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A tap at the window

How 4-H Leaders Contribute to the Lives of Boys and Girls

By Glenn M. Busset
4-H and Youth

It is a curious chemistry that differentiates the members of the human family from each other. Even though we communicate by a common language and share a mutual heritage, on perhaps no other single issue are we more at odds than what constitutes a leader in our society unless it is in trying to find a satisfactory answer to the question of what makers a leader successful.

When we talk about the volunteer leader, I am dubious of the term. There is something in our middle class mentality that makes us mistrust the person who actively seeks leadership. I doubt that any of us actually volunteer for the job of leading a 4-H club, teaching a Sunday School class, serving as Girl Scout leader, or soliciting for the Cancer Society. This is such a fundamental facet of our society that we are instantly suspicious of the politician, for example, who announces that he wants the job. Even when he does, he must go through the charade of reluctance, of yielding to public opinion, of pretending to give in to a draft. Sociologists refer to this phenomenon as the "Aw, shucks" snydrome.

You will recall that the men chosen to bring the world the Chrisian message evidenced the same hesitation, the same unwillingness to accept the task of leadership, showing their reluctance in many ways, yet 11 of them became monuments in history. Perhaps a clue can be found in a conversation with a British agricultural exchangee a few years ago. He was studying our 4-H extension system, and seemed puzzled over the term, "leader." I knew he represented a rural youth program called the Young Farmers, so I asked him if they had older men who served as leaders.

He responded that these men were not leaders at all, but "just chaps who helped out." Regardless of the title, each person wants to know that he is important, that his life has meaning, that other people see him as a useful member of society.

Even if we reconcile ourselves to feel comfortable with the term, "leader" this does little to help us determine what it is that makes a 4-H leader effective. I maintain that successful 4-H leaders cannot be distinguished from the less successful ones on the basis of their knowledge, their techniques, or their manual skills. But, the successful ones can be identified by the quality of the relationship they establish with the people they seek to lead. 4-H club work is a personal relation, and a relationship between persons. As an integral part of 4-H work, there must be an emotional involvement between the boys and girls and their leader.

Most boys and girls need an adult friend, other than someone from their own family. There is a period of several years when these boys and girls will learn better from another adult, will accept more, than they will from their own parents. It is a gap you can help fill in their lives, in their emotional development. This is the socially developmental period of a child's life, cleverly exemplified by Mark Twain's description of his relationship with his father.

As Mark told it, "When I was 12, the old man was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have him around. But by the time I became 18, I was amazed at how much Father had learned in just six years."

4-H leaders can help boys and girls adjust to life's circumstances, by showing love and concern for them in small but significant ways. Children and youth need for their personal development the sure knowledge that they are acceptable, that someone outside of their own family is interested in them.

A charming story is told of the boy who came to live with his uncle and aunt in a small Kansas town. One day he was playing in the yard with neighbor children, and the suggestion was made that they go

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4-H Around the State

By the State and Area 4-H Staff

Jefferson County — The State 4-H Fund Drive Development pledge of $5,000 is within $600 of completion. The goal now is to complete the fund drive and have the $5,000 ready to turn in by March 1 of 1978. The County 4-H Council suggests clubs consider making a donation based on membership to complete the goal.

Wyandotte County — The junior leaders hosted all younger 4-H members to a free fun evening, a hayride starting at the Wyandotte County Fairgrounds. The highly successful annual fund raising event in Wyandotte County, the Haunted Stables, functioned October 26 through 31st. Each club received $150 for its treasury. Additional money will be allocated to the clubs, based on the number of members helping and time committed.

Northwest Area — Under Jim Adam's leadership, a Northwest Area 4-H Advisory Panel was organized in September and began work on long and short range programs for the area. One of their first recommendations was a continuance of the Ski Trip, with dates of December 28-30 proposed. The panel is made up of three 4-H agents, three home economists, and three agricultural agents, serving nonrecurring two year terms.

McPherson County — Neophyte 4-H agent Mary Anne Hart publishes a 4-H Update letter on the first and fifteenth of the month to keep community leaders informed. It's a one page, colorful, and easy to read letter.

Franklin County — Missing from the ranks of county 4-H agents is the bright face of Susan Verdoorn, county 4-H club agent at Ottawa for the past three years or so. Susan has made an outstanding contribution as a 4-H innovator, after she emigrated to Kansas from Iowa. Susan is being married and will take up graduate studies at K.U.

Manhattan — Two former 4-H agents are working out master's degree programs at Kansas State University this winter. Margaret Wilson has been 4-H agent in Dodge City for a few years. Margaret was a former 4-H member in Elk County. Carolyn Olson, former HEA and 4-H agent in Marion County, is also working on a master's degree this winter. Carolyn was a Wabaunsee County 4-H member.

Southeast Area — 4-H and Youth Advisory Committees in the 21 southeast area counties have an opportunity to learn about their duties by means of a slide/tape set compiled and edited by Bennie Robbins. Accompanying the slide/tape set is a newly developed brochure explaining the responsibilities and organization of the county 4-H and Youth Advisory Committee.

Atchison County — Club number 10, the Meadow Larks, was organized in the Potter area with an approximate enrollment of 21. Their leaders are Lola Wagner and Bruce Low.

Mitchell County — A new 4-H club is functioning in Mitchell County, under the leadership of Mrs. Marvin Brobst and Ron Walz. It's the Sunflower Club, organized October 1, with a full slate of officers. Also in Mitchell County, the Collegiate 4-H members from Cloud County Community College conducted the 4-H officer's training early in October.

Johnson County — A meeting was held in mid-October to organize a County 4-H Camping Committee. John Abell encourages and assists counties in planning for and organizing Camp Committees, designed to lend support to the camping program, help initiate new camping concepts, provide camperships for deserving members and generally encourage and assist the outdoor educational phase of 4-H work.

Ellis County — 4-H clubs in Ellis County have a monthly schedule to bring programs to the Good Samaritan Center, a home for the retired in Hays. Older persons, especially those unable to leave the Center often, appreciate the good work of the clubs, one of which visits the Center each month.

A tap at the window

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swimming in the nearby creek. This was a questionable activity for him, but he didn't know how to handle it with his friends. He looked toward the house for guidance, but seeing no one there, he went swimming anyway. Later at supper his aunt noticed his wet hair and made the correct assumption. She asked him why he had gone swimming without permission. His answer provided 4-H leaders with a key to their roles in working with young people in developmental situations. He said, "I looked at the house to see if you were there but I couldn't see you. If you had just tapped on the window with your thimble, I would have known you didn't want me to go."

Many times, by figuratively tapping at the window, we can help boys and girls to make the right decisions. Think back into your own life and try to remember who it was that influenced you. Usually we can recall only those teachers, pastors, or 4-H leaders who were interested in us, who cared enough about us to "tap at the window" when it seemed that we needed some guidance. The 4-H program provides a wonderful opportunity for adults to relate to children in a meaningful way throught informal meetings and their various activities.

