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Editor's Note

Marsha Setzkorn, former 4-H'er from Hodgeman County, is recuperating from surgery in England. Marsha is representing Kansas in England through the International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE) program. During her recovery period, Marsha would appreciate hearing from 4-H friends in Kansas.

Allow at least one week for air mail delivery to reach England.

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Kansas 4-H Foundation announces ...

1987 4-H Family of the Year: The Gerald Scheid Family

Dedication and commitment to the 4-H program shines through three generations of the Gerald and Belva Scheid family. Gerald and Belva, along with their five sons and four grandchildren, have accumulated 170 years in the 4-H program.

The Scheid family was named 4-H family of the year at the annual Kansas Friends of 4-H Day hosted by the Kansas 4-H Foundation at the Rock Springs 4-H Center on June 14. C.R. Salmon, assistant director of Extension, 4-H - Youth programs, presented the family with the traditional mantel clock.

Gerald is a life-long resident of the Vasser area. Described as open-minded and willing to "just act like a kid sometimes," Gerald has even sponsored a junior leader ski trip, and skied for the first time at age 63. He alone has provided 48 years of leadership to 4-H beginning in 1939 when he founded the Vasser Blue Ribbon 4-H Club in Osage County.

Why is Gerald so supportive of the 4-H program? I like kids; I always have," he said. "I enjoy

seeing them have a good time. I have as much fun as they do."

"4-H is a great thing for boys and girls ... the training and experience they get from their projects, the learning by doing gives them the training for the future. It's an education they don't get any other way."

Belva was a three-year member of the Junior Judges 4-H Club in Franklin County and has served as a community and project leader for 34 years in Osage County. Although she attends and helps out with numerous 4-H and community activities, Belva seems to be recognized most for the fine art of baking homemade pies. It is said that no Vasser Penny Supper would be complete without one of Belva's pies. So what's the secret to mouth-watering homemade pies? "I think it's just plain old pig lard that makes a good pie crust," Belva said.

4-H'ers of Osage County, past and present, respect the Scheid family. "Personally, I feel they are responsible for my growth, my own successes and my

lasting friendships with other members. The Scheid family has taught me respect, honesty and responsibility. When one stops to think how much they have given so freely to others, it's hard to imagine an award large enough to acknowledge their time and effort. They are simply gifted teachers of 4-H values and skills," Connie Snyder, Osage County 4-H alumna said.

Gerald and Belva raised five sons who were all active in 4-H. Ron, Glen, Keith, Dale and Bob won a variety of awards in a wide range of projects.

Glen's children, Matt and Paige, are members of the Highland 4-H Club through the school system in Tulsa.

Libby and Gerri, Keith's children, are proud members of the Vasser Blue Ribbon 4-H Club which is the third generation of Scheids in the club Gerald started.

4-H is definitely a "family tradition" for the three generations of the Gerald and Belva Scheid family. "In many ways, the Scheids represent the 'invisible



The Gerald Scheid family: Glen, Susan, Janet, Keith, Minnie, Ron, Dale, Gerald, Matt, Belva, Robert, Gerri, Paige, Libby

*Front Cover:
Dale, Robert, Keith, Glen, Ron, Gerald, Belva*

force' that has been the strength of the Kansas 4-H program. They are the quiet people who remain in the background without fanfare, and who come forward only when someone calls attention to

the many years of devoted service in the Osage County 4-H program," Glenn Busset, emeritus professor of Extension 4-H said. Janet Scheid summed up the

Scheid family 4-H philosophy as, "4-H and family are synonymous to us. No other organization today stresses family involvement as much as 4-H does."

National 4-H Conference ...

Delegates return home, willing to share experiences

Getting lost in Georgetown ... misplacing a purse ... and getting left in the subway ... are just a few of the experiences of the 1987 Kansas National 4-H Conference delegates.

