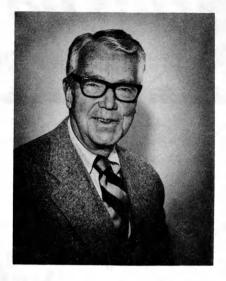


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## Wagstaff joins 4-H Foundation Board



The newest member of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees is Robert W. Wagstaff. Wagstaff brings to the Board a variety of experiences in business and finance and a deep concern for youth and agriculture.

Robert W. Wagstaff was born in Independence, Kansas. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree and of Harvard Law School, with Bachelor of Laws and Juris Doctorate Degrees. He received the

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Distinguished Service Award from the University of Kansas in 1972.

He moved to Kansas City in the latter part of the 1930's as an attorney for Sinclair Refining Company. He later became General Counsel for The Vendo Company and subsequently became its Chief Executive Officer.

He is a founder and Chairman of The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Mid-America, Inc. and of Mid-America Container Corporation.

Mr. Wagstaff has served on the Board of the American Royal and is the current president. He is also Chairman of the Kansas National Bank.

He was on the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and was made Chairman of that Board, where he served for four terms.

He was elected to the Board of Directors of St. Luke's Hospital in June of 1950 and he headed the Hospital from 1966 until January of 1980, when he became Vice Chairman.

He is an active Episcopalian, having served as Chancellor of the Episcopal Diocese of West Missouri for seventeen years and many years

as a Vestryman and Senior Warden of St. Paul's Church of Kansas City, Missouri,

He has served on many Boards, including the Commerce Bank of Kansas City, the Johnson County National Bank and Trust Company, the Interstate National Bank, the Employers Reinsurance Company, Inc., and The Vendo Company. He also served on the Boards of the Civic Council, the Kansas City Crime Commission and the Midwest Research Institute.

Highlighting his and Mrs. Wagstaff's devotion to St. Luke's Hospital, was their gift of common stock with a market value of \$1.5 million, which was used for the erection of the new building that houses the Mid America Heart Institute at St. Luke's Hospital. The building is named the Robert Wilson Wagstaff Building.

The Wagstaffs have three children: Mrs. Katherine Hall Tinsman, of Kansas City; Robert Hall Wagstaff, a lawyer in Anchorage, Alaska; and Thomas Walton Wagstaff, a lawyer in Kansas City, with the firm of Blackwell, Sanders, Matheny, Weary and Lombardi.

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## Update from the editor

by Sara C. Gilliland, editor, Kansas 4-H Journal

This issue is the final one for 1982. Bringing a year to a close and anticipating a new year gives me a chance to evaluate and explain some decisions about the magazine.

Freshest in my mind are some recent questions from readers concerning the Journal's advertising policy. Advertising is crucial for the survival of the magazine. The Journal has three sources of income: 1) advertising; 2) subscriptions by sponsors (see the entire list of sponsors on pages 16 and 17); and 3) contributions. I have made a special effort to increase the advertising revenue so the burden of the increasing production costs would not fall solely on the sponsors.

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I've been pleased with the quantity and quality of material submitted to the Journal. The larger quantity of material that has come in allows me to be more selective about what is printed. Please be patient. Because of the amount of material that I receive and the time lag between issues, you may not see your name in print right away. But keep those letters coming!

If you're looking for some hints on what topics to write about in 1983, the themes for Journal issues are: January — Careers and Education, February/March — Outdoor and club activities, April — 4-H and the Family, May — Events (fairs, judging contests, tours), June — Open, July — International, August — 4-H & Schools, September — Getting Geared Up for the New 4-H Year, October — Arts & Crafts, November/December — Holiday Celebrations and New Ideas for Traditional Events. Remember to submit material at least a month before the issue comes out. Stories, photos, short news items, jokes and games are needed.

Include the 4-H Journal in one of your goals this year—write something, clip something out, share the Journal with a friend, or send a contribution! Have a happy holiday season.

## 4-Hers display art at Rock Springs Ranch

The new art exhibit at Rock Springs Ranch State 4-H Center is as varied as the talents of the 28 young artists who created the works. The exhibit will be displayed for one year in the gallery area of Heritage Hall.

Each county had the opportunity to submit one piece of work. The Rock Springs Ranch Art Committee reviewed the art in October and decided there was enough room to display all of them. "The quality and variety of the art was terrific," said committee member Zoe Slinkman, Extension Cultural Arts specialist.