How can you help them? More than you ever know, when you "tap on the window" as they face those many small decisions that eventually determine whether they grow to be strong or to be weak persons as they attempt to integrate into the adult world.

National alumni award to Kansan

When eighteen hundred 4-H members and alumni gather in Chicago for the 59th National 4-H Congress November 27-December 1, a woman from Kansas, Dr. Evelyn Senecal, will be among them to be honored as a national winner in the alumni recognition program. This honor is based on community and public service, service to 4-H, and success in one's career.

Dr. Senecal is the associate dean of the College of Home Economics at Kansas State University, Manhattan. Previously she was Director of Law Admissions at the University of Kansas at Lawrence, where she lives with her husband, Dr. Robert Senecal, and their four children, three of whom are 4-H members. Before coming to Kansas, Dr. Senecal was an instructor in home economics at the University of Iowa and at Flint Community College in Michigan.

Evelyn was a 10-year 4-H member in Newaygo County, Michigan. As a 4-H'er, she was a delegate to National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C., and to National 4-H Congress as a winner in clothing. Twice she placed among the top 10 in the state dress revue. In 1958 she was an IFYE delegate to Sweden.

In Kansas, Dr. Senecal has been a 4-H leader for nine years in the Meadowlark 4-H Club in Douglas County. She has served as a member of the county 4-H Advisory Committee and has been an officer of the Extension Council Board.

Dr. Senecal, at the Journal's request, extends her best wishes to the young Kansans who will attend National 4-H Congress later this month.

By Dr. Evelyn Senecal

Congratulations to all of you state winners of 4-H project work! Each of you has earned top state recognition and deserve the honor you've won. Some of you will represent Kansas at National 4-H Congress.

The Kansas delegation is always a special one at Congress. We have always shown extra spirit and enthusiasm, and we have always been easily identified by our striking Kansas sunflower name tags. We know you will wear your sunflower with pride while representing 4-H members from our state.

4-H Congress is fantastic! I am just as excited about returning to Congress as I was over 20 years ago when I attended as a state delegate in clothing. Such vivid memories of that adventuresome week in Chicago . . . every meal was a banquet (even steak for breakfast), candlelit ceremonies and orchid corsages, music concerts, the planetarium, the International Livestock Show, the souvenirs and the generous hospitality of companies that sponsored different events!

What might you expect from your trip to Congress? For one thing, not much sleep! There is so much to share with friends at the end of each day's activities. There is the opportunity to make new friendships with 4-H'ers you may very well encounter again, perhaps as IFYEs, college classmates, or future officers of clubs. You will have the chance to meet professional people who are really interested in young people. These adults may assist you later when you are exploring employment opportunities.

As I look back and reflect upon my own 4-H experiences, I realize that 4-H Congress was just one link in the chain of events in my life. 4-H experiences have expanded the horizon for me and have helped to shape my future as a professional home economist. You, too, will soon understand more fully the impact 4-H has had in the development of your lives . . . and soon you will be joining me in the role of 4-H alumni as we assist new 4-H youth to "Make the Best Better."

See you in Chicago! !

Each year, four alumni members may be chosen in each county for a county award, a gold plated medal. They may be chosen either from the county where they were 4-H members or the county where they now live. Then as many as four of these county honorees are selected for state recognition; they receive a burnished copper Alumni Recognition plaque mounted on walnut.

Then eight individuals are named national winners, one from each of the four extension sections and four at large. Each receives a solid gold key and a trip to National 4-H Congress.

Kansas has had two previous national 4-H alumni award winners, Betty Lou Denton, home editor of Kansas Farmer magazine, 1971, and Wm. H. Avery, a former Kansas governor, Congressman, and legislator, in 1967.

Donor of the alumni awards is the Olin Corporation, Little Rock Arkansas.

Chicago trip winners

Thirty-three Sunflower State 4-H members have been named as winners in projects in which the state award is a trip to National 4-H Congress. These projects, the winners, and their counties are: achievement, Julie Swanson, Wyandotte; agriculture, Dave Kacirek, Rawlins; automotive, Ronald Berr, Franklin; beef, Lorna Sutor, Rooks; bread, Sharon Gartner, Montgomery; citizenship, Lorri Von Soosten, Crawford; clothing, Carrie Hamilton, Montgomery; conservation of natural resources, Keven Heibert, Marion; consumer education, Brenda Ireton, Cowley; dairy, Eileen Eggleston, Coffey; dairy foods, Eva Blevins, Riley; electric, Donald Honig, Pottawatomie;

food-nutrition, Deena Krebs, Scott; food preservation, Dawn Smith, Finney; forestry, Kevin Chase, Butler; health, Shelley White, Sherman; home management, Janet Olson, Riley; horse, Kevin McGlashon, Franklin; horticulture, Kent Nicholson, Sedgwick; leadership, Mike Keener, Johnson, and Kristi Nelson, Sherman; livestock, Ron Schilling, Sherman; petroleum power, Tony Kramer, Leavenworth; photography, Scott Pendleton, Douglas;

safety, Randall Reinhardt, Neosho; style review, Lisa Becker, Sedgwick; swine, Lyle Shipley, Jewell; general achievement, Mark Fink, Bourbon; Juanelle Pederson, Brown; LInda Hilderbrand, Cherokee; Barbara Blankinship, Clark; Kent Schuler, Dickinson; and Debbie Chambers, Franklin.

A larger group of 4-H members have been named as state winners in

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Former 4-H member to Kansas 4-H staff

Eighteen years ago Steve Fisher was a young 4-H member thinking about starting his first pig project; today he's the newest and youngest member of the state 4-H staff.

Steve was a 4-H member for nine years in Meade County, with market pigs, beef, and horse for his main projects. He studied animal science at Kansas State University, was the extension director and agricultural agent in Rawlins and Ness counties, and then returned to K-State to earn a master's degree, completed this summer, in adult and occupational education. On August 1 he began his duties as coordinator of agricultural 4-H projects in Kansas.

JOIN! is Mr. Fisher's first suggestion in regard to 4-H work, because "It's the best youth development organization I know about. Participate in it as much as possible, re-evaluate priorities among the things which compete for your time, and set goals for what you hope to accomplish through 4-H."

The basic philosophy of 4-H work, concern for children and young people and how they grow, remains the same over the years, Mr. Fisher commented, although 4-H work changes as needs of young people change with the times.

Looking to the future, he sees the community 4-H club as continuing to be the backbone of the 4-H program, with increased use of short term activities and of project groups offering concentrated learning for a few weeks. He anticipates closer working together of 4-H groups, schools, and other youth groups.

In this staff position, in which Steven Fisher succeeds Cecil Eyestone, Mr. Fisher will work with extension specialists, agricultural writers and editors, 4-H leaders, and extension agents to revise and develop material.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, nee Karla Halderson, a former 4-H member from Ottawa County, live in Manhattan with their little daughter Edee. For hobbies, Steve enjoys yard work and gardening, music, and folk crafts. And he has a collection of about 80 pigs, perhaps inspired by the market pig which was the first 4-H project for a young member of City Slickers 4-H Club in Meade County.

