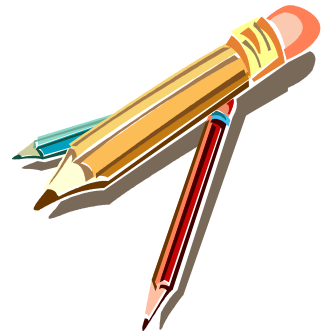


# RUSH COUNTY



4-H



# Collections



## 4-H COLLECTION PROJECT

The instinct to collect or store back "things" is as old as the human animal. In ancient China, Egypt and Rome collecting was a common practice. In Rome, a whole quarter of the city was devoted to antiquarians and art dealers. The Egyptian Pharaoh Tutankhamen (King Tut) was a "Rabophlist", a collector of walking sticks. So collectors have been around for a long time. In modern America almost anything becomes a collectable. When two or more people collect the same thing, collections begins to have value.

People have developed interesting hobbies by collecting all kinds of fascinating items. 4-H can help you start or continue a collection of items that are interesting to you.

The choice is yours. You may choose any type of article you desire. Here are some suggestions, but the choices are unlimited:

Buttons	Matchbooks	Arrowheads	Leaves
Glass	Cups & Saucers	Flowers	Rocks
Antiques	Salt Shakers	Stamps	Dishes
Models	Coins	Bottles	Pitchers
Pencils	Spoons	Dolls	Statues

After selecting the type of articles you are going to collect, keep a record on how your collection grows by filling out the collector's log. This is very important because it is to be displayed in a notebook with your collection at the county fair for judging.

### **REQUIREMENTS: There is NO STATE FAIR EXHIBIT**

A notebook must accompany ALL collections. Once this notebook is started you should add new information each year. NOTE: A project notebook must include:

- \*Collector's Log numbered to correspond with numbered exhibit items(s), whether in a notebook, on a poster, in a box or otherwise exhibited.
- \*Short Story or information about your collection
- \*Photographs of your collections are optional.
- \*\* All the above will be considered in the judging.

### **Exhibit:**

#### **BEGINNER: Grades 3 & 4**

You may display your collection in an area no larger than 24 " by 36" any height, but must be self supporting.

#### **INTERMEDIATE: Grades 5 & 6**

Start or add to a collection you have. In order to exhibit the same collection another year, you must have added at least **one (1)** new item. **It is strongly suggested that inexpensive collections have three to seven (3-7) items added each year.** You may display your collection in an area no larger than 36" by 36", any height, but must be self supporting.

ADVANCED: Grades 7 thru 12

In order to exhibit the same collection another year, you must have added at least **one (1)** new item. **It is strongly suggested that inexpensive collections have three to seven (3-7) items added each year.** You may display your collection in an area no larger than 36" by 46", any height, but must be self supporting.

\*It is recommended that the 4-H member provide a self-contained display unit for protection of his/her collection if possible. Individual pieces should be labeled with your name.

**RESPONSIBILITY NOTE:** The 4-H Council, Cooperative Extension Service and the Rush County Fair Board are not responsible for the items in the collection display.

