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# New 4-H specialist in Southeast Area

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Kirk Astroth, the new Southeast Area 4-H and Youth Specialist, brings to Kansas a variety of experiences in working with youth, a familiarity with the Extension Service and a spirit of adventure. Astroth, 31, is a Utah native and has spent most of his life in Utah, Idaho, Colorado and Arizona. Chanute, Kansas is his new home.

He says teaching has been a favorite part of many of his work experiences. He's worked with Indian and Vietnamese children in the Upward Bound program and was a supervisor and counselor for juvenile delinquents in the Model Cities and Neighborhood Youth Corps programs. He taught at a private, coed prep school in Tuscon, Arizona for four years. He developed innovative programs such as a rock climbing class, a bicycle club and an experimental garden. He became chairman of the social sciences and physical education departments.

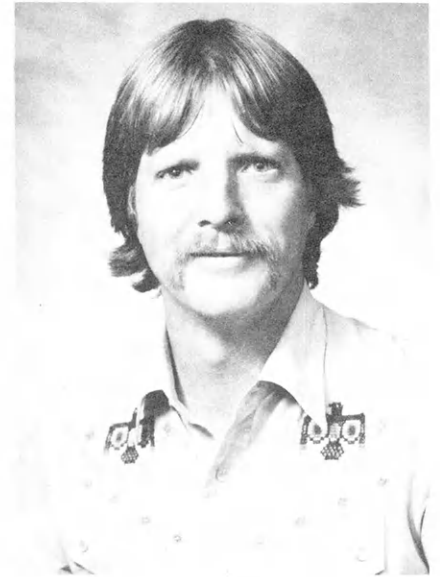
"Education is a lifelong process," he says, and he practices what he preaches. He graduated from the University of Denver where he studied political science

and history. During his junior year he traveled to Copenhagen, Denmark to study the Danish social, economic and political system. He earned a M.A. from Columbia University in political science and history. In August 1983 he completed a M.S. in range science from Utah State University.

Astroth was a "guinea pig" for Utah State's new master's degree program which combines a particular subject matter field with an Extension education. Astroth worked with Utah 4-Hers attending conservation camps, range camps and range judging contests. He developed and published Extension materials and slide-tape programs on western range management.

He's also worked for the Bureau of Land Management and the Forestry Service in various jobs -- timber crew, water development projects, range management and fire suppression. It was this last job as a supervisor on a helicopter fire suppression crew that was nearly his last job anywhere. Astroth is one of a few people who can claim that he's a helicopter crash survivor.

Astroth's position as a Southeast Area



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The Kansas 4-H Journal advisory committee met during the state fair. The following magazine themes and deadlines were outlined for 1984:

Issue	Theme	Deadline
January	Education & Careers	December 1
February/March	Outdoor Education	January 15
April	Agriculture	March 5
May	Home Economics	April 5
June	Open	May 5
July	International Programs	June 5
August	Celebrations	July 5

Starting with the February/March issue, each of the five Extension geographical areas will be featured in the Journal. The Journal editor will work with each of the area 4-H specialists to highlight special 4-H programs, events and people. The Northeast area will be featured in February/March; South Central in April; Northwest in May; Southeast in June and Southwest in July.

Anybody can send material to the Journal. Make sure your name, address, club name, county and telephone number are on the material you send. The Journal editor is always looking for black and white cover photos, items for Ideas & News, jokes, puzzles and story ideas. Send to: Sara Gilliland, Editor, Kansas 4-H Journal, 116 Umberger, KSU, Manhattan, Kansas 66506.



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William M. McDonald, former chairman of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees, died November 11 in Kansas City. McDonald was appointed to the board in 1975 and became chairman in April 1982.

McDonald, a life-long resident of Kansas City, was very interested in cattle and owned a cow-calf operation in the Flint Hills south of Council Grove. He enjoyed spending time at his ranch southeast of Cottonwood Falls where he kept a small registered Hereford herd.

McDonald is survived by his wife, Jean, two grown children and two grandchildren. A memorial has been established in his honor with the Kansas 4-H Foundation. Contributions should be sent to the Kansas 4-H Foundation, 116 Umberger, K.S.U., Manhattan, Kansas 66506. Please designate that your contribution is for the William M. McDonald Memorial.