The 4-Hers whose works are displayed are: Barbara Heffern, Allen County; Melanie Ross, Cherokee County; Ron Benson, Clay County; Lisa Berndt and Christine Berk, Cloud County; Lara McCall, Dickinson County; Chris Brull, Ellis County; Sherri Belcher, Finney County; Ron Corbin, Franklin County; Lynn Farnan and Tracy Hoogendoorn, Harvey County; John Hefty, Jefferson County; Melissa Owen, Johnson County. Carissa Dunbar, Kingman County; Joan Williams, Lyon County; Janay Dunham, Meade County; Janeice Linden, Norton County; April Anderson, Osborne County; Stephanie Bearnes, Ottawa County; Joe Miller, Pawnee County; Curtis Tien, Phillips County; Kim Peirce, Reno County; Shannon Townley, Rooks County; Carrie Wilkens, Scott County; Becky Bozone, Sedgwick County; Crystal Hatcher, Sherman County; Michelle Krein, Smith County; and Ryan Fischer, Wallace County.

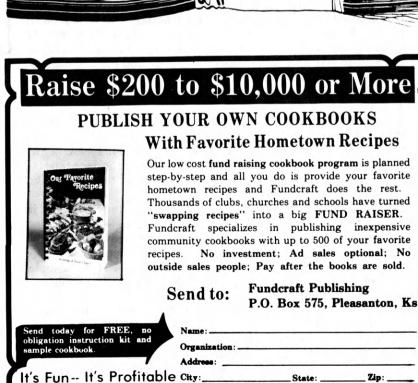
Paintings and drawings are the most numerous exhibits. Other exhibits include wheat weavings, a latch hook design, pottery, wood carving, leathercraft and batik. A handmade miniature horse-drawn wagon and model log cabin are displayed. One of the most unusual items is a coal bucket handcrafted from a washtub.

This is the first year for the 4-H art display at Rock Springs Ranch. Arts and crafts is one of the most popular 4-H projects, with more than 10,000 Kansas 4-Hers enrolled.



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## Kansan captures tractor-driving title

Mark Leuthold, a 10-year Riley competed in a written exam. County 4-H member, brought home to Kansas the second place in the 26th Western U.S. 4-H Tractor Contest.

Mark competed in tractor operations and scored best among 15 state champions at maneuvering a fourwheel, tractor-drawn trailer. He had a perfect score in safety.

The event represents the highest competition level nationally in the 4-H tractor project, according to David Pacey, Extension agricultural engineer at Kansas State University and one of the contest judges.

"Compared to the other kids in Omaha, Mark was poised," Pacey said. "I guess you could say he was really cool."

Contestants faced two driving challenges, each with a course defined by posts topped with carefully balanced golf balls. They lost points for each second spent backing or twisting through the course, but were docked even more points if haste made them careless or unsafe.

"I think it was pretty obvious Mark was the best driver there." Pacev said.

Each contestant examined a tractor, to find at least 10 problems in maintenance or safety. They also



"The guy who put the test together said he thought it was pretty hard. I decided to try it and missed eight myself. Of course, I didn't study for it," Pacey joked.

Mark, age 17, is the son of Erma Leuthold, rural Manhattan. He qualified to represent Kansas in the regional event by winning the tractor operations championship at the 1981 Kansas State Fair.

Mark helps relatives farm and has carried the 4-H tractor project for four years. He's a ten year member of the Ashland Boosters 4-H Club.



Mark Leuthold's tractor driving skills earned him second place in the Western U.S. Regional Tractor Driving Contest. A representative of AMOCO, one of the contest sponsors, congratulates Mark at the contest in Omaha, NE.



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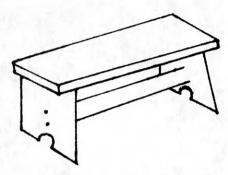
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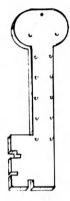
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## 4-Hers bring home 10 national awards

Kansas 4-Hers attending National 4-H Congress in Chicago last week brought home 10 national awards and one sectional honor. Kansas was one of the top three states in capturing national recognition for 4-H projects.

