

History of 4-H

4-H didn't really start in one time or place. It began around the start of the 20th century in the work of several people in different parts of the United States who were concerned about young people.

The seed of the 4-H idea of practical and "hands-on" learning came from the desire to make public school education more connected to country life. Early programs tied both public and private resources together for the purpose of helping rural youth.

During this time, researchers at experiment stations of the land-grant college system and USDA saw that adults in the farming community did not readily accept new agricultural discoveries. But, educators found that youth would "experiment" with these new ideas and then share their experiences and successes with the adults.

So rural youth programs became a way to introduce new agriculture technology to the adults. A.B. Graham started one such youth program in Ohio in 1902. It is considered the birth of the 4-H program in the U.S. When Congress created the Cooperative Extension Service at USDA in 1914, it included boys' and girls' club work. This soon became known as 4-H clubs - Head, Heart, Hands, and Health.

Nearing its 50th anniversary, 4-H began to undergo several changes. In 1948, a group of American young people went to

Europe, and a group of Europeans came to the United States on the first International Farm Youth Exchange. Since then, thousands of young people have participated in 4-H out-of-state trips and international exchanges. 4-H began to extend into urban areas in the 1950's.

Later, the basic 4-H focus became the personal growth of the member. Life skills development was built into 4-H projects, activities and events to help youth become contributing, productive, self-directed members of society. The organization changed in the 1960's, combining 4-H groups divided by gender or race into a single integrated program.

The 4-H Pledge

"I Pledge my Head to clearer thinking,
my Heart to greater loyalty,
my Hands to larger service,
and my Health to better living,
for my club, my community, my country, and my world."

The pledge tells what 4-H is all about. 4-H has as its goal the four-fold development of youth: Head, Heart, Hands and Health. The pledge was adopted by the delegates to the 1927 National 4-H Club Camp in Washington, DC. State club leaders voted for and adopted the pledge for universal use. The phrase "and my world" was added in 1973. The saying of the pledge has a prominent place in 4-H activities at regular 4-H meetings, achievement days, and other club events.

Spectacular Spud



Melvin Kats, rural Long Island, displayed his peculiar potato to The Telegram. He had stopped at the Norton Post Office and had them weigh it at 3.55 pounds. He said that his garden was not a very big one with only tomatoes, potatoes and pumpkins in an old hog shed. The strange spud traveled to Utah so Kats could show it off at his grandson's birthday.

-Telegram photo by Christie Anderson

Day of Caring Show

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Come join in the celebration of life and survivorship by attending the 14th Annual Day of Caring Brunch and Style Show.

The day of Caring will be Saturday, October 24, in the Fort Hays State University Memorial Union.

The day begins with a variety of booths in the Sunset Lounge Atrium at 9 a.m., brunch begins at 10:00 a.m., followed by the speaker and style show in the Ballroom. The models are all breast cancer survivors.

The Day of Caring speaker is Don Blurton from Hays. Don will share his seven year experience with rare male breast cancer.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the Day of Caring. It is an enjoyable morning designed to celebrate survivors and raise awareness. Tickets are \$15 and need to be purchased by October 19.

Sponsors are: the Cancer Council of Ellis County and Dr. A. Christine Kelly.

Contact the Cancer Council of Ellis County for more information at 785-625-6653.

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Lifestyle goals taught in 4-H

4-H is youths and adults growing together to become better citizens. As teaching methods, 4-H uses learning by doing projects, club meetings, community service and events experiences of young people and adults as they work toward attaining these five citizenship and leadership developing life skills. These were concepts that were submitted to the national organization by the Kansas 4-H Department.

Building a Positive Self Concept as they feel accepted by others and achieve success in meeting increasingly difficult challenges. 4-H'ers develop healthy behaviors as they successfully provide leadership for others, share their feelings and ideas with others, accomplish goals they set for themselves, and decide for themselves the progress they have made.

Developing an Inquiring Mind through mental stimulation, curiosity and enthusiasm for finding out about the world and its people. 4-H'ers develop an inquiring mind through learning experiences such as exploring projects, meeting new friends, developing talks and demonstrations, helping design a club booth, and going on field trips, hikes and tours.

Relating to Others through expressing ideas and feelings, respecting differences among others, dealing with conflict and applying democratic practices in problem solving. 4-H'ers learn communication skills with club meeting talks and demonstrations; they develop and practice democratic problem solving as they work with others on group projects, exercise leadership, and participate in intensive, small-group activities.

