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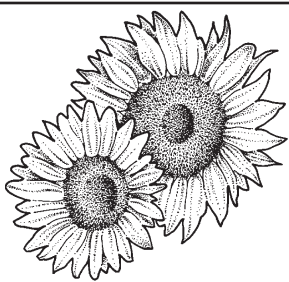


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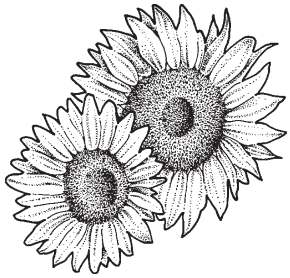


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The winners of the 4-H Key Award were Hope Cochran (above from the left), Cody Hooker and Brooke Lockhart. Kevin and Barb Winston (right) won the Friend of 4-H Award.



4-Hers recognized, receive awards

4-H members were recognized for their achievements on Sunday, Oct. 28, at the Goodland United Methodist Fellowship Hall. They also awarded the Friend of 4-H Award.

The Kansas 4-H Key Award is a one-of-a-kind award, it's given to 4-H members that have provided leadership and citizenship within their communities for the past three years.

Recipients of the 2012 4-H Key Award, Sunflower Extension/Sherman County, include: Cody Hooker; Brooke Lockhart; and Hope Cochran. Cody Hooker is a member of the Ruleton Eager Beavers 4-H Club. He is the son of Scott and Karen Hooker. Brooke Lockhart is a member of the Prairie Dale 4-H Club. She is the daughter of Scott and Lisa Lockhart. Hope Cochran is a member of the Country Clovers 4-H Club. She is the daughter of Mike and Glenda Cochran.

They are selected through an application process. To be considered for the award, a 4-H member must be at least 16 years old, has been a 4-H member for four or more years, enrolled in the 4-H Leadership Project for four or more years and clearly demonstrated leadership, citizenship and concern for others in the 4-H programs and in their community. The award has been given annually since 1952.

The goal of the 4-H Key Award is to encourage members to develop a concern for their community and explore opportunities to provide service to others by asserting their leadership skills. These opportunities can lay a foundation for a lifetime commitment of the citizenship and service to build and improve home communities and the larger world. award is underwritten by the Farm Credit Associations of Kansas and the Kansas 4-H Foundation.

The 4-H Program Development Committee presented the 2012 Friend of 4-H Award to Barb and Kevin Winston. They are longtime supporters of 4-H in Sherman County. Their daughter Sydney Winston attends Kansas State University and also received the 2011 4-H Key Award and "IDare You Award." She was also a Kansas Award Application winner in the horse project and State Buymanship Champion in 2010. In 2010 Sydney was also a Kansas representative at the National 4-H Congress.

Kevin Winston has served on the 4-H Program Development Committee since 2008, assisting with the development of new programs and revamping older ones. He is also the keeper and operator of the electronic timer for all county 4-H horse shows and has accompanied the Junior Leaders on their annual ski trips for the past six years as a chaperon. As a Kansas State Trooper, Kevin has presented of numerous day camp programs to literally hundreds of Sherman County youth.

Both are past club leaders for Ruleton Eager Beavers 4-H Club. She was elected to the Sunflower Extension District Number Six Board in 2008. Barb Winston has been part of the Family and Consumer Science Profram Development Committee for more than 10 years, is a 4-H project leader for Levels II foods, and is the cat project leader.

One of her favorite activities during fair is staging the 4-H cat show at Wheat Ridge Acres. She has assisted with many Junior Leader community activities and has been a Junior Leadership Club sponsor for the past five years.

Other awards were also given out during the ceremony.

Those receiving a membership pin were Jarek Crow of Prairie Dale, Caleb Dechant, Josie Hill, and Maverick Spresser, all of Ruleton Eager Beavers.

Receiving the bronze pin were Matthew Nemechek of Country Clovers, Morgan Pritchard of Prairie Dale and Emily Wolf of Ruleton Eager Beavers.

Members who received a clover pin were Ryan Berls of Sunflower, Trevor Daise of Country Clovers, Truman Hooker and Keyly Jarrett of Ruleton Eager Beavers, Ashtin McClung of Prairie Dale and Ethan Wolf of Ruleton Eager Beavers.

Recipients of the emerald pin were Jade Artzer of Ruleton Eager Beavers, Manten Crow of Prairie Dale, Hannah Dechant of Ruleton Eager Beavers, Rebecca Lockhart of Prairie Dale and Parker Nemechek of Country Clovers.

Christopher Berls of Sunflower, Ella Ihrig of Country Clovers, Nash Jarrett of Ruleton Eager Beaver, Jamie Nemechek of Country Clovers, Sierra Vandiver of Ruleton Eager Beavers, Ryan Volk of Sunflower and Kate Zelfer of Country Clovers.

Those receiving the silver pin guard were Alexis Bergquist, Evan Bergquist and Kaitlyn Daise, all of Country Clovers and Kinsey Volk of Sunflower.

Jonah McClung of Prairie Dale and Dani Mangus of Ruleton Eager Beavers received the gold pin.

Garrett Nemechek of Country Clovers recived a gold guard.

Those that participated in the 2012 KAP were Ashley Anderson, Jade Artzer, Zane Bateman, Christopher Berls, Ryan Berls, Alexis Bergquist, Evin Bergquist, Chase Conger, Jerek Crow, Manten Crow, Kaitlyn Daise, Trevor Daise, Caleb Dechant, Hannah Dechant, Natalie Dorn, Josie Hill, Cody Hooker, Truman Hooker, Ella Ihrig, Keyly Jarrett, Nash Jarrett, Brooke Lockhart, Rebecca Lockhart, Ashtin McClung, Jonah McClung, Dani Mangus, Garrett Nemechek, Jamie Nemechek, Matthew Nemechek, Parker Nemechek, Morgan Pritchard, Sean Sains, Maverick Spresser, Saige Vandiver, Sierra Vandiver, Kinsey Volk, Ryan Volk, Emily Wolf, Ethan Wolf and Kate Zelfer.

Winners of the county project awards in arts/crafts were Saige Vandiver; beef Ella Ihrig; bucket calf Ashtin McClung; Maverick Spresser and Matthew Nemechek; cats Saige Vandiver; citizenship Kinsey Volk and Truman Hooker; clothing construction Emily Wolf, Brooke Lockhart and Rebecca Lockhart; dog care and training Manten Crow, Ryan Berls, Caleb Dechant, Jarek Crow, Trevor Daise and Morgan Pritchard; electricity Manten Crow; foods and nutrition Truman Hooker, Sierra Vandiver, Manten Crow and Jarek Crow; goat Dani Mangus (KAP chosen for regional judg-

ing); horse Jamie Nemechek and Parker Nemechek; horticulture Sierra Vandiver; photography Kaitlyn Daise; sheep Garrett Nemechek (KAP chosen for regional judging), Hannah Dechant, Jade Artzer and Kate Zelfer; shooting sports Jonah McClung (KAP chosen for regional judging) Christopher Berls, Ryan Volk and Evin Bergquist; swine Jarek Crow, Keyly Jarrett and Josie Hill; wildlife Jarek Crow; and woodworking Cody Hooker (KAP chosen for regional judging.) Ethan Wolf and Alexis Bergquist.

Those receiving county awards were Hope Cochran, Cody Hooker and Brooke Lockhart won the "IDare You Award;" Dani Mangus got the George Phillips Memorial Outstanding 4-H Award; Ruleton Eager Beavers and Country Clovers for Best Secretary's Book; Ruleton Eager Beaver for Best Historian's Book, Sunflower for Best Reporter's Book; Jarek Crow for Outstanding first year member; Josie Hill for Outstanding First Year Honorable mention; Jarek Crow for Junior Outstanding KAP; Caleb Dechant and Matthew Nemechek for Junior Outstanding KAP Honorable Mention; Manten Crow for Intermediate Outstanding KAP; Hannah Dechant and Ella Ihrig for Intermediate Outstanding KAP Honorable Mention; Dani Mangus for Senior Outstanding KAP; Jonah McClung for Senior Outstanding KAP Honorable Mention; and the Farm Credit Association Trophy for overall KAP went to Dani Mangus and Jonah McClung.

Kaitlyn Daise, Parker Nemechek and Trevor Daise, all of Country Clovers, had 100 percent attendance; Jarek Crow, Ashtin McClung and Manten Crow from Prairie Dale; Hannah Dechant, Cody Hooker, Dani Mangus, Caleb Dechant and Truman Hooker from Ruleton Eager Beavers; and Ashley Anderson, Ryan Berls, Sean Sains, Ryan Volk, Jake Anderson, MaKayla Fitzgibbons and Kinsey Volk, all of Sunflower.

Those receiving club awards were Country Clovers, Prairie Dale, Ruleton Eager Beavers and Sunflower.

Members who received recognition for camp were Savannah Basett, Jason Cowan, Lacie Cowan, Cody Hooker, Brooke Lockhart, Jonah McClung, Dani Mangus, Garrett Nemechek, Parker Sieck and Sydney Winston.

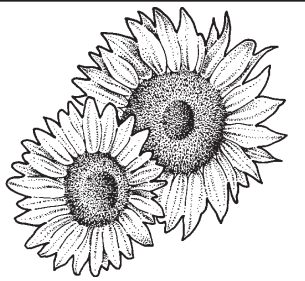
The winners of the family and consumer science award for senior was Sydney Winston and junior Ashtin McClung.

Members who were ambassadors were Lacie Cowan, Mikail Freeman, Cody Hooker, Brooke Lockhart, Jonah McClung, Garrett Nemechek and Sydney Winston.

The club leaders for Country Clovers are Glenda Cochran and Diane Zelfer; Prairie Dale Julie Crow and Laura McClung; Danny and Charlene Mangus, Karen Hooker and Jessica Wolf for Ruleton Eager Beavers; Cris Wilson for Sunflower; Kevin and Barb Winston and Leon and Mary Volk for Junior Leader Club; Colleen Duell for 4-H Ambassador Club; and Dana Belshe for District Extension Agent Sunflower District Number Six.



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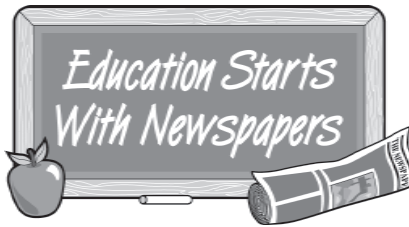
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