Representing Kansas at the National 4-H Conference were Todd Frankenbery, Brenda Highbarger, Dana Hinshaw, Regina Thummel and adviser Marilyn Galle. They have recently returned and started their duties as conference delegates.

Brenda Highbarger, the current Kansas 4-H Ambassador, is a 10-year 4-H'er from Butler County, where she has been very active in her club and county 4-H Council, serving as president of both. A 1986 delegate to Citizenship Washington Focus, Highbarger is enthusiastic about 4-H. Her enthusiasm has earned her many awards, including the Key Award, I-Dare-You Award and the Gold Pin.

Todd Frankenbery, a McPherson College student from Sedgwick County, serves as a county 4-H Ambassador and works with many local and county committees. An 11-year 4-H'er, Frankenbery said, "I feel an empty part as my 4-H career closes, but we must strive for different goals that will reward us later in life."

Regina Thummel, Jewell County, has been very involved with her county's 4-H program, serving on committees and assisting other 4-H'ers with project work. She has been active in many projects and has been a 4-H member for 11 years. Regina is currently a Kansas Wesleyan student in Salina.

Dana Hinshaw, Kansas State University student, is an 11-year 4-H'er from Reno County. She has worked hard in encouraging youth to remain in 4-H while being active in planning and committee work in Reno County. According to Hinshaw, her 4-H career has been "filled with challenges, achievements, disappointments and growth."

Marilyn Galle, Mound Ridge, adviser for the group, is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Kansas 4-H Foundation. She also is a past National Conference delegate from 1954. Galle returned to the conference during its 50th anniversary in 1980 and again as the advisory for the 1987 delegates. The Galle family was honored as the Kansas 4-H Family-of-the-Year in 1980.

The National 4-H Conference which emphasizes citizenship and leadership began in 1927. Delegates, at that time, were

housed on the grounds in front of the west wing of the Department of Agriculture.

The boys wore khaki uniforms with knickers and black ties, and the girls wore jade green dresses with white collars and cuffs and white caps.

The first conference was called the National 4-H Club Camp, and its three main purposes were:

To reward and develop outstanding junior leaders in club work;

To acquaint club members with their government and to acquaint Washington with 4-H club work;

To provide a convenient time and place for a meeting of all state leaders. This has since been dropped from the list of objectives for the present conferences.

The 4-H motto and the 4-H pledge, written by Otis Hall, the first state 4-H leader in Kansas, were officially adopted at this time.

The name was changed to the National 4-H Conference in 1955, and the conference delegates have stayed at the National 4-H Center since 1959. There have been 57 national conferences. During World War II, however, the National 4-H Conference

Feature

didn't take place, and the Kansas delegates went to Camp Miniwanca instead of Washington D.C.

"Meeting other 4-H'ers and learning the way their 4-H program operates was a very valuable experience for us. I was surprised that some states don't allow members to join until they are nine years old, especially since most Kansas 4-H members are young and are able to join the program at age seven," Highbarger said.

As the National 4-H Ambassador from Kansas, Highbarger has scheduled public appearances and speaking engagements as part of her duties upon returning from conference. At K-State Discovery Days alone, she was the mistress of ceremonies for three events and gave several presentations during her three-day stay.

"The National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C. at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland is designed to give different ideas to the attending delegates and to strengthen 4-H. I think we would all say that delegates need to keep an open mind to get the most out of the conference. We are extremely willing to share our experiences with others. Please feel free to contact us.

Although we don't have them yet, we are expecting a slide set soon," Frankenberry said.

Another honor received by the conference delegates is to be initiated into the Kansas Master 4-H Club. Master 4-H Club is an alumni club of past conference delegates dedicated to service and the high ideals established by the 4-H program.

"We are honored to be included in Master Club and appreciate all the work Martha Streeter and others did at this year's biennial reunion and luncheon to make us feel welcome and a part of the group," said Thummel, Hinshaw, Frankenberry and Highbarger.

