit in our club. So Halloween night we opened

it to the public. We charged a quarter per person and had lots of fun while we made a profit.

Vicki Browne

Beacon Boosters 4-H reading class presented a Halloween skit to the nursing wing of the Garden Valley retirement home. The Finney County 4-H'ers wore Halloween costumes and read Halloween poems. Decorated jack-o-lantern cookies were served to the residents.

Debbie Way

Halloween is a special fun time; however, it can be a very dangerous and tragic time if a few precautions are not taken.

A group of safety-minded Best Yet 4-H members of Neosho County decided to give a skit to share with some young trick-or-treaters a few Halloween safety tips, such as: Trick or treat in your own neighborhood, have an adult check the treats before eating them, do not destroy property, and do not ride in

any strange cars. The skit was presented to 750 children in kindergarten through third grade in Chanute and Erie grade schools.

Randy Reinhardt

Count Dracula appeared during his favorite time of the year at the annual fund-raising event in Wyandotte County. Last year the haunted house, using the theme of HAUNTED CASTLE, functioned October 20 through 22 and 27 through 31. For the first time, the haunted Castle was open one Sunday afternoon from 2 to 4 for a matinee.

A castle front and individual booths and mazes were built into the county horse barn. 4-H'ers and their parents worked in the booths which included medieval torture scenes, such as the rack, the guillotine, the dungeon, the pit and the pendulum, and of course, Dracula.

Each participating club received \$150 for its treasury.

Jackie Lewetzow

IDEA EXCHANGE

Energy conservation

The gas crisis has made everyone more conscious of saving energy. Our 4-H club normally has a club tour in which everyone visits every club member's home to see projects. This year when the club tour committee met, it was decided to have a project fair instead. This would conserve gas (about 500 miles' worth—10 cars times about 50 miles/tour = 500 miles) and would enable people in the community to see the results of project work.

The project fair took place at the community fire station on a week-day evening during the summer. Posters and announcements in the news publicized the event.

The display was a real success. Among the exhibits were rockets, garden vegetables, photographs, pig

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4-H club president Kristin Peterson and others work to make a safe place for wildlife.

Forty acres a haven for wildlife; biologist helps with pilot project

By Kathleen Ward
Assistant Extension Editor, 4-H & Youth

Forty years ago, the cozy, wild flower surrounded house where Mildred Caldwell and her brother, Paris Porter, lived was a gasoline station.

The 40 acres behind their house was a coal mining camp.

And Mrs. Caldwell had already been a 4-H leader for 10 years.

Today those 40 acres near the tiny town of Croweburg have been devoted to wildlife and 4-H'ers. They look like a little bit of wilderness that's been transplanted from the Ozarks.

The Jolly Sunflowers 4-H Club uses the site for their Acres for Wildlife project.

Mrs. Caldwell is the club's leader and Mr. Porter is the wildlife project leader.

All the Acres for Wildlife groups in southeast Kansas are able to take advantage of a special pilot program this year that K-State extension and the Kansas Department of Fish and Game are trying together. If the program works well in the southeast, it may be expanded to the whole state.

Clubs such as the Jolly Sunflowers still use the regular Acres for Wildlife material—the books, the signs, the bumper stickers and the badges.

But they also can call on the Fish and Game biologist who serves their county. He will visit their project area, give advice, and even help with fair booth ideas.

Following Tom Swan's advice, the Jolly Sunflowers now are protecting wildlife food sources, planning duck nest boxes, clearing out small trees, and building brushpiles. The brushpiles will be winter protection for wildlife. But the 4-H'ers' plans are just starting with that.

Club members already are talking about wilderness scavenger hunts, forestry projects, and perhaps entomology projects, so they'll know even more about the wildlife habitat they're creating and protecting.

Those coal miners probably would be amazed to see what's happening at the old home place now.

Wildflowers and Weeds of Kansas

By Janet E. Bare

This book of 509 pages is highly scientific but practical on the subject. The author realizes what the average person can comprehend with regard to botanical descriptions and the use of plant keys.

It contains simple descriptions of the plants with 117 photographs in color and 680 in black and white, most of which have dark backgrounds for ease in identification. There is also mention of both true and fanciful use of wild plants for medicine and for food. There are 16 pictures in color of typical Kansas landscapes and six drawings of the physical geography of the state. The structure of flowering plants and types of foliage is clearly illustrated by drawings.

Under the description of plants the author gives the origin and meaning of botanical names, the section of the state where the species are found, the approximate time of bloom, and its typical habitat.

Miss Bare gives some splendid advice, such as: "Some of our loveliest species are exceedingly rare and

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Wildflowers and Weeds

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should under no circumstances be picked or dug up."

This book should be in the library of every person who loves and wants to learn more about our wildflowers and weeds in Kansas.