Congratulations!

You're the club president!

By John Hanna
Extension Specialist, 4-H and Youth

As president of your 4-H club, remember that you **represent all members of the club** from the youngest 7-year-old to the oldest teenager. The older members carry much of the load in the club because they have had more experience in 4-H. The younger members need to be given opportunities to have those experiences for them to develop and grow as 4-H'ers.

To maintain your high position in the club, it is imperative that you **conduct the business part of the meeting in an impartial manner**. This will require considerable restraint on your part. Suppose the members don't respond as quickly as you think they should? The moment you inject your ideas into the discussion during the business meeting, you begin to lose status as the presiding officer. Don't attempt to force your ideas on the members. Other members have ideas which may be as good if not better than yours. Be big enough to respect the ideas of others and see the merit in them.

Give all members equal opportunity to participate in the business part of the meeting. Recognize younger members as well as older ones. Recognize those whom you think may be against an idea that you favor as well as those who may be known to favor it. Remain impartial.

To be effective as the presiding officer of your club, you need to **know how to handle parliamentary procedures which are commonly used in a 4-H club**. You need to know:

1. The eight steps in making and carrying through a main motion from the members gaining recognition to announcing the result of the vote.
2. How to amend a motion.
3. How to reconsider a motion.
4. How to postpone a motion.
5. How to lay a motion on the table.
6. How to take a motion from the table.
7. How to handle Previous Question.
8. How to refer an item of business to a committee.
9. How to handle Division of the House.

This means studying these procedures and knowing whether the procedure requires a majority vote or a two-thirds vote, whether it is debatable, when the motion may be made, so you handle it correctly and confidently. Secure a copy of **4-H 249, Parliamentary Practice in 4-H Clubs.**

You may have heard the saying, "There can be only one motion before the house (the club) at any one time." This should read, "There can be only one **main** motion before the house" because some motions may properly be made when there is a motion or motions before the house. Motions have rank or precedence and it is important to know

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Older youth activities

By Michael Christian
Dickinson County Extension 4-H Agent

Activities for older youth play an important part in keeping youth active and maintaining membership in the Dickinson County 4-H program.

Our 4-H program is based on the philosophy that older youth involvement is the basis for successfully enrolling young members. The bond between the young members and older members is certainly important. What better recruitment of new members than the tradition of maintaining a membership of older 4-H'ers!

Today's youth has more involvement with school and organizational activities than youth in past years. This creates an increase in the demands on their time. The youth then, understandably, drop or neglect their weaker priority activities. To some of these youth, 4-H is their weaker priority.

Activities in Dickinson County for older youth include interstate exchange program, 4-H basketball, fair superintendent's assistants, 4-H Day room monitors, and camp counselors.

The 4-H Basketball Tournament is somewhat of a tradition in the county program. Each club in the county may enter one boys' team and/or one girls' team. To be eligible, a 4-H'er must not be a member of a school basketball team or be participating in another sport in school at the time of the tournament. This allows the 4-H'ers who are not often recognized for their athletic talents to be in the limelight.

Team members are both younger and older 4-H'ers. For the younger 4-H'er this creates a feeling of acceptance and being equal. The older youth receives the benefit of helping the younger members.

There is no admission charge to watch the basketball games. The entry fees paid by each team and the Chapman State Bank sponsorship pay for the referees, facilities, and trophies.

Our county interstate exchange program has been in existence for the past six years with exchanges in Minnesota, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

It is emphasized to the youth that the exchange is a two-year program and not just a trip. Around forty youth between the ages of 15 and 19 are selected as delegates. As delegates, they are expected to participate in both years of the exchange. Expenses incurred are paid by each 4-H'er.

Each delegate is required to attend five meetings in preparation for the exchange and is placed on various committees. Such committees would be program, song, bus sign, publicity, recreation, breakfast, bus, and ditty bag.

In addition to the committee work, the meetings are designed to orient the delegates about the purpose of the prgram and the program expectations.

Besides seeing a different part of the country, it is hoped that the delegates learn more about people, including each other.

Other 4-H activities are equally important to the overall program. If a county tries to provide interesting educational activities for older youth, chances are 4-H will be a high priority on their activities list.

Some advantages of being a member of a community 4-H club

A community 4-H club meeting — The members

By James Swanson
Junior at Kansas State University
1976 National 4-H Conference Delegate

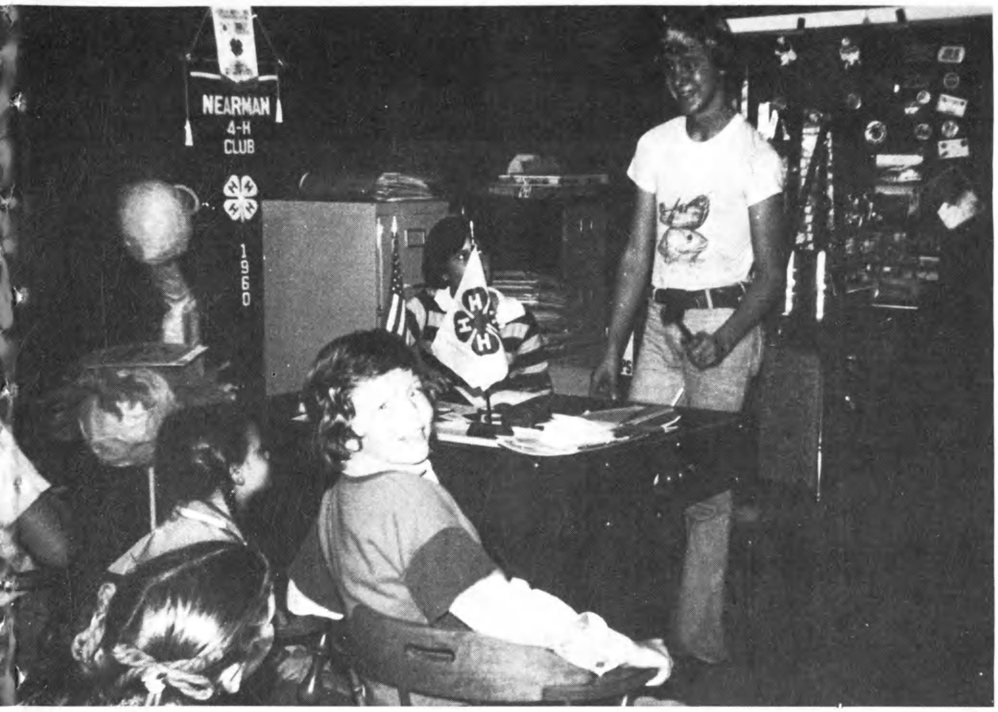
The striking of a gavel quiets a noisy group. The meeting is called to order. The group stands to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, and then sits back down. Business is discussed, motions are made and seconded. The motions are discussed, then voted on. Officers give their reports. Everything is officially recorded, and then there is a short recess. It sounds like an average day in the U.S. Senate, but it is not. It is a 4-H meeting. A community 4-H meeting!