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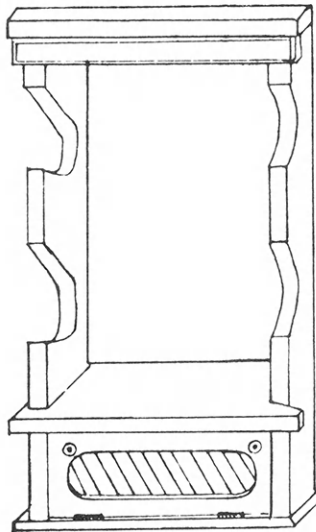
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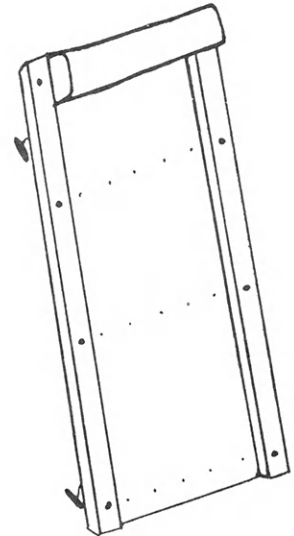
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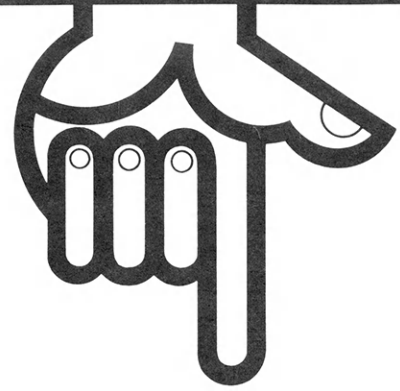
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Another type of tour is held each year in Harvey County. It's held twice a year, the line of cars is shorter and the visitors are invited inside homes. Comments such as "What color scheme do you plan? How much will it cost?" are typical. The tour is for 4-H members enrolled in the home environment project.

Sharon Molzen, Harvey County home economist, and Sandy Stahly, county project leader, started the tours six years ago to encourage participation in the project. The first tour is held in the fall. 4-Hers show the room they intend to work on while other members, parents and leaders offer helpful suggestions. "This year during the fall tour we also visited some rooms that were finished the year before. It was good for the beginners — it gave them a chance to see what others had worked on,"

Molzen said.

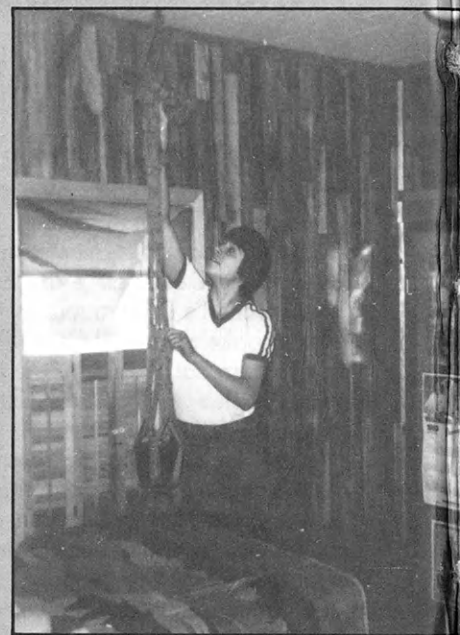
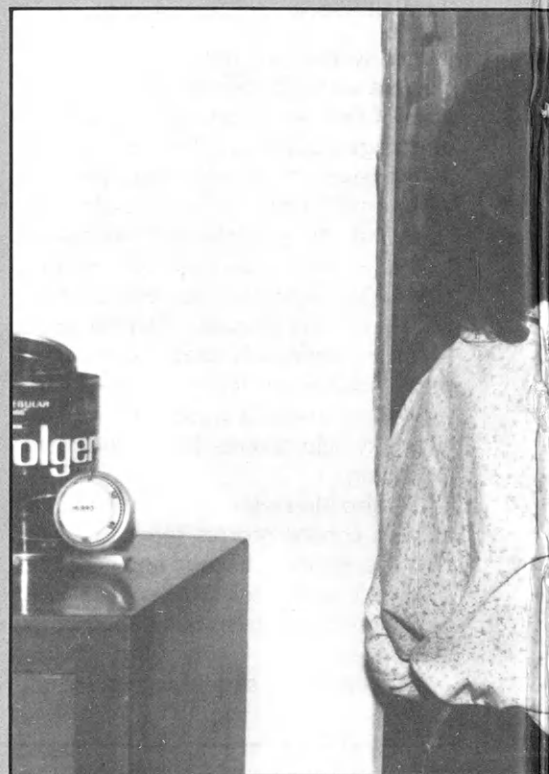
Most of the Harvey County 4-Hers work on improvements for their bedrooms. A few 4-Hers have worked on a kitchen or family room. The new home environment project encourages 4-Hers to work on any area of the home or yard.

The follow-up tour is usually held about a week before fairtime. "Members can show their progress, tell what they've learned, and it's also a good incentive to get projects finished," Molzen said.

In Harvey County most of the 4-Hers enrolled in the project choose to participate in the tour. They still have home environment exhibits at the county fair, also. "When we started the tours we judged that part also. We took 'before' and 'after' photos and the judge went on the tours. We used the same judge for the tour and the fair," Molzen explained.

They've now dropped the judging part of the tour. "It's more of a learning experience rather than a competition."

Harvey County intends to continue the home environment tours. Molzen said the project still has a small enrollment, but those who are in it really get involved.



