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### **News Release**

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*Note: Enclosed is a list of poll workers honored. Please note the names of people in your coverage area.*

## **Poll Worker Hall of Fame honors longtime workers**

LINCOLN – It takes some 12,000 workers to staff a statewide election in Nebraska. Secretary of State John Gale wants to make sure those participating in the process are properly recognized.

To do this, he has established the Poll Worker Hall of Fame to honor those who are active workers and have served a minimum of 20 years.

Upon the nomination of county election officials, Gale recently recognized 437 such workers. Each honoree received a letter and certificate from Gale.

“These honorees are unsung heroes who perform the hard work of making our elections successful,” he said.

“They are committed citizens who ensure fairness and honesty at our voting sites. They deserve our gratitude and a big thank you.”

Of those honored, Ellen Rohde of Homer and Eugenia Jeary of Seward are the longest tenured workers. Both women have served for 52 years.

“It is people like Ellen Rohde and Eugenia Jeary who make it possible for our democracy to operate,” Gale said.

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## **Poll Worker Hall of Fame Honorees**

**Antelope County:** Ruth E. Carr, Elgin; Shirley Elaine Meyer, Royal; Ruth D. Reinke, Neligh; Rena Capler, Elgin; Bev Alderson, Elgin; Clara Ritter, Tilden; Clara R. Kamphaus, Elgin; Mary Jane Boes, Elgin; Betty L. Moser, Elgin; Virginia L. Filsinger, Clearwater; Eileen Hockmeier, Tilden; and Lynn Williby, Royal.

**Boone County:** Clareen M. Prothman, Albion; JoAnn Roberts, St. Edward; Katherine T. Mahoney, Cedar Rapids; Mary Dresch, Primrose; Mary Ann Fangman, Petersburg; Connie J. Flood, Newman Grove; Bernadine Slaymaker, Albion; Lois M. Mueller, Albion; and Jeanette C. Simons, Albion.

**Burt County:** Katherine Gamet, Tekamah; Velma Henning, Tekamah; Mary Ann Richards, Oakland; Madge Magill, Craig; Katherine Anderson, Oakland; Helen Tippery, Decatur; Marian Wynn, Lyons; Ilene Hayes, Lyons; Frelon Danielson, Oakland; Judy Nelson, Oakland; Millie Sandquist, Oakland; Frances Jensen, Tekamah; Linda Hansen, Tekamah; Dorothy Fleishman, Tekamah; Ione Lipps, Tekamah; and Tracy Joan Saxton, Decatur.

**Cass County:** Mildred Buehe, Plattsmouth, and Deloris D. Schroeder, Plattsmouth.

**Colfax County:** Loretta R. Engelbart, Leigh; Libbie Ann Mastny, Schuyler; and Rosalyn Ritzdorf, Howells.

**Cuming County:** Jean M. Bray, Bancroft; LaVerne Herzinger, Pender; Mae Broekemeier, West Point; Lola Wooldrik, West Point; Karen Schutte, Beemer; Marilyn Schinstock, West Point; and Marilyn Kreikemeier, West Point.

**Dakota County:** Marjorie J. Jarvill, South Sioux City; Clara B. Woten, South Sioux City; Clara Maurice, Hubbard; Mary F. Wolf, South Sioux City; Marvel Lukens, Emerson; Constance Denker, Emerson; Lois Larson, Dakota City; Ellen Rohde, Homer; Darlene Nielsen, South Sioux City; Joan Koch, South Sioux City; and Catherine P. Eriksen, South Sioux City.

**Douglas County:** Robert I. Beardsley, Omaha; Edward M. Burns, Omaha; John A. Dickinson, Omaha; Anthony C. Hazuka, Omaha; Sharon B. Justsen, Omaha; Richard R. Keely, Omaha; Frank A. Perrone, Omaha; James F. Peterson, Omaha; Ernest M. Pfannenstiel, Omaha; William L. Prusha, Omaha; George A. Reed, Omaha; and Edward R. Sternad, Omaha.

**Franklin County:** Donnelda J. Fritson, Franklin, and Janet Blank, Wilcox.

**Frontier County:** Mary Etta Thompson, Curtis, and Illa Jo Bysset, Farnam.

**Furnas County:** Erlene Davis, Arapahoe; Marlys Bellamy, Arapahoe; Marna Hermes, Arapahoe; Ruth Kentfield, Beaver City; Arvida Warner, Beaver City; K. Dale Fults,

Beaver City; Norma Smith, Cambridge; Beth Houghtelling, Cambridge; Patricia M. Young, Cambridge; Jean Witte, Cambridge; Lorraine Paine, Edison; Goldie Wentling, Beaver City; Roxy Lang, Wilsonville; Mary Ellen Long, Holbrook; Bonnie Stark, Holbrook; Jean Schroeder, Holbrook; Beverly A. Huxoll, Holbrook; Dolores A. Glanzer, Holbrook; Eleanor Hays, Holbrook; Imelda Hoelting, Oxford; Marlys Geiselman, Oxford; Katherine Francis, Wilsonville; Alice Kasson, Wilsonville; Sharon Tillotson, Wilsonville; Margaret Ruf, Wilsonville; and Carla Holtze, Wilsonville.

**Gage County:** Vonda L. Roberts, Wymore; Esther Dell, Beatrice; Enola M. Dauber, Beatrice; Charlotte Moore, Beatrice; Betty Mann, Blue Springs; Caroline Gronewold, Beatrice; Margaret L. Graff, Beatrice; Zelma I. Drake, Beatrice; Bernadine Pieper, Beatrice; Marilyn Higgins, Beatrice; Esther M. Schimenti, Beatrice; Miriam Cacek, Odell; and Mildred G. Fossler, Beatrice.

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