Everyone has been in some type of a club. Many of them are good clubs. Some are not. But few clubs can claim the achievements of 4-H clubs. A 4-H club meeting is more than a once a month party. Sure, there are a few games and refreshments, but the bulk of the meeting is business.

Being a member of a community 4-H club is very rewarding. I was fortunate enough to live in a densely populated area. There were well over a dozen 4-H clubs in my county. There are several other clubs in the sparsely populated areas in Kansas, too. But whether there be one or one hundred clubs, they all well represent their community.

"All the members of a 4-H club are friends, and they all share special interests."

Most 4-H clubs have anywhere from 8 to 45 members in them, and at least half that many club or community leaders. But the size of the club relates nothing to its ability.



The officers

There are several advantages of being in a 4-H club. The biggest one being unity. All the members of a 4-H club are friends, and they all share special interests. They all have ideas, and they all want to express them. One thing that you will not find in a 4-H club is a dull member. All the members are there for a reason, to learn.

Projects provide the learning tools for the 4-H'ers. And the leaders are there to show them how to use these tools. But the members are the ones with all the ideas. Imagine, if you get several of these ideas and put them together, you get results! And results speak for themselves.

Clubs in densely populated areas really get results. The reason being that there are more people to reach, and more people to see 4-H club results. There is more opportunity, but it is harder to achieve the small town atmosphere that sparsely populated areas have.

Being a community service club is great, but I think the biggest advantage of being a member of a community 4-H club is that it is a tremendous learning experience. 4-H clubs offer a person opportunities that he might not otherwise have.

4-H club members learn parliamentary procedure. They have the chance to be elected as an officer of their club. They also have the right to vote for their officers. Holding an office can be as simple as being a game leader. Or it could entail much more responsibility such as being the president. Even members who don't hold an office have the chance to see their friends be leaders.

It is easier and much more interesting to see someone you know being a leader, knowing that someday soon you will also be a leader. 4-H is a learn by doing experience. The competition in 4-H is brought out by the county fairs. This competition teaches the members, and prepares them for similar situations in their later lives.

". . . being a member of a community 4-H club is . . . a tremendous learning experience."

Few people leave 4-H without having learned something. They learn that cooperating and working as a group develop greater results than working alone. Being in a club gives self-satisfaction to the individual, because being a member is more than just paying dues.

Each person in a 4-H club represents his or her club. It sure is great knowing that you represent something as great as 4-H. Does that sound a little prejudiced? Well, there must be some reason why 4-H is now the No. 1 youth organization in the world. It is its members!

President

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the precedence of motions commonly used in a 4-H club.

The main motion — which does not take precedence over anything — ranks lowest. Each of the other motions listed has its proper position in the order, taking precedence over the motions that rank below it and yielding to those that rank above it.

Here is a more complicated example than may ordinarily occur in a meeting. Assume that the following series of motions is pending and that the motions have been made in the order shown.

1. The main motion (lowest rank)
2. To postpone indefinitely
3. To amend
4. To refer to a committee
5. To postpone to the next meeting
6. Previous question
7. To lay on the table (highest rank of the motions listed)

In such a case, the motion to lay on the table would be voted on first, then the previous question, and so on, proceding upwards through the list above.

One of your jobs is to **delegate responsibility to other members**. When you appoint committees, you are delegating responsibility. As president, you are not automatically a member of each committee.

These are a few suggestions to help you do your job as president. If you do not have **4-H 57, The 4-H Club President**, secure one from your county extension office, because it has other helps for you.

What — Dog Clinic — training session for leaders and junior leaders in the 4-H dog program

Where — Rock Springs Ranch

When — 1 p.m. Saturday, December 3, through Sunday after lunch, December 4

What else — Dog Bowl Contest, in addition to many topics about dogs (Counties may enter one or two teams in the contest.)

Details and Registration Forms available in each county extension office

Ideas & News

From the Southeast Area:

Labette County: Eleven girls and one boy, members of 101 Go -Getters 4-H Club, planned a style show and modeled garments for the residents of the Oswego rest home. The garments were those entered at the **Labette County** style show, where four of the girls received five top blues out of eight classes. **Debbie Richardson** was grand champion.

Lyon County: In October 1975 a story appeared in the Journal titled **"Lyon County** Challenges You" about the forming of a three-person county horsemanship team. **Diana Miller** of **Sunnyside 4-H Club** writes, "Now **Lyon County** has expanded. We have a 14 man drill team performing drills. All riders are members of 4-H and own and ride their own horses. Our uniforms are aqua vests, slacks, hair ribbons, neck scarves, and hats with regulation long sleeve white shirts and white saddle pads and breast collars. We performed at area shodeos, the **Lyon County** Fair rodeo, the Flinthills RCA Rodeo, and entered competition at the Abdallah Shrine Rodeo in Kansas City. We make up our own drills and find the music, which is Western TV and movie themes. As a team the pattern is walked on foot, then done with our horses. To earn money we serve at sales, have pop stands, and use any prize money that is won. Coaches are **Mrs. Charlotte Wessel** and **Mrs. Marjorie Miller**." . . . The first recipient of a scholarship provided by Vista Drive-In Restaurant of Emporia is **Jane Leeburg,** daughter of **Mr.** and **Mrs. Harold Leeburg,** Miller. **Jane, a junior at Kansas State University, is majoring in early childhood education. A 10-year 4-H member, she filled six different offices in her club. The new scholarship, provided by Mr.** and **Mrs. Marshall Miller,** will go to a **Lyon County** 4-H member each year.

From the South Central Area:

Harper County: Dianne McKnight was elected president of the **Tip Top 4-H Club,** and **Kim Yandell** was re-elected as reporter. They and the other new officers were installed at the October meeting.

Butler County: Bob Nellans, a junior leader who has worked with the Bluestem Gazette for five years, won a purple ribbon at the Sunflower State Expo in Topeka and at Kansas State Fair at Hutchinson on his illustrated talk about the Bluestem Gazette. What's the

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1977 is the Kansas 4-H Foundation's 25th anniversary.

To celebrate the Foundation's completion of its first quarter century, and to augment its programs as it begins the next quarter century, join the Twenty-five Hundred Club by sending your check for any amount to Kansas 4-H Foundation, Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan, KS 66506.

To the end of September, 1,103 persons and organizations have contributed to the Foundation in 1977.

Arts and Crafts Puzzle is on page 15.

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Question

Worried about a problem in your 4-H club? Have a question about 4-H work? Need some information? Here in Kansas, there are more than 27,000 4-H community club members, almost 12,000 4-H leaders, and 300 plus extension workers who may have answers! Send your question to: Question, Kansas 4-H Journal, Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan, KS 66506.