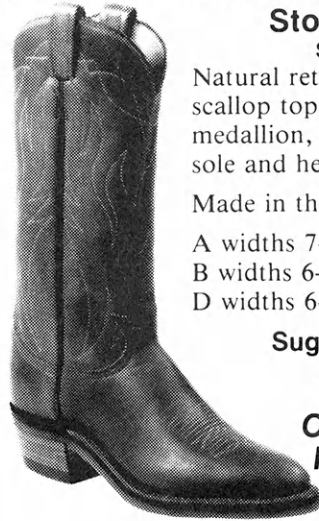


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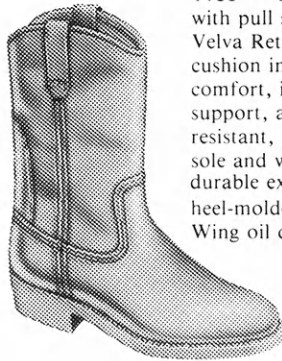
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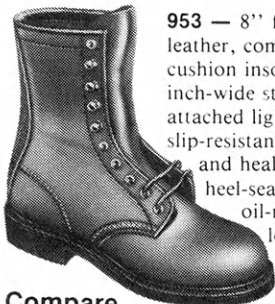


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# Without a will Cousin's dreams won't come

By Bob Henderson, KSU Extension State Leader, Wildlife Damage Control  
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"Stewardship" is an old-fashioned word, and my cousin understood it.

He lived alone on his 400-acre farm. He'd never married. His parents had died, his sister and brother-in-law. As the years had gone by, Cousin had become the "man who lives beside the road"--the aging gentleman in bib overalls, who always has time for a quiet greeting or friendly talk.

At age 78 Cousin still did the plowing. He occasionally walked to the cabin his outdoorsman father had built beside the lake-sized farm pond. He kept house for himself and treasured glimpses of the wild birds that flourished on his land. Cousin was the only one left to keep up the family place and keep the family tradition--established back in the 1800s--of sharing the land with wild animals and gaining enjoyment from seeing them. So, that's what he did.

But Cousin frankly loved the past.

In spare time he also gathered antiques from towns and farms near his home. His collection grew and grew until several barns and sheds couldn't quite hold it. Almost without realizing, Cousin expanded the family estate until he had accumulated some \$2 million worth of property.

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*Cousin liked the idea of sharing the heritage he'd so carefully preserved*

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People would come to him with investment schemes, but Cousin only wanted more of the past. Other people would come to talk of wills. After all, he had no close relatives.

Cousin liked the idea of sharing the heritage he'd so carefully preserved. He

could get a little tiring on the subject of his antiques. He thought of establishing a museum in the nearby town, where people still discussed his feats as a star high school athlete. He also talked of leaving money or land to 4-H, so kids could learn about stewardship of natural resources.

But Cousin was too used to being the person who saved the past, rather than someone who could give the past to others. He didn't like to think about dying. Who does? So, he talked and dreamed and planned. But he never got around to signing a will.

Cousin was always fairly healthy. At age 78, however, he caught the flu. In just days he was gone. Being sick had taxed his heart one fatal bit too much.

The old farm stood quiet for awhile, vulnerable to uncaring thieves. An attorney began work on forms that indicated the government might well end up taking almost \$700,000 for federal estate taxes. State inheritance tax, attorneys' fees, appraisers' fees, costs for advertising and organizing the estate sale would also eat into Cousin's accumulation from the past.

Relatives cropped up from everywhere--more than 70 of them. The proceeds from Cousin's estate would go to these distant kin, whose squabbles would have bothered the quiet old man.

Cousin had had good ideas. He'd discussed the possibility of the family farm's providing income for 4-H wildlife projects. It could've been maintained as a 4-H outdoor demonstration area. It could've been sold to finance building a memorial 4-H Environmental Education Center on the Konza Prairie.

He could have set up a living trust, keeping control over his land until his death, when it immediately became 4-H's. Or, he could have signed a will;



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everything he'd given to 4-H would've been subtracted from the amount the federal government calculated its taxes on. Giving \$500,000 to 4-H could have reduced his relatives' inheritance only \$276,000.

But Cousin had never quite made up his mind. Perhaps that would have been admitting that he someday would die.

Some of his collections could've kept the past for kids forever. Genuine arrowheads are a non-renewable resource.

But Cousin had never finished talks with an attorney or contacted the Kansas 4-H Foundation about his decisions.

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*... he never quite made up his mind.*

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He just discussed things with those who dropped by or called. And he thought. And he planned. He cared for his family's heritage and gathered a heritage for the people who lived in his area.

And now that Cousin's stewardship has ended, his dream of being able to pass on the past in some way has shattered into more than 70 fragments. The family farm will be auctioned away, perhaps to strangers. And likely no remembering eye will look out from the pondside cabin this year, to see how the wild creatures are doing.



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# 4-H Dairy News



## Midland United Dairy Industry Association 1983

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### Judging Teams

Kansas was represented at the National Dairy Judging Contest by Craig Andres, Mike Blasi, David Myers and David Rottinghaus. Steven Tonn, Marion County Extension director coached the team and accompanied them to the contest, held in conjunction with the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin.

The 4-Her's brought back numerous team and individual awards including the first prize in the Holstein judging division. Craig Andres was the second high individual in the Holstein breed division and David Myers was fourth. Myers also was the third high individual in the total contest, which included judging and reasons for various breed divisions.