L.R. Quinlan

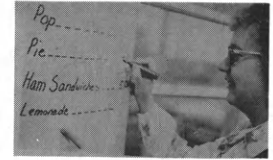
L.R. Quinlan, Manhattan, the reviewer of Janet Bare's book, was a professor of landscape design at Kansas State University for almost 40 years. He directed plantings at KSU for 25 years, is director of the Kansas Arboretum near Wakefield, and has developed the landscape design of Rock Springs Ranch since 1947. He is currently a director of the Kansas Wildflower Society and an adviser to two garden clubs.



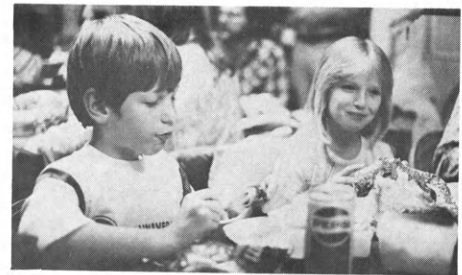
The box supper, an old tradition, has been a fun and exciting way to raise money for the Full-O-Pep 4-H Club for the past several years.

One evening every spring, the girls start smuggling their boxes in the side door of Briles School, the old one-room schoolhouse, which is the club's monthly meeting place. The boxes are well covered with blankets, coats or newspapers so the boys can't see them. If there is a special boy, he is usually given an extra hint or two. The boxes are always filled with good things to eat and decorated in many different ways.

As the sale starts there is always the auctioneer, Bob Carlton, who has a tendency to pull a bid from nowhere.



4-H fund-raising.... Box supper style



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"Do you live around here, son?"
"Do you know whose box this is?"

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To give you an idea of how things sell at our box supper—a wishing well is sold for \$6.75, a tootsie roll box \$3.50, a box shaped like a C.B. radio for \$9, a mail box for \$11, and a box designed as a horse for \$15.

In between boxes the pies were sold. There were cherry, peach, pecan, rhubarb, and cream pies. Then came the Easter rabbit cake made by Phyllis Schamle and the German chocolate cake made by Rose Lintner.

The lucky boys eat with the pretty girl whose box they bought. Those who didn't get a box can always buy sandwiches, homemade pie, and pop or lemonade.

**Pictures by Rob Dunlap, Ottawa
Article by Fred Vulgamore, Wellsville**

Idea Exchange

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posters, stained glass ornaments, a liquid-embroidered shirt, ship models, decorated bottles, decoupage soap, record books, floral horticulture samples, leatherwork, a pressed-flower picture, and cattle posters.

Everyone seemed to enjoy viewing the project displays and visiting with 4-H'ers. The project fair may well become an annual affair.

Sherri Holliday, Liberty

Blood bank cooperation

Kanwaka 4-H tried something new with their health project this year. Knowing that most of the members were not old enough to give blood or work with the Red Cross as volunteers during the blood drives, they were still able to find many things to do to help this year.

During one of the blood drives the older members worked along side the Red Cross workers, assisting with the labeling and sealing of pints of blood. The parents

got into the act by becoming donors and working in the nursery for preschoolers. The younger members got to tour the blood bank area and to present the Red Cross with 40 dozen cookies, half of which were made by the girls themselves.

During the other blood drives the different members canvassed different areas for new blood donors, and made and put up posters in the city of Lawrence to announce the blood drive. During one of the school carnivals the club set up a booth with a lecture and posters on the importance of giving blood. In the summer the junior high girls were able to sit in the nursery with the preschoolers while their parents were being donors. The Kanwaka members bought preschool toys at Christmas time and filled an activity box for the nursery. They did this instead of exchanging gifts themselves.

Dorran Mullins, Lecompton

Speaking demonstration

The Willing Workers 4-H Club of White City hold a club demonstra-

tion and public speaking workshop two weeks before county 4-H days. The members receive help, ranging from ideas for titles to arranging talks, from parents and leaders.

The members must have a basic idea in mind so the leaders can give criticism where needed. Members can practice their talks so they have a chance to improve them. Also, any member who is in a skit, play, or music may come and practice and receive help.

The 1979 workshop proved successful. Everyone who attended received a blue ribbon at county 4-H day and four of the members went on to regional.


Jerold Spohn Jr., White City

Please help!

Remember the problems in Category 6, page 8, in the All 4-H'ers Issue?

One club had a number of members who didn't participate, and wondered how to keep them active, and how to recruit new members. Another wondered how to teach parliamentary procedure to young 4-H'ers.

Please send your suggestions!



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Noted cattleman dies

J.J. Moxley, rancher, cattle judge, former extension specialist, and range management consultant, died August 20 at the Morris County Hospital. He had been a member of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees for 19 years.

Since 1935, thousands of 4-H members have honed judging skills at schools at Moxley Hall Ranch near Council Grove. As usual, Mr. Moxley was on hand for the judging school there this year.

"Few people were more knowledgeable about beef cattle than he," Merle Eystone, executive director of Kansas 4-H Foundation, said, "and he was willing to share his knowledge with others."