Here's a problem

Being treasurer of our club, I am to come up with moneymaking ideas. Recently I presented a moneymaking idea to our club; the members voted on it and decided to do it. When it came to actually doing it, I'm sorry to say they failed miserably. It ended up with only a few members working at it. Those that voted to do it, didn't. The parents were against it from the start, but the kids were for it. Was this my problem? How can I avoid this again and be more certain of the club members fulfilling their vote?

By Bob Jackson
Extension Specialist, Family Life

The problem, as presented, is interesting and represents a common dilemma: trying to carry out an assigned responsibility and feeling personally accountable for someone else's behavior.

My first response is to suggest that a person can be responsible for only those things that he/she makes a decision about. For example, the club treasurer was responsible for presenting a moneymaking idea to the club. Such an idea was presented by the treasurer and adopted by the club. The treasurer is responsible for the idea and presenting it — but **not** for the choice to implement the idea. That was a group decision.

The same rationale would apply to the club's decision to go ahead with the project in spite of apparent concern expressed by the parents. The treasurer could define the parental objections to the presented moneymaking idea as his/her problem to the degree that he/she may have chosen to not solicit their advice or comments prior to submitting the idea to the club members. However, to assume responsibility for the club decision would be irrational. That was a collective decision. Each person could be held accountable for his/her personal decisions in that matter but no more and no less.

The treasurer suggested that the project was a failure but did not spell out why. It was also pointed out that those who voted for the project did not actively support the project. A person cannot rationally hold himself responsible for non-participation of the people. They made the choice. The lesson to be learned is to judge people more critically by what they do rather than what they say. It will take a certain amount of experience with a person before you can adequately judge whether you can take his word at face value or not.

The remaining issue, avoiding a similar situation in the future and insuring that club members fulfill their expressed commitment, is more difficult to deal with. A contributing factor may be the parental concern expressed about the project. Club members may have been influenced by this information and subsequently changed their minds about participating. They may have given the idea more thought and decided not to pursue the project. It is unfortunate that other club members were not informed if this was the case. However, it is impossible to really know the motivation to renege on the commitment without more information. Gathering that information and sifting through it should prove valuable for future reference by the club treasurer.

Guaranteeing participation is not possible. However, there are some things to keep in mind which might help.

1. Include potential participants in the idea development and planning process from the beginning:
2. Solicit or assign particular responsibilities to particular people;
3. Follow-up on assignments and provide support, encouragement, and communication; and
4. Let the idea sell itself — point out the pros **and** cons and let people make their own choices — they will anyway.

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The First State Bank & Trust Co., Pittsburg
The City National Bank of Pittsburg, Pittsburg
National Bank of Pittsburg, Pittsburg
Miners State Bank, Frontenac
McCune State Bank, McCune
Home State Bank, Arcadia
Hepler State Bank, Hepler
Girard National Bank, Girard
First State Bank, Arma
First National Bank, Girard
Farmers State Bank, Walnut

DECATUR
Decatur Co-op Assn., Oberlin

DICKINSON
Farmers National Bank, Abilene

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Wathena Grain Co., Wathena
Farmers State Bank, Wathena
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FINNEY
The Garden National Bank, Garden City
The Fidelity State Bank, Garden City
Finney County 4-H Council

FORD
Greensburg Production Credit Assn., Dodge City
Ford County 4-H Council
Ford County State Bank, Spearville
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First National Bank, Dodge City
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Bucklin State Bank, Bucklin

FRANKLIN
Wellsville Bank, Wellsville
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First National Bank, Junction City
Central National Bank, Junction City

GOVE
Peoples State Bank, Grinnell
Gove County 4-H Council
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GRAHAM
Graham County 4-H Council
Farmers and Merchants Bank, Hill City

GRANT
Grant County State Bank, Ulysses
Grant County 4-H Council

GRAY
Montezuma State Bank, Montezuma
Gray County 4-H Council
First National Bank in Cimarron, Cimarron
Farmers State Bank, Ingalls

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Greeley County 4-H Council
First National Bank, Tribune

GREENWOOD
Ward A. McGinnis, Eureka
Parks Oil Company, Eureka
Home National Bank, Eureka
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Freeman's Tire & Appliance, Eureka
Eureka Federal Savings & Loan Assn., Eureka
Citizens National Bank, Eureka
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HAMILTON
The Valley State Bank, Syracuse
Hamilton County 4-H Council
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HARPER
State Line Grain Co., Manchester, Okla.
Harper County 4-H Council
Farmers Co-op BusinessAssn., Hazelton
Danville Co-op Assn., Danville
Anthony Farmers Co-op Elevator, Anthony

HARVEY
Walton State Bank, Walton
The Halstead Bank, Halstead
State Bank of Burrton, Burrton
Sedgwick State Bank, Sedgwick
Midland National Bank, Newton
Kansas State Bank, Newton
Hesston State Bank, Hesston
Harvey County 4-H Council
First National Bank, Newton

HASKELL
The Haskell County State Bank, Sublette
Haskell County 4-H Council

HODGEMAN
Hodgeman County 4-H Council
Hanston State Bank, Hanston
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JEFFERSON
Valley Implement Co., Inc., Valley Falls
Jefferson County 4-H Council
Jefferson County Homemaker Unit Council
Leavenworth-Jefferson Electric Cooperatives, McLouth

JEWELL
State Exchange Bank, Mankato
State Bank of Esbon, Esbon
Randall National Bank, Randall
First National Bank, Mankato
First National Bank of Formoso, Formoso
Citizens State Bank, Jewell
Burr Oak State Bank, Burr Oak

JOHNSON
Valley View State Bank, Overland Park
The Shawnee State Bank, Shawnee
The Farmers Bank, Gardner
State Bank of Stanley, Stanley
State Bank of Spring Hill, Spring Hill
Southgate Bank & Trust Co., Prairie Village
Santa Fe Trail State Bank, Shawnee Mission
Ranchmart Bank & Trust Co., Overland Park
Patrons State Bank & Trust Co., Olathe
Overland Park State Bank & Trust Co., Overland Park
Olathe State Bank, Olathe
Oak Park National Bank, Overland Park
Mission State Bank Trust Co., Mission
Mid-America Bank & Trust Co., Roeland Park
Metcalf State Bank, Overland Park
Mark Plaza State Bank, Overland Park
Lenexa State Bank & Trust Co., Shawnee Mission
Kansas National Bank & Trust Co., Prairie Village
Johnson County National Bank & Trust Co., Prairie View
First National Bank, Olathe
First National Bank of Shawnee Mission, Shawnee Mission
DeSoto State Bank, DeSoto
Citizens State Bank, Shawnee
Centennial Bank & Trust, Mission

KINGMAN
C.R. Calvert Co., Kingman

KIOWA
Kiowa County 4-H Council
Haviland State Bank, Haviland
Greensburg State Bank, Greensburg
First State Bank, Mullinville