Developing Concern for the Community through awareness of the natural and social communities and their inter-relationships, learning to respect differences, and assuming responsibilities to help. 4-H'ers develop concern as they assist younger members, plan and conduct day camps for community children, participate in retirement home visits, and share in community service projects.

Learning to Make Decisions through use of knowledge, skills and values in identifying, defining and analyzing problems and then selecting from alternative solutions. 4-H members develop and practice decision making skills as they set goals and determine strategies to work toward goals within their group, participate in well-planned project programs, consider alternatives in project selection, evaluate one's own progress toward goals, and become involved in meaningful club business meetings.

4-H Club Leaders of the community

2008-2009 4-H Community Club Leaders

Busy Beavers 4-H Club - Joy Johnson and Mindy Harting
Busy Jayhawkers 4-H Club - Patsy Maddy
Cedar Ridge 4-H Club - Janette Callaway, Staci Montgomery, Monica Bach
Prairie Dog 4-H Club - Mary Vanover, Keri Vanover, Lois Wentz
4-H Ambassadors - Mary Vanover, Janette Callaway
Cloverbuds - Mary Vanover,

2008-2009 4-H and Youth PDC

Mindy Harting, Laquita Smith, Ruth Schilling, Shannon Esslinger, Shana Harting, Deena Wentz
2008-2009 Norton County Extension Council Executive Board
Patsy Maddy, Chair
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Deena Wentz, Secretary
Becky Smith, Treasurer

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ORDINANCE #259

An ordinance setting an election date on the question of adoption of Charter Ordinance #4 concerning the holding of appointive offices by non-residents

Be it ordained by the Governing Body of the City of Norcatour, Kansas: SECTION 1. Charter Ordinance #4 was adopted by the Norcatour City Council on July 20, 2009 and the required publications were made of same.

SECTION 2. On September 16, 2009 a petition was filed with the city requesting an election on the issue of the adoption of said Charter Ordinance. Said petition has been validated by the county election officer and an election is required to be held pursuant to Article 12, Section 5 of the Kansas Constitution.

SECTION 3. The election on the question of adoption of said Charter Ordinance is hereby scheduled for Dec. 15th, 2009.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper. PASSED BY THE COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR at Norcatour, Kansas on this 21st day of September, 2009.

Von Johnson, Mayor

Attest: Chris Dempewolf, City Clerk

•PUBLIC NOTICE• IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN EDWARD LIDDLE, DECEASED

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NORTON COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN EDWARD LIDDLE, Deceased Case No. 2009-PR-1 NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT UNDER THE KANSAS SIMPLIFIED ESTATES ACT THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Final Settlement has been filed on September 28, 2009, in this Court by D. Dean Liddle, Administrator of the Estate of John Edward Liddle, deceased, praying for a final settlement of the estate, approval of his acts, proceedings and accounts as Administrator, for allowance of attorneys fees and

expenses, determination of the only heir at law, D. Dean Liddle, and assignment to him in accordance with the laws of intestate succession regarding the Estate of John Edward Liddle, deceased.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 26th day of October, 2009, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on such day, in such court, in the City of Norton, in Norton County, Kansas, at which time and place such cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

D. Dean Liddle, Administrator
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•PUBLIC NOTICE• ORDINANCE #257

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ORDINANCE #257

AN ORDINANCE ATTESTING TO AN INCREASE IN TAX REVENUES FOR BUDGET YEAR 2010 FOR THE CITY OF NORCATOUR WHEREAS, the City of Norcatour must continue to provide services to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this community; and WHEREAS, the cost of providing essential services to the citizens of this city continues to increase. NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Governing Body of the City of Norcatour.

SECTION ONE. In accordance with state law, the City of Norcatour has scheduled a public hearing and has prepared the proposed budget necessary to fund city services from January 1, 2010 until December 31, 2010.

SECTION TWO. After careful public deliberations, the governing body has determined that in order to maintain the public services that are essential for the citizens of this city, it will be necessary to budget property tax revenues in an amount exceeding the levy in the 2009 budget.

SECTION THREE. This ordinance shall take effect after publication once in the official city newspaper. PASSED and approved by the Governing Body on this 21 day of September, 2009.

/s/Von Johnson, Mayor

Attest: Chris Dempewolf, City Clerk