"Jerry Moxley was an early supporter of Rock Spring Ranch development, donating livestock for auction to raise money for first needs. He served on the RSR developmental committee for 24 years."

The family has established a memorial fund for Rock Springs Ranch through Kansas 4-H Foundation.



By Devon Hagaman, Liberal, Seward County

A 4-H project idea Can (will) you help?

By Robert Jackson
Extension Specialist, Family Life

Historically, people had to take care of most of their own needs. The need to help oneself or to get help from friends and neighbors has been especially true in rural and low population areas. Isolation or scarcity of resources or of professional assistance has required people to meet their own needs, frequently without help from outsiders. When specialized help from physicians, teachers, and others was not available, people had to "make do" with what they had, relying upon themselves and helpful others. People, by and large, have done an excellent job in the many areas of self-help.

Most people take care of their needs most of the time.

Although self-help may frequently result out of necessity, it also arises and develops because it is natural for people to want to meet their own needs and to be helpful to others in need.

Unfortunately, not all people are able to always meet their own needs. There are many reasons for this. The

circumstances that people live in, the amount of money they have (or don't have), the resources or things that are, or aren't, available to them can be contributing reasons that limit people's ability to help themselves. Sometimes people's beliefs and values, or what they have learned or experienced, may limit their ability to help themselves.

Helping ourselves has become an important part of our lives. So important, some people believe, that the more able we are to help ourselves the more enjoyment we get out of life. So important, many people believe, that we **SHOULD** be able to help ourselves all of the time. But this is not always the case.

But sometimes people need help from others.

Unfortunately, many people will not ask for help and some even refuse it when offered because they believe so strongly that they **should** be able to help themselves. Some of these people may have asked for help and were refused—because other people may also believe that you **should** be able to help yourself. The issue is not whether people should be able to help themselves or not. Rather, the issue is, are they able at that moment to help themselves or do they need help? We can always ask ourselves when we see someone in a distressful situation, "Can I be of help?", and offer our assistance when we choose to do so.

In today's society there are many opportunities for people to help themselves and others. Because people face pressures from many places in their day-to-day living, needs are great. When the needs are unmet, the pressures become greater. A cycle of unmet needs leading to greater and greater pressures may develop. Frustration, anxiety, feelings of helplessness, and even depression can be part of such a sequence of events. These and other emotions can be very powerful. Sometimes when these emotions are combined with other life experiences, people react in ways that are harmful to themselves and others. They may take out their frustrations on themselves or other people—their spouse, children, friends or neighbors, or even strangers.

You may be able to lend a hand when help is needed.

The following example may make these ideas more clear. To begin, let's narrow the problem down so that it is manageable. When you have been shopping at the supermarket or grocery, have you ever run across a parent or an adult care-giver and a child who seemed to be having trouble with one another? Imagine that it is the peak hour on Friday evening and the store is filled with busy shoppers. How often, under these circumstances, have you seen care-givers lose patience with children with them? How were they interacting? Perhaps the child was crying and being scolded, handled roughly, and even spanked.

Were the children misbehaving all that badly or were the care-givers all that poor in their ability to deal with

children? Probably not. But in that moment, probably because of other pressures and resulting frustration, patience dwindled, tempers flared, and unpleasant, if not unhealthy, interaction occurred.

Providing assistance in such a situation could help a harried parent and distraught child in a meaningful way. Stress could be reduced and harmful interaction short-circuited. And all this could be accomplished easily and effectively.

Let's explore one possible approach that a 4-H club or even several clubs could develop as a meaningful service project. This project could assist parents and children, provide important care-giving experience to 4-H'ers, and increase the value of preventive efforts in reducing the negative impact of stress or even limited forms of child abuse in the physical, emotional, and psychological aspects.

Project Purpose:

Provide a project experience that would introduce 4-H'ers to child development, care-giving, and child abuse/neglect concepts.

Project Objectives:

Reduce potential child abuse/neglect situations through direct assistance to parents and children;
Provide care-giving experiences to 4-H'ers;
Increase the visibility of 4-H'ers involved in community projects;
Increase 4-H'ers awareness of child abuse/neglect as a social problem;
Provide adult care-givers with an alternative to negative interaction with children.

Target Audience of the Project:

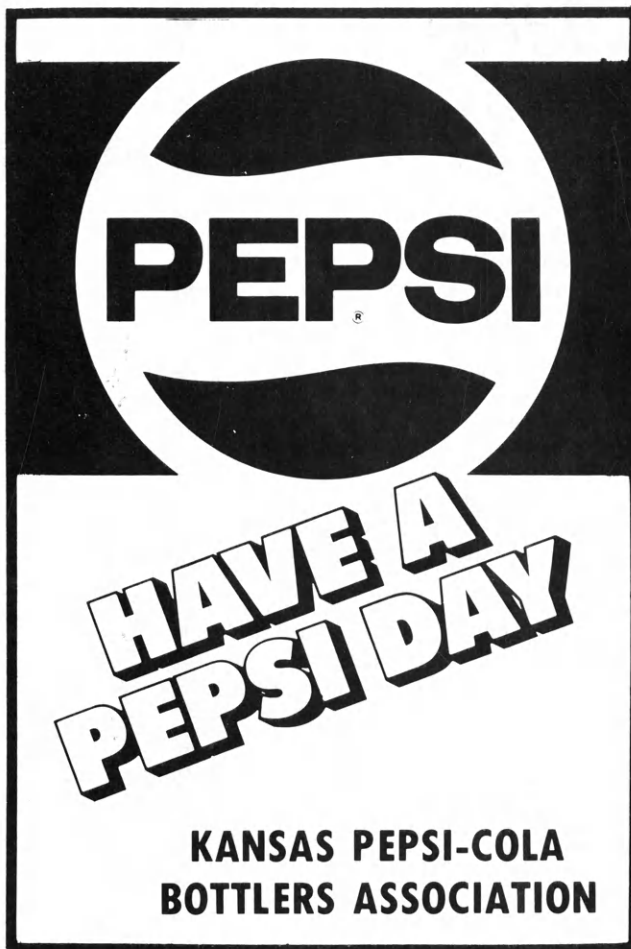
Parents, adult care-givers, and involved pre-school children.

Method:

Observe interaction between adults and young children to determine the type and frequency of negative interaction that occurs (examples might include scolding, yelling, yanking by the arm, spanking, etc.). After several other observations in places like supermarkets and other businesses, decide on how large a project can realistically be carried out (number of 4-H members involved, amount of time they could be available to provide assistance, things needed to carry out the projects, etc.). Discuss the project ideas with adult leaders to gain their support and assistance in locating resources and people to help you plan your activities.

Decide how much background information you will need to carry out the project (reading reference materials, learning a little about child behavior and development, learning some basic information about child abuse and neglect and its prevention, having people give you information about child care, etc.). Once you are armed with information and a plan for your project you can begin an exciting service to people. An example follows:

Suppose you have determined that there is a lot of negative interaction between adult care-givers and their children at supermarkets at peak hours. You want to reduce these behaviors and make it easier for everyone. You can talk with the store manager and get permission to work in the store. You may ask for



a small section of the store to put up a play area where you can watch children while busy parents shop. A few toys, a few pillows, and a closed-in place, along with a couple of volunteer 4-H members, are all you need. As you watch adults and children you can look for stressful situations and then approach the adult and say something like the following:

"Hello, I am _____ of the _____ 4-H Club. We know how difficult it is sometimes to shop with children. May I help out by watching your little one for a while as you shop? We have set up a small child-care area in the store and would like to help."

Parents and other adults will frequently jump at the chance for a little relief. Others, of course, may refuse, but will at least be aware of their interaction with their children.

As parents become more aware of your regular presence they may begin to "drop off" their children with you as they come into the market to shop. Others may want you to watch the children with them as they shop and may ask you to walk along and keep the child pleasantly occupied.

Think about it a bit. It may be a service project you and your club could enjoy. If you like the basic idea and want to consider it, Kansas State University Cooperative Extension Service faculty will be glad to help you with ideas, information, and consultation.

Ideas & News

From the Northwest Area:

Cheyenne County: Little Red Hen joined 4-H and the result was the winning float in the Cheyenne County parade. Dominant figure on the float, made by members of **Pleasant Hill 4-H Club**, was the hen, with cat, pig, dog, and duck in papier-mache heads also present. **Leslie O'Brien** is reporter for the club. The float is pictured on the facing page...

Reporter **Mike Bandel** writes that members of **Lawn Ridge 4-H Club** chose health as a club project and set this two-fold goal: 1. To develop desirable personal health habits, and 2. To share in the responsibility of improving the health of family and community. Some things the 4-H'ers did were to give health talks, canvass for health drives, and visit a nursing home.

Graham County: Six 4-H'ers and **Carol Strahm**, **Graham County** extension home economist, participated in an exciting six-day 4-H exchange with **Stephens County**, Oklahoma, 4-H'ers in July. The 4-H members lived with Oklahoma 4-H host families and had the chance to participate in 4-H events, have fun, exchange ideas, and make new friends. The Oklahomans will visit **Graham County** in the summer of 1980. Ready for the run to Oklahoma are, from left, **Christine Davis, Dee Fritts, Nellene Worcester, Lori Billips, Jennifer Conn, EHE Carol Strahm, and Kim Dinkel.**



Sheridan County: For 25 years, two 4-H clubs, **Angelus** and **Solomon Valley**, have been expanding horizons for 4-H members in **Sheridan County**. At this year's county fair, **Angelus 4-H Club** marked this special anniversary with a float carrying alumni of the club and

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The Little Red Hen was Kaye O'Brien, with other characters Kari Milliken, Peter O'Brien, Craig O'Brien and Chris Nolan. See first item preceding page.

with a booth showing the group's accomplishments. Members have attended the Citizenship Short Course in Washington, D.C., and one placed first in state home economics judging, in addition to county honors in several projects. Community leader is **Lorene Dickman** . . . **Solomon Valley 4-H Club** invited all former members and leaders for a pot luck supper followed by a 4-H meeting in which the secretary read the names of all families who had been in the club, Song leaders were the **Tom McClelland** family who were in the state 4-H chorus when they were in 4-H. After the meeting and the cutting of a special anniversary cake, everyone visited and talked about old times. **Linda Schieferecke** reported the event. **Irene Cressler** is the community leader.