LABETTE
State Bank of Parsons, Parsons
Labette County State Bank, Altamont
First State Bank, Edna
First National Bank and Trust, Parsons
First National Bank, Oswego
Chetopa State Bank and Trust Co., Chetopa

LANE
Lane County 4-H Council
First State Bank, Healy
First National Bank, Dighton

LEAVENWORTH
Leavenworth County 4-H Council
First National Bank, Leavenworth

LINCOLN
Sylvan State Bank, Sylvan Grove
Lincoln County 4-H Council

LINN
Prescott State Bank, Prescott
Linn County 4-H Council
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First State Bank, Pleasanton
Farmers State Bank, Blue Mound
Farmers & Merchants Bank, Mound City
Centerville State Bank, Centerville
Bank of Pleasanton, Pleasanton

LOGAN
Logan County 4-H Council
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Columbia Savings, Emporia
Citizens National Bank & Trust, Emporia
Bluestem Farm & Ranch Supply, Emporia
Americus Elevator, Americus

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4-H Development Fund, McPherson
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MARION
Tampa Co-op Assn., Tampa
Sears Catalog Store, Marion
Marion County 4-H Council
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Farmers Grain Co-op, Walton
Crossroads Co-op Assn., Goessel
Cooperative Grain & Supply, Hillsboro

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Vermillion State Bank, Vermillion
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The Bank of Louisburg, Louisburg
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Traders State Bank, Glen Elder
Tipton State Bank, Tipton
The Guaranty State Bank & Trust, Beloit
Mitchell County 4-H Council
First National Bank, Beloit
Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Cawker City
Farmers State Bank, Simpson
Farmers State Bank, Hunter

MONTGOMERY
Montgomery County 4-H Council
First National Bank, Coffeyville
Citizens National Bank, Independence

MORRIS
Morris County 4-H Council
Mor-Kan Grain Co., White City
Flint Hills Rural Electric Co-op Assn., Inc., Council Grove
Farmers & Drovers Bank, Council Grove
Farmers Cooperative Assn., Alta Vista

MORTON
Rolla Cooperative Equity Exchange, Rolla
Morton County 4-H Council
Janzen-Elder Insurance & Real Estate, Inc., Elkhart
Fisher, Incorporated, Elkhart
First State Bank, Elkhart
Elkhart True Value Lumber Co., Elkhart
Elkhart Implement Co., Elkhart
Cooperative Equity Exchange, Elkhart
Caffee Insurance & Real Estate, Elkhart

NEMAHA
Wittmer Grain Co., Sabetha
Seneca Elevator Co., Inc., Seneca
Pallesen Grain Co., Goff
Nemeha Co-op Assn., Baileyville, Corning, Seneca
Farmers Cooperative Elevator, Sabetha
C-G-F Grain Co., Inc., Centralia

NESS
Ness County 4-H Council
First State Bank, Ransom
First State Bank, Ness City
Citizens State Bank, Utica
Bazine State Bank, Bazine

NORTON
Norton County 4-H Council
Norton Livestock Auction, Norton
Norton County Farm Bureau Assn., Norton
Miller Tire Center, Norton
Kellings Fine Foods, Norton
A-T Implement Co., Norton

OSAGE
Wayne's Clothing, Lyndon
Virginia Lee Beauty Salon, Carbondale
Vasser Elevator, Vassar
Tucker Enterprises, Carbondale
Tutcher's Magic Gas, Overbrook
True Value Hardware Store, Lyndon
The Overbrook Farmers Union Co-op, Overbrook
The Kansas State Bank, Overbrook
The First National Bank, Overbrook
Swanson's Real Estate and Insurance Agency, Lyndon
Sullivan's Retail Liquor Store, Carbondale
State Bank of Carbondale, Carbondale
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First State Bank of Burlingame, Burlingame
First National Bank, Overbrook
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Fager Plumbing and Heating, Osage City
DeBaun International Inc., Osage City
Darby Printing, Burlingame
Coffey's Barber Shop, Carbondale
Catfish John's Bait Shop, Carbondale
Carl Moore Insurance Co., Scranton
Carbondale Service, Carbondale
Carbondale Car Wash, Carbondale
Burlingame Locker, Burlingame
Burlingame Co-op, Burlingame
Bulmer Grain Co., Michigan Valley
Brown's Retail Liquor, Carbondale
Bremer Elevator, Lyndon
Boyles IGA, Burlingame
Benner-Williams Furniture, Osage City
Beck Lumber, Burlingame
Armstrongs Laundry Mat, Carbondale
Anderson Plumbing & Heating, Osage City
Aaron's Home Store, Carbondale

OSBORNE
The First State Bank of Portis, Portis
State Bank of Downs, Downs
Osborne County 4-H Council
First State Bank, Osborne
First National Bank of Natoma, Natoma
Farmers National Bank, Osborne
Downs National Bank, Downs

OTTAWA
Ottawa County 4-H Council
Lott Implement Co., Minneapolis
Hoovers of Minneapolis, Minneapolis
Chuck Stein Chevrolet-Olds-Buick, Inc., Minneapolis
Mid Kansas Truck & Tractor, Inc., Minneapolis

PAWNEE
Pawnee County 4-H Council
First State Bank, Larned

PHILLIPS
First National Bank, Phillipsburg

POTTAWATOMIE
Union State Bank of Olsburg, Olsburg
St. Marys State Bank, St. Marys
Pottawatomie County 4-H Council
Kaw Valley State Bank of Wamego, Wamego
First National Bank, Wamego
Farmers State Bank, Westmoreland
Fairchild Agency, Westmoreland
St. Marys State Bank, St. Marys

PRATT
Sawyer Co-op Equity Exchange, Sawyer
Preston Co-op Grain & Mercantile Co., Preston
Pratt County 4-H Council
Pratt Equity Exchange, Pratt
Iuka Co-op Exchange, Iuka
Cullison Co-op, Pratt
Cairo Co-op Equity Exchange, Cairo

RAWLINS
State Bank of Herndon, Herndon
State Bank of Atwood, Atwood
Rawlins County 4-H Council
Peoples State Bank, McDonald
Farmers State Bank, Ludell
Farmers National Bank, Atwood

RENO
Turon State Bank, Turon
Sylvia State Bank, Sylvia
State Bank of Pretty Prairie, Pretty Prairie
State Bank of Plevna, Plevna
State Bank of Kansas, South Hutchinson
Northgate National Bank, Hutchinson
Nickerson State Bank, Hutchinson
Hutchinson National Bank & Trust Co., Hutchinson
Haven State Bank, Haven
First National Bank, Hutchinson
Farmers State Bank, Yoder
Citizens State Bank, Arlington
Central State Bank, Hutchinson
Buhler State Bank, Buhler

REPUBLIC
The Walthers Oil Co., Cuba
Republic County 4-H Council
Kravemore Dinner Bell, Belleville
Arbuthnot's Drug Co., Belleville

