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Note: Enclosed is a list of youths who participated in the youth election worker program. Please note the names of youths in your coverage area.

Youth election workers honored for their service

LINCOLN – Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale and the Nebraska Bankers Association honored 320 youths statewide who served as election workers during the November general election.

The youths participated in a program designed to encourage students to learn about the election process firsthand.

The participants served in 36 counties and worked a total of 1,457 hours. Each participant will receive a recognition certificate from Gale.

As part of the program, the Nebraska Bankers Association awarded \$50 savings bonds to five participants. The winners were picked in drawings based on the geographic districts of the Nebraska Association of County Officials.

The winners of the savings bonds are Kevin Rohrer of Verdigre, Northeast District; Krista Zarybnicky of Odell, Southeast District; Jordan Watson of Phillips, Central District; Dawnie Ross of Grant, West Central District; and McKenzie Steger of Chappell, Panhandle District.

This is the third election for the youth election worker program, and the program continues to grow. There were 85 participants for the November 2004 general election and 201 participants for the May 2006 primary election.

“Thanks to the cooperation of the county election officials and the Nebraska Bankers Association, the program is growing and making a real impact. This program is part of my efforts to encourage new generations to be good citizens,” Gale said.

“We are pleased that so many young people volunteered to serve this past Election Day,” said George Beattie, president of the Nebraska Bankers Association. “The growing involvement of our youth in the election process is an encouraging sign as we strive to create new generations of leaders within our state. The Nebraska Bankers Association appreciates the opportunity to play a supporting role in this important effort.”

The top counties in terms of numbers of participants were Holt County (County Clerk Cathy Pavel), 38; Perkins County (County Clerk Susan Logsdon), 37; Hamilton County (County Clerk Donita Friesen), 36; Madison County (County Clerk Nancy Scheer), 29; and Adams County (County Clerk Chris Lewis), 22.

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Youth Election Worker Program Participants 2006 General Election

Adams County: Carson Sinner, Hastings; Becky DeLashmutt, Hastings; Jim O’Keeffe, Hastings; Jeremy Tedford, Hastings; Lindy McDowell, Hastings; Jack Zoucha, Hastings; Kristine Batenhorst, Hastings; Zeppa Kreager, Hastings; Jade Hodson, Hastings; Marc Choquette, Hastings; Megan Schmitz, Hastings; Kayla Mancini, Hastings; Emily Johnson, Hastings; Brette Daiss, Hastings; JoLeisa Cramer, Hastings; Lindsey Etzelmiller, Hastings; Brett Miller, Hastings; Amelia Oerter, Hastings; Laura Ahlman, Juniata; Alayna O’Connell, Hastings; Anthony Burke, Hastings; and Stacy Spady, Juniata.

Buffalo County: Madeline Mawry, Kearney; Alaina Rickard, Riverdale; Chantelle S. Bennett, Kearney; Emalee Barto, Kearney; Joslyn Elliott, Kearney; Olga Miller, Ravenna; and Ben Anderson, Kearney.

Cass County: Breanna Hammer, Avoca.

Colfax County: Jaimie R. Bohaboj, Dodge.

Cuming County: Laura Buse, West Point; Nick Engelbart, West Point; Olivia Garber, West Point; Mathew Huss, Oakland; Shawn Kreikemeier, West Point; Tyler Lindstedt, West Point; Anita Schinstock, West Point; and Jackie Uher, West Point.

Dawes County: Lenita Roberts, Crawford.

Deuel County: Heather Gonzales, Chappell, and McKenzie Steger, Chappell.

Frontier County: Carmon Crawford, Cambridge.

Gage County: Jenna Busboom, Pickrell; Emily Zarybnicky, Odell; and Krista Zarybnicky, Odell.

Garden County: Michael Blehm, Oshkosh; Emma Brown, Lisco; Haley Cooper, Oshkosh; Abby Ford, Lewellen; Brianna S. Jasnoch, Oshkosh; Elisa Ellen Jensen, Lewellen; Bricelyn Jones, Oshkosh; Erin Lehl, Oshkosh; Hannah McColloch, Oshkosh; Beau McConnell, Lewellen; Chauncy D. Moss, