

4-H & Youth

The Stars Were Out at Achievement Night

At 4-H Achievement Night on Feb. 4, 4-H'ers, 4-H clubs and 4-H leaders were recognized for their achievements. The event was held at Morrill Hall, and after the awards presentation, 4-H'ers and their families could attend a planetarium show and tour the UNL State Museum. The evening was sponsored in part by 4-H Council and University of Nebraska-Lincoln. **For a complete list of award, scholarship and pin recipients (as well as additional photos) visit online at lancaster.unl.edu/4H.**



(L-R) Rebecca Fiala, 4-H Council President Keith Dey and Rachel Rentschler



(L-R) Keith Dey, Nicole Pedersen and Laura Cassel

Rebecca Fiala was awarded **OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBER**. She has been a 4-H'er for 9 years, is vice-president of 4-H Council and vice-president of 4-H Teen Council.

Lois Mayo received the **4-H MERITORIOUS SERVICE** award. She is the Curriculum Specialist for Science at Lincoln Public Schools and has strongly supported 4-H School Enrichment programs.

Rebecca Fiala and Rachel Rentschler were presented **IDARE YOU** awards for their growth in leadership. Rachel Rentschler is president of 4-H Teen Council.

CHARTER CLUBS:

- Clovers and Company, Cool Clovers, Creative Clovers, Happy-Go-Lucky, Kids of the Future, Malcolm Clovers, Shimmering Shamrocks, Snack Pack, Star City Kids, Sunshine Clover Kitties, Super Shamrocks

AWARDS BOOKS

County winners

- Consumer & Family Science: Alyssa Fiala
- Consumer & Family Science: Laura Cassel
- Communications & Expressive Arts: Karen Clinch
- Communications & Expressive Arts: Nicole Pedersen
- Healthy Lifestyles: Nicole Pedersen
- Animal Science: Nicole Pedersen

District winners

- Consumer & Family Science: Alyssa Fiala
- Personal Development & Leadership: Rebecca Fiala
- Communications & Expressive Arts: Karen Clinch
- Plant Science: Nicole Pedersen

SCHOLARSHIPS

- 4-H Council:** Kathleen Arends, Bradley Cheney, Rachel Cheney, Rebecca Fiala, Laura Pedley, Rachel Rentschler, Emily Schroeder, Christina Vidlak
- Amy Countryman Memorial:** Christina Vidlak
- Lincoln Center Kiwanis:** Bradley Cheney, Laura Pedley
- 4-H Teen Council:** Rebecca Fiala, Rachel Rentschler
- Lane Community:** Lynne Jacobs

Clover College will be June 24-27

Presenters, volunteers and workshop ideas are needed! Call Tracy Kulm at 441-7180 if you'd like to contribute. Last year, there were 26 workshops and a total of 278 registrations!

4-H Theme Night at Saltdogs June 20



Lancaster 4-H Council is sponsoring "Discover 4-H, Discover You" theme night at the Lincoln Saltdogs baseball home game on Friday, June 20! "4-H Centennial" theme night at the Saltdogs last year was attended by more than 1,000 4-H'ers and family members!

Ticket information will be published in upcoming NEBLINES.

National Anthem Tryouts April 5 & 6

The Saltdogs are holding National Anthem auditions on April 5 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.) and April 6 (12 noon-5 p.m.) at Haymarket Park. 4-H'ers who would like to sing the National Anthem during "Discover 4-H, Discover You" Saltdogs game MUST participate in these auditions and request to perform at the 4-H theme game. Candidates MUST register in advance by contacting Jamie Von Sossan at 441-4181.

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LANCASTER COUNTY FAIR

JULY 30-AUGUST 3

Pre-Fair 4-H Deadlines are published in Calendar on opposing page.
Fairbooks are tentatively set to be mailed out in March.

Scholarships for Nebraska 4-H'ers

The following scholarships available to Nebraska 4-H high school seniors are due March 1. For more information and for applications forms, visit online at 4h.unl.edu.

Loewenstien Scholarship: One or more college scholarships (\$800-1000). Must be attending University of Nebraska-Lincoln. College of Agriculture majors preferred, but not limited to those majors.

R. B. Warren 4-H Horse Educational Scholarship: One or more scholarships (\$200-1000). Currently enrolled in and active in the 4-H horse program. Must attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and major in agriculture or closely related area.

Orschlen Industries Foundation Scholarship: Three scholarships (\$1000 each). May attend any college or university in the state offering a four-year program in agriculture or ag-related sciences. Preference will be given to those with keen interest in the family farm and a resident of selected counties (Lancaster county is one).

Community Service Corner

Colgate Youth for America

The Colgate Youth for America campaign is awarding over 300 cash prizes ranging from \$100 to \$2,000. If your 4-H club has done something terrific for the community and would like to have an opportunity to win a monetary grant, then contact the extension office for an entry form. Entries are due March 15. (TK)

FEBRUARY



Terri Whisler

Lancaster County 4-H and 4-H Council are proud to announce Terri Whisler as the winner of February's "Heart of 4-H Award" in recognition of outstanding volunteer service.

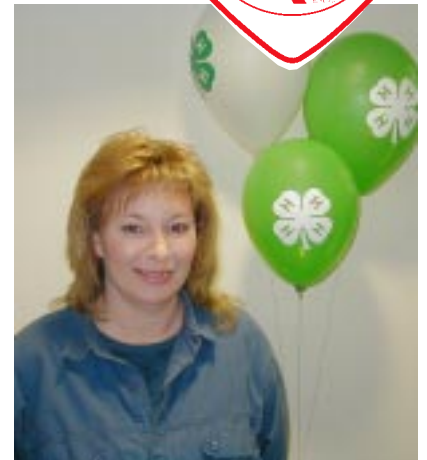
After being a helping parent for two years, Terri became co-leader of the Western Pride 4-H horse club last year.

Her daughter, Jamie, nominated Terri for the award, saying, "She is always working for the benefit of the club. She has organized our group and made it more enjoyable. She has also been putting out monthly newsletters and much more." Jamie, age 15, is a member of Western Pride and her brother Derek, age 18, is a former member.

The 2002 County Fair was Terri's first year as a volunteer. "I realized how much work there was to be done and how much fun it was to work as a team," Terri said. She enjoyed "watching the entire group, including parents, work together for one goal." Terri likes being a 4-H volunteer because she feels she can help make a difference in the lives of youth. Her favorite part of last year's fair was watching the children cheer each other on.

Terri and her husband, Greg, own and operate Whisler Aviation in Seward. Terri also finds time to volunteer at their church. Unfortunately they haven't had a vacation in eight years! They do find occasional time to relax, and Terri enjoys any movie with Julia Roberts, Sandra Bullock or Mel Gibson.

Congratulations to Terri Whisler. Volunteers like her are indeed, the heart of 4-H!



Nominate Your Favorite 4-H Volunteer!

A "Heart of 4-H Award" is awarded to a Lancaster County 4-H volunteer each month! Nominate your favorite 4-H volunteer or leader by submitting the following form (also available online at lancaster.unl.edu).



I, _____, nominate _____
for a "Heart of 4-H Award" because _____

I can be reached at (phone) _____ or (e-mail) _____

Return form to: UNL Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Rd, Suite A, Lincoln, NE 68528.