4-Hers receiving the national honors in Chicago are: Mark Keener, bicycle winner from Johnson County; Michele Stehno, consumer education winner from Republic County; Shelby Hoobler, dog care & training winner from Atchison County; Donald W. Holtgraver, Jr., entomology winner from Johnson County; Jeannie Koenig, foods and nutrition winner from Johnson County; John David Jasper, forestry winner from Miami County; Wes Fowler, gardening winner from Lyon County; Sandra Randall, health winner from Johnson County; Denise Kill, horse winner from Miami County; and Kimberly Forrest, safety winner from Pawnee County.

**Darla Paulsen** won a sectional award in the clothing project. She is from Stafford County.

#### **Bicycle Safety**

Mark A. Keener's work with bicycles started when he repaired and maintained the nine bicycles his family owns. Then he became active in the Shawnee City Safety Council's safety and bike inspection program. He's the bike safety leader for the Greenwood Meadowlarks 4-H Club, Johnson County, and has promoted the project at 4-H and school events. Patrick and Betty Keener are Mark's parents. His trip to National 4-H Congress and a \$1,000 scholarship were sponsored by the National 4-H Council.

#### **Consumer Education**

Montgomery Ward and Company, Inc. sponsored Michelle Stehno's trip to Chicago and presented her a \$1,000 scholarship. Michele has shared her interests in foods and nutrition with a variety of audiences, emphasizing consumer education. She was a member of the Munden 4-H Club in Republic County and now attends Kansas State University. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Stehno.

#### **Dog Care & Training**

Shelby Hoobler began the dog project when she was 10 years old. At that time she thought of her dog as "just another dog." During the next eight years, they've become companions and teammates. As she became more experienced, Shelby helped many younger members train their dogs. She was elected to serve as the teen leader on the State 4-H Dog Advisory Committee. As a national winner, Shelby received a trip to National 4-H Congress, transistor radio, and a \$1,000 scholarship from the Ralston Purina Company. Richard and Brenda Hoobler, Horton, are Shelby's parents.

#### Entomology

Mobay Chemical Company provided Donald Holtgraver, Jr.'s trip to National 4-H Congress, a \$75 savings bond, and a \$1,000 scholarship. It was a trip to the Mobay Chemical plant that prompted Donald to conduct research on insect defense methods and make an educational display. He's also done experiments on tomato worms, fire flies, termite control and pesticides for home gardens. His entomology collection includes 308 insects and 21 orders. Donald and Anna Holtgraver, Spring Hill, are his parents.

#### **Foods & Nutrition**

General Foods Corporation provided a trip to National 4-H Congress and a \$1,000 scholarship for Jeannie Koenig's 4-H achievements. After learning basic food preparation techniques, Jeannie has branched out to help cater a special function at her school for 400 guests and prepare food for a one-week family backpacking trip. She attends the University of Kansas. Dr. and Mrs. Michael M. Koenig, Shawnee, are her parents.

#### Forestry

John David Jasper combined several 4-H projects—weed control, acres for wildlife and gardening—to enhance the work he's done in the forestry project. Since 1978 he's planted 55 scotch pine seedling trees as part of a Christmas tree project. He's been active in establishing a 20-acre outdoor biology laboratory for his high school. He lives on a farm near Paola with his grandparents. International Paper Company sponsored his trip to Chicago and presented a \$1,000 scholarship.

#### Gardening

Wes Fowler's gardening interests include landscaping, growing vegetables and flowers and raising house plants. One of the special parts of his flower garden is a gladiola bulb plot. He plants a dozen bulbs of each variety and then records how long it takes to bloom, length of the blooming period, and any other interesting features. Wes is the son of Harry and Marjory Fowler. Chevron Chemical Company sponsored his trip to Chicago and awarded him a \$1,000 scholarship and a \$75 savings bond.

#### Health

Sandra Randall became interested in the health project because her mother is a nurse. Health became one of her main 4-H projects and influenced her career choice. She is certified in CPR and helped organize an emergency first aid class. She designed a weight loss program for herself and her father. Sandra's parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. David Randall, Shawnee. Her trip to Chicago and a \$1,000 scholarship were sponsored by Kraft, Inc.

#### Horse

Denise Kill attributes her love and knowledge of horses to her involvement with 4-H and her father's help. She's qualified to show for the last three years in the National Stock Seat Equitation. She gives riding lessons and helps younger 4-Hers and Girl Scouts who are interested in horses. Denise is the daughter of Donald and Donna Kill, Paola. Denise won a \$1,000 scholarship and a trip to National 4-H Congress from the American Quarter Horse Association.