The day before the contest the team toured dairy-related industries in the Madison area.

### State Winner

Alan Myers, Dickinson County, is the 1983 state 4-H dairy award winner. Alan works with his dad and brother on managing a Holstein dairy farm near Abilene.

One of Alan's main responsibilities is selecting the sires to use for artificial insemination. This requires him to do a great deal of research to select the proper mate for the cows in their herd.

He's attended the National Dairy Conference in Madison, Wisconsin as a state dairy production winner. He also placed 11th out of 147 contestants in the National Dairy Judging Contest.

Alan enjoys showing dairy cattle and has compiled an impressive list of dairy showmanship awards.

Alan's parents are Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Myers.



A representative of the Holstein Association presents the Kansas Dairy Judging team the first prize in the Holstein division of the National Dairy Judging Contest. Team members (from left) are: David Myers, David Rottinghaus, Craig Andres, Mike Blasi and coach Steven Tonn.



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### Top State Fair Dairy Judge

Brian Rottinghaus, Nemaha County, placed first in the 1983 Kansas State Fair Dairy Judging Contest.

### 4-Hers to National Dairy 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. Sheryl Funk, Marion County; Amy Ochampaugh, Rooks County; Gary Jons, Leavenworth County and Jay Hiebert, Butler County are this year's trip recipients. Ralph Rector, 4-H agent in Leavenworth County, accompanied the group.

# PRIDE activities revitalize community

Twenty-five years ago the Neuchatel community was thriving — big community dances were held on the weekends, people attended church and got together for card parties and other social events. Then gradually, the community spirit died in the small French settlement on the north side of the Nemaha-Pottawatomie County border.

The PRIDE committee of the Victory 4-H Club in Pottawatomie County changed all that. For some of those people who remember the spirit of 25 years ago, it's like reliving the past. Now families in the community get together for meetings and parties at the remodeled Neuchatel Hall, attend worship services at the revitalized church and enjoy free movies every Saturday night.

The work that the 4-H PRIDE committee spearheaded earned the club second place in the youth category at the October PRIDE Day held in Salina. The PRIDE program is a self-help community improvement program, administered jointly by the Cooperative Extension Service and the Kansas Department of Economic Development. The club also placed fifth in the nationwide Colgate Young America contest.

The PRIDE committee included about one-third of the club's total membership of 15. All 15 members and their nine families have each taken an active part in all the projects.

The PRIDE committee surveyed the community and confirmed their own feelings that the community needed a public meeting place and organized community activities. The hall in Neuchatel hadn't been used for years when the PRIDE committee organized people to repair the windows, doors and chairs, paint the walls and ceiling,

clean the floor and furniture, and brighten up the place with new curtains and tablecloths.

March 20, 1983, was Neuchatel Revitalization Day. Families, senior citizens, young people and former residents gathered to celebrate the renewal of the community spirit. They came for a church service, covered dish dinner, fellowship, and entertainment provided by 4-Hers and community residents.

One of the needs mentioned on the community survey was a church service. Even though the building remained in good shape, no church services had been held for nearly 30 years.

The PRIDE committee contacted a minister and arranged for services twice a month. They also recruited a piano player. Families volunteer to provide coffee and juice following the church service. The minister's wife teaches Sunday School for about ten children.

An Easter sunrise service also was a big success. Fifty-five people attended and enjoyed breakfast together after the service.

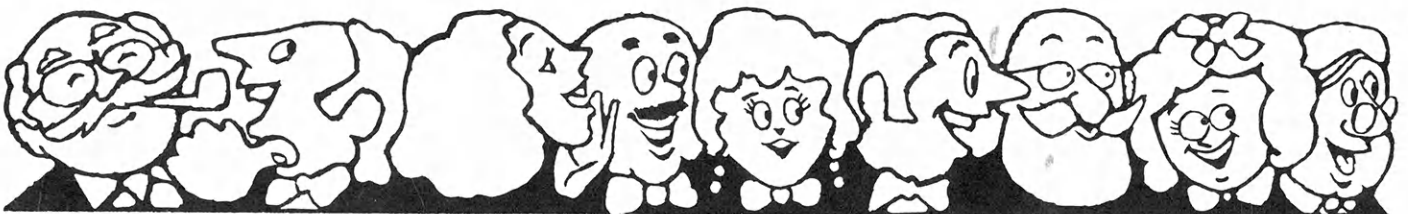
Since it's 30 miles to the closest movie theatre, the PRIDE committee purchased a used movie projector at a sale and now show free movies every Saturday night at the Neuchatel Hall. The PRIDE committee and parents select and order movies three months in advance. The movies are captioned for the benefit of deaf people living in the community. Soda pop and popcorn are sold to the audience to help pay for the expense of ordering and returning the movies. "Depending on what's going on, we'll have anywhere from a dozen to 40 people at the movies," says Mrs. Marvin Honig,

Victory's community leader.