Advisor Marilyn Galle is also a Master Club member. "I enjoyed the National 4-H Conference, but



Left to right, 1987 National 4-H Conference Delegates: Regina Thummel, Dana Hinshaw, Todd Frankenberry, Marilyn Galle, and Brenda Highbarger.

one of the most educational experiences for the kids was the luncheon with Representative Dan Glickman," she said. "He spent a lot of time with us and was very informative."

"After an initial 'ice-breaking' period, we were very comfortable and relaxed with him," Hinshaw and Thummel said.

The trips to National 4-H Conference were sponsored by the Kansas Bankers Association,

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The Kansas Conference delegates say, "The trip was super ... our adviser was super, and we had a super time." Advisor Galle added, "They are super kids."

1987 Kansas Charity Horse Show to benefit Kansas 4-H Program

The State 4-H Program has been selected as the recipient of proceeds generated by the 1987 Kansas National Charity Horse Show. The ninth annual show, billed as the "Midwest's fastest growing show," is slated for September 10-13 at the newly expanded facilities of the Kansas Coliseum in Wichita. Making the announcement in Wichita was Marcia Solomon, horse show co-chairperson. "We are very pleased to announce that the 1987 Kansas National Charity Horse Show will benefit the State 4-H Program. We're excited to be able to promote the very worthwhile projects of the Kansas 4-H Program and to publicize the many-faceted programs, not only the rural ones for which the 4-H clubs are most well-known, but the urban programs as well. We feel that our family-oriented event will mesh nicely with the 4-H philosophy." Executive Director of the Kansas 4-H Foundation, Bill Riley, echoed Solomon's sentiments. "The 4-H Programs of Kansas are happy to be the recipients of the Kansas National Charity Horse Show proceeds. We look forward to cooperating with the organization and sharing the 4-H story with the spectators and exhibitors of the show." Horse show proceeds from past years have totalled over \$220,000, all contributed to charities.

A multi-breed exposition, the Kansas National features many different breeds such as American Saddlebreds, Arabians, Half-Arabians, Morgans,

Hackney-Harness ponies, Roadsters, Hunter-Jumpers, Quarter Horses, Palominos, and Appaloosas. Both English and Western styles of riding, driving and halter classes will be included in the show as well as jumping and hunter events. The Kansas National is expected to attract over 500 horses from a thirteen state area to compete for \$40,000 in prize money, as well as beautiful trophies and ribbons for each class.

Horse show officials are also enthusiastic about the effect the newly enlarged Coliseum complex will have on the show. "Until this year," commented Solomon, "our entries have been limited by the number of horses that could be stalled. With the new barn's stabling facilities and arena, we are expecting a substantial increase in entries." The hunter-jumper portion of the show has been held in the Coliseum's Pavilion arena in past years. This year, those events will move to the newer arena and the Pavilion will be used for stalls and warm-up arena.

Last year's show drew more than 20,000 spectators. A one-time, \$1 advance ticket purchase admits one to any and all performances of the show. Children under six will be admitted without charge when accompanied by an adult. Admission at the gate is \$2. The traditional \$1 horse show button will be available in Sedgwick County. Those out-of-town spectators who purchase advance tickets will be able to exchange their tickets for the

souvenir buttons at the horse show grounds.

With the State Fair in Hutchinson beginning September 12, horse show officials are hoping to attract many 4-H families and others across the state to Wichita for the Kansas National Charity Horse Show on their way to the Fair. "We would like to suggest that people make a family weekend combining the horse show and State Fair entertainment," said Solomon. "The affordable, \$1 admission price makes our show a most economical way to entertain a family."

A tentative show scheduled features the hunters and jumpers in the new arena beginning at 8:00 a.m. and running continuously until classes are completed each day, Thursday through Sunday. Performances in Britt Brown arena will include matinees at noon, followed by evening performances at 7:00 p.m. On Sunday, the final performance will be at noon in Britt Brown arena. Additional halter classes will be announced. Each evening performance and the final Sunday performance will lead off with a colorful and exciting timed jumping event. Show officials are planning other special events that will thrill and entertain spectators.