#### Safety

Kimberly Forrest's safety activities include skits and talks about fire safety, poisons and falls. She's helped organize a Memorial Day coffee stop for highway travelers. Posters and displays are other methods she's used to make the public more safety-conscious. General Motors sponsored Kim's trip to Chicago and awarded her a \$1,000 scholarship. Mr. and Mrs. James E. Forrest, Larned, are her parents.

#### Clothing

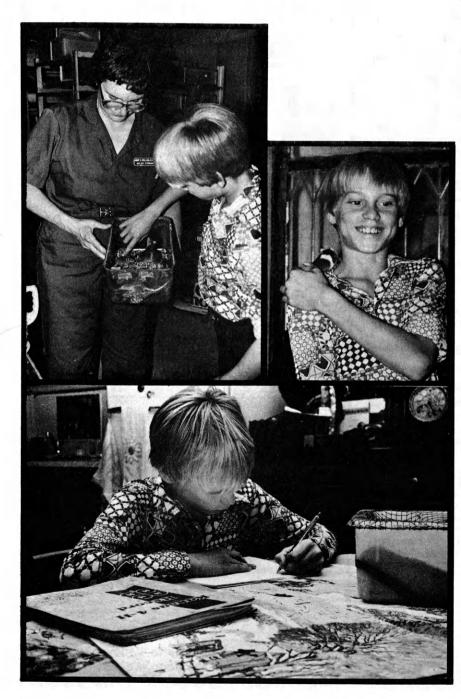
Darla Paulsen won a sectional award in the clothing project. Her trip to Chicago was sponsored by Coats & Clark, Inc. Darla has saved money by sewing many of her own fashionable garments. She's shared her talent by making baby clothes for a church lay mission and making pillows for residents of an invalid home. Dale and Dwilette Paulsen, Stafford, are Darla's parents.





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# Nothing unusual about a four-legged 4-H project EXCEPT . . .



Ben Messer likes to do things that "not everybody does." Take raising mice, for example. In the last year this Riley County 4-Her has raised more than 100 mice as part of a self-determined 4-H project. Ben not only raised them, but also wrote a detailed diary about this experience.

Ben's out-of-the-ordinary 4-H project started last November when veterinarian Anne Collins gave Ben three adult mice and a cage. He named the brown and white male mouse "Luke." The cream and white-spotted female he calls "Tidbit" and the beige female is named "Lilac." Later in the year he got another female. He named this brindle-colored mouse "Carolyn" in honor of his bus driver.

The mice live in a special mouse cage, which is a plastic box, a little bigger than a shoe box, with a wire mesh lid. Ben uses a thick rubber band to keep the lid on -a technique that saved the mice from his brother's cat, Stormy.

The mice scurry around inside the sawdust-lined box and Ben reaches in and pulls one out by the tail. "That's the way you're supposed to pick them up," he explains.

They easily fit in the palm of 11-year-old Ben's hand. They are quiet, clean and seem accustomed to being handled. But Ben never lets go of them. They're so fast that they could be gone in an instant, and then the problem would be catching them.

When Anne gave the mice to Ben, it was with the understanding that Ben would return all the offspring. He raises them until they are weaned (about 3 weeks old) and then gives them to Anne. She uses the young mice to feed her  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -foot boa constrictor, which has an appetite for about a dozen young mice twice a month.

Anne purposefully selected a solidcolored female and a spotted female for Ben, so he could begin to understand the genetics involved in determining the color of the babies. He knows that Tidbit, the spotted female, will always have spotted babies when mated with Luke, the spotted male. Solid-colored Lilac has spotted babies about half the time when Luke is the father.

When Ben came home from school one afternoon, he saw four adult mice piled on top of 29 baby mice. All three females had litters the same day! The babies were nestled in a hole scratched in the sawdust. At birth the mice are less than an inch long. They have no hair and their eyes aren't open. Their skin is so transparent that you can see milk in their stomachs after they've nursed.

Because the females will nurse and care for another female's babies and the fur color of the babies is not distinct, Ben had to wait almost a week before he could begin to sort out which babies belonged to each female. Each time a litter is born, Ben records their markings in his diary. Twenty-nine baby mice at one time is the most Ben has cared for.