The 4th of July celebration in Onaga, sponsored by the PRIDE committee, included the first annual outhouse race. Mrs. Honig chuckled as she recalled the seven entries — homemade contraptions with three wheels, a seat and hole and a rider. No steering was allowed. The award was a \$25 check and a plaque with a golden corn cob.

The PRIDE committee and 4-H club members have volunteered hundreds of hours of elbow grease to make the projects a success. "When kids work like that they don't get into trouble — they don't have time," Mrs. Honig says. Families have donated food and kitchen appliances and utensils for the hall kitchen. A Citizenship-In-Action grant from Southwestern Bell paid for a refrigerator. Other improvements and supplies were purchased with bake sale profits or year-round recycling project earnings. County tax money designated for special community projects was used to construct a chain link fence around the cemetery.

The procedure for 4-H clubs working in the PRIDE program is as follows: The PRIDE entry form is completed by February 15. Names of the PRIDE committee members and endorsements from other community groups are required on the form. Next, the PRIDE committee surveys the needs of the community and then develops projects to satisfy the needs. Records of the work are kept throughout the duration of the projects and then submitted for judging by September 1. Judges visit each of the communities and outstanding communities are recognized at PRIDE Day in October.



# Young photographers join in state fair fun

Not only did 57 4-Hers and their families have a memorable day at the Kansas State Fair, but the photos they brought home will help refresh those memories. Photos of cotton candy, carnival rides, farm machinery, animals, families and tired feet tell the story of the first Photo Fun Day held at the Kansas State Fair.

The photographers, age 7-11, came from all over the state. And in most cases, mom and dad and brothers and sisters came with them to enjoy a day at the fair.

Each 4-H member was given a roll of film and Ernie Peck, Extension Instructional Media specialist, provided a crash course on photography at the beginning of the day. Then the 4-Hers spent the rest of the morning roaming around the fairgrounds searching for the perfect photo subject.

Film was turned in at noon and then the families had free time. That's when the action started for Deming Photo Center. Despite a mechanical failure, 57 rolls of film were turned into prints by 4:00.

The anticipation was great as fidgety 4-Hers and their parents waited in the 4-H encampment building dining hall for the prints to arrive. The crowd cheered when Charlie Lang, Extension Specialist for 4-H and Youth Volunteer Staff Development, rushed into the room with packets of photos. An efficient bunch of volunteers distributed the photos and circulated around the room helping 4-Hers select the best prints to mount.

The Photo Fun Day was a brainstorm of the state photography project development committee. It was designed to allow the younger 4-H members to participate in the state fair, since they are too young to exhibit at the state fair.

Volunteers who helped make the day a success included: Gary Mason, Douglas County; Evelyn Field, Norton County; Michele and Burt Dunlap, Franklin County; and Extension agents Bob Davis, Reno County and Nancy Jo Kent, Ford County.

With comments such as the following ones which came from participants throughout the state, there is strong support for the event becoming an annual affair.

"Thank you for sponsoring the Photo Fun Day. It was loads of fun. Please sponsor it next year. If you do I hope my name is sent in soon enough next year."



*Richard and Nancy Smith help their daughter Alison select her best photos at the end of the first Photo Fun Day held at the Kansas State Fair. Alison is a member of the Reno Bobwhite 4-H Club, Leavenworth County.*

-- Timothy Sweaney, St. George, Kansas.

"I want to thank the 4-H Foundation for providing the film and processing for the Photo Fun Day at the fair. I hope to use what I learned to take better pictures for the fair next year. Thanks again."

-- Justin Smith, Haviland, Kansas.

"This year I was chosen to go to the Photo Fun Day held at the State Fair September 10. I really learned a lot and had lots of fun. Next year I'll be 12. I hope you hold one for 7-11 year olds AND one for 12-14 year olds. Thanks for your help." -- Alison Smith, Leavenworth County.

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# 4-H Good Guy Award Goes To Two County Agents

Two county Extension agents were recipients of the 4-H Good Guy award, an annual recognition that points up efforts to Kansas 4-H youth that go beyond the usual.

This year the award for the first time went to county agents who happen to work in neighboring counties. Bill VanSlike, Barton County 4-H agent, and Conall Addison, Stafford County agriculture agent and director, were recognized on the final day (Nov. 11) of the 69th annual conference of the Cooperative Extension Service at Kansas State University.

Although names are held secret until the award is announced, this year's winners came as a surprise only to VanSlike and Addison. Persons who know them say these men exemplify the reason for the award, which began more than 10 years ago.

Dale Apel, associate state leader for 4-H and youth programs, called Addison the "state specialist in the 4-H rabbit project." A nationally-known rabbit judge, Addison has provided rabbit clinics across the state and has been instrumental in starting rabbit projects for many 4-H members by donating breeding stock.

Under his direction as superintendent of the 4-H rabbit show at the Kansas State Fair, exhibits have more than doubled in the past four years.

"Addison has given of himself in time, money and also his wife's time in developing a Kansas 4-H program," said Don DeWerff, Rice County 4-H agent, one of many who nominated Addison for the award.

VanSlike, a Kansas 4-H agent for 33 years, came to the job by happenstance. He decided against farming in order to become an agricultural agent, but instead landed the job of 4-H agent in Republic County.