Additional information about the show may be obtained by contacting the Kansas National Charity Horse Show office at P.O. Box 8691, Wichita, Kansas, 67208, or by calling (316) 687-5014.

Riley County receives

National Grant from Fleischmann's Yeast

National funding has been granted to an innovative 4-H Breads program developed locally by Riley County 4-H'ers.

Ghosts and pumpkins from breads is a new concept developed by Manhattanites Ethel and Christine Steichen. As a result, the Riley County 4-H and Youth Department has been awarded some \$2,000 from Fleischmann's Yeast through the "4-H Bread America Programs." Kansas is one of 15 states to receive the national award. In addition to the national grant, the Kansas 4-H Foundation is giving \$5,000 to the project.

The three-phase proposal was submitted by teen adult volunteer leaders sponsored by the Riley County Cooperative Extension Services' 4-H and Youth Program. Author and Team members of the Riley County Cooperative Extension Services' 4-H and Youth Program. Author and team members of the Riley County grant proposal are Ethel and Christine Steichen, Manhattan Meadowlarks 4-H Club, and Janet and Annette Kiser, College Hill 4-H Club. The national grant from Fleischmann's Yeast funding Phase I first trains and educates youth and adults in making specialty breads. The focus will be a traditional annual celebration which frequently emphasizes candy — Halloween. Recipes for the breads were developed by Kansas Wheat Commission Nutritionist, Sharon Davis. Techniques for shaping the breads will be taught to 4-H leaders and youth in March and April. The trained staff will demonstrate the Halloween Breads concept at the local, county and state levels, reaching an estimated 21,800 people.



Debbie Lowry, Fleischmann's Yeast Donor Representative, awards Tricia Boone, Greenwood Co., the state bread winner's medallion. State finalists, Annette Johnson, Leavenworth Co., and Shawna Maechtlen, Cowley Co., look on.

The program is designed so it can be readily replicated in other Kansas counties. The special 4-H program will be made possible through the cooperation of the Riley County 4-H Foundation, Kansas Wheat Commission, American Institute of Baking, University for Man and the Manhattan "Mainstreet" project.

Fleischmann's Yeast Donor Representative, Debbie Lowry flew in from San Francisco to award the state 4-H bread project winner an Emerald Circle medallion at the annual Emerald Circle banquet on June 3 in the Manhattan Holidome.

"I was pleased to attend. Fleischmann's has scholarships and foundations set up all over

the country to assist young students in working in the food industry to keep the projects and companies in the food business vibrant," Lowry said.

Has the company seen a cost of return in helping young people? "Yes, definitely. One of the best outcomes which is generated is the professionalism in the food business. Thirty years ago it was a very simple business, and it still is, but the level of sophistication, technology and marketing — all the things that bring the product to the shelf — are much more sophisticated.

"We are proud to have supported the 4-H program nationally for the last 35 years," she said.

A Touch of Class ...

The state 4-H project winners and finalists were recognized at the fourth Emerald Circle Banquet Wednesday evening, June 3, at the Manhattan Holidome.

The Emerald Circle Reception before the banquet was courtesy of the Kansas State University Colleges of Agriculture, Architecture and Design, Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Human Ecology, and Veterinary Medicine.