He's learned not to disturb the nests for several days after the babies are born, because if he cleans out the cage that soon after birth, the females kill the babies. If the litter is too large for the female to care for and keep warm or if some of the babies are sick, the female eats the weakest ones.

"Ben has developed a sense of objectivity about this project," Anne says. Seeing some of the babies die, knowing the healthy ones are fed to the snake, and realizing that his four adult mice are nearing the end of their 1-year life span are parts of the project that make the mice similar to research subjects.

In other ways, however, Ben treats the mice as pets. They eat dry corn and bread regularly, but occasionally Ben gives them treats. Marshmallows are one of their favorite treats. When Anne questioned feeding them marshamllows, Ben's explanation was "Well, it was Christmas!"

Without the arrangement of providing the baby mice for the snake's meals, Ben would soon be in the mouse business on a scale similar to Anne. One room in her earth-sheltered home is the mouse house. In glass aquariums and laboratory cages, hundreds of mice of every size and color live and reproduce every three weeks.

It's from this "mouse herd" that Anne and Ben will soon select some new adults and continue their project. This year they'll probably get deeper into principles of genetics.

As long as Ben has a customer for the baby mice and an enthusiastic leader, his mother's only other request is that Ben makes sure the mice don't get loose. Actually, Mrs. Messer doesn't even worry too much about the mice getting loose. She's gotten so used to Ben's project that instead of standing on a chair screaming she'd now be down on her hands and knees looking for the little rascals.



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## Judging Teams

Kansas was represented at the National Dairy Judging Contest in Madison, Wisconsin by Danny and Daron Bauerle from Brown County, Tammy Penner from Marion County and Alan Myers from Dickinson County. The team placed 13th in the contest in which 147 judgers participated. David Bauerle, Danny and Daron's older brother, coached the team.

Alan Myers was the 11th high individual judger. The contest was part of the World Dairy Expo. Over 2100 dairy cattle were exhibited.

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The Kansas 4-H Dairy Judging Team (left to right): Alan Myers, Daron Bauerle, Tammy Penner, Danny Bauerle, and David Bauerle (coach).

Midland United Dairy Industry Association is proud of all 4-Hers who complete dairy and dairy foods projects. Raising, showing, and judging dairy cattle is an important part of the whole Kansas dairy industry.

## 4-Hers to National Conference

Four Kansas 4-Hers won trips to the National Dairy Conference in Madison, Wisconsin for their achievements in the dairy project. Selection was based on the overall dairy record this year, which includes leadership, production, management, and size of herd. Dana Wolford, Lyon County; Dwight Call, Chautauqua County; Kelli Anderson, Leavenworth County; and Scott Emig, Dickinson



County are this year's trip recipients. Nancy Anderson from Leavenworth County accompanied the group.

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### State Fair Judging Team

The Brown County dairy judging team placed first at the 1982 Kansas State Fair. Team members were: Daron and Danny Bauerle, Nathan Worth and Mike Koenig.

## State Winner

Scott Emig, Dickinson County, is the 1982 state 4-H dairy winner. He lives on an 800-acre dairy farm west of Abilene with his parents, Don and Linda Emig, and his sister.

Scott's dairy project started nine years ago when he borrowed money to buy his first heifer. His dairy herd now consists of 12 animals. Scott really had the opportunity to learn the dairy business following his father's heart attack and surgery.

He convinced his parents that he could manage the dairy operation during Don's recovery. Scott was a full-time dairy farmer the same year he was a sophomore at Abilene High School and a member of the champion football team. After high school he plans to attend Kansas State University and maintain his interest in the dairy industry.

## Ideas & News

#### From the Northeast Area:

Cloud County: Denette Chartier reports that for the past two years the Miltonvale Hustlers 4-H Club has worked on the Acres for Wildlife club project. They have preserved a plot for the wildlife by building brushpiles and feeders and have posted signs to identify the area and explain the project.

This year they held a poster contest with the theme of preserving wildlife. The posters were printed in the local paper and placed in the Home Cafe for the community to see.

The first place poster in the 8th to 12th grade category was made by Karen Campbell. Her poster was entitled "Home on the Range" and featured the state bird and state flower. Denette Chartier won 2nd place and Jody Braun and Polly Pacey tied for third.