As a former 4-Her, he knew the ropes. He transferred to Clay County and arrived in Barton County in 1956. He was one of the first 4-H agents in the state to interest volunteers in serving as project leaders, planning meetings and training sessions for 4-H members and serving as liaison between members and Extension agents.

When Barton County decided to collect and sell newspapers to raise money to build and equip a new 4-H educational building, VanSlike

took spare time to pick up newspapers of those unable to bring them in. The proceeds helped to build not only a new building, completed in 1983, but also a barbeque pit, livestock exhibition building and a show ring for the Barton County fairgrounds.

Last July VanSlike was named Barton County Child Advocate of the month by the County Child Advocate Team composed of professionals who work with youth.

"Bill's amiable good manner, his positive attitude and his good will have made him extremely popular with his county leaders and members," Apel said. "He has maintained a tremendous following through the years."

Even though 4-H, like all Extension programs, flourishes from a grassroot's interest, Addison and VanSlike represent the kind of leadership and enthusiasm that keeps 4-H strong.

## Seward County "cowboys" are old-fashioned & modern

By Vici Myers

Eager Beavers 4-H Club, Seward County

The original designation of "cowboy" referred to those Texas adolescents who were forced to take over the stock handling chores of the home ranch when the older brothers and fathers left for the Civil War.

"Cowboy," to those involved in the horse project in the Eager Beavers 4-H Club, includes the original definition and more. For some of them, being a cowboy is an essential part of their lifestyles, helping keep a close eye on the cattle and sheep which graze their pastures. To others, being a cowboy means performing in rodeos and horse shows in the surrounding areas. And to many of them, it is a combination of both, utilizing their horses for work and pleasure.

In either case, to arrive at the point where both horse and rider are in proper condition and training, both physically and mentally, requires many hours of hard regular workouts. Those who devoted their time and efforts were: Sean Holland; Jason, Ramona and Rebecca Inland; Clay Louderback; Jeff and Justin Louderback; Brandee Newman; Ami and Rion Rhoades; Damon Solko; Kandie and Stacie Sturges; and Cerise Zirkle.

They spent the winter and spring months viewing nine American Quarter Horse films. Film topics were: speed events, team roping, showmanship, the trail horse, quarter horse cutting, survival of the fittest, the reining horse, Western horsemanship and all in a day's ride. The 4-Hers attended three clinics. The Showmanship and Western Pleasure clinic was given by Susie Clune of Hooker, Oklahoma, who is active on the AQHA show circuit. The reining clinic was given by Donna Ackerman of Keenesburg, Colorado, who is active on the APHA show circuit. The third clinic covered all of the horse show events as well as a general refresher course. It was given by Tommy Myers of Liberal, who is also active on the AQHA circuit, and a multi-faceted horse trainer. He is the club's 4-H horse project leader.

All of the extensive training and study has paid off. The club has been well represented in several area shows and rodeos including Dodge City, Garden City, Hugoton, Liberal, Meade, Sublette, Scott City, Haskell County Fair, Beaver County Fair, Five States Fair, Guyman Jr. Rodeo and Ulysses Bit and Spur Rodeo. They also participated in the Little World's Fair Parade at Kismet.

They brought home trophies, buckles, plaques and ribbons. Brandee Newman was crowned Rodeo Queen by the Cimarron Territory Quarter Horse Association and was awarded a saddle. Many blue ribbons also were won as an indication of a job well done.

As any 4-Her knows, there were those red and white ribbons also, encouraging them to improve and polish their skills, and teaching them how to lose graciously and be supportive of their competitors.

The close of this 4-H year is not "the end of the trail" for the Eager Beavers on horseback. But rather the beginning for yet another year, where they will challenge themselves to strive to attain higher goals.

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- MONTGOMERY**  
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 Ness County 4-H Council, Ness City
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 A-T Implement, Co., Norton  
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 Sisco's A & A Sports Center, Carbondale  
 Skip's Thriftway, Carbondale  
 State Bank of Carbondale, Carbondale  
 Virginia Lee Beauty Salon, Carbondale  
 Williams & Davidson, Attorneys at Law, Carbondale  
 Aaron's Home Store, Carbondale  
 Catfish John's Bait Shop, Carbondale  
 Roller Dale Skating, Carbondale  
 Gary's Hideaway, Melvern  
 Jones Service Station, Melvern  
 \* McNabb Hy-Klas, Melvern  
 Melvern Food Center, Melvern
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 \* Farmers National Bank, Osborne  
 \* First National Bank of Natoma, Natoma  
 \* First State Bank, Osborne  
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# Ideas & News

## From the Northeast Area:

**Shawnee County:** Patti Wells, the newly elected reporter for the Pleasant Hill 4-H Club, writes that club members observed 4-H Sunday by participating in a local church service and getting together for a weiner roast and hayrack ride. She also reports that Christy McNorton and Bill and Don Rollins attended the National Championship Arabian Horse Judging Show in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as members of the Shawnee County 4-H Horse Judging Team. The team placed second in overall judging and third in performance judging. Susan Harvey was a member of the Kansas Arabian Horse Judging Team which placed second in the Arabian horse judging contest.