From the Northeast Area:

Johnson County: Members of **Roeland Park Bobcats 4-H Club** worked hard to get their booth ready for the fair, and were proud of the results. "The work included painting, stuffing, sewing, hammering, and imagination."

Marshall County: A sewing tip comes from **Becky Cohorst, Bremen Hustlers 4-H Club**, who says that when it's time to clean up after sewing, she often comes up short of pins. "I lose them in the carpet and they are so hard to find. Before I sweep, I've found if one uses a magnet all around the area, the pins are collected in a matter of seconds." She says this method is fast, easy, and the pins last a lot longer.

Nemaha County: During their first year in **Acres for Wildlife**, members of **Red Vermillion 4-H Club** cut brush and small trees and made a brush pile for shelter of small animals. They also planted a "Backyard Bird Bundle" in the 10 acres set aside for wildlife. **Mr. and Mrs. Earl Solt** are the community leaders.

Republic County: Thirty-six members, parents, and leaders of **Merry Meadowlarks 4-H Club** joined forces to paint more than 30 city and rural mailboxes, with a wiener roast following the afternoon's activities. Names are to be stenciled on the boxes later. **Marilyn Havel** is the leader.

Cloud County: Miltonvale Hustlers 4-H Club brought home the traveling trophy for the Anything Goes Contest at the fair, and the club's president, **Betty Fuller**, showed her versatility as she won trophies in style revue, for grand champion hog, as grand champion in fitting and showing, and as top home economics judging contestant. Betty's suit was first in the make it with wool contest, winning her a wool pelt, shown in the picture below.

From the Southeast Area:

Franklin County: "Let's go see the monkeys" and "I want to ride the train" were comments made by members of **Junior Judges 4-H Club** during their out-of-county trip to the Topeka Zoo. After touring the zoo, the group rode the train looking for a good spot for their picnic. "Several minutes later 4-H members were sitting under tall trees, calling their August meeting to order while their parents unloaded mountains of food from their cars. Several of the parents were heard joking about the shortness of the meeting as the children adjourned and began attacking the feast hungrily," writes reporter **Beth Jorgensen**. "After chasing one another with ice cubes through the park and helping to pick up the leftovers, the families returned to their cars for the return trip home and evening chores."

From the South Central Area:

Butler County: "It will be an annual event of the 4-H Council," **Elaine Thomas** writes about "Almost Anything Goes," sponsored by the council to raise money for sponsorship of **Kansas 4-H Journal**. Fourteen clubs participated in the contest, with teams of six members, two coaches, and two alternates. Points were given for the best team in each event. Some of the events were an egg roll, tube race, water race, and an obstacle course. First place went to **Cassody Boosters**, with team members **Dawn Hiebert, Billy Stacey, Jill Hiebert, Don Hamilton, Shane Nelson, and Donna Swift** and coaches **Shelly Hodges and Dala Hamilton**. **Douglass Shockers** won second and **Towanda Rustlers** third.

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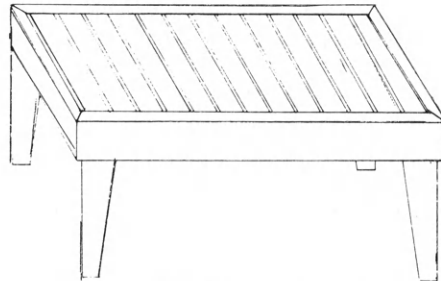


Girls from Miltonvale Hustlers 4-H Club who participated in the Cloud County style revue are, from left, Jody Braun, Kathy Richard, junior division reserve champion Karen Campbell, senior division champion Betty Fuller, Tammy Bradley, Karen Breen, and Poullette Pacey.

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	Picnic Bench

Tie in to a new idea — Write to a club in Thailand

Kansas 4-H clubs have an opportunity for a new kind of exchange—"sister club correspondence exchanges" with Y-K clubs, Thailand's counterpart of 4-H clubs, according to Casey Garten, a former 4-H member from Dickinson County, who is working in Thailand with a Youth Development Project.

"Sister clubs from both countries will begin exchanges of letters, photographs and possibly materials. A major objective is to provide the opportunity for club members from one country to learn about the other club's country and their youth programs, including project work and other activities. It will be a chance to share information, ideas and perhaps provide assistance."

4-H and Y-K clubs have many of the same goals and have the same pledge and motto, but projects differ because of the difference in geography. Casey writes that, "The members are in everything from bananas to ducks and mushrooms to mango trees..."