In the 7th grade and under category, first place went to Lisa Breen with a poster titled "Whooo, who cares about wildlife?" Belle Stevenson won second and Brian Yonally placed third.

Marshall County: The highlight of the 50th anniversary celebration for the Wide Awake 4-H club was the presentation of a plaque to Robert Mayer naming him an honorary charter member of the club. Mr. Mayer has served 34 consecutive years as a community or project leader. He was a member of the club for 10 years before becoming a leader. Over 200 former members, leaders, parents and friends attended the event. Spencer Sutton, club reporter, sent this news to the Journal.

Marshall County: The Happy Harvester 4-H Club, as part of their club citizenship project, built and donated booths for the 4-H building at the fairgrounds. The woodworking project members built a scrapbook exhibit booth this year and built five home improvement exhibit booths last year. The club raises money to buy the booth materials by holding paper drives.

Riley County: Sixty-two 4-Hers and leaders from Riley, Geary, Pottawatomie, Nemaha and Wabaunsee counties enjoyed a fun-packed junior leaders retreat at Rock Springs Ranch. The October weekend event was hosted by Riley County junior leaders.

Karla Wienck reports that Sam Ulsaker from Goessel, Ks. talked to the group about problem solving and everyone discussed the topic of peer pressure. Some of the fun activities were: machine charades, airplane rides, volleyball and basketball games, dancing and a hugging circle.

Riley County: The Lee Hilltoppers 4-H Club honored their retiring community leaders, Willa Dean (Mrs. Merle) Eyestone and Cecil Eyestone, at the club's annual achievement program.

The Eyestone families have been associated with the club since it was organized in 1959 at the Cecil Eyestone home. During the past 23 years, nine Eyestone children have completed their 4-H careers as members of the Lee Hilltoppers. Every one of the Eyestone children served at least once as president of the club.

The club presented Chet Peters' wood carvings to Cecil and Willa Dean in appreciation of their many years of leadership. **Dorothy Fulghem**, senior reporter, and **Sharon Moreland**, junior reporter, sent this news to the Journal. Wyandotte County: Mauria Stonestreet, reporter for the Brauer 4-H Club, sent this neat, new idea for county fairs—a Kiddie Tractor Pull. They set up the contest for kids 10 years of age and younger. They had three weight divisions, with a weight limit of 70 pounds. The toy tractors pulled bricks.

**Paul Stonestreet** headed the committee, set up the course and secured prizes for the contest, with the help of community leader **Don Crim.** It was enjoyable for the 36 kids who participated and for those who watched. The club plans to host the event again next year. They picked a first and second place winner in each division. They also had a drawing for a toy tractor.



Kiddie tractor pull contestants and spectators line up for the victory lap.



Attending the Wide Awake 4-H Club 50th anniversary celebration were: (from left) Dale Apel, acting assistant Extension 4-H youth director; Robert Mayer and Mrs. Leonard Bigham, community leaders; and Kent Mayer, club president.



#### From the Northwest Area:

**Barton County:** During National 4-H Week, the 4-H Council delivered awardwinning maple-nut twist coffee cakes to the county 4-H Journal sponsors, **American State Bank** and **Great Bend Co-op.** The cakes were made from the same recipe that won grand champion at the Barton County Fair, sold for \$400 at the food auction, and won a purple ribbon at the Kansas State Fair. Needless to say, the cake hit the spot and didn't last long.

#### From the South Central Area:

Harper County: Marty Seipel, Tip Top 4-H Club reporter, sent news of the observance of Fire Prevention Week. He gave a talk at the club meeting, sharing his experiences as a member of the Anthony auxiliary firemen. Fifteen-yearold Marty attended a fire fighting school this summer. He passed the entire course, which included a week of hard training about hazardous chemicals, ventilation, using a monitor nozzle and rescuing victims. The last night of the training included fighting a 250-gallon diesel fuel fire.

Harvey County: Elizabeth Wulf, Kellas 4-H Club, received a meat carving set from the Kansas Beef Council for giving the highest ranking meat utilization demonstration at the Kansas State Fair. Her talk, "Cut Up Beef, Cut Down Costs," showed how to cut up a tenderloin and a 3" thick round steak into family size portions for more economical eating. She also gave tips on buying knives, cutting boards and freezer wrap. Robyn Miller is the Kellas 4-H Club reporter.