RICE
The Chandler National Bank, Lyons
Rice County State Bank, Chase
Miller-Price Agency and Raymond State Bank, Raymond
Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., Lyons
Palace Drug, Geneseo
Otasco Store, Lyons
Lyons Savings and Loan Assn., Lyons
Lyons IGA Store, Lyons
Home State Bank, Little River
First National Bank, Sterling
Farmers State Bank, Sterling
Farmers Co-op of Alden, Lyons, Sterling, and Pollard
Central Kansas Elevator, Lyons
Collingwood Grain, Inc., Little River
Bushton Grain and Supply, Chase
Alden State Bank, Alden

RILEY
Vista Drive-In Restaurant, Manhattan
The Riley State Bank, Riley
Polley Florist, Manhattan
Leonardville State Bank, Leonardville
Kansas State Bank, Manhattan
Hill Investment and Const. Co., Inc., Manhattan
Cowan-Edwards-Yorgensen Funeral Home, Manhattan
Citizens State Bank & Trust Co., Manhattan

ROOKS
Rooks County 4-H Council
Plainville State Bank, Plainville
Norton-Decatur Co-op Electric, Norton
First National Bank, Palco

RUSH
Rush County 4-H Council
Farmers & Merchants State Bank, LaCrosse

RUSSELL
Russell State Bank, Russell
Russell County 4-H Council
Farmers State Bank, Lucas

SALINE
Saline County 4-H Council
The First National Bank & Trust Co., Salina

SCOTT
Security State Bank, Scott City
First National Bank & Trust, Scott City

SEDGWICK
Sedgwick County Educational Fund

SEWARD
Seward County 4-H Council
Peoples National Bank, Liberal
First National Bank, Liberal
Citizens State Bank, Liberal

SHAWNEE
Southwest State Bank, Topeka
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First National Bank, Kensington
First National Bank, Gaylord

STAFFORD
St. John National Bank, St. John
Stafford County 4-H Council
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Hudson State Bank, Hudson
Farmers & Merchants State Bank, Macksville
First National Bank, St. John
Farmers National Bank, Stafford

STANTON
Stanton County 4-H Council
Collingwood Grain, Inc. Johnson

STEVENS
Stevens County 4-H Council
Citizens State Bank, Hugoton

SUMNER
Wolcott & Lincoln, Inc., Wellington
Wolcott & Lincoln, Inc., South Haven
Wolcott & Lincoln, Inc., Riverdale
Wolcott & Lincoln, Inc., Perth
Wolcott & Lincoln, Inc., Milan
Wolcott & Lincoln, Inc., Corbin
Sumner County 4-H Council
Oxford Milling Co., Oxford
McDaniel-Waples, Inc., Rome
McDaniel Grain Co., Geuda Springs
Garretson Grain Co., Conway Springs
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Farmers Cooperative Grain Co., Caldwell
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Utica Elevator Co., Utica
Trego County 4-H Council
Schreiner's Inc., Ogallah
Rhoades Oil Co., WaKeeney
Niedens Trucking, WaKeeney
Mai Oil & Fertilizer Co., WaKeeney

WABAUNSEE
Wabaunsee County 4-H Council
The Stockgrowers State Bank, Maple Hill
First National Bank, Harveyville
First National Bank, Alma
Eskridge State Bank, Eskridge
Alta Vista State Bank, Alta Vista

WALLACE
Wallace County 4-H Council
Peoples State Bank, Sharon Springs

WASHINGTON
Washington County Farm Bureau
The Farmers Co-op Elevator Assn., Greenleaf
Stigge's Clothing Store, Washington
State Exchange Bank, Barnes
Schumacker's Inc., Washington
Pony Express Enterprises, Inc., Hanover
Mueller's Sand & Gravel
Linn State Bank, Linn
J. & J. Market, Barnes
First National Bank, Washington
Farmers Co-op Oil, Barnes
Dr. Roger Warren, M.D., Hanover
Community State Bank, Hanover
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Barnes Co-op Assn., Barnes
Bank of Palmer, Palmer

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Wichita County 4-H Council
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Tower State Bank, Kansas City
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Home State Bank, Kansas City
Commercial State Bank, Bonner Springs
Commercial National Bank, Kansas City
Coleman Implement Co., Bonner Springs
Brotherhood State Bank, Kansas City

Ideas and News

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Bluestem Gazette? It's a newsletter published by junior leaders of **Bluestem 4-H Club** to keep the members informed about coming events, new members, deadlines, and club news. **Bob** has worked with the Gazette for five years. **Shannon Martin,** another member of **Bluestem 4-H Club,** also won purple ribbons at both Sunflower State Expo and Kansas State Fair; hers were on her geology exhibits.

Pratt County: Members of **Richland Rustlers 4-H Club** are active in the health project, sponsoring a free blood pressure booth at the **Pratt County** Fair, and taking tray favors to both nursing homes in Pratt on special holidays. In August 17 members and leaders toured the Kansas Health Museum in Halstead. The members were able to take eye and lung capacity tests, hear their hearts beating, and see Valeda, the transparent talking lady, whose organs light up one by one as she tells the story of how these organs work. **John Black** is health chairman.

Reno County: Betty Esser demonstrated cake decorating to the **Southwest Reno** foods class, showing these steps: preparing a cake for frosting, practicing a design on wax paper, making roses on toothpicks, and frosting and decorating the cake. As a final step, she cut the cake for the 11 4-H members and 4 parents at the meeting, **Robbie Frampton** reports.

Betty Esser shows the members of Southwest Reno 4-H foods group how to decorate cakes.

From the Northeast Area:

Republic County: The Willowdale 4-H Club took a trip to Red Cloud, Nebraska, to visit Catherland, the **Willa Cather** Pioneer Museum. The group, which included 13 members and 3 parents, visited various points of interest in Red Cloud in the morning and toured Webster County in the afternoon. By seeing the surroundings of the Pulitzer prize winning authoress, the members gained much insight into her works. **David Hanzlick** is the reporter.

Cloud County: The new president of **Fairview Hilltoppers 4-H Club** is **Mark Jones. Jane Odette** is reporter.

From the Northwest Area:

Graham County: Sheridan County and **Graham County** exchanged record books for judging.

More state winners

other projects. They are: achievement, Bill Blake, Franklin; alumni, Paul Glenn, Ford; Patricia Owens, Ford; Mrs. Dana Tegtmeier, Nemaha; and Elmer Musil, Pawnee; best groomed boy, Albert Nichol, Trego; bicycle, Jeff Winscott, Labette; citizenship-in-action, Mitch Post, Cowley, and James Lieker, Ellis; commodity marketing, Randy Scheuerman, Scott, and Mark Johnson, Labette; corn, Chad Messenger, Finney; dog care, Joyce Wright, Marshall;

emergency preparedness, Sally Haflich, Nemaha; entomology, Robert Hughes, Jackson; field crops, Doug Van Allen, Phillips; nutrition awareness, Theresa Schlagel, Johnson; Jorita Henry, Sherman; and Cindy Reeves, Wilson; gardening, Jean Phillips, Jefferson; home environment, Susan Zimmerman, Morris; legumes and grasses, David Strawn, Gray; meat utilization, Toni Timmis, Cowley, and Connie Pelton, Sedgwick;

people-to-people, Kathy Cott, Clay; Leslie Droste, Ford; Cindy Hall, Phillips; and Kent Nicholson, Sedgwick; potato, Mark Wittenborn, Cowley; poultry, Tim Sjogren, Cloud; Jill Cartmill, Franklin; Rhonda Hattock, Leavenworth; Mary Spaeth, Reno; and Dennis Patton, Sumner; public speaking, Michael Hunnel, Leavenworth, and Cathy Anderson, Riley; 4-H Foundation talk, Julie Swanson, Wyandotte; rabbit, Terry O'Bryon, Douglas; recreation, Rebecca Brobst, Mitchell; sheep, Greg Henry, Sherman;

sorghum, Larry Theis, Leavenworth; soybeans, Herman Sachse, Leavenworth; veterinary science, Marian Christy, Scott; weed control, Tim Demel, Barton; wheat, Lori Schoemaker, Republic; wheat quality, Tony Sorell, Cloud; Frank Shoemaker, Republic; and Herb Cressler, Sheridan.

Family Fun Page

Every man is enthusiastic at times. One man has enthusiasm for 30 minutes, another man has it for 30 days, but it is the man who has it for 30 years who makes a success in life.

Ann Ramsbottom, Belleville

Did you hear about the man who crossed a potato with a sponge?

It doesn't taste very good, but it sure holds a lot of gravy.

Q. What did one math book say to the other?

A. I've got problems.

Prize Winner

Q. Why were the Indians the first people in North America?

A. Because they had reservations.

Celeste Huschka, Garden City

Q. What is a werewolf's favorite hot-weather drink?

A. Ghoul-aid.

Pam Holly, Narka

In a lecture on snobbishness, the father told Alice, "Remember, we're all made from the same mold."

The daughter responded, "Of course that's true, Pop, but some are moldier than others."

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A new taxpayer sent the Internal Revenue Service twenty-five cents with a note saying he understood he could pay his taxes by quarters.

Church sign: Come in for a free sample of right God.

With cars, gas, tires, and roads costing what they do, why call them "freeways"?

No wonder time flies. Have you ever considered how many people are out to kill it?

Education places trump cards in a man's hand when he goes to play the game of life.

You have to know the ropes in order to pull the strings.

About the only time some people are outstanding is when they lock the door and leave the key inside.

Daffynishion: Love — the feeling that you feel when you feel you are going to feel a feeling that you never felt before.

The knowledge that there are 52 bones in the human foot is apt to make almost anybody wonder if he won't break something just standing up.

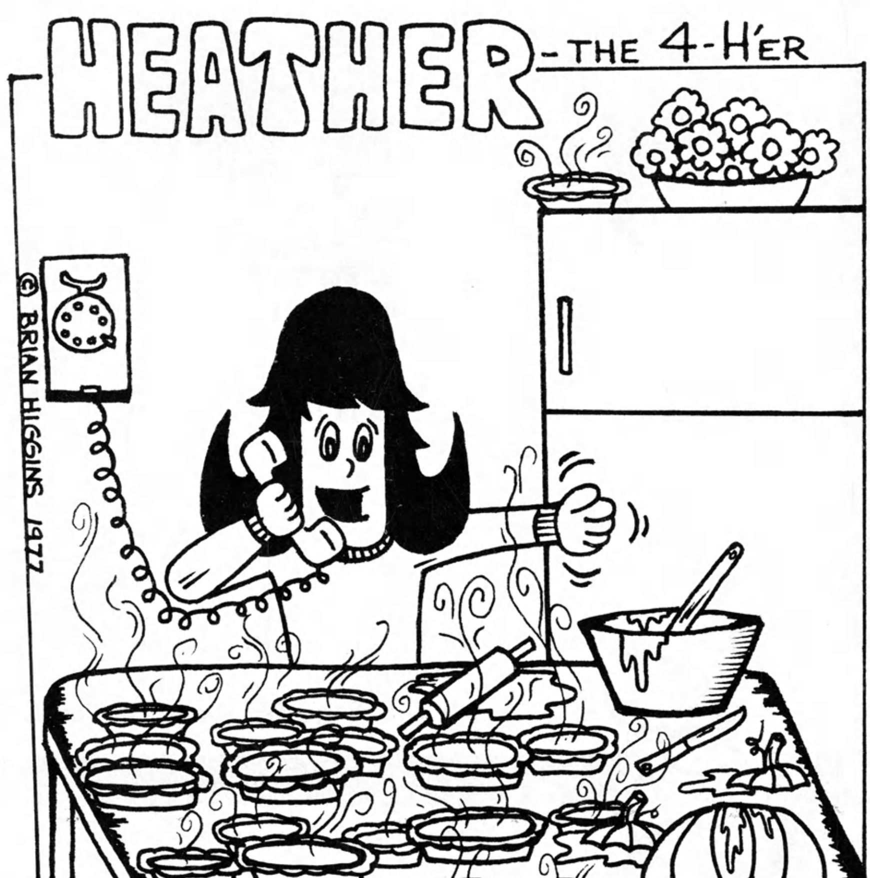
Patty Sloan, Colby

Q. What did the raindrop say to the snow?

A. You're flakey.

Tina Boyer, Brookville

4-H members are invited to contribute jokes, riddles, puzzles, or cartoons to Family Fun Page. Each month the fun page item selected as best by a committee will receive $1.



". . . and guess what I did with my blue-ribbon pumpkins!"

Brian Higgins, Osawatomie

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Boy builds bane to bugs

Photo by Tracy Fanshier

Darrel Blakeslee, left, and 4-H agent Bill Van Skike look at Darrel's buglight during the South Bend Jolly Workers 4-H Club tour in Barton County.

A rather unusual piece of electrical equipment is a bug light, such as the one pictured which was made by Darrel Blakeslee. He explains about it:

"The bug light is used to catch bugs at night, especially mosquitoes. The blue light attracts the bugs, the propeller which is run by a small motor chops the bugs, and they fall into the nylon hose hanging below. It is cheaper and safer than using insect spray to kill insects or bugs. It costs about five cents per day and the parts cost about $7 to get it put together now.

"I helped two younger 4-H members make one for the county fair. I have demonstrated how to make a bug light at a 4-H meeting. Mr. Wilson, the county agent, borrowed my bug light to catch corn borer moths. Other people have asked me to make bug lights for them."

This year Darrel made a digital clock from a kit for his brother who is a college student. He has made a crystal radio, lamps, and done various electrical work in the house.

Other 4-H projects are poultry, veterinary science, garden, tractor, crops, and junior leadership. A senior in high school, Darrel is a member of the marching, pep, and concert bands, and is vice-president of FFA.

The Blakeslees live near Great Bend in Barton County.