To begin this exchange, fill in the

form at the bottom of this page and return it to Lois Redman, 4-H and Other Youth Programs, Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan, Kansas 66506. She will send the forms to the extension office in Bangkok, Thailand. There your club will be paired with a Thai Y-K club, and you'll receive the name and location of the group, along with a letter with further instructions.

As you write letters, they will go to the extension office in Thailand to be translated and sent to the Y-K club. In turn, your sister club's letters will be translated there into English and sent to you.

"This exchange through the mail is one in which any 4-H club can take part." Lois Redman, coordinator of international 4-H programs, commented. "It will provide a wonderful opportunity for Kansas young people to learn about Thailand. And it's good to know that Casey will be working with the Y-K members there, helping the exchange along."

And helping with the bananas, ducks, mushrooms and mangos.

Yes, our 4-H club would like to participate in a sister club exchange with a Y-K club in Thailand. Please send the name and location of our sister club and other details as soon as possible.

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Pine cone turkey tray favors greeted residents of the Brown County infirmary on Thanksgiving Day, thanks to members of Modern Sunflower 4-H Club. Pictured are the 102 turkeys and the 4-H members enrolled in health—no turkeys there!

Magic 4-H Club Reunion

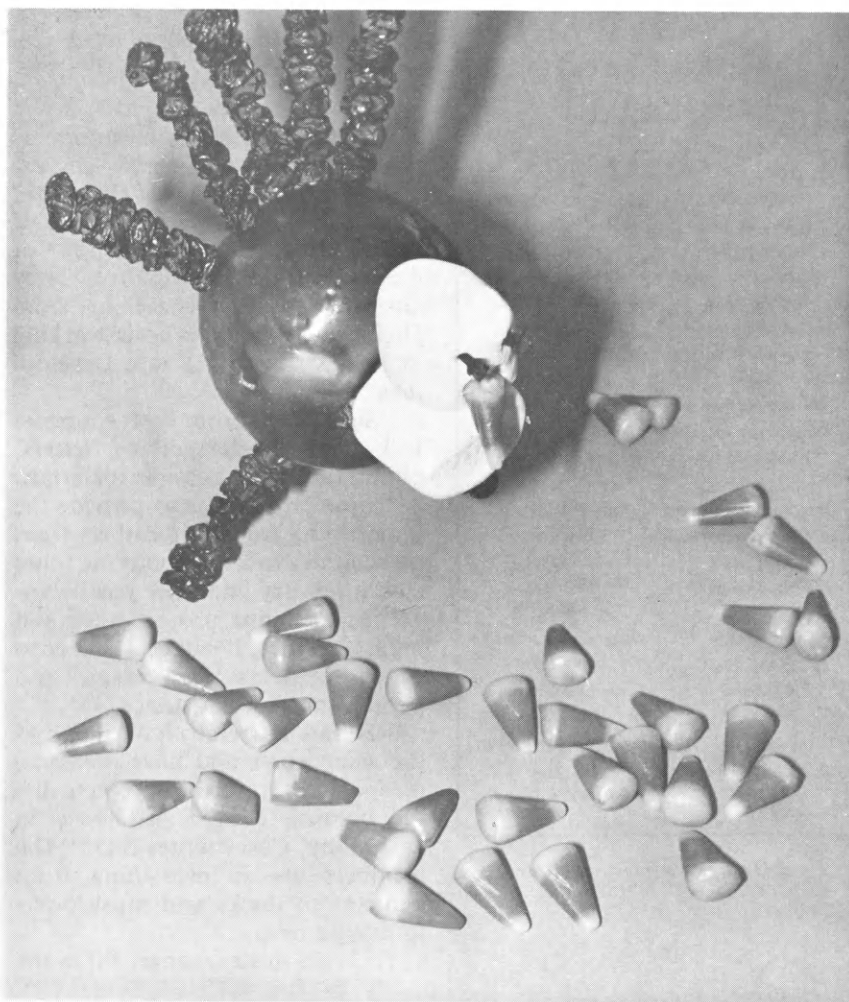
Former members, leaders, and friends of Magic 4-H Club in Riley County are invited to a reunion at Pottorf Hall at Ci-Co Park at Manhattan October 7. Events will begin with a pot luck dinner at noon. Those attending should bring their own service. Drinks will be furnished.

The group, one of the state's earliest 4-H clubs, was organized in 1923 or '24 by Mrs. Lucy Pottorf, for whom Pottorf Hall was named. The group disbanded in 1965 when expansion of Fort Riley caused families to move.

The first president of the 4-H club was Wes Sylvester, now of Ottawa, and his daughter, Janice, was president in the club's final year.