**Shawnee County:** Christy Miller reports that the Pleasant Hill 4-H Club reading project group enjoyed listening to Mrs. Elsie Shaw's presentation about her trip to Czechoslovakia. Mrs. Shaw gave each of the 4-Hers a blue and white bookmark made from braid purchased in Czechoslovakia. She told the group that people in Czechoslovakia buy a lot of books because they spend a lot of time waiting in lines and it gives them something to do. Mrs. Shaw waited in line over an hour to buy the braid she gave to the 4-Hers.

**Wyandotte County:** Ginny Swanson, reporter for the Nearman 4-H Club, sent news about county 4-H activities during National 4-H Week. 4-H members were involved in newspaper interviews, a library display and a parade. 4-H Ambassadors and members of the Nearman 4-H Club built a float depicting the theme "Building on Experience."

**Wyandotte County:** The first annual Family Fun

Nite on Halloween was attended by over 300 4-Hers, parents and leaders. Everyone participated in games, hayrides, snipe hunts, a pumpkin decorating contest and costume contests. Ginny Swanson writes that the highlight of the evening was a celebrity pie throw in which junior leader Scott Farmer and agent Eugene Lanham were the recipients of a pie in the face and added \$15 to the treasury for being good sports.

## From the Northwest Area:

**Barton County:** The Hoisington Jets 4-H Club's younger members got a chance to take over the officer's duties at a recent junior officers night. Sandra Mater writes that this meeting was a good opportunity for young members to experience an office before the elections this year.

**Graham County:** Galen Barnett writes that members, leaders and parents from the Solomon Valley 4-H Club attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Oil Museum. Congressman Pat Roberts was there and visited with the 4-Hers. Later in the day the group visited each office in the courthouse and the personnel gave a short talk on their duties. The Historical Society and the Hillcrest Rabbit Plant were other stops on the day's tour.

**Sherman County:** The Prairie Dale 4-H Club recently donated a Kansas flag to the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C. The donation was initiated following club president Marty Malpert's trip to National 4-H Conference where she noticed an outdated and worn state flag was being used. Melanie Sieck submitted this item to the Journal.

## From the South Central Area:

**Saline County:** Justin Lindquist writes that the Cardinal Club "rock hounds" have taken field trips throughout the state to gather rocks, minerals and fossils. They've been learning more about the geological history of our state.

**Sumner County:** The Golden Buffalos 4-H Club has some invisible help, or so they are told in the newsletters they receive from the "ole buffalo." Whoever "herd" of an invisible buffalo, let alone one that dictates letters? These letters arrive periodically to congratulate the club and its members on their activities and achievements. Club members report some "bull" in the first letter which indicated that the reason for the newsletter was to cut down on the amount of time the community leaders spend

on the telephone and to help improve the communication between meetings.

Nobody knows the "ole buffalo's" identity, but club members think that whoever is responsible is just too "cow-ardly" to identify themself.

**Sumner County:** Happy Hustlers 4-H Club purchased materials for two bulletin boards to hang in the new community building where the club meets. Boys in the woodworking project built and hung the bulletin boards. They are white with green frames and the name of the club is carved in the frame. Harold Orr sent this news to the Journal.

## From the Southeast Area:

**Cherokee County:** Tracy Grant reports that the Lone Elm Beavers 4-H Club observed National 4-H Week by baking cookies and delivering them to merchants and individuals who had purchased market animals during the county fair livestock sale. Also receiving cookies were sponsors of the fitting and showing contests and sponsors of the Kansas 4-H Journal.

**Franklin County:** A special 4-H week insert was part of the Ottawa Herald. Purple ribbon photos, articles outlining 4-H club activities and brief biographies of 4-H seniors filled six pages of the newspaper.

**Lyon County:** Four county 4-Hers are attending institutions of higher learning this fall because of support they received through scholarships. Lynnette Hinderliter is attending Kansas State University on the Vista Scholarship sponsored by Marshall and Sharon Miller. Darice Schmidt is a senior at Emporia State University. She received the Bluestem Farm and Ranch Scholarship sponsored by Lee Nelson. The Homer A. Dailey Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by Mrs. Maxine Morgan, was awarded to Cindy Houck. Cindy is a freshman at Kansas State University. The Russel Miller Memorial Scholarship is given in memory of Rusty Miller, a Lyon County 4-Her. This year's recipient is Cindy Arndt, a sophomore at Kansas State University.

**Miami County:** Sally Moser, reporter for the Busy Beavers 4-H Club, wrote that Miami County has a new contest for Mr. and Miss 4-H. This year's winners are Melody Medlin and J. D. Jasper. A committee interviewed the applicants and examined their record books to make the selection.

## Lake Perry 4-H Camp Closed

During its fall meeting in Wichita, the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees accepted the recommendation from the Director of Extension to terminate Lake Perry 4-H camping operations for 1984. This recommendation was based on continuing financial deficits and lack of county support. A committee was appointed to study optional uses for the property. If counties need special assistance in planning supplemental camping activities to replace their Lake Perry programs, they should contact Emily Kling or C.R. Salmon in the State 4-H Office.