#### From the Southeast Area:

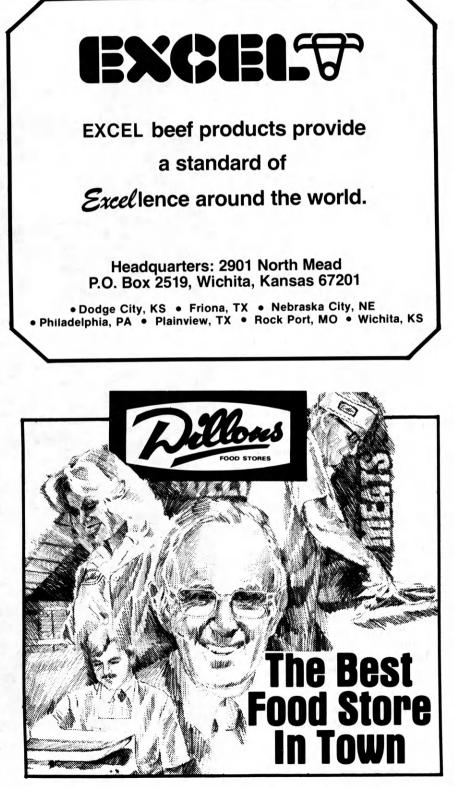
Franklin County: Brett Dunlap, Franklin County photo club reporter, send a copy of the 1982 Special 4-H Edition run by the Ottawa Herald. Brett says thanks to the Ottawa Herald news staff; publisher Robert Wellington; and farm editor Diane Yeamans for another great 4-H Week celebration publication.

New items and features were supplied by club reporters, 4-Hers, parents, leaders and county 4-H agent Jo Ellen Arnold. Diana Yeamans, farm editor, did a super job of putting the six pages together.

For the sixth year, purple ribbon Franklin County Fair photos were printed as cover and feature pictures. County-wide 4-H photographers featured were: Curt Collins, Chris Hoch, Kim Bealmer, Alan McClain, Tracy Shuck, Bill Rodgers, Terri Montgomery, Bob Kuestersteffen, Leslie Campbell and Rob and Brett Dunlap.

Miami County: The Willow Branch 4-H Club window display won first prize in the annual National 4-H Week display contest. The display featured a "Get Cookin' with 4-H" theme. Each year the name of the winning club is inscribed on a plaque which hangs in the Extension office. Sumner County: Mrs. Marion Watts, Corbin, organized a county-wide Bread Fair in November. Participants made bread in a plastic bag. While the dough was rising, 4-Hers gave demonstrations.

Sumner County: The Drury Millers 4-H Club promoted National 4-H Week with a window display at Caldwell. Toni Wolff and Beryl Dvorak are the leaders.



## **IDEAS . . . IDEAS . . . IDEAS** from other clubs

#### A regular Kansas 4-H Journal feature.

Many 4-H leaders are looking for a way to learn about successful club activities carried out in other 4-H clubs in Kansas. Since the Journal goes to nearly all 4-H families in the state, it's the perfect vehicle for the exchange. Learn from others and share your ideas!

This page is designed to be used with the new leader's resource Out of Ideas? A Leader's Handbook. The handbook contains a section entitled "Ideas from Other Clubs." The ideas are activities that help teach the five life skills: Developing an Inquiring Mind, Making Decisions, Developing Self-Confidence, Getting Along with Others, and Developing a Concern for the Community.

As this page appears, tear it out and add to the Ideas section of your handbook.

Our club shared a miniature "Noah's Ark" at the Pizza Hut employee's family picnic. Members brought 4 baby rabbits, 2 senior buck rabbits, 2 ducks, 2 chickens, 2 sheep, 2 lambs, 2 baby pigs, 1 goat, 1 calf and 1 goose. Kristy Ross

Andover Acres 4-H Club Sedgwick County Get Along With Others

Our club (composed of members who live in the country and a small town) invited a Johnson County club to an exchange meeting. We compared our projects with the projects they took. They were impressed with our livestock. Our club will visit them for a day to complete the exchange.

