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## There's Money in My Music:

## Money for your Club and Foundation, And Fun and Adventure for You!

To All 4-H Friends:

When you contribute to the growth and success of projects, the benefits they provide you are more satisfying. 4-H Foundations provide pleasures, extending the basic principles initiated with the 4-H organization. Human and monetary resources determine the amount of pleasure an organization can extend. Herein, my 4-H friends, lies the crux of this message to you.

My family and I are not strangers to 4-H. My four children were 4-H members; so were two brothers. My father, Frank Feser, was a club leader and president of the South Dakota 4-H Club Leaders' Association. I was a club member for several years and was also a leader.

Although our achievements were only average, we won our share of awards in livestock projects and enjoyed many of the pleasures of 4-H activities. On our two farms in Brown County, South Dakota, we won many awards for soil and water conservation.

"So what!" you could justifiably say. "Explain the association."

Surely. Because I believe that 4-H club members will support programs beneficial to them and eventually to their children, some of whom will no doubt be 4-H members, I have a plan which I hope will leave a national legacy. I intend to initiate a program, not new in concept but unique in the product.

I write lyrics for songs. My friends tell me they are good (the lyrics). I have won awards of merit for my work; I have been awarded publishing contracts.

At the request of a publisher I wrote a lyric memorializing Elvis Presley; the lyric was recorded and included in two releases of different albums, the only lyric used in both releases. (Whoops, there goes a button!)

One day an idea for using my talent to help 4-H and myself came to me.

Youth groups sell a variety of products to raise money for their organizations; why not musical records?

Music is generally enjoyed by all ages, and unlike many products, surely is lasting and entertaining.

I know I must offer a program which will be rewarding to the sellers beyond that generally offered by other fund-raising programs, keeping in mind that I must profit, also, to continue the program.

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Winston Feser, President, Feser's Enterprises, Inc. 13417 Dauphine Street Silver Springs, Maryland 20906

\*The songs on the current record are: Be a Smart Frog, Heaven's Answer, How Great His Grace, Dream and Be a Winner.

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## From environmental education, youth can learn about making this earth a better place to live

By Emily B. Kling Extension 4-H Specialist

Since I became a member of the state 4-H staff last fall, I've been introduced as the camping specialist, the recreation specialist, the outdoor education specialist, and even the environmental education specialist.

What kind of specialist am I? Well, my responsibilities include all those areas. In order to design 4-H programs, I have to use skills in organization, management, communications, public relations, natural and cultural history interpretation, and — oh yes — camping and recreation.

Many people who work with this particular cross-section of disciplines like to be labeled "environmental educators." I think I prefer that, too.

"Uh-oh," you might be thinking. "We've got one of those wildeyed environmentalists on our hands. They're anti-business and antiindustry."

Extremists in the "ecology boom" caused many people to have negative feelings about the word "environmental."

Fortunately, however, the "ecology boom" has faded away and even most of the ecology radicals have realized we have to work together to get things done. So now, those of us who are true environmental educators can better do our business of helping young people see how they can make this earth a better place to live.

What will the presence of an environmental educator on the state 4-H staff mean for Kansas? First of all, it'll mean that 4-H'ers and their friends will have more opportunities for camping experiences at Lake Perry 4-H Outdoor Center, Rock Springs 4-H Ranch, and Southwest 4-H Center. We'll have more day camping throughout the state and more weekend "vacation" recreation (canoeing, rafting, backpacking, and such) in Kansas and in surrounding states. But there will be an educational slant to these fun activities.

We'll emphasize small groups so more young people can take active roles in planning canoe trips or camp activities or other recreation. We'll make sure youngsters have opportunities to learn about, develop an appreciation of, and make decisions concerning both the natural and man-made environments around them. This educational slant will give Kansas young people valuable skills and experiences before they leap that magical barrier between childhood and adulthood.

The present 4-H outdoor education program in Kansas is a good one. But now it's time to go one step further. Using recreation and camping as a tool, I hope we can guide our 4-H'ers and their friends toward valuable insights about becoming adults, about caring for their world and each other, and about finding personal growth and fun in the out-of-doors.

#### About the cover

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### Day camps spark fun, learning in Northwest counties

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

Last summer, counties in northwest Kansas "wrote the formula" for having successful day camps.

And their combination of fun, crafts, and learning activities can point the way for other counties that want to do something for their communities and also to interest 6 to 10 year olds in becoming 4-H'ers.

On the learning side, for example, Wallace County youngsters found out about nutrition from two 4-H junior leaders, dressed as Rip Rocket and Herm the Germ. They also were visited by an ambulance crew who came in with sirens wailing.

Rooks County campers from Plainville and Stockton learned about gun safety, tennis, and nature.

Ness and Logan Counties' day campers visited a jail. Sherman County youngsters visited the Goodland Museum and learned to make hobo dinners and homemade ice cream.

Rawlins' camp carried its Indian theme through its recreation and education programs. Campers decorated their nametags with seeds, beads, and feathers. Their speaker talked about Indians and showed authentic Indian costumes. Then the campers attempted a version of the Indian game la crosse, shared Indian stories, and played Skin the Snake.

#### Day camps can interest 6 to 10 year olds in becoming 4-H'ers

Every camp included games and/or crafts. And end-of-camp evaluations indicated these activities were the children's hands-down favorites.

Ellis County, for example, devoted its morning sessions to tie dying, making flower pots, and taking a nature walk. Then the 50 youngsters who attended spent their afternoon playing "new games."

"New games" are those that



It's crafts time at the Rooks County day camp.

stress working together to accomplish some bodily feat, rather than winning.

Russell County's "camp" was more of a new games festival, held adjacent to the county fair and run by junior leaders. The day was hot, and water games were the big favorites.

The favorite on the hot day Graham County had its Clown Around Day Camp was water croquet. The legs of the camp's leaders formed the wickets for the game. The children were the croquet balls. If a child bumped a wicket, he was doused with water.

Decatur County co-sponsored their camp and gained from that. The Oberlin Arts Council helped with the day's artistic activities: making decorated name tags, twig people, yarn on burlap designs, simple weavings. Oberlin's Parks and Recreation director kept games going all day for children who had completed their crafts.

The five- to six-hour camps sometimes included a make-your-own lunch and sometimes featured a bring-your-own noontime meal. But they also usually included a nutritious snack or two. For example, Ness County had a gelatin

sculpture (and eating) contest. Logan youngsters cut their own cereal crispies snacks out with cookie cutters. Rooks ended its day camp with a watermelon feed.

Most camps were held in city parks, but Ellis had theirs on a farm and Logan found the 4-H building could be a good alternative in rainy weather.

Every camp had a mixture of quiet times and rowdy times, of learning times and of playing. And the combinations brought something special to the northwest Kansas children.

Another special part of the combination for many children was their first contact with 4-H junior leaders, many of whom helped make their county's camp a success. In Sherman, 4-H'er Denise Harper not only helped but also planned and coordinated the county day camp.

Using Kansas 4-H Foundation funds, the Northwest Extension Area hired an eductional consultant to help get day camps going last year. But now with 10 success stories behind them, the Northwesterners already are pulling together to plan more exciting day camps for this year.

#### Dickinson County 4-H Club is 50 years old

The oldest Dickinson County 4-H Club with a continuous history since it was chartered is 50 year old Harmony Hustlers. The club was named for the former Harmony School, its first meeting place. Members currently come from Buckeye and Blue Ridge communities.

William Page, who helped to found the club, left after six months as club leader, but his descendants are still active in the club

John Gugler, the second leader, continued in that position for 42 years. Karen Zook writes that he "did a good job of laying the ground work for what has become one of the top 4-H clubs anywhere."

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of its charter, in December Har-

state-wide services. border-to-border COLUMBUS . COUNCIL GROVE GOODLAND . JUNCTION CITY . KANSAS CITY (2) . LAWRENCE . LEAWOOD MISSION . OLATHE . OTTAWA OVERLAND PARK . SHAWNEE . WESTWOOD INSURED

mony Hustlers 4-H Club was host to a covered dish dinner for about 150 guests. Past members shared thoughts and memories of their associations with the club.

The highlight of the program was the presentation of a silver tray to Mrs. Paul (Peggy) Chronister who is retiring after 30 years of service to the club as community leader. Three trees will be planted at Rock Springs Ranch in her honor.

## Unclassified

#### In praise of April

"April" is a word with a pleasing sound. The month of April is a pleasing time to be alive, too, with winter's cold past and summer's heat yet to come.\*

April is a good month for gardening. Just as soon as the ground is dry enough, you can plant your salad garden: radishes, lettuce, spinach, onions. In May they'll be delicious, together or separately. Be sure to make a raw spinach salad; it's one of the pleasures of spring.

Plant peas as early as you can, too; they are truly a food fit for a king (or for a 4-H member) if picked when young and tender, washed before they're podded, and cooked

briefly in a little water with a lettuce leaf or a few pea pods. A little butter, salt, and pepper is all the seasoning they need.

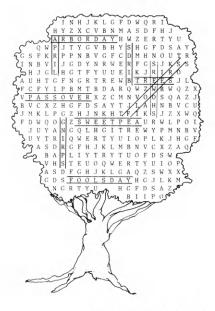
April is a month for using your senses of sight and hearing. Keep your eyes open for daffodils and tulips, forsythia and witch hazel. Look for the buds to swell and open on the greening trees, and watch the changes in blooming fruit trees. Read again "Loveliest of Trees." It's a good poem to memorize; then each year you'll remember it when you see cherry trees in bloom.

And listen for the sound of the phoebe, the mourning dove, the robin, the killdeer, the cardinal. If you're lucky, you may hear, high above you, the call of geese as they wing their way to Canada.

In April the drouth (lasting from October) ends for baseball fans. Like the migrating birds, baseball players come north to begin their long season. The Kansas City Royals will open at home this year on April 10 with a game against the Detroit Tigers. One hundred sixtyone games later, the season will end for the Royals, except for the playoffs and the World Series, on October 5 with a home game with the Minnesota Twins.

\*April can have some cold and hot weather, though; on April 2 in 1936 the temperature was 2 below zero at Oakley, and in contrast, the mercury reached 103 degrees at Kiowa on April 6 in 1893, according to Huber Self's book, "Environment and Man in Kansas."

#### April puzzle solution Puzzle is on page 15



#### Inflation Test \*

Q. If the American people were to increase their savings, this would tend to (a) increase the rate of inflation; (b) check it; (c) make no difference.

A. (b) Increased saving would tend to reduce consumer expenditures and thereby check inflation. In the long run, also, increased saving provides funds for capital investment which will increase productivity and thus help to limit inflation.

\* Manhattan Mercury, Jan. 4, 1980

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## Want to drive a tractor and work for a farmer?

If you are 14 or 15, and hope to work for a farmer this summer, you'll need a certificate of training.

County extension agents coordinate the training which enables 14 and 15 year olds to receive the certificates. But not every county offers the course every year. If you are interested, contact your county extension office to see if the course will be offered there this sping.

Don't delay; training has already been given in some counties and will begin soon in others; for example, in McPherson County, enrollment is requested now.

To be certified, the young person must pass a tractor driving test and a written test, so you will need to practive on your own, as the course does not teach tractor driving. By passing the tests you'll meet requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

All youth, both boys and girls, who will be 14 or 15 as of September 1, 1980, are eligible for training. Certification is not required for work on your family farm, but the information given will be helpful for any 14 or 15 year old who plans to drive a tractor this summer.

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#### Letter from a K-State student to a friend:

Dear Paul,

I've just been hired as a camp counselor at Lake Perry 4-H Center near Oskaloosa. Can you believe it?! I'm really excited about this job since Lake Perry offers a unique camping experience for Kansas 4-H'ers and their friends.

Most camps here in the Midwest are fairly traditional — kids live in cabins and learn horseback riding, riflery, and other skills. But campers at Lake Perry have a different setting where I think they have even more fun than at traditional camps.

I couldn't believe this place when I first saw it. It's beautiful! The camp is comprised of 480 acres of land on the southeastern end of Perry Reservoir. There are fields, rolling hills, woods, creeks, a slough, and shorelines for campers to explore. There are a few buildings on the sites, but they're not used extensively in the camping program.

I think you'll be interested in the emphasis of this program. Each of the four options (Indian, Discovery, County, and Weekend) is designed for kids (and weekend adult campers) to have the maximum amount of fun. But along with the fun come opportunities to share responsibilities and decision making with eight or nine other campers, a counselor, and a junior counselor or a county coordinator in a small living group. The result is that the youngsters learn to get along with each other, develop an awareness of the social and cultural heritage of Kansas, and develop better feelings about themselves and their world in general.

You're probably wondering how kids can have fun and receive all of those "heavy" benefits at the same time. Well, depending upon which camping option they choose, campers can live in backpacking tents or tepees; learn about Indian lore, outdoor cooking, and campcraft; and try out all sorts of exciting activities and skills — such as canoeing, arts and crafts, and environmental investigations.

I've heard it costs a few dollars more for kids to go to Lake Perry 4-H Center than to other, more traditional 4-H camps. A lot of people don't realize that the extra cost is used to pay highly-skilled camp counselors — like me! We're paid a slightly higher salary because we have to be able to take on more responsibilities and teach a wider range of skills.

I guess I'm telling you all this because I've heard the Kansas 4-H Foundation is looking for a few more qualified Lake Perry counselors. Paul, you'd be great for the job. And you've got the qualities they're looking for. You love kids. You've got plenty of experience in group work. Your Red Cross first aid and lifesaving cards are still up-to-date. And you've done plenty of camping. I know that it's been awhile since you paddled a canoe, but you'd have time during counselor training week to brush up on paddling and other needed camping or recreational skills.

Please give this some serious thought. The people at the state 4-H office and the 4-H Foundation have planned an exciting and progressive camping program for kids ages 8 to 17 and for adults. I know you would have a lot to offer to the campers. Let me know what you decide to do.

Love,

Pam



Bedroll, backpack, hiking shoes — this equipment is well chosen for someone who hopes to see what's beyond the horizon. Photo by David Harmes

### **Southwest 4-H Center**

Ford County Lake provides a place for fishing and for rowing and canoeing for county campers who go to Southwest 4-H Center, 10 miles north of Dodge City.

The center has a lighted swimm-

ing pool, and space and equipment for archery, crafts, softball, hiking and picnicing.

The cost for meals, activities, and housing is \$9 per day; this includes one night.

## 1980 Schedule of County Camps at Southwest 4-H Center

June 9-12 Ford, 13-18 Gove,

13-18 Gove, Trego, Ness, Hodgeman

18-21 Grant, Morton, Stevens, Seward, Haskell, Stanton 21-23 Happy Valentine 4-H Club, Finney

21-23 Happy Valentine 4-H C June 30-July 3 Finney, Gray, Lane

July 7-10 Clark, Comanche, Kiowa, Meade, Pratt

## 1980 Summe Lake Perry

**Programs** 

Ages

\*Indian

(8-10)

Camp Sessions M-W, Th-Sa June 9-July 30 (except July 3-5)

\*\*Discovery

(10-12)

Five Day Camp Sessions (13-17) June 9-Aug. 1 (4-H teams)

\*\*\*County

(8-19)

June 10-July 17 (Choice of Perry or Rock Springs Ranch)

\*\*\*\*Family • Teen • Club Weekends

For 4-H community clubs and other groups, by arrangement

For scheduling and more information, cont

\*Indian

Designed for younger campers, ages 8 to 10, India: living in the outdoors. Youngsters assume an Indian nar same area long ago.

After a last lunch with their parents, the campers wil and begin such activities as swimming, playing Indian hunting course, collecting plant dyes, paddling down a trails.

Throughout, counselors will stress not only having tworld.

\*\*Discovery

"You and the World around You": Discovery Ca adults (ages 10 to 12), young adults (ages 13 to 17), and along. To be a team member offers a great opportunit

This camp is valuable for club members because yo self-confidence, to learn to work with others, and to de and adult also will get a kit of teaching guides and ma

The five-day, four-night camp takes campers throu wild edibles and poisonous plants, camp craft, fishing, raft building, ways to make outdoor living comfortabl Excitement, fun, and learning for those from 10 to

\*\*\*County

4-H county camps give you and your friends the ch Perry. Eight to 19 year olds can come to county can encouraged.

Before you come, you'll have a chance to check what archery, the challenge course, games, orienteering, or archoose activities for the rest of your four days and that alternatives and help you learn to start making decision activities can range from tracking animals to studying investivate the environment in forest, water, and soil.

County camp is your-choice fun with people you k

\*\*\*\*Family • Teen • Club Weekends

The weekend camping program at Lake Perry 4-H could even be an extended 4-H club meeting.

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## Adventures

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July 7-11, 14-18, 21-25

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Cost
\$25
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amp is an exciting three-day, two-night introduction to nd live much as a family of Delawares might have in the

ake a travois; take their gear to a campsite; raise a tepee; es, testing their physical skills, trekking through a bow ugh, dancing, telling Indian stories, fishing, and laying

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## **Rock Springs Ranch**

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## 1980 Schedule of County Camps at Lake Perry and Rock Springs Ranch

The base cost is \$36 at Lake Perry and \$30.05 at Rock Springs. This will be reduced to \$27.25 for groups of 350 at RSR. Transportation, and possibly other costs, will be extra.

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	17-20	Douglas, Miami, Franklin, Johnson
	20-23	Doniphan, Jackson, Pottawatomie, Brown,
		Riley, Wabaunsee
	23-26	Butler, Reno, Cowley, Greenwood, Harvey, Elk
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#### Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Fun

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#### From the South Central Area:

Butler County: With funds from a 4-H sponsored dance and from individual donations, the 4-H Council gave \$125 to the director of the Wichita cystic fibrosis office at the January council meeting. Acting president Joe Linot, committee chairman Jerry Prewitt, and committee members Diana Reed, Gayla Whiteside, and Tom Harms made the presentation.

Pratt County: A potluck dinner was a part of Parents' Day as observed at the January meeting by Richland Rustlers 4-H Club. John Black announced that 10 members are entitled to attend Kansas 4-H Congress because the club is the state winner in health. For part of the program Jana Booi, Debbie Lawrence, Leigh Ann Rose, and Mrs. Elwood Lawrence gave a panel discussion on child abuse.

Saline County: "Every citizen should know something about how laws are made," reporter Kevin Blomquist writes. With that fact in mind seven junior leaders from the Friendly Valley 4-H Club, along with their leaders, went to the Kansas State Capitol, Topeka, to spend the day. This was one of the goals as the club's project in citizenship. Three members from this group, Reagon Cox, Bernie Johnson, and Kevin Blomquist, served as pages in the House of Representatives for Jayne Alyward, representative from Saline County. The group also visited with the governor, John Carlin, who is also from Saline County and a former 4-H'er. The remainder of the group spent the day touring the Capitol and the grounds. They sat in on sessions of both the House of Representatives and the Senate . . . Forty-five members and guests attended the Swinging 4-H Club's celebration of its 10th charter-year anniversary. Honored guests were former community leaders. "4-H Club Builders" was used to install new officers. A skit, "This is Your Life, Swinging 4-H," was given for the program. A parent baked and decorated a special cake for the event, Nancy Deckert reports.

Sumner County: When she spoke at the annual appreciation dinner of the Happy Hustlers 4-H Club, Vicki Hunt told about her trip to Europe. Many people who had helped the club during the year were honored, with special awards going to crafts leaders Lois Austin and Bessie Tanner. The crafts group has grown from 3 to 26.

#### From the Southwest Area:

Scott County: When you have a dry spool of thread that keeps breaking, just put it in the refrigerator for awhile, and it will draw moisture and you'll be able to use it again without its breaking. That was one the sewing tips shared at the Get Smart workshop in Scott City. Home economist Carol Kohman and clothing leaders from the 4-H clubs planned and conducted the seminar for more than 60 women including 4-H leaders, project leaders, and extension agents from seven western Kansas counties, Tina Rose reports . . . Training from 4-H work helped three young people, they say, to take over the raising of several hundred acres of wheat and grain sorghum and feeding of 1,200 head of cattle when their parents became ill. Dale and Maggie Conine are the parents who could no longer operate their farm, and their children are Kurt, Kristi, and Kelly. Kurt and his wife came back to the area to help, Kristi took over care of the home, and Kelly helped with farm work, along with going to high school where he's a senior, taking part in football and wrestling, and being in 4-H. He's a member of Town and Country 4-H Club ... In Scott County the beef project is more than buying, feeding, and grooming a steer, reporter Charlene Rein writes. County beef leaders have arranged a tour of Farmland Foods, Inc., beef packing plant in Garden City for the project members, who will be able to see how meat goes from the feed lot to the end product that we buy in the store.

#### From the Northwest Area:

Gove County: Yum, yum, was what everyone was thinking at the Cloverleaf 4-H Club meeting in February, Karen Kaiser reports. For the program all members enrolled in foods gave talks or demonstrations on different nutritional snacks. Then after the meeting all of the foods were put on trays for all to enjoy for refreshments. Sounds like a good idea!

Rooks County: The 4-H council officers for 1980 are Alan Dix, Susan Muir, Tammy Odle, and Corrine Nelson. Officers for the Junior Leader Club are Tammy Odle, Scott Haley, Marcie Stamper, David Reed, and Amy Ochampaugh. Congratulations!

#### From the Northeast Area:

Geary County: Lakeside 4-H Club and Wildcat 4-H Club have recently been organized in Geary County. Together, the two clubs have about 75 members, 4-H agent Christena Barrett said.

Jefferson County: "Our 4-H club has many young members," Crackerjacks 4-H Club reporter Janelle Mathews writes. "We've been trying to get a money-making project that all ages of



Which way shall we go? Vicki McKinney and Holly Brauer ask as they begin one of many trips made recently to help move books from the Linwood Community Library into its new building. Mrs. Barbara Kirkman directs Stefani McKinney and Mrs. Carol McKinney as they help. The project was a joint effort of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club and of Girl Scout Troop 503, Stephanie Sheets reports.

Photo by Jocelyn Sheets

our club can take part in as well as have fun while doing it. Well, we found it. In the summer of 1979 our club met on one of our member's farms, where we had a wiener roast and then picked up walnuts. It was a very profitable and fun project."

Cloud County: Hollis Hustlers 4-H Club invited the members of Hopewell Corners 4-H Club to an exchange meeting in April. Philip Bentz is reporter.



Pottawatomie County: Eunice Webster, above, was honored for her 25 years of service to Cloverleaf 4-H Club. Cheryl Ann Revers writes, "She has been very devoted to the club, serving a long time as community leader and still serving as ecology, crocheting, and clothing leader. Whenever something is needed, she is always one to volunteer."

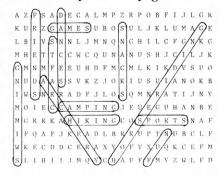
**Leavenworth County:** Organizing a Sweetheart Banquet for parents and project leaders was a February activity for

Basehor Rustlers junior leaders, whose leaders are Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cunningham. The after-dinner program consisted of dance routines, an instrumental solo, and a quintet followed by dancing. "A change dance was organized so that everyone got to dance with several people," Amy Noeth reports.

#### From the Southeast Area:

Neosho County: Four of the music entries from Hillcrest 4-H Club got top blue ribbons at 4-H Days at Chanute. In addition to the club chorus directed by Carol Hudson which received the high rating, individual 4-H members recognized for their musical talent were Karen Gregg, Emalee Varsolona, and Jean Scoggins.

## Rock Springs Ranch 4-H Fun Solution to puzzle on page 9.

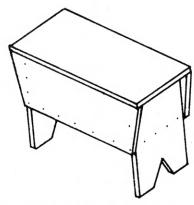


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## **COMING EVENTS**

Kansas 4-H CongressApril 10-12, Wichita
National 4-H ConferenceApril 12-18, Washington, D.C.
Kansas ClassicApril 18-20, Hutchinson, State Fair Grounds
Kansas Recreation WorkshopApril 18-21, Rock Springs Ranch
National 4-H Leader ForumApril 20-27, Washington, D.C.
Livestock Fair Judges Clinic

#### Kansas 4-H Youth Conference

Getting ideas to take back to your club, making friends, having fun, living on a university campus, learning in a wealth of classes - all this can be part of your experience at Kansas 4-H Youth Conference June 3 to 6 at Kansas State University.

Ask your county extension office for a registration form and information about the program. The form should be sent to the State 4-H Office, Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan, KS 66506 by May 5.

The fee for housing, meals, and program is \$42.50, but after May 12, it will be \$47.50.

4-H members will live in a University dormitory and eat in a dining hall. Classes will be on campus. The conference is for youth 14 and older.

Mark Mayfield of Farmland Industries, a former national FFA president, will be a special speaker.

## Working together for safety

Q. What Kansas 4-H Club has won the National Safety Council's Award of Commendation three times in the past five years?

A. Best Yet 4-H Club in Neosho County.

O. How did they do it?

A. To find out, read the article below.

> By Amy Jo Reinhardt Vice President Best Yet 4-H Club

The Best Yet 4-H Club of Neosho County has had safety as a club project since 1970. In this large rural 4-H club, the cooperation of members, leaders, and parents is outstanding. The club is unique in the fact that it has older members as well as young members. The teamwork with this age span is tremendous, making the safety project very strong.

Each year a club safety committee is selected and an adult project leader appointed. This committee makes a plan of work for the year. At each monthly club meeting the safety committee gives a report so that each member is aware of what involvement they may have that month in the safety project. The committee also reports results of projects which are inspiring to the members and parents.

Our 4-H club has a safety material file which is used for resources. We have used films and slide presentations concerning safety. Our resources include material from the National Safety Council, Extension Service, Farm Bureau, and the Kansas Highway Safety Department.

Our club members have attended Safety Seminars, Kansas Teen-age Safety Conferences, National Safety Congress, National Youth Leadership Conference, and Kansas 4-H Congress. This participation has given us some excellent information first hand and we have been able to share ideas.

This past year the club members felt it important to reach out farther in the area of safety. The members decided to volunteer their services to help with workshops outside the community.

Soon opportunities came along, and planning began for one- or twosafety workshops to be

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#### Working for safety

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presented by club members. Two safety workshops were given at District 4-H Parent-Leader Conferences in different areas of Kansas. The other workshop was presented at the Regional 9 PTA Conference. The club members worked with safety chairmen of PTA units from a large area.

At the safety workshops, club members discussed value of group projects, ideas for safety projects, community needs, and resources available. The 4-H'ers gave a safety quiz to those participating, and had

safety materials for take-home purposes. A safety display table was also prepared by club members.

About 350 adults were reached with these workshops. Those attending were complimentary of material presented and of poise of the 4-H members. These club members had gained much knowledge while attending workshops at National Safety Congress, National Youth Leadership Conference, and Farm Bureau Safety Seminars; therefore, they were able to plan and present safety material with confidence.

Club members also learned from these workshops. They gained much from sharing with these adults from all walks of life.

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Prize Winner

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Archery, canoes, or riding a horse, Trapshoot, rifles, and swimming, of course.

Yes, whatever your interests may be, Rock Springs Ranch has something special to see.

The magnificant, churning waterwheel Is considered a jewel-a very rare deal.

Traveling the walkways much can be seen: Cool streams, old wooden bridges, all surrounded by green.

But campers come for more than the atmosphere-

To have fun and learn is the reason they're here.

To gain friendships that will last and last, And to recall memories once they have passed.

4-H'ers and familes both use this place, Churches and colleges-many a face.

Whoever the group or reason they come, It wouldn't be possible without the efforts

Rock Springs Ranch exists because of donation -Generous people giving to the 4-H Foundation.

Also, there's a hard-working group known as staff;

They are responsible to help the campers laugh. Some of those hired are known as the cooks.

Others maintain and care how the place looks.

But whatever the job, they all do their share, With the attitude that for other people they care.

And if they see just one camper smile-They know that their job is surely worthwhile.

To make others happy and to spread some good cheer;

That is the main reason this summer we're here.

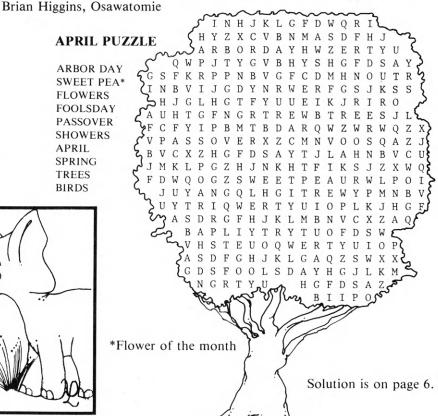
Of all the happiness that my life brings-Not much is better than my time at Rock Springs. Janice Schuler, Chapman

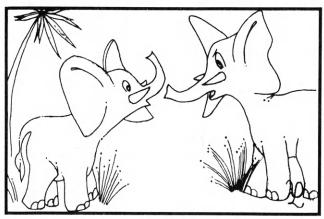


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## Versatile Neosho County 4-H'er has Fix-It Shop

"This is my fourth year in the electrical project. This is one of my favorite projects because I enjoy building things, and repairing small appliances gives me a sense of usefulness. I have been junior leader for the county electrical group for three years and teen leader for our club group last year and this year.

"I received word recently that I was area winner in the electric, public speaking, and swine projects for 1979 work. I was state winner in the bicycle project last year.



In his shop, Jack works at his radial arm saw under the shop light he built.

"Major accomplishments in electricity this year include building a power sensor, shop light, and a heavy duty indoor-outdoor extension cord. The power sensor won a purple at Hutchinson State Fair. The power sensor alerts us to electrical outages in the farrowing house.

"I also helped wire a 52-sow farrowing house on the family farm, and rewired my Fix-It Shop building where I repair small appliances for my family and customers. I have repaired 41 different small appliances this year.

"My other projects include public speaking, swine, recreation, entomology, fur harvest, reptiles and amphibians, people to people, health, land judging, garden, bicycle, and leadership.

"I also helped train county judging teams in poultry, livestock, horticulture, and crops. I have served as leader for our club boys' cooking class for the past three years.

"I was a member of the Kansas poultry judging team which won third in the national contest."

Jack E. Simmons, Erie



Jack Simmons works on a radio in his Fix-It Shop.

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