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# Family Fun Page

Put on your thinking caps! Winning the 4-H History Trivia Contest may require doing a bit of research. Good resources are former 4-H members, leaders and Extension agents, State 4-H Leaders in Kansas book and the newest 4-H history book 4-H An American Idea.

Thirteen winners will be selected. The first correct entry received from each of the following zip code areas wins a prize. The entries will be divided according to the first three digits of the zip code. Categories are: 660-662, 664-666, 667, 668, 669, 670-672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678 and 679. Send your entries to 4-H History Trivia Quiz, Kansas 4-H Journal, 116 Umberger, KSU, Manhattan, Kansas 66506. Make sure your name, address and correct zip code are on your entry. Club members may work together in the contest, just note the name of the club and the county on the entry. The winners and answers will be announced in the February/March issue. Entries must be postmarked by January 20, 1984.

## 4-H History Trivia Quiz

1. The original three-leaf emblem was replaced by the four-leaf clover emblem in 1911. What did the fourth H stand for?
2. Who wrote the National 4-H Pledge?
3. Several types of project clubs were the forerunners of 4-H clubs as we know them today. Name two of the early project clubs.
4. Starting in 1923, a special distinction was awarded to 4-H members who were state champions in demonstrations, project work and judging or 4-H members who were in the upper 10% in project work. What was the name of this statewide honorary group?
5. Who was the first permanent county 4-H agent in Kansas? In what county?
6. In 1946, Kansas 4-H members and donors contributed \$22,500 to purchase a 348-acre piece of land to be developed into an outdoor educational center. What was the name of the piece of property they purchased?
7. The 4-H program is part of the U.S. Department of (A) Health and Human Services (B) Education (C) Agriculture.
8. Name one of the two states where a 4-H magazine goes to 4-H families throughout the state.
9. According to 1982 Kansas 4-H enrollment figures, what 4-H project has the largest enrollment?
10. What percentage of Kansas 4-H participants live on farms?
11. Name the two Kansas cities where Clovia 4-H houses are located.

### Matching

Match the correct name in the right column with the correct title in the left column.

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|--|-------------------|
| ___ Executive director of the Kansas 4-H Foundation                  | A. John Carlin    |
| ___ Retired state 4-H leader   | B. Sara Gilliland |
| ___ Current state 4-H leader   | C. Fred Sobering  |
| ___ Name the employee(s) at Rock Springs Ranch with the most pull.   | D. C.R. Salmon    |
| ___ Director of the Kansas Extension Service                         | E. Merle Eyestone |
| ___ Honorary chairman of the Kansas 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees | F. Glenn Bussett  |
| ___ Editor of the Kansas 4-H Journal                                 | G. Dolly & Dixie  |

### 4-H Pledge

I pledge my head to clearer thinking,  
my heart to greater loyalty,  
my hands to larger service,  
my health to better living,  
for my club, my community,  
my country and my world.

### 4-H Prayer

Help me, O Lord to live so that the world  
may be a little better because Thou didst  
make me.

### 4-H Motto

To make the best better.

### 4-H Emblem

The 4-H club emblem is a four-leaf clover with a letter "H" on each leaf. The four "H's" stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. Leaves of the clover are green and the "H's" are white. The white is for purity. Green is nature's most common color, and is symbolic of youth, life and growth. ♣

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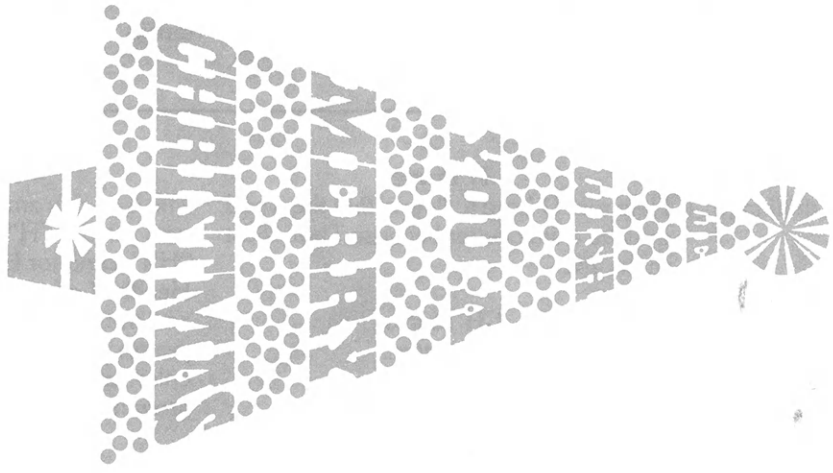
Before you decorate your Christmas tree or string lights for outdoor decorations, take time to check them. Defective light sets can present fire and shock hazards and even properly constructed sets can be hazardous if not used correctly.

### 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. 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.
5. When inserting and removing the bulb and its holder from the socket, the contact in the socket should not slide out of the socket.
6. 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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