Ideas and news

Harper County: A horse-a-thon was organized by the **Goldenrule 4-H Club** to earn money for the American Cancer Society. Instead of going on the regular cancer drive, everyone collected pledges per mile. Twenty-nine riders earned a total of \$398.50 for riding 12 miles. After an enjoyable ride, the riders reached their destination, the sale barn on the south side of Anthony, for a wiener roast, where they were joined by horsemen from other clubs, **Kelley Alexander** writes. The **Goldenrule 4-H Club** also sends \$15 a month to **Thomas Yellowhawk, Jr.** through the Christian Children's Fund. **Thomas** lives on an In-



Oops, his beak is slipping! Otherwise the apple turkey is ready to be placed as a centerpiece on a dinner table, at each place for a party or 4-H meeting, or as a favor at a hospital or nursing home. See article, below right.

dian reservation during summers and goes to school winters. He has written interesting letters to the 4-H members.

Pratt County: This year is **Pratt County's** centennial. To help celebrate, the junior leaders of the **Richland Rustlers 4-H Club** wrote a history of the county for an insert in the newspaper. With a rummage sale, they raised money for a trip to Topeka for research at the state historical library. The **Pratt Tribune** carried the information the 4-H members prepared. **Tom Black** is the reporter.

Dates to remember

National 4-H Week
October 7-13

Oz II
Topeka
October 20

State Dairy Goat Conference
Rock Springs Ranch
October 27

State Dog Leaders Conference
Rock Springs Ranch
October 27-28

Equine Seminar
Colby Community College
November 10

Make an apple turkey

A table decoration for fall that's fun to make, nice to look at, and good to eat (later) is suggested by Lois Redman, extension specialist, 4-H and Youth.

To make an apple turkey, string raisins on eight toothpicks. Leave free of raisins about ½ inch at one end of each toothpick. Use pieces of round toothpicks to put two large marshmallows together, with the rounded sides joining. To make the turkey's face, put whole cloves for eyes and a candy corn bill in one marshmallow.

Then attach the lower marshmallow to the top front of the apple, using toothpick halves. Now make the tail for the turkey, placing, fanlike, five of the toothpicks covered with raisins. Use the other three raisin-covered toothpicks for the turkey to stand on, two for feet and one in the back to hold up the turkey.

Family Fun Page



“Beware of Shake and Bake”
Cynthia Engel, Oakley

Tongue Twister

Silly Susan stupidly stole Skylab and steered it southward. She spotted seven slimy sea snakes in striped swimsuits, sipping sour cider, swimming in the Seven Seas.

Darla Dossett, McPherson

Q. Why doesn't the corn like the farmer?

A. Because he pulls its ears!

Q. What kind of fever does Fat Albert have?

A. Hay! Hay! Hay!

Vicki Grimm, Sabetha

The doctor was very much pleased with his patient's progress. "You're coughing more easily this morning."

Impatient patient: "Well, for gosh sakes, I ought to be. I've been practicing all night."

Smart: "More than 5,000 elephants go each year to make piano keys."
Smarter: "Really? It's remarkable what animals can be trained to do."

"Now class," said the teacher, "can you tell me one of the uses of cowhide?"

"Sure," said one kid brightly. "It holds the cow together."

A big black bug bit a big black bear. Where is the big black bear the big black bug bit?

What animal would be likely to eat a relative?

An ant-eater.

Brenda Fasse, Effingham

How do you make gold soup?
With 14 carrots.

What's round, red, and flies?
Supertomato.

GINNY SWANSON, KANSAS CITY

Prize Winner

Because everything costs so much, we can't always trade cars as often as we might want to do, so it's good that mom says she likes her ROLLS as by now it seems a part of the family. No, it's not a Rolls Royce, it's a Rolls Canardly.

Haven't you heard of that kind of car? Well, it rolls down one hill and canardly make it up the next big one!

DAVID JOHNSON, LEONARDVILLE

How's Business?
Tailor: Just sew-sew.
Farmer: Mine is growing.
Author: All write.
Astronomer: It's looking up.
Electrician: It's pretty light.
Trash collector: It's picking up.
Elevator Operator: Mine has its ups and downs.

Lady: I want a ticket to Chicago.
Ticket Agent: Yes, Ma'am.
Would you like to go by Buffalo?

Lady: Of course not! I want to go by train.