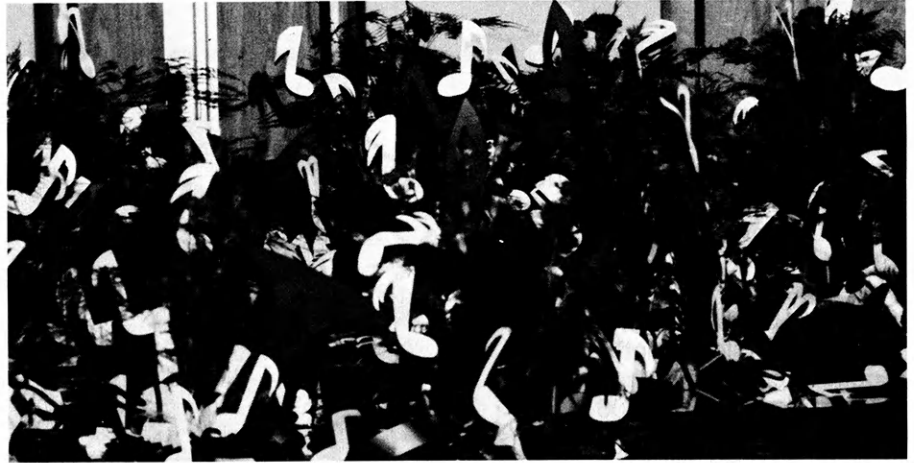
"The banquet and medallions are sponsored by the Kansas 4-H Foundation and is the event where we annually recognize all the state winners, including state 4-H project finalists and winners and also the 4-H alumni winners," said Steve Fisher, Extension Specialist, 4-H Youth Programs.

The theme of the 1987 Emerald Circle Banquet was "Orchestrate Your Life." Brenda Highbarger, Kansas National 4-H Ambassador, was the mistress of ceremonies. One hundred and six 4-H'ers and their parents, 11 state donors, and five national donors were in attendance.

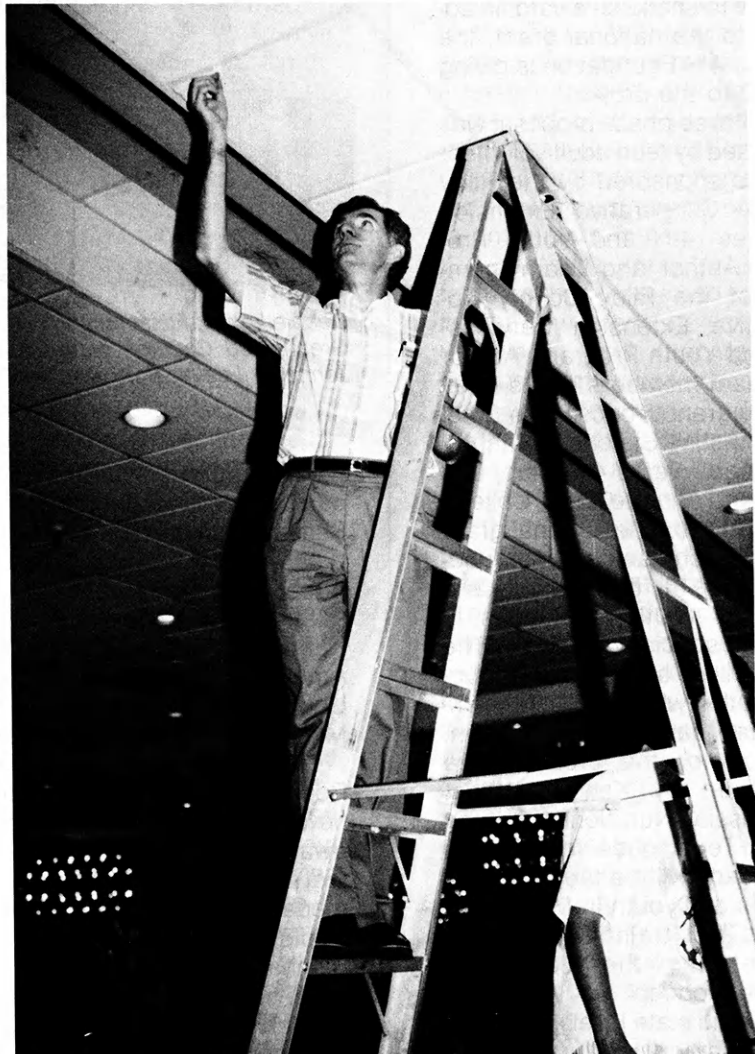
Trisha Cash, administrative assistant for the Kansas 4-H Foundation, along with Steve Fisher, Extension Specialist, 4-H Youth Programs, and his family, Karla, Edee, Erin and Cory, provided an estimated 60 hours of time to the decorating involved for Emerald Circle. This is above and beyond the full-time jobs both Trisha and Steve do for the Kansas 4-H program. Others participated in the decorating activities on a pop-in and pop-out basis.

