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Dear Kansas 4-H members:

Congratulations on being part of the world's largest youth organization -4-H.

Your 4-H experiences provide a strong foundation for a career in agriculture. By agriculture, I mean more than just farming or ranching. Today's agriculture includes the many diverse areas of ag processing, marketing, research, service and distribution.

The future in these ag-related careers is excellent. A USDA study says the need for university agriculture graduates will be 13% greater than the supply in each of the next five years.

There are three primary reasons why more trained agriculturalists will be needed:

Agricultural industries are expanding, and will continue to do so. World population is expected to be 8 billion in 2015, up from 4.5 billion today. Demand for food will continue to increase. This means additional career opportunities in the total food chain.

Many of the post-World War II college graduates are nearing retirement, resulting in an even greater need for agriculture graduates, especially those with advanced degrees for teaching, research and Extension at universities and in industries.

Number of Kansas high school graduates is declining which provides more jobs for each agriculture graduate.

So you see, the future in agricultural careers is bright. Whether you're interested in food processing, turf management or farm broadcasting; veterinary medicine, ag chemical sales or feed manufacturing; livestock pharmaceutical sales, ag equipment testing or ag finance; career opportunities are waiting for you.

You're now part of the Kansas State University College of Agriculture through K-State's Exten-Rich sion youth program — 4-H. I hope you will come to the KSU campus for Ag Science Day, Marchadh 30; Discovery Days, May 28-31; and Ag Careers Day in the fall. These acitivities will teach you more about agricultural career opportunities.

I encourage you to consider studying in the K-State College of Agriculture so you can enter any Joh of these exciting careers in America's No. 1 industry – agriculture!

Sincerely, Mugle

David J. Mugler Associate Dean and Director of Resident Instruction

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White T-shirts become works of art when creative stitchery is added. These 4-H'ers learned the cross stitch at 1984 4-H Discovery Days. Decorative stitchery classes are planned in February for 4-H leaders.

Discover college life at KSU

Learn what college is all about — attend Discovery Days at Kansas State University May 29-31. Stay in a dorm; eat in a cafeteria; attend college-like classes.

Billed as a mini-college experience, Discovery Days (formerly called 4-H Roundup) has been acquainting youths with college life on the Kansas State University campus since 1923. Over 1,500 people attended 1984 Discovery Days.

The activity, sponsored by the KSU Extension 4-H-Youth office, is open to 4-H members 12 years of age as of Jan. 1 and adults. This year's classes will number over 100, according to Lois Redman, state 4-H-Youth specialist, who is helping coordinate the activity. Cost for the three-day event is expected to be about \$57.50.

Calendar of classes will be available in the county Extension office about March 1.

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Ron Junk, former member of the North Reno Ramblers 4-H Club and senior at Kansas State University majoring in graphic design, designed the illustration for the education and careers issue.

Ron's parents, Raymond and Maxine, are 4-H project leaders in Reno County. His sister, Crystal, 14, is a member of the North Reno Ramblers 4-H Club.



Speaking of emerald green clovers Brothers continue to touch kids' lives

by Joan Istas Editor

You might expect Merle and Cecil Eyestone's blood to run green instead of red. Or even to find an emerald green 4-H clover or two shining amidst the loose change in their pockets.

The brothers claim almost 75 years of professional association with Kansas 4-H. In addition they are sponsoring an annual \$700 4-H scholarship for high school graduates and a \$500 professional improvement grant for the Kansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents.

Both grant and scholarship are established using funds from the estate of their aunt, Mary Linton, Topeka.

For more details about the Cecil and Merle Eyestone scholarship, see page 26.

"We believe in the 4-H program," Merle explains. "Our aunt was pleased with the work we did with kids. It's been our careers."

The brothers became acquainted with 4-H when, as youths, they were invited to join the Nine Mile 4-H Club near Lansing in Leavenworth County.

"The club had purple seal-itis," Cecil recalls. "You weren't asked to join unless you could help earn the purple club seal."

So the Eyestone brothers set-to with a vengeance. Because their mother was an avid gardener, the brothers both took gardening as a project. Merle enrolled in dairy; Cecil in beef. They went on club tours to see projects of other members; competed in judging contests and attended county camp at Lake Tonganoxie.

They were encouraged to learn parliamentary procedure. Merle remembers being pushed out of a chair to make a motion at a club meeting.

The fact that their parents were forced to abandon their education before high school, and because the brothers grew up during the Depression years did not dissuade Cecil from his goal of attending college.

"I always knew I wanted to go to college," he says quietly.

Cecil started at Kansas State Agricultural College with a Union Pacific Scholarship and \$125 from the sale of a steer jointly owned with his brother. Merle joined him there a few years later when he received a Capper Scholarship.

Even as a boy, Merle says, Cecil was the quieter, more studious.

And Merle? "He hasn't changed much really," Cecil says. "He was fairly aggressive, had a lot of humor. Everybody liked him." When they graduated, the brothers stepped into jobs as county 4-H agents; Cecil in Montgomery County, Merle in Shawnee County. And just as when they were youngsters they sought ways to give themselves and the clubs they worked with the winning edge.

Cecil built 4-H enrollment from 250 to 700 members in 28 clubs, and continued a junior leadership camp begun there.

"I got enthused about it; I got other people enthused about it. It was a rewarding time."

In Shawnee County, Merle built community club membership to 900, took the county band to Chicago twice, started a county 4-H fair and took teens on interstate educational trips.

Because he believed the strength of the program lay in trained leaders, he taught them how to conduct a project meeting in his specially designed Eyestrama (a name he coined for the demonstration). He showed all aspects of a project meeting — singing, project talk, recreation and demonstration. Before it was over, he had demonstrated how to tie a four-hand tie 117 times.

To bring material to teens not available in the school classroom, he pioneered the Foreology project. No record book was required. Kids not in 4-H were encouraged to attend.

Subject matter included about everything young men and women just starting out would want to know: what to look for when buying insurance, church and marriage, selecting wedding apparel, current fashions and malefemale relationships. As many as 200 kids attended Foreology meetings.

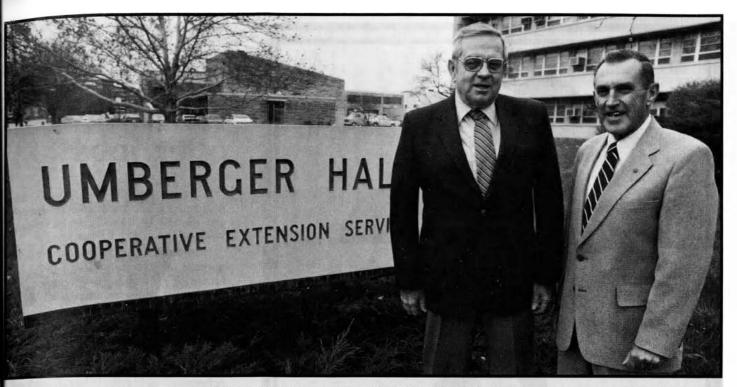
"It's the only thing we ever did that kids called in and asked for materials when they couldn't attend meetings," Merle says.

When it came to the state poultry judging competition, the brothers were a team again ... a team to beat. For 1 consecutive years, either one or the other walked away with the state championship, and Merle's team won the national championship. Not to be outdone, Cecil coached his livestock judging team to a national championship.

"The 4-H program is really people," Cecil says. "Projects are just tools we use to work with people. Incidentally we learn skills."

The brothers sharpened their skills in the 4-H agent's association. Both were officers in the state association, and Merle was president of the national association in 1955.

"We definitely feel the improvement of the people who work with our boys and girls is important," Merle says.



Merle and Cecil Eyestone dedicated their lives to the 4-H program.

Photo by Allen Eyestone

In due time, Cecil joined the state 4-H staff as a specialist in 1958. An especially meaningful experience during his 19-year career with that staff was coordinating the state five-day junior leadership camp held annually at Rock Springs Ranch. He also was faculty advisor of the KSU Collegiate 4-H Club.

As specialist in charge of livestock and crops projects, he superintended livestock shows and judging contests across the state. He launched the state 4-H horse bowl contest, set up project leader training schools and initiated state project leader advisory committees comprised of leaders, agents and youths.

He retired in 1977.

Merle joined the Kansas 4-H Foundation staff in 1962 and became executive director in 1971.

Though the brothers have served the 4-H program in various capacities, they now want to lend financial assistance to help youths continue their education and lend support to agents who work with youth.

The brothers say their most rewarding experience has been watching boys and girls respond and grow.

"They did things they didn't know they could do," Merle says.

"No one knows what touches kids' lives," Cecil adds.

But the Eyestone brothers must have a clue. They've been doing it successfully for most of their lives.



A lighter moment Photo by Bill Sullins



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Non-profit organizations offer jobs

Have you considered a job as a district Boy Scout executive or as a professional with the YMCA, Boys Club or Extension Service?

Non-profit organizations in the U.S. number almost 6 million, and each employs professionals as promoters, writers and managers, says Stan Ward, who has researched that field for both his master's thesis and doctor's dissertation.

Ward also has worked on the Boy Scouts executive staff.

Non-profit organizations include religious, elderly, handicapped, engineering and agricultural associations as well as the allied service organizations of Jaycees, Lions and the Chamber of Commerce. "The range of organizations is almost unreal," Ward says.

He advises those interested in this field to first choose the area of life in which they want to work. "For the person with a bachelor's degree, there are fair opportunities for jobs. The kind of degree is no important in most instances," he says.

Ward recommends a degree in psychology or family and child develop ment. "Any family service oriented field is more valuable than the hard sciences."

Management, business and financia courses also are helpful for the persor who steps out of field work into the hierarchy of management.

One reason for Ward's optimism about career opportunities in the youth field and some community organizations is the considers these growth areas.

"The trend toward conservatism in th U.S., the emphasis on family an religion, indicate there will be resurgence in youth organization membership," he says. Also, there an even more children out there to react than there were in the 1950s when your membership was at an all-time high.

The non-profit field is a fairly stab field, Ward says. People who want stay at a certain location will be able do so. He, however, points out there plenty of room for advancement. Tur over is great as people make new co tacts and find better jobs. Turnover Boy Scouts is 60% in a two year perio period.

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35	Barton County Community College	Great Bend	1,108	\$15 credit hr.	\$1,800	244	Dave Robins, Barton County Community College. Great Bend, Kansas 67530 (316) 792-2701 (Ext. 194)
	Butler County Community College	El Dorado	1,769	\$20 credit hr.	\$1,844	138	Director of Admissions, Butler County Community College. El Dorado, Kansas 67041 (316) 321-5083
	Cloud County Community College	Concordia	910	\$23 credit hr.	\$925 room only	240	J.W. Carlson, Director of Admissions, Cloud County Community College, Concordia, Kansas 66901
	Coffeyville Community College	Coffeyville	664	\$12 credit hr.	\$1,480	216	Director of Admissions, Coffeyville Community College, Coffeyville, Kansas 67337 (316) 251-7700
	Colby Community College	Colby	735	\$15 credit hr.	\$1,750-\$1,850	264	Bob Paxton, Director of Admissions, Colby Community College, 1255 S. Range, Colby, Kanasa 67701 (913) 462-3984
	Cowley County Community College & Vocational Technical School	Arkansas City	828	\$12 credit hr.	\$1,700	114	Director of Admissions. Cowley County Community College. Arkansas City, Kansas 67005 (316) 442-0430
	Dodge City Community College	Dodge City	918	\$12 credit hr.	\$1,720-\$1,970	333	Debbie Trahern, Director of Admissions, Dodge City Community College, Dodge City, KS 67801 (316) 225-1321 or 1-800-742-9519
	Fort Scott Community College	Fort Scott	716	\$17 credit hr.	\$1,990	120	Registrar, Fort Scott Community College, 2108 S. Horton, Fort Scott, Kansas 66701 (316) 233-2700
	Garden City Community College	Garden City	843	\$14 credit hr.	\$1,725-\$1,850	350	Admissions Office, Garden City Community College, 801 Campus Drive, Garden City, Kansas 67846 (316) 276-7611
	Highland Community College	Highland	640	\$620	\$1,650-\$1,800	250	Douglas L. Fitch, Dean of Student Affairs, Highland Community College, Highland, Kansas 66035 (913) 442-3236
	Hutchinson Community College	Hutchinson	1,680	\$15 credit hr.	\$1,850	400	Director of Admissions. Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, Kansas 67501 (316) 665-3535
	Independence Community College	Independence	543	\$17 credit hr.	\$1,875	96	Director of Admissions, Independence Community College, Independence, Kansas 67301 (316) 331-4100 (Exr. 230)
	Johnson County Community College	Overland Park	4,106	\$20.50 credit hr.	N/A	N/A	Director of Admissions, Johnson County Community College, 12345 College at Quivira, Overland Park, KS 66210 (913) 541-3803
	Kansas City Community College	Kansas City	2,016	\$15 credit hr.	N/A	N/A	Director of Admissions & Registrar, Kansas City Kansas Community College, 7250 State Ave., Kansas City, KS 66112 (913) 334-1100
	Labette Community College	Parsons	1,047	\$15 credit hr.	\$1,750	48	Labette Community College, 200 S. 14th St., Parsons, Kansas 67357 (316) 421-6700
	Neosho Community College	Chanute	479	\$15 credit hr.	\$1,700	80	Gary Royce, Admissions Counselor, Neosho County Community College, Chanute, Kansas 66720 (316) 431-2820
	Pratt Community College and Area Vocational School	Pratt	615	\$416	\$1,830	142	Director of Admissions, Pratt Community College, Pratt, Kansas 67724 (316), 672-5654
	Seward County Community College	Liberal	488	\$17 credit hr.	\$1,800-\$1,900	180	Dean of Student Services, Seward County College, Liberal, Kansas 67901 (316) 624-1951 and 1-800-742-9533
	Central College	McPherson	289	\$3,700	\$2,250	285	Director of Admissions, Central College, McPherson, Kansas 67460 (316) 241-0723
	Donnelly College	Kansas City	627	\$50 credit hr.	N/A	N/A	Donnelly College, 608 N. 18th St. Kansas City, Kansas 66102 (913) 621-6070
	Hesston College	Hesston	533	\$3,900	\$2,100	500	Admissions, Hesston College, Box 3000, Hesston, Kansas 67062 (316) 327-8222
	Kansas Technical Institute	Salina	437	\$555	\$1,870	06	Director of Admissions, Kansas Technical Institute, Salina. Kansas 67401 (913) 825-0275
	Vocational Technical Institute (Pittsburg State University)	Pittsburg	321	\$454	\$1,884-\$2,488	1,200	Mike Bright of Residence Life, Vocational Technical Institute, Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (316) 231-7000 (Ext. 401)

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Kansas Four-Year Colleges

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Baker University	Baldwin	782	Coed	Methodist	640	\$1,285
Benedictine College	Atchison	884	Coed	Catholic	350	\$1,300
Bethany College	Lindsborg	845	Coed	Lutheran	277	\$ 970
Bethel College	North Newton	622	Coed	Mennonite	Unrestricted	\$ 800
Emporia State University	Emporia	4,450	Coed	State	750	\$ 475
Fort Hays State University	Hays	4,240	Coed	State	650	\$ 350
Friends Bible College	Haviland	89	Coed	Independent	136	\$ 600
Friends University	Wichita	667	Coed	Society of Friends	600	\$ 765
Kansas Newman College	Wichita	541	Coed	Catholic	150	\$ 645
Kansas State University	Manhattan	15,981	Coed	State	2,384	\$ 573
Kansas Wesleyan	Salina	444	Coed	United Methodist	200	\$ 900
Manhattan Christian College	Manhattan	189	Coed	Christian	70	\$ 250
Marymount College of Kansas	Salina	519	Coed	Catholic	347	\$1,021
McPherson College	McPherson	500	Coed	Brethren	Unrestricted	\$ 800
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His hobby is his life's work

by Joan Istas Editor

A sound agricultural background and an interest in horses serves Doug Hayes well as advertising director of the Quarter Horse Journal.

Hayes supervises a staff of two advertising personnel and five full-time clerical workers. Monthly he flies somewhere in the United States to promote the breed magazine. These trips include everything from horse sales and shows to state association meetings.

"It's fun," Hayes says. "Not too many people spend their life doing their hobby. I get to talk horses all the time here."

The monthly magazine has a world-wide circulation of 82,000 and averages 650 pages per issue.

People skills are highly important to Hayes in his primary job of manager as well as that of promoter.

"You have to like to talk to people. Sometimes you need to steer people in the direction you want them to go," he says.

A native of Graham County, Hayes grew up on a farm near Palco. He was an 8-year 4-H member whose love of horses eventually made his father an avid horseman.

Hayes' collegiate years had a rocky start. He dropped out after attending a semester at Fort Hays State University. When a friend began attending classes at Colby Community College in northwest Kansas, however, Hayes joined him. He gained self-confidence as a member of the livestock judging team and through interest taken in him by the judging coach.

Hayes obtained a Bachelor's degree in animal science from Panhandle State University in Oklahoma. After working 21/2

years as a county Extension agricultural agent, he earned a masters in ruminant nutrition at Kansas State University.

When the job with the Quarter Horse Journal opened up as he graduated, it seemed the answer to an unvoiced dream.

"I've always been, from the time I was little, crazy about horses," he says. "This was an opportunity to do what I loved."

Haves advises youths who would like to work on the editorial side of a breed or agricultural publication to obtain a degree in agricultural journalism or journalism. If they're going into advertising, managerial skills, a working knowledge of the breed and an animal science degree are helpful, he says.

Obtaining that degree at a smaller two-year college can be beneficial for a youth from a smaller high school, Hayes says. "It's an intermediate step from small town America to the large university."

The education he obtained at Colby was excellent, he says. He had no difficulty transferring to a four-year institution.

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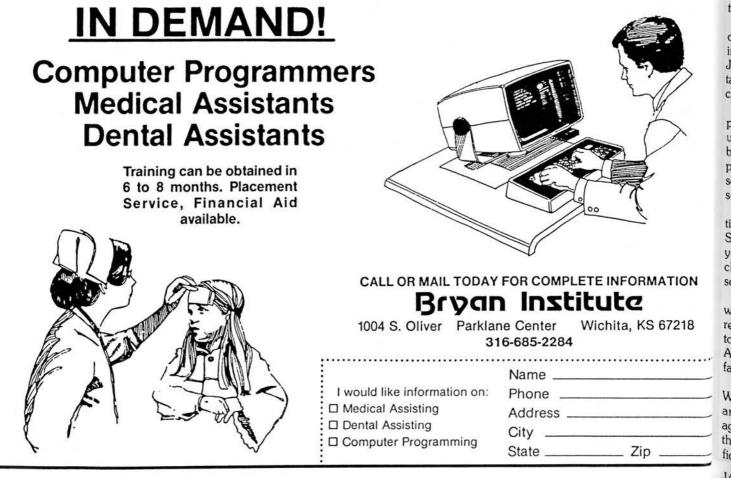
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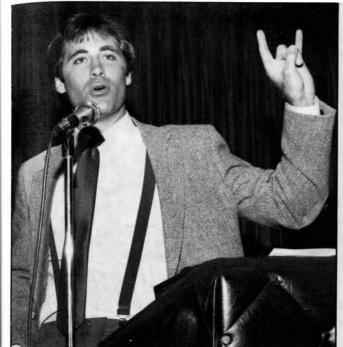
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Mark Mayfield - "Be busy .. You learn as much from extracurricular activities as you do from books."

There's opportunity in agriculture

by Christine Buchanan Extension Publications Editor

"There's a wealth of opportunity in agriculture," says Mark Mayfield, director of government affairs for Farmland Industries, the largest farm cooperative in the United States.

Mayfield points out almost one-fourth of the working people in this country are involved in some form of agriculture. Jobs *are* available — and that's important to someone who's deciding on a career.

In fact, as Mayfield lists them, the possibilities in ag-related fields are almost unlimited: ag attorney, research scientist, business management consultant, ag public relations, sales, teaching, grain science, banking, communications, and so on.

As an example, he says some advertising agencies work only with ag clients. So if you're working for the agency and you need to produce an ad about a chemical fertilizer, you ought to know something about agriculture.

"Don't forget the person on the farm, whom we all depend on," Mayfield reminds. That's a possible career choice, too, even though fewer than 3% of Americans actually live and work on farms.

Mayfield is a lobbyist, going to Washington, D.C., to visit with senators and members of Congress on behalf of agriculture. He also contacts legislators in the 20 states surrounding Farmland's offices in Kansas City, Mo. His current position is based on a solid agricultural background. During his high school years in Caney, he was active in Future Farmers of America. Then he majored in ag education at Kansas State University, getting a master's degree, as well.

While he was a college student, Mayfield served as national FFA president in 1973-74, traveling thousands of miles and making hundreds of speeches.

"Be busy," he advises young people. He believes the five worst words you have to live with are: "I wish I would have ..."

Now that he's out of school, he regrets he didn't get into sports when he was in high school — even though he was the youngest in his class, was late maturing, and was, as he says, "a shrimp."

Once he got into college, he did go out for track. "You learn as much from extra-curricular activities as you do from your books."

Nor does he think ag students need to limit themselves to ag organizations and events. Be on the school newspaper. Get into sports. "Expand your horizons."

Mayfield is emphatic about the need to learn ag fundamentals. He cites as an example an ag journalism major who wants to be a great journalist but who neglects the basics about agriculture. Or the ag education student who dreams of being a good adviser, without studying the fundamentals of production agriculture.

"Everything eventually goes back to the person on the farm," he says again.

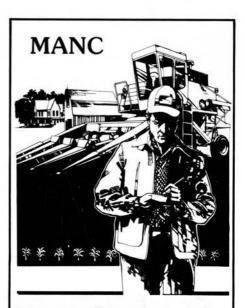
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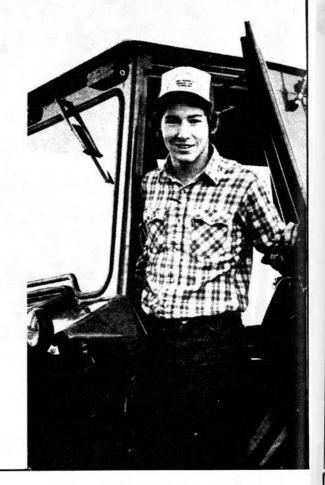
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Two-year program prepares



Washburn students can enroll in the two-year law program.

by William Dunlap Washburn University

Many people think of law as a very narrow career field. It's law school or nothing.

Law careers now are available with just two years of college education, however. Court reporting is one such option.

Court reporters have been recording legal courtroom proceedings since 63 BC when Cicero's secretary recorded a speech on wax-covered tablets using a metal stylus. Court reporters take down all statements made in the court of law, depositions or conferences and transcribe the record as the official transcript.

The past 10 years educational programs for court reporters have moved from the proprietary schools into community colleges and universities. The National Shorthand Reporters Association (NSRA) believes the combined shorthand and general education courses in a more traditional academic setting will improve the quality of the graduating court reporter.

Washburn University now offers an associate of arts degree in court and conference reporting through its School of Applied and Continuing Education. Students are given the opportunity to observe every type of court in the city of Topeka and actually record trials in Washburn's School of Law.

The two-year program was begun last year, and Washburn has applied for full accreditation with the NSRA. The program is expected to be accredited in 1986. Accreditation is not granted until

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Some reporters enjoy the independence of working in a freelance reporting agency. While this career path does not offer the security of a cour system, it does provide the opportunity for higher income and travel.

The employment future for court reporters is favorable. Demand for skilled shorthand reporters is expected to remain strong as state and federal court systems expand to handle the rising number of criminal court cases and civil lawsuits.

A new and exiting career that emerged in the 1970's is the paralegal or legal assistant. Under the supervision of an attorney, legal assistants search real estate titles, work in trust departments of banks, interview witnesses and clients and do legal research and estate work.

An American Bar Association Journal survey shows preparation of case chronologies, analyzing statistics or records and fact investigation are the most common tasks performed by the legal assistant. Other tasks identified were drafting routine pleadings, legal research and preparing tax forms.

Presently the use of paralegals is more common in large firms and in firms specializing in business and litigation. Others, however, work in banks, real estate development firms, accounting firms, insurance companies and other



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court reporters

corporations.

The legal assistant performs the routine tasks, leaving the attorney free to concentrate on work only a lawyer is qualified to do.

The two-year associate degree program for the legal assistant includes a core of specialty courses in law, along with general education courses. Most programs include an internship in an agency or institution during the final semester to give the student an opportunity to apply their coursework in an actual job situation.

Four Kansas institutions offer this degree: Hutchinson Community College, Johnson County Community College, Washburn University and Wichita State University.

The paralegal field is considered one of the hottest job markets for the 1980s. Government statisticians project that by 1990 there will be more than one legal assistant for every attorney.

Club members watch out for elderly

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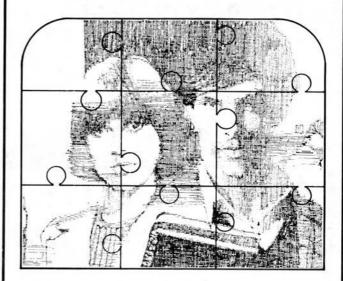


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... But, I'm not going to college

by De McGlashon Extension Communications Specialist

Don't think just because you've oraduated from high school and have decided against attending a college or trade school you can guit learning.

Teenagers who want to take their chances in the job market or hang on to iobs they already have, may find it more necessary than ever to be self reliant, set goals and pursue learning on their own.

"In many ways young people who have wanted to go it alone may find fewer people, aside from their own families, who are interested in their futures," says Chuck Smith, Extension human development specialist at Kansas State University. After all, students usually have advisors and instructors to keep up a flow of information and to expect a certain level of performance. Both of these aspects may be lacking in the business world.

"Set goals," Smith says. "Where do you want to be and what do you want to be doing this time next year or five years from now? We often ask such questions of the college bound, but it's just as important for others to analyze their expectations. Then make plans to reach them."

All too often young people going off to jobs everyday — jobs that may be humdrum and without clear possibilities for advancement - get caught up in a comfortable rut.

"Such jobs may be fine if the person has worked out a strategy for self improvement," Smith notes.

Use the step-approach, he advises. Break goals into components that can be tackled one step at a time. This method cuts your target into manageable parts. offers a breather between steps and gives a feeling of accomplishment as your goals draw near.

Whatever you take up, think of learning as a life-long process. Search out information on topics of interest to you or on facts pertinent to either the job you have or the one you're angling for. If you're a storekeeper, learn more about marketing, the psychology of selling or the business side of your work. Your local library can become your classroom.

Someone starting out in a trade would

do well to find a mentor. Smith says, "someone who knows lots about the in's and outs of the job as well as the work place politics. The old pro can give a beginner some tips of the trade that might take months to learn by experience alone."

If you approach such people openly with a desire to learn from them, they are often flattered and responsive to your request providing the two jobs are not competitive and you don't take time away from either of your tasks.

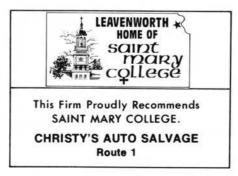
Frequently, by keeping your eyes and ears open you can learn from others. Don't be surprised to find that the one most efficient and skilled may not be the most flamboyant or popular person on the job.

Finally, Smith suggested travel as an alternative for the youth who does not plan on college or a trade school.

"The summer after graduation may be the logical time for a young person to take a trip, journey beyond a limited social circle he or she has known at home and get a picture of people and places in another part of the country.

In some cases, a relative living somewhere else might be willing to provide room and board in exchange for tasks done around the house or a temporary job might cover a teenager's expenses.

"Don't be afraid to review your plans," Smith concludes. "You may find that after a few months in the work world, a skill or an interest that requires higher education will send you visiting campuses and wondering, maybe college ... after all."





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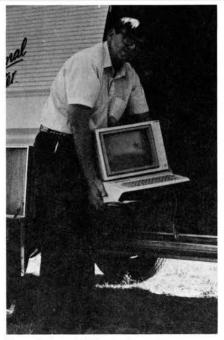
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Ag options and futures Can't farm? Where to now ...



Gary Dolan, CCC agribusiness instructor, demonstrates the mobility of the microcomputer.

by Joan Istas Editor

There are ag jobs out there — if you have a broad based agricultural background and are flexible, says Vaughn Henry, chairman of the Colby Community College agriculture department. Flexible to Henry means being willing to go where the job is and offer nontraditional job skills.

"Be productive, innovative; create a demand for your skills," Henry says.

For instance, a recent Colby College graduate sells horse insurance and others are employed in breed registries. A graduate in ag mechanics today, however, may find it difficult to remain employed year-around unless tied to a stable industry.

Henry is concerned that many of today's farmers discourage their children from farming. "The traditional agriculture picture is not bright right now and may not be until after the turn of the decade," Henry admits. But there always will be jobs that can not be filled without trained personnel.

Henry believes the two- and four-year colleges of today can best prepare youths for agriculture careers by offering a service-oriented rather than a production-oriented program.

Farmers are becoming managers rather than producers, Henry says. "We can teach them how to be more effective managers. At the same time, we also need to train spray pilots, custom applicators, crop protection specialists, irrigation advisors and animal scientists. All are occupations farm managers will need."

Colby College, in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service, has developed a program to train conservation technicians. The conservation technician program provides students with a sound background in livestock production and agronomy. This includes range management, soils, irrigation, surveying, microcomputer applications and computer mapping courses.

Hands-on training is emphasized. "The soil technician has to relate to the farmer and his problems. It is very hard to recommend practices when he has no practical knowledge of farming," Henry says.

In addition, hours are flexible, and the job can supplement a young farmer's income while he is getting established.

Practical application also is stressed in Colby College's computer education program. Instead of teaching computer programming, classes are offered in software application.

"The average producer just does not have the time to take the required computer science programming courses to design anything sophisticated enough to be really useful on a farm," explains Gary Dolan, CCC agri-business instructor.

By emphasizing practical, hands-on computing skills, area livestock producers and businessmen also have the opportunity to learn about the microcomputer.

Because of the great demand for practical computer instruction, a mobile van takes the classroom to the student.

Twelve separate mini courses, each designed to give students a working knowledge of computers, are offered at CCC. For example, one credit hour is spent on word processing, one hour on spread sheets and one hour on file handling. The courses also cover specific program areas such as market charting, payroll or accounts receivable.

Among the 200 students annually enrolled in the community college's agriculture program, about half are vocational students. Upon receiving an Associate of Applied Science degree, these students obtain jobs as veterinary technicians, farm operators, workers at horse and livestock farms and agri-business. The remainder are traditional transfer students.

Other students continue their education at a four-year college. Kansas State University receives most CCC ag transfers, Henry says.

Students come to the Thomas County two-year institution from throughout Kansas as well as nationwide and foreign countries. Next to Kansas State University, Colby College has the largest agricultural staff in the state with 14 full-time ag instructors.

"CCC ag graduates have not had difficulty finding jobs," Henry says. "Ag careers are there. People who can be productive; good people are doing well."

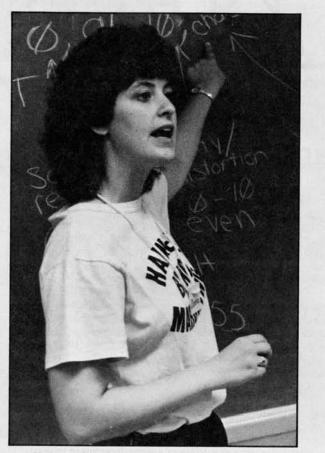
A CCC ag graduate can expect a starting salary of \$10,000 to \$25,000 per year depending on degree and level of skill. Henry, however, says a student who completes a four-year program has more marketable skills which may open such fields as the Extension Service, education, government and marketing.

"The more you know, the better off you are going to be," Henry says.

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Make megabucks in computers



Donna Walton, Blackhawk Computer School, Bettendorf, Iowa, is one of many people who have found jobs in the new computer field.

by George Brandsberg Extension Communications Specialist

You can make megabucks as a computer specialist. Private industry, educational institutions and government are all looking for good people who can write computer programs, do systems analysis work or design software, especially software that uses graphics.

Megabucks? How does starting out at \$20,000 to \$25,000 a year, just out of college, sound? Or how about \$16,000 to \$19,000 with a two-year associate degree?

"Unfortunately, many young people are attracted to this field by the high salaries without thinking about the work itself or whether it really suits them," observes Joe Campbell, a computer science instructor at Kansas State University. "These people are disappointed when they find the curriculum is difficult. If it were easy, trained people would not be paid so well, obviously."

Perhaps you've had some experience through the 4-H computer project and are really excited about a career working with computers and software.

Talk To People

The next step, of course, is to find out all you can about computer-related jobs by talking to people who have them, so you can see whether you'd like doing what they do for a living. For example, if you think you'd like to work with computers for an airline company, find someone who already has a job like that and visit with them. Or maybe you're interested in computer applications in agriculture. Again, talk to someone who has this kind of experience.

You're convinced this is work you would enjoy. What should you do to prepare for professional training after high school? "Take all the math classes you can and enroll in classes that stress problem solving, such as physics," suggests Campbell. "Also, develop your communication skills by taking courses that stress composition. The three skills that students really need to develop are mathematics, communication and problem solving."

Besides emphasizing taking all the math and science courses you can, Gail Simmonds, head of the computer department at Kansas Technical Institute in Salina, recommends also taking all the classes you can related to the field that particularly interests you, such as agriculture or business.

Training Available

The two major kinds of professional training in computer science are at twoyear vocational-technical schools and junior college or at four-year universities.

Kansas Technical Institute offers associate degrees in computer science and electronic data processing. Curricula for the former concentrates on math and science courses and learning five different programming languages. The EDP curriculum concentrates on business courses.

At Kansas State University, the computer science department offers two different majors. Computer science majors have a core curriculum that emphasizes science courses. They must take four math courses and technical electives in subjects in which they are interested in specializing.

On the other hand, information systems majors take COBOL, a businessoriented computer language and 15 hours of business electives such as accounting and management.

Jobs Available

"A lot of our students tend to work for oil companies in the Midwest, banks and the aircraft industry," notes Campbell, "but we do have some who go places like Bell Laboratories, Hallmark in Kansas City and some of the electronic companies in Dallas and places like that. So much really depends on the individual, his grade point and his particular interests.

People with associate degrees are landing jobs with similar organizations, Simmonds adds. "We have many inquiries from companies wanting to hire our graduates."

Sound exciting? Determine whether computer work is really what you want to do, find a suitable school or college for professional training and you'll be on your way.



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Eyestone, Starkey scholarships added -

4-H scholarship fund

4-H scholarships are available to Kansas 4-H'ers who want to further their education at an institution of higher learning.

Scholarship recipients are chosen by the state 4-H scholarship committee.

One-half of state 4-H scholarships are awarded upon enrollment the semester following selection. The remaining sum is awarded in the spring semester, if scholarship criteria is met.

Establishing and administering state and county 4-H scholarships is one of the services of the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

To apply for state and national 4-H scholarships, request the appropriate form from the county Extension office. Attach your transcript of grades and two letters of reference to the application. Each county may submit only one application per scholarship.

All applications, except Union Pacific and Starkey Scholarships, are due in the state 4-H office by March 1. These two scholarships are due Dec. 1.

Scholarships available include:

Cecil and Merle Eyestone 4-H Scholarship

A \$700 4-H scholarship is offered for the first time this year by brothers Merle and Cecil Eyestone with funds from the Mary Linton estate, Topeka.

A 1916 graduate of Kansas State University, Mrs. Linton was a home economics teacher until her retirement in 1955. Cecil and Merle Eyestone, Manhattan, were her only nephews.

The Eyestone brothers have been professionally associated with Kansas 4-H for nearly 75 years. Merle is executive director of the Kansas 4-H Foundation. Cecil was a state 4-H specialist from 1958 until his retirement in 1977.

Both Merle and Cecil began their careers in Extension as 4-H agents. Cecil was the Montgomery County 4-H agent from 1944 to 1958 and Merle, the Shawnee County 4-H agent from 1947 to 1960. He joined the Kansas 4-H Foundation in 1962 and has served as executive director since 1971.

The brothers were active in the Kansas 4-H Agents Association, and Merle served as national president in 1955.

Scholarship applicants must be a junior or senior in high school or freshman in college, have a special interest in leadership and have completed at least three years of 4-H club work in Kansas in a traditional 4-H project or community club.

Selection will be from the record book, scholarship application and personal interview.

> See scholarship chart pg. 29

Roscoe M. and Winona M. Starkey Kansas 4-H and FFA Scholarship

One \$750 college scholarship is provided for a Kansas boy or girl. Union Pacific scholarship applications will be used.

The recipient must have completed two or more years of 4-H work in a traditional or project club or be an active FFA member. He must be currently involved in some aspect of farming or ranching, be in the upper one-third of his high school graduating class or have earned a college grade point average of 3.2. Leadership ability and financial need must be shown. Recipients must enroll in an accredited four-year college or university.

Applicants must be a high school senior, college freshman or sophomore.

Winona Starkey, Manhattan, worked 34 years with the Kansas Extension Service as an agent and later a home improvement specialist with a special interest in 4-H youth.

Roscoe taught vocational agriculture in Wisconsin for 20 years. He served on the Kansas State Vocational Agriculture staff and was responsible for the veterans' farm training program. He also had a great interest in FFA youth.

The first Starkey Scholarship will be awarded this spring.

N.T. Veatch Scholarship

A \$300 scholarship honors N.T. Veatch, a former member of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees. The scholarship may be used for college expenses. High school seniors and college freshmen and sophomores are eligible.

Master Farmer-Homemaker 4-H Scholarship

An annual college scholarship of \$300 is provided for a Kansas 4-H boy or girl who plans to enroll in agriculture, home economics or related fields.

To qualify, the youth must have been a member of a 4-H community or project club three years or more, a resident of Kansas and a graduating high school senior or college freshman.

Applicants must rank in the upper 25% of their high school class academically and enroll in any two-year or four-year accredited college or university.

M. Max Dickerson Memorial 4-H Scholarship

The M. Max Dickerson Memorial Scholarship fund provides two \$500 scholarships to 4-H members who will be or are attending Kansas State University at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Applicants must have completed three years of work in a traditional Kansas 4-H club and have carried at least one project each year.

Additional criteria includes holding at least one 4-H club office and participating in at least two out-of-county events. They must be in the upper third of their high school graduating class or have a college grade point average of 3.0.

Dickerson was a county Extension agent, banker, rancher and member of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees.

Union Pacific Scholarships

Kansas 4-H'ers and FFA members are eligible for 15 \$500 Union Pacific Scholarships. Applicants must live in a county served by the Union Pacific Railroad and apply by Dec. 1 in their senior year in high school.

They must have completed three years of 4-H work and be in the upper 25% of their high school graduating class. Selection is based 40% on scholastic standing; 30%, project work or supervised farming program, records and story; and 30%, character, interest, qualities of leadership, community and extra-curricular activities.

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Bailly-Plainsman Supply Store 4-H Scholarships

Five \$500 scholarships for Kansas 4-H'ers are provided by the Bailly-Plainsman Supply Stores of Kansas for members in Barton, Ellis, Finney, Ford, Sherman, Thomas or adjacent counties.

Applicants must have a minimum of four years of 4-H membership and plan to enroll in a four-year agriculture or home economics degree program at a Kansas college or university.

Graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated outstanding leadership abilities, are service-oriented, have exhibited good character and moral traits and excel scholastically will be chosen.

Financial need only is considered when qualifications of two or more applicants are equal or similar.

Mary E. Border 4-H Scholarship

A \$400 scholarship recognizes Mary E. Border, a former specialist in the state 4-H office. The scholarship is given to an economically disadvantaged or minority 4-H'er. Adults returning to school also are encouraged to apply.

Applicants must have completed at least one year of 4-H work. The Border Scholarship can be used at any accredited college, university, community college or vocational school.

J. Harold and LaVerne Johnson 4-H Scholarship

Any 4-H'er with at least two years' membership in a traditional 4-H club is eligible to apply for this scholarship. Applicants must apply in their senior year in high school or as college freshmen. Selection is based on exceptional scholarship, leadership and achievement.

The \$550 scholarship can be applied toward expenses at any public or private fully-accredited university, college or vocational school. The Johnson Scholarship trust fund was organized and developed by a Sedgwick County committee chaired by Joe Wetta.

Johnson, a Manhattan resident was the first permanent county 4-H agent in Kansas, serving in Sedgwick County from 1927 to 1934. He was state 4-H leader from 1945 to 1958 and then became the first executive director of the Kansas 4-H Foundation. He currently serves on the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees.

Glenn and Rosemary H. Busset 4-H Scholarship

The Kansas 4-H Foundation Endowment Fund provides a \$400 scholarship in recognition of former state 4-H leader Glenn Bussett. Applicants must enroll in some field of agriculture or home economics.

They also must indicate a special interest in journalism and attach a short statement telling of their journalistic experiences and goals. The recipient can use the scholarship at any Kansas taxaffiliated community college or four-year college.

Roger E. Regnier 4-H Scholarship

Selection criteria for the \$450 Roger E. Regnier Scholarship are: completion of at least two years in a traditional 4-H club, entering college freshman, evidence of financial need and scholastic ability.

The recipient must be in the upper third of the high school graduating class. The scholarship can be used at any accredited community college or four-year college.

Regnier, a Manhattan resident, was state 4-H club leader for eight years, serving in that position from 1958 to 1966. He was county agent in Russell County, assistant state farm labor supervisor and, for 20 years, assistant state 4-H club leader.

He organized and led 4-H clubs at Pleasanton in Linn County and at Fairview in Brown County.

Ship Winter Grant

The \$700 Ship Winter Grant is provided by earnings from a trust established by family and friends of the late Milton Shipman "Ship" Winter. Winter was a teacher and coach in Lecompton and Burlington High Schools. He owned several car dealerships in Kansas and ranches in Kansas, Oklahoma and Colorado.

Applicants for the Ship Winter Grant must have completed three years of 4-H work and be in the upper 15% of their high school graduating class. Applications are due during their senior year in high school, one year after high school or during their freshman year in college.

The grant may be used for college expenses, vocational training or purchasing equipment, livestock, etc. to start a business or farming operation. Applicants must complete the Kansas 4-H scholarship application form.

Electric Scholarship

Kansas Electric Cooperatives provide one \$100 scholarship to a high school graduate. The scholarship is to be used at any community college, four-year college, or vocational school. Selection is based on scholarship, leadership and achievement.

National 4-H Scholarships

National scholarship applications are due in the state 4-H office by March 1. The special National 4-H Scholarship application must be used.

A transcript of high school grades and two letters of recommendation, one from the academic advisor and the other from a 4-H leader or agent, must be submitted.

Kansas is one of 15 states where 4-H'ers can apply for two \$1,000 Meredith Corporation Scholarships. Students must apply during their senior year in high school. Scholarships must be used during the freshman year of a fouryear college program.

Alpha Gamma Rho offers a \$1,000 scholarship for a college freshman pursuing a degree in agriculture, forestry, veterinary medicine or a closely-related field. Students should apply during their senior year in high school.

Six \$1,000 scholarships are offered by the American Dairy Goat Association to college freshmen. Applicants must complete one year in the 4-H dairy goat project and enroll in agriculture or home economics or a closely-related field at college. High school seniors are eligible to apply.

College sophomores majoring in animal science are eligible to apply for two \$1,000 college scholarships sponsored by Wayne Feed Division of Continental Grain.

DeKalb AgResearch, Inc. sponsors four trips to National 4-H Congress and four \$1,000 scholarships for students majoring in agriculture. Students may apply during their junior or senior year in high school. The scholarship must be used in their freshman year in college.

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Scholarships offered ...

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Champion Valley Farms offers two \$1,000 scholarships for students enrolled in veterinary medicine school. Application forms can be obtained from the Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine.

The \$750 Gertrude L. Warren Scholarship, sponsored by the National 4-H Council, may be used at any accredited college, university, technical or trade school. High school students are eligible to apply.

Two \$1,000 Who's Who Among American High School Students Scholarships are offered. Applicants must apply in their senior year in high school and have completed at least one year of 4-H work. They must pursue a career of study at any accredited college, university, technical or trade school.

Tobe-Coburn School for Fashion Careers offers one \$3,000 scholarship. It must be used at the Tobe-Coburn School in New York City. Applicants must have completed 30 hours of academic work at an accredited college or university. They must be a former 4-H member.

Interest-free loan program rewards 4-H'ers

Interest-free college loans give Scott County 4-H members a financial boost when in college and an incentive to stay in 4-H during their teen years.

The interest free loan program provides up to \$4,000 for a college bound 4-H'er. To qualify, the youth must have been in 4-H for five consecutive years. He must request the loan, and parents must cosign the note. Six months after graduating, monthly payments of about \$55 begin. No interest is charged, and the loan is repaid in six years.

About 200 to 225 4-H loans have been made to 4-H members in the 20 years the program has been in effect. The program has helped produce an excellent group of leaders throughout the U.S., says Al Maddux, Scott County agricultural agent.

"It's been an excellent program. Instead of rewarding one or two, it rewards all 4-H members. We are very proud of the kids."

The program is administered by the Scott County 4-H Foundation.

County 4-H Scholarships

Applicants restricted to residents of the county Scholarships administered by Kansas 4-H Foundation or county Extension office

ALLEN — \$800 Mrs. Gwen E. Wilson Memorial 4-H Scholarship for a Kansas State University student majoring in home economics, agriculture or agricultural engineering.

CHAUTAUQUA — \$1,000 county scholarship to be used for post high school education. Number awarded varies.

CHEROKEE – \$100 county scholarships to be used for post high school education. Number awarded varies.

CLAY – \$300 Viola Bauer 4-H Scholarship for a Kansas State University student.

DOUGLAS – \$200 (minimum) Oletha Blevins Scholarship for a college student enrolled in a home economics related program.

DOUGLAS – \$300 Vista Restaurant of Lawrence Scholarship for a University of Kansas or Kansas State University student.

FRANKLIN – \$200 Ottawa Co-op Scholarship for any 4-H'er majoring in agriculture or agri-business. Two scholarships are awarded.

FRANKLIN – \$100 Underwood Scholarship for any 4-H'er majoring in agriculture, ag-business or a related field. Must be used at a four-year Kansas college or trade school. Two scholarships are awarded.

FRANKLIN – Franklin County KSU Alumni Association Scholarship for any Franklin County high school student. Amount and number awarded vary.

GEARY - \$800 Paul and Clara Gwin Scholarship for a college student.

GEARY – \$150 Lee's Christmas Tree Farm Scholarship for a Kansas State University student majoring in forestry.

LYON – \$300 Bluestem Farm & Ranch Supply of Emporia Scholarship for a student at any accredited college.

LYON – \$75 Homer A. Dailey Memorial Scholarship for a student at Kansas State University who is majoring in agriculture.

LYON – \$350 Vista Restaurant of Emporia Scholarship for a Kansas State University or Emporia State University student.

LYON — \$100 Russel Miller Memorial for a Kansas State University or Emporia State University student.

MITCHELL – \$100 Sharon Cordell Memorial Scholarship for a college, university or vocational technical school student.

MITCHELL – \$200 Mr. and Mrs. James H. Houghton Memorial Scholarship for a freshman student attending any Kansas college or university.

MITCHELL – \$100 Sharon Cordel Memorial Trust to be used at any school of higher education.

RILEY = \$300 L.G. Wreath Memorial Scholarship for a Kansas State University student.

SHAWNEE – \$300 Vista Restaurant of Topeka Scholarship for a Washburn University or Emporia State University student.

WASHINGTON - \$400 county scholarships. Two scholarships are awarded.

The application procedure, deadlines and selection criteria for each of these scholarships varies. Contact your county Extension office for more information.

| Scholarship Amount | | No. of
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| Bailly-Plainsman Supply
Stores of Kansas | \$500 | five | Senior year in high school | Residents of Barton, Ellis, Fin-
ney, Ford, Sherman, Thomas or
adjacent counties will be
given preference.Completed
at least 4 yrs. of 4-H work.
Leadership, service, character
and scholastic achievement. |
| Mary E. Border | \$400 | one | Senior year in high school or
for an adult any time before
or during return to school. | Economically disadvantaged,
minority, or returning adult
student. Completed at least 1
yr. 4-H work |
| Glenn M. and
Rosemary H. Busset | \$400 | one | Senior year in high school | Agriculture or home ec. major
with demonstrated interest in
journalism. |
| M. Max Dickerson
Memorial | \$500 | two | Senior year in high school or
any year in undergraduate or
graduate school. | Scholarship, leadership and
achievement. At least 3 years
in traditional 4-H club. Must be
in upper 1/3 of graduating
class or have a 3.0 college GPA. |
| Electric | \$100 | one | Senior year in high school | Scholarship, leadership and achievement |
| Cecil and
Merle Eyestone | \$700 | one | Junior or senior year in high
school or freshman year in
college. | Special interest in leadership.
Must have completed at least
3 years of 4-H work in a tradi-
tional Kansas 4-H project or
community club. |
| J. Harold and LaVerne
Johnson | \$550 | one | Senior year in high school or
freshman year in college | Scholarship, leadership and
achievement. Must have
completed 2 years in a tradi-
tional 4-H club. |
| Master Farmer-
Homemaker Scholarship | \$300 | one | High school senior or college
freshman. | Completed 3 years
4-H club work.
Be in upper 25% of class.
Must be used in ag, home ec.
or related fields. |
| Roger E. Regnier | \$450 | one | Senior year in high school | Scholastic ability and
financial need. Must have
completed 2 years in a tradi-
tional 4-H club. |
| Roscoe M. and
Winona M. Starkey | \$750 | one | High school senior or college
freshman or sophomore. | Two or more years in a
traditional 4-H club. Currently
involved in some aspect of far-
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1/3 of high school class or
have a 3.2 GPA in college.
Demonstrated leadership abili-
ty and financial need. |
| Union Pacific | \$500 | fifteen | Senior year in high school
Applications due Dec. 1 | Must be a resident of certain
Kansas counties (See footnote)
Must be in upper 25% of high
school graduating class |
| N.T. Veatch | \$300 | one | Senior year in high school or
freshman or sophomore year
in college. | h
Scholarship, leadership and
and achievement |
| Ship Winter | \$700 - can be
used for agri-
culture degree
or short course,
or purchase
livestock | three | Immediately following high
school, one year after high
school, or freshman year in
college. | Completed 3 years of 4-H work.
Upper 15% of high school
graduating class |

See 1984 Award Programs booklet for additional information about state and national 4-H scholarships

Eligible counties for Union Pacific Scholarships: Brown, Cloud, Dickinson, Doniphan, Douglas, Ellis, Ellsworth, Geary, Gove, Graham, Jackson, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Lincoln, McPherson, Marshall, Mitchell, Nemaha, Osborne, Ottawa, Pottawatomie, Riley, Rooks, Russell, Saline, Shawnee, Sheridan, Thomas, Trego, Wallace, Washington, Wyandotte.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT IS THE KEY

Announcing the 1984 Kansas 4-H Key Award Winners

f all the honors that can be gained in 4-H work, none is more prestigious than the Kansas 4-H Key Award. Regulations for Key Award consideration are stringent; only one percent of the state's members are given this recognition each year. Candidates must be at least 16 years of age by January 1 and must meet mandatory requirements which include completion of a minimum of three years of club work and enrollment in junior leadership for two or more years.

In addition to these and other basic qualifications, each nominee for the 4-H Key Award must have demonstrated outstanding contributions in leadership, citizenship and community service. Exhibits, demonstrations, judging, public relations work, the holding of offices, and evidence of handling increased responsibilities in projects are also considered when determining whether a 4-Her has earned this honor.

With so many factors considered, the 4-H Key Award obviously is recognition for leadership development. Simply stated, it recognizes members who have lived up to the high ideals expressed by the 4-H pledge. It is an award to strive for with determination...to win with a feeling of accomplishment...and to wear with pride. Congratulations, winners! Allen Karl Douglass Allen Leann Hillbrant Kimberly Ward

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4-H members now can enter two-yearold horses they train in a new class at the Kansas State Fair 4-H Horse Show.

The class, two-handed western pleasure for two-year-old horses owned,

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Carol Tenpenny RR 2, Valley Falls, KS 66088 913-945-3848 trained and shown by the 4-H member, is an added incentive for the older 4-H'er, says Pete Gibbs, Kansas State University Extension 4-H specialist.

"It gives older horse project members who have developed the maturity and skills an opportunity to start a new horse. The horse they train may turn into a replacement, and their old horse may go to a younger brother or sister."

Horses to be trained must be owned and identified by May 1. 4-H'ers must fill out the identification certificate on the horse, have it signed by the agent and mailed with a \$5 nomination fee to the state 4-H office. The horse may be shown prior to May 1, but after that time may be shown only by the 4-H'er. Youths must be in the 4-H horse project at least one year to be eligible.

"The participant can seek advice and counsel from outside sources; however, he must do his own work and riding," Gibbs says. "Any exhibitor who is unable to do his own riding and training is too young or inexperienced to undertake this project at this time.

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"This gives the rider more control and discourages overcrowding of a young performance prospect," Gibbs explains.

Although the two-handed pleasure class for two-year-old horses is not a qualifying class at the district 4-H horse show, participants will get the opportunity to show their prospects at the district show. The two-year-olds may not be shown in any other pleasure class at the state show.

"Many of our youths are training horses today. This class gives them the opportunity to show the horse they train," Gibbs says.

For more information contact the county Extension office.

Donate a horse to Kansas 4-H

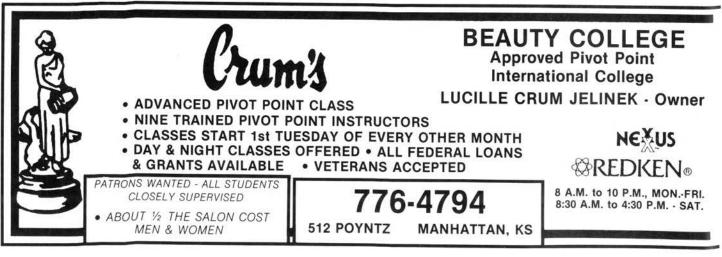
You can give the 4-H horse project a financial boost by donating a horse to the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

Horses donated will be sold and proceeds go into the 4-H horse fund.

It is not unusual for people to donate horses to the KSU Animal Science Department. This merely gives them another alternative, says Pete Gibbs, KSU horse specialist.

Proceeds from the sale of the horse will be used to purchase equipment and produce or purchase visuals to enhance the 4-H horse project.

Those interested in donating a horse to 4-H can either contact Gibbs at Weber Hall, KSU, Manhattan, Ks. 66506, or Steve Fisher, state 4-H specialist, 211 Umberger Hall, KSU, Manhattan.



Horse panorama planned March 9

You don't have a horse, but you're crazy about everything connected with horses.

Then enroll in the 4-H horseless horse project, and plan to attend the March 9 4-H Horse Panorama at Kansas State University.

The horse panorama, held concurrently with the annual KSU Horseman's Conference, is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to give project talks, demonstrations, provide exhibits and compete in the state 4-H horse bowl contest.

Though the panorama is open to all 4-H members, it especially provides 4-H horseless horse project members an opportunity to be involved, says Pete Gibbs, KSU Extension horse specialist.

Gibbs also encourages 4-H members to attend the summer horsemanship schools that will be held on a county or multi-county basis in June and July.

Also this summer, Discovery Day classes will include horse activities, and the state horse judging contest is planned July 18.

For more information about the horse panorama, contact the county Extension office. Details about other events will be available at a later date.



Farm Bureau

1984 4-H Safety Club Winner Sunflower 4-H Club Grant County

The club will receive \$150 for its treasury from the Kansas Farm Bureau Safety Division. A club representative also will receive a trip to the Citizenship Safety Seminar at Rock Springs Ranch June 4-8.

Club members learned about safety through monthly safety talks given by members and from talks presented by people in the community concerned with safety.

A CPR instructor spoke on heart disease and the benefits of exercise, proper diet and medical check ups. A registered pharmacist talked about poison prevention; a policeman, Halloween safety; and an electric cooperative representative, safety during the Christmas season.

Through the project, club members learned to work together and that what one member does helps the entire club. The project was hard work but all said it was fun. Plans are to exapnd the safety project this year.

The Sunflower 4-H Club also:

- Obtained seat belt use be presenting a seat belt safety program to the Ulysses Rotary.
- Obtained poison prevention pamphlets and phone stickers displaying the Poison Control number to distribute at the Grant County babysitting clinic.
- Distributed poison prevention pamphlets at the Grant County 4-H Carnival.
- Publicized safety through five articles in the local newspaper.

Clubs awarded \$50 each and a trip for one delegate to the Citizenship Safety Seminar for outstanding safety work are:

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Awards are sponsored by the Kansas Farm Bureau Safety Division.







Show dress code changed

Dress code for those showing at district and state horse shows has been rewritten and is effective for 1985 district and state shows.

"The purpose of the dress code is to provide a simple and affordable means so all exhibitors can dress neatly in good working attire representative of that worn by horsemen and horsewomen in western classes," explains Pete Gibbs, Kansas State University horse specialist.

Dark blue denim jeans and long-sleeved shirt or blouse that has a conventional collar must be worn. Exhibitors must wear a western hat except in timed events where they are optional. Caps are not permitted. The use of chaps is optional in western classes. Western boots are required in all events, and a belt is recommended.

No vests, sweaters, coats or jackets are permitted except during inclement weather when approved by show management and the judge.

Silver or fancy equipment will not count over good, clean working equipment.

For more information about the dress code, contact the county Extension office.

Stitchery sessions are planned in Kansas during February

Decorative stitchery will be taught at five one-day arts and crafts sessions this spring.

4-H leaders and agents are invited to attend. Participants will bring a T-shirt or sweatshirt, and decorate it with different types of stitches. They will then return home to share their knowledge with 4-H'ers.

Dates for the stitchery sessions are: Feb. 20, southwest area; Feb. 21, northwest area; Feb. 26, northeast area; Feb. 27, southeast area; and Feb. 28, south central area.

For more details, contact the county Extension office.





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Fur harvesters sponsor awards

Two \$100 savings bonds are being awarded for the two outstanding record books in the 4-H fur harvester project for the first time this year. The awards are sponsored by the Kansas Fur Harvesters Association.

Happy birthday, Cloverleaf Club!

by Brian Poertner Cloverleaf reporter

Happy 20th birthday, Cloverleaf 4-H Club! Over 100 past and present club members helped celebrate the Lyon County Club's 20th anniversary recently.

Even the first community club leaders, Richard Mayes and Mrs. Ellis Wise, were there. Mayes and Mrs Wise, and other former club leaders, Chet Loomis, Ralph Shellhammer and David Childears, were honored for their service to the club. June Rochat, a 4-H leader for 27 years and present Cloverleaf leader, also was recognized.

The first club president, James Richardson, and the first club secretary, Carol Hopkins, helped president Brian Richardson and vicepresident Gregory Marsh, put the 20th seal on the charter.

Thanks for the tickets

Worlds of Fun was great! Thanks for the tickets, say Ryan, Brad and Jeff Claycamp, Cuba. Ryan and Brad were winners of the *Kansas 4-H Journal* 4-H trivia contest. Not only did they enjoy the rides and food at Worlds of Fun, but they got to see the Larry Gatlin show.

Photographs exhibited at Rock Springs Ranch

Photographs of 15 4-H'ers make up the Rock Springs Ranch 4-H photography display.

Photos were selected for exhibit by the 4-H photography advisory from over 400 Kansas State Fair 4-H photography show entries.

Photos displayed at Heritage Hall include scenery, people pictures and still life. Thad Rose, Leavenworth County, photographed two koala bears while in Australia as an IFYE Ambassador last summer.

Also on exhibit are photos taken by Dari Ashworth, Scott Krusemark and Rhonda Davis, all of Reno County; Jason Huck and Ryan Hart, both of Comanche; Tammy Hawley, Ford; Holly Lambert, Riley; Kendall McKineimy, Clark; Dan Peterson, Osage; Doug Teetzen, Dickinson; Jay Todd, Thomas; Teresa Weiser, Norton; Angela Barnes, Douglas, and Nancy Hueftle, Scott.



Fair Bear promotes 4-H program

Sedgwick County Sunflower 4-H Club members promoted 4-H last summer with a green and white "Fair Bear."

The 20 4-H'ers built the four-foot tall bear with chicken wire, paper mache and green and white tissue paper for that fluffy look. He bore a green 4-H clover on his chest and carried green balloons which proclaimed, "Fair Bear knows 4-H."

Fair Bear was pulled through parades at the Harvey County and Sedgwick County Fairs and the Potwin Fall Festival in a small green wagon powered by a riding lawn mower.

4-H'ers followed the green bear and gave away green 4-H balloons.

Booster club raises funds for 4-H

The Washington County 4-H Booster Club makes an annual achievement banquet possible in that county.

Organized five years ago for the sole purpose of raising funds for the banquet, today the club annually raises \$2,500 to \$4,000 through door to door solicitations.

Funds are used not only for a banquet that recognizes 550 4-H'ers and leaders but also for 4-H awards, two \$400 scholarships, to bus kids to county camp at Rock Springs Ranch and to send two kids to the Kansas City 4-H Conference. The booster club is comprised of nine 4-H Extension Council members and representatives from each county commissioner district. These volunteers do all the work, including organizing the annual banquet, says Garry Keeler, Washington County agricultural agent.

But that's just natural in a county that strongly relies on volunteer leaders to keep its 12 clubs and 300 members healthy.

"We like to think the 4-H clubs could run two years without us," Keeler says.

IFYE delegates are named

Thirteen Kansas 4-H'ers will travel to other countries as IFYE ambassadors and representatives this year.

IFYE representatives, 15- to 25-year olds, will spend four to six months abroad. IFYE ambassadors, 15- to 19-year olds, visit six months in one country.

"IFYE (International 4-H Youth Exchange) delegates learn a culture by living it. They live with families and join in the family work and activities," says Lois Redman, state 4-H-youth specialist. 1985 IFYE representatives are Van Larson, Brown County; Mark Baker, Leavenworth County; Carmen Calhoun, McPherson County; Janelle Shouse, Dickinson County; and Nancy Odgers, Finney County.

IFYE ambassadors are Julie Kaiser, Gove County; Carolyn Premer, McPherson County; Kent Bradley, Douglas County; Kristen Pease, Wabaunsee County; Tresa Walters, Butler County; and Paula Schamberger and Heidi Hixson, both of Trego County.

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Discover yourse

by Kathleen Ward Extension Communications Specialist

Lauren Wimberley is like many high school seniors. She's thinking about going to college.

"I couldn't tell you what I'd like well enough to do the rest of my life," she says. "I guess I'd better decide pretty soon, though — and decide right."

She's heard about people with advanced degrees who can't get any job except driving a cab.

She says her cousin was a university senior when he realized being an architect was really his parents' idea. Now Blaine's having to decide whether to finish a degree in a field that bores him or start over.

Lauren's brother, Ben, has changed college majors almost monthly. He's dropped some classes and made lousy grades in others as he's searched for an interesting subject that has job potential. Mom and Dad are beginning to talk about his joining the army while he makes up his mind.

So, how can Lauren and other youths avoid these problems?

Discover Yourself

The first step is don't panic. You don't have to decide this minute what you'll do the rest of your life.

Second, before you start thinking about careers, get to know yourself better. The kinds of jobs that have the most openings or highest salaries are always changing. But over time, your values, interests and abilities won't change that much. And they're what usually determine whether you're happy at a job no matter what the particular work.

Almost every high school guidance counselor can help you discover more about your values and interests. This year the Kansas Department of Education financed career planning activities for more than 200 school districts. Every district agreed to offer the ACT career planning test and/or a computer program that matches student's interests to Kansas careers.

Values, Interests, Goals

Of course, you can think about values, interests and abilities on your own, too. For example, ask yourself these kinds of questions:

— Where do you prefer living? The Midwest? A coast? A city? A town? Near lakes or mountains? Somewhere with cultural events? If you want to live in the Badlands of South Dakota, you can't build dams or bridges.

— Where does marriage fit in your life? When?

— Do you really want lots of money or just enough to live comfortably?

— Do you like working with your hands? With people? With ideas? Facts or figures? Some combinations?

efore choosing a career

Do you prefer working indoors? Outdoors? If you like both and choose indoors, can you do enough on your own outdoors to be satisfied?

- Would you rather sit and work? Move around sometimes, perhaps go to meetings? Travel some?

- Do you like working alone or do you need people contact? Do you prefer lots of competition or cooperation? Do you work best independently or as one member of a team?

- Are your hobbies a clue to the work you'd enjoy? How about the things you do well or have experience doing? Are you looking at yourself optimistically for example, seeing that you got experience in management, as well as cooking, when you worked at that fast food joint?

- Are you most comfortable around older people? Children? All ages?

If you live near a college or university campus, you may have another way to explore your interests and values. Many college placement centers now have "user friendly" computer programs with names such as SIGI and Discover. And some allow high school students to use these career exploration programs.

It will take time to understand yourself well enough to know where and how you could work well.

But when you've completed that step, you'll be ready for the next one: Learn more about specific careers and see how they fit with your particular values, interests and abilities.

Consult Your Counselor

Sessions with your high school guidance counselor can help with this. You also can make an appointment to talk to the counselor at an area vocational school or a community college with vocational programs. High school and college "career days" can help you learn, as well.

If, like Lauren, you don't know the



kinds of jobs that exist, look for publications in libraries and the counseling office.

One highly recommended and easyto-find guide is the "Occupational Outlook Handbook." It tells about the general job market, ways to get a job and how to get financial help in going to school. It also lists occupations. For each, it describes the kind of work, working conditions, pay, hiring requirements and job outlook.

Some places may also have the "College Placement Council Annual." In it, companies tell what kinds of vacancies they have, what they expect from applicants and how much they're paying.

When you've found some careers that seem like good possibilities, talk to people who actually are working in the field. They may tell you a job isn't all it seems to be — or is more than it seems to be. People in the field will have a good idea about job prospects, too. And they may know about internships or part-time jobs you could try now.

It's Your Decision

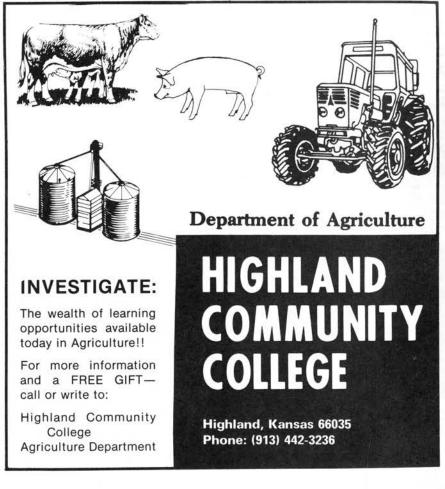
As you focus in on the good possibilities, remember the final choice

has to be your own final choice — not your parents', relatives' or friends'.

Naturally, you won't want to ignore the job outlook. The underemployment problem is pretty serious. The kinds of jobs that are available are shifting — particularly to the high tech and service fields.

But you won't keep a job very long if you're not committed to it, if you're not good at it or if it traps you in a work environment you don't like. At the same time, all kinds of jobs for people with all kinds of skills are out there — if you take the time to learn about them, realize they're right for you and get prepared.

(Background for this article was provided by Rick Efros, career counselor, Kansas State University; Flo Hamrick, assistant director of Placement and Career Services, Wichita State University; Cheryl Brown Henderson, education program specialist, Kansas Department of Education; and Lu Ann Kaufman, associate director of Career Development and Placement Services, Fort Hays State University.)



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Good records take youth to National 4-H Congress An unforgettable trip



Paul Mick



A strong interest in record keeping and a love of electricity took Paul John Mick, Mitchell County, to a state electric award in 1984.

As a state award winner, Paul attended National 4-H Congress in Chicago. He was a guest at three-course banquets, toured the National Art Institute, attended the Christmas Pops concert and, on his one free evening, shopped at what he calls "a real expensive store."

He probably never will forget the \$900 price tag on the life-sized chocolate elephant. Or that many of the items didn't even carry price tags. Neither Paul nor the other 4-H'ers accompanying him dared ask those prices. As is traditional among delegates attending National

As is traditional among delegates attending National 4-H Congress, Paul traded pins and other souvenirs with some of the other 1,700 delegates.

"You have to have been there (to know what it was like)," Paul says.

He says the trip was worth the many hours he spent earning it. He began marking up those hours when at the age of 10 he first enrolled in the 4-H electric project. He enjoyed the project and has taken it for eight years.

"I like building things," he explains.

A major electric project for Paul was building speakers for his stereo. He spent about 12 hours on the project but saved \$400. The speakers were a popular exhibit at the county fair.

> Last year Paul advanced into the field of electronics when he built an electronic clock. Again, he says, the project took a lot of hours.

project took a lot of hours. "It took time to solder all the connections. You had to be patient."

Electronics is more difficult, more involved than electricity, Paul says. In electronics there is a lot of circuitry.

As Paul has completed his projects, he has recorded his progress in his 4-H record book. And, he says, it isn't a task he dislikes.

"I kind of like it — I just kind of like filling things out and keeping everything in line."

Paul fills out the records by taking one project at a time. He tries to keep records neat and accurate and at the end of the year summarizes his progress in a story.

And when he has a question, his community leader always has the answer.

Record keeping is an important life skill, Paul says. He believes the knowledge he obtained in 4-H record keeping will help him when he attends college and later in life in keeping parsonal or business vector

in life in keeping personal or business records. Paul is sold on the entire 4-H program.

"It taught me a lot of things. I've learned leadership skills. It's given me a chance to meet other people and do different things."

Paul, who is a senior in high school, plans to attend college and major in computer science.

The Electric Cooperatives of Kansas encouraging the wise use of energy