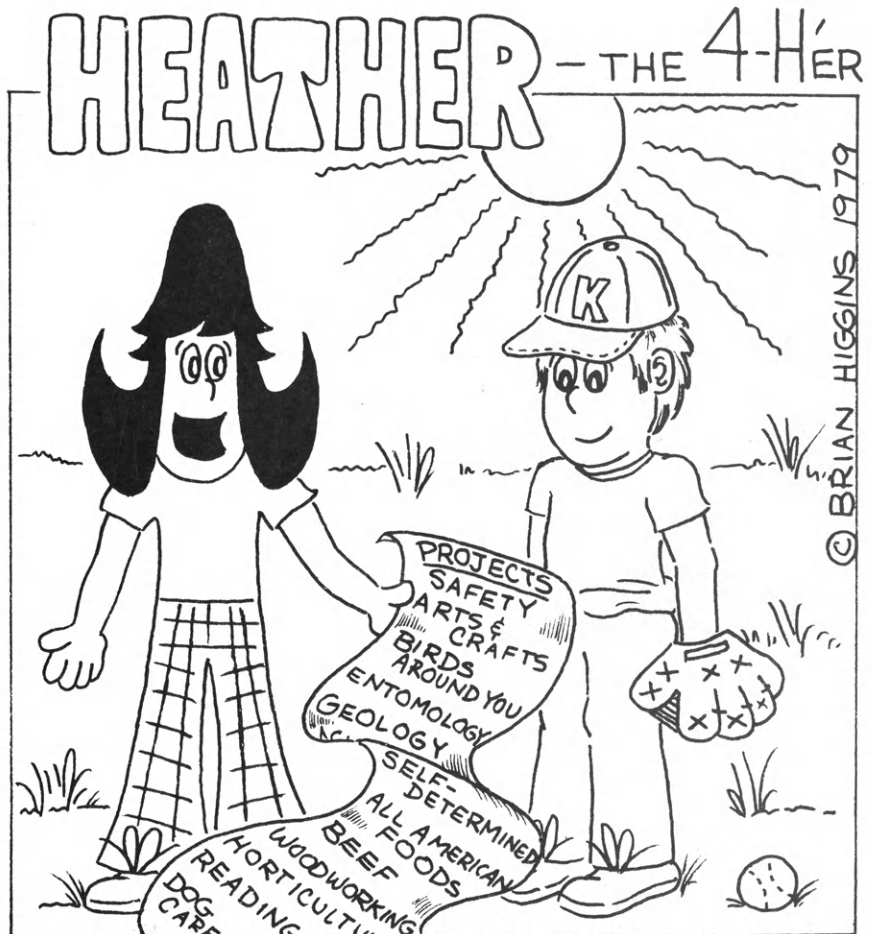
Boy: Mom, I can't.

Mother: Son, never say you can't do something. Nothing is impossible if you really try.

Boy: OK, Mom, then please help me put the toothpaste back in the tube!

DIANE DOWELL, CLYDE

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Matt shows his rocket launcher and actuator for his rocketry project.



One of Matt's projects is photography. He developed these prints, including this one showing his computer and the question and answer board.

Varied projects interest Shawnee Co. 4-H'er

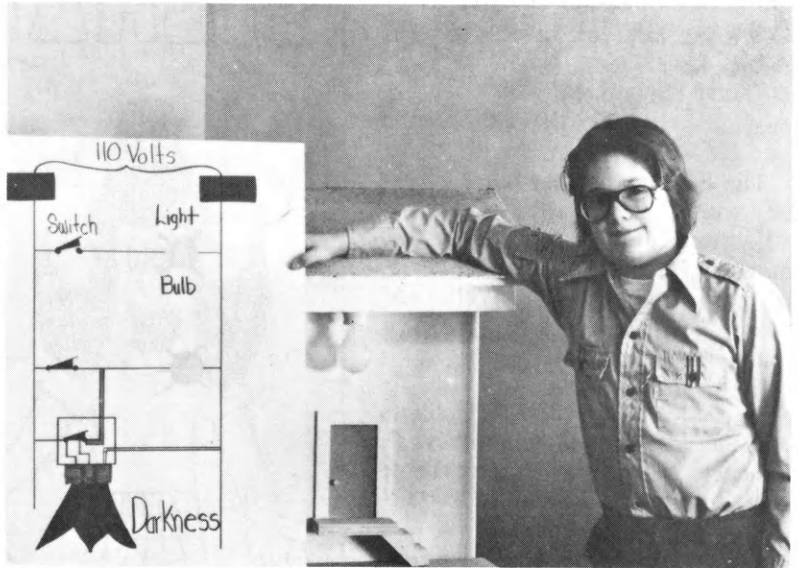
A lamp made of a red colander and a blue and white coffee pot brought a purple ribbon to Matt Mannell, Topeka, when he showed it this summer at the Shawnee County Fair. This year Matt also designed and made a study lamp from an old-fashioned round school lunch bucket and a bread pan.

"I wired a multiplier factor of 9 computer of my own design last year," Mike writes, "and a rocket launcher plus delay time actuator. In previous years I constructed an electrical question and answer board in Reddy Kilowatt's shape and also made a lamp in arts and craft project which I wired for my electrical project. I have also made extension cords, yard lights, and I am in the process of wiring my American Flyer model trains.

"I enjoy the electrical project very much because it has given me experience enough to wire my own peacock barn with lights and do minor electrical repairs."

Looking to the future, Matt is working on an electrical wind generator, as well as on a portable burglar alarm which could be hung on a door.

Matt, a member of Pleasant Hill 4-H Club, went to Japan as a LABO participant in 1978. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Mannell.



Here is Matt's display which he used for giving an illustrated talk about electric eyes, a talk which won a purple ribbon at district 4-H Day.



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