Making of the decorations must be completed in the few days before the event because of the fresh flowers in the arrangements.

Trisha's bathtub is filled with



Floral arrangements clustered before decoration begins.



Steve Fisher ready to attach stage backdrop.

1987 Emerald Circle

greenery on ice and carnations in water, with the air-conditioner on high and the door closed to keep them fresh.

Why do they do it? "Because it's fun, and it's nice to be able to do something to make young people feel special. If you really stop to think about it, there aren't too many times when someone goes through that much time and effort just for you," Trisha said.

Trisha went on to say, "No matter what kind of recognition you plan ... you're committed to the time. I like to make the event special. Even though I'm bone tired after the event, I enjoy the sense of accomplishment of seeing the finished product." She jokingly calls the work "a labor of love."

"Emerald Circle has quickly developed a name and reputation for itself in only four years," Steve said, "and that's because we believe there's only one way to do Emerald Circle — with class."

Editor's Note:

The Emerald Circle Banquet story and photographs are the combined efforts of the Discovery Days Newsletter Class of Stephanie Bingman, Johnson County, Robert Ohmes, Finney County, and Kristina Mead, Pratt County.



Cory Fisher places programs.



Trisha Cash straightens ribbon on backdrop.



Decorations complete.

1987 Kansas Friends of 4-H Day

Friends of Kansas 4-H were honored at the annual Kansas Friends of 4-H Day, June 14 at Rock Springs 4-H Center. Over 300 4-H supporters took part in the activities sponsored by the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

Kansas Friends of 4-H Day is a day of recognition for contributors to the state 4-H Foundation in 1986.

The 4-H Foundation recognized over 120 individuals and corporations for years of outstanding support and service to the Kansas 4-H program.

A special feature to the 1987 Kansas Friends of 4-H Day was the public announcement of A Step Ahead campaign by Glee S. Smith, chairman of the board of trustees of the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

"I am pleased to announce today the kick-off of a \$2.6 million campaign to establish permanent endowments and fund enhancements for the 4-H youth program throughout the state of Kansas," Smith said.

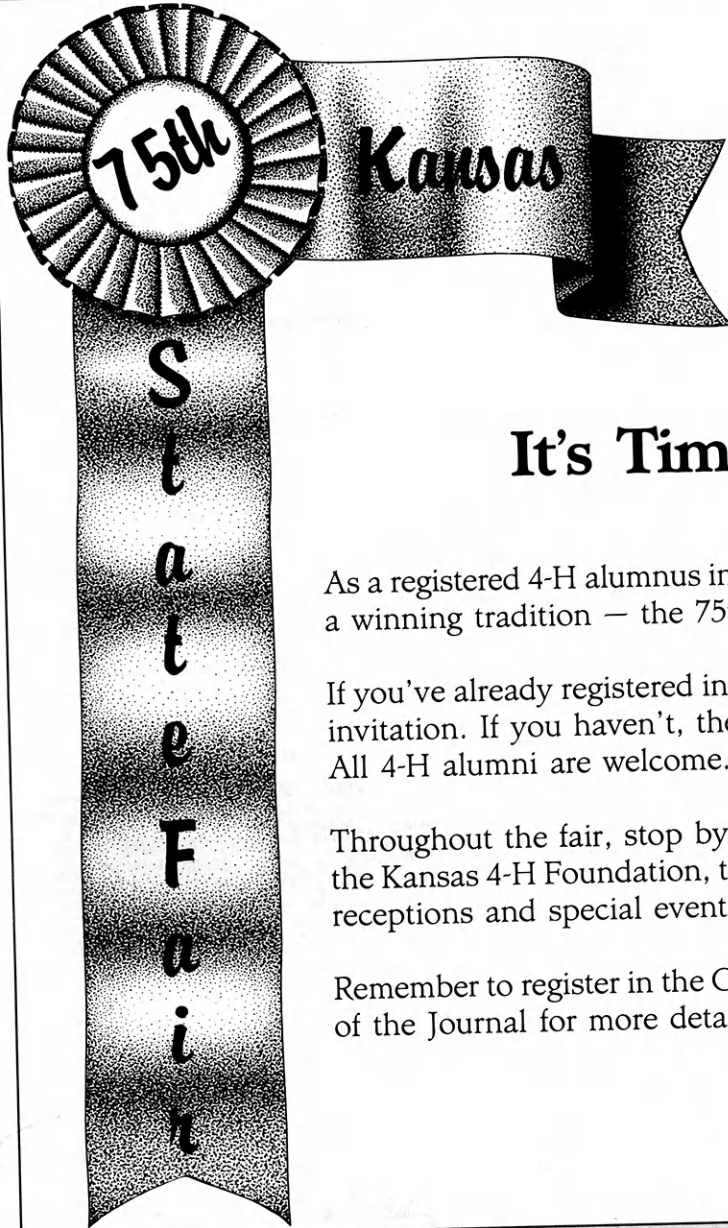
"This ambitious campaign, known as A Step Ahead, is the first for the Kansas 4-H Foundation and the 4-H program. It is a three-year, statewide effort," he said.



Editor's note: Watch for the special campaign issue of the *Kansas 4-H Journal* for details of the campaign kick-off and plans for the campaign course and its progress.

Top: A surrey with the fringe on top, pulled by the Rock Springs palominos, delivers guests to the country church for the morning church service.

Bottom: Children and adults alike play in the fresh, cold spring water by the ranch house water wheel.



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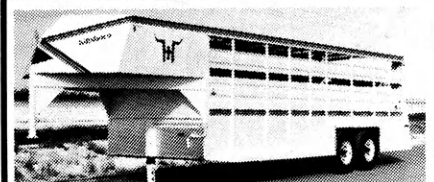
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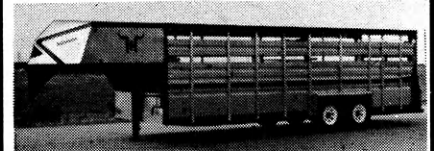
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Deadline near Wheat Variety Plot Program

There was a time when the list of wheat varieties grown in Kansas was short ... only a handful were sown. Of course, that is no longer the case. The Kansas farmer now has a catalog of highly specialized wheats from which to choose. Kansas 4-H is helping young agronomists get an early jump on growing different varieties through the 4-H Wheat Variety Plot Program.

South central area Extension specialist Eldon Weaver heads up this endeavor, designed to teach youngsters about wheat production from seedling to harvest. The program is over and above the familiar wheat production projects, he explained. The young Kansan taking part needs only an acre and a half of wheat ground and access to the necessary planting and harvest equipment. Five certified seed varieties are made available for sowing. The participant is required to keep close watch on each variety stand during the growing season, thoroughly documenting plot progress and wheat production techniques he or she employed along the way.

Following harvest, the final plot product may be analyzed for yield, protein content and milk-bake qualities. The youngster's program work concludes with construction of a wheat booth at the county fair. This serves as an educational exhibit ... a chance for the youngster to "tell the story" about the variety plots' progress. The top booth in each county is submitted to a review committee, which chooses the top ten booths for competition at the state fair.

The overriding purpose of this program is to provide a hands-on learning experience about wheat varieties. Enrollment deadline for the 1987-88 variety plots is July 10. Contact your county Extension office for more information.



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