David Dysart Franklin 4-H Club Miami County

## Develop a Concern for the Community

Our club plans to offer a weekend babysitting service during the Christmas season for shoppers in Plainville. Eager Beavers 4-H Club Rooks County

## **Develop Self-Confidence**

When Rooks County 4-H Ambassadors visited the Palco and Plainville elementary schools to talk about 4-H, they called on 4-Hers in the audience to share their experiences.

Rooks County

If you're willing to share your success stories with other Kansas clubs, please jot your ideas on the form below (you need not worry about your writing skills, the Journal staff will dress it up, if needed). Cut the page at the dotted line and mail to: Sara Gilliland, Kansas 4-H Journal, 116 Umberger, K.S.U., Manhattan, KS 66506.

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## Photo leader attends national workshop

Dr. Cyril Brown, Harvey County photography leader, attended the first 4-H Forum—Photography Leader Training at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C. Brown was one of 90 volunteer leaders and Extension staff from 41 states participating in the forum.

Sponsored by Eastman Kodak Company, donor of the national 4-H photography awards program, the sessions featured practical hands-on workshops, field trips and idea sharing. Sessions were designed to help leaders use photography to strengthen a broad range of 4-H programs.

Participants attended in-depth workshops on such topics as basic photography, 4-H promotion through photography, teaching methods, photography as a community service, new technology and photo composition.

Brown said the most interesting parts of these sessions were the forums on the use of photography in other 4-H projects and the use of photography in community awareness activities.

Educational field trips added depth to the program. Included were tours of National Geographic magazine publishing company, and the National Museum of American History, where participants viewed the History of Photography exhibit. During the day on Capitol Hill, delegates toured the Capitol, Supreme Court, Library of Congress and James Madison Memorial Building, Museum of Africa History and the Smithsonian Institution. Brown said everyone should have the opportunity to visit our nation's capital, see the many



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Cyril Brown reviews photographs at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C.

historical displays and feel the sense of patriotism.

One of the most exciting parts of the forum was sharing ideas with others. Several new teaching aids and sources of materials to enhance the 4-H photography project were made available to the forum participants.

Brown plans to apply newlyacquired skills to increase the effectiveness of his Harvey County 4-H project meetings and to broaden the scope of activities of the Kansas 4-H photography advisory committee where he is currently serving as committee chairman.

4-H Leader Forums conducted throughout the year are sponsored by the National 4-H Council in support of the 4-H program of the Cooperative Extension Service.

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## Check for safety before starting holiday decorating

Before you decorate your Christmas tree or string lights for outdoor decorations, take time to check them. Defective light sets can present fire and shock hazards and even properly constructed sets can be hazardous if not used correctly.

## Before using a light set, take the lights out of the box and with the light set unplugged:

- 1. Check for sockets that are cracked or broken.
- 2. Check the plug or connector for loose or missing plastic inserts, which are used in some designs to plug in additional strings of lights. If loose or missing, they can expose bare metal conductors.
- 3. Push the prongs on the connector against a hard surface to simulate plugging in the set or plug the connector into a disconnected extension cord five times. The prongs should remain fixed, neither becoming loose nor causing an insert to push out the other end.
- 4. Spread the wires where they enter bulb sockets and connectors. Check for exposed bare wires where insulation may have pulled back.
- 5. With the bulb in place, check between the bulb holder and socket for exposed hair-like wires. These wires may be filament wires, which serve as the contact between the bulb and the socket, that have been improperly trimmed. Exposed, they can be a shock hazard. Remove the bulb and trim the wires so they are not exposed outside the socket.
- 6. When inserting and removing the bulb and its holder from the socket, the contact in the socket should not slide out of the socket.
- 7. Before beginning to decorate, place the light set on a non-flammable surface and plug it in for 10-15 minutes. Check for smoking or melting.

#### Additional safety tips:

- \* Lights should never be attached to metal trees. Sharp metal edges may cut the cord insulation or the metal needles might touch an electrically charged component.
- \* Careful handling of lights during unpacking, decorating and repacking will reduce the chance of hazardous damage.
- \* Do not overload extension cords or light strings. Do not connect more than 200 midget lights together through one string or cord. Do not connect more than 50 larger lamps together through one string or cord. Do not connect large lamp sets through miniature light sets.
- \* Do not use indoor lights for outside lighting.
- \* Be sure all lights are off when you leave the house or go to bed. Unplug lights from the wall outlet. Always disconnect any electrical appliance by grasping the plug, not by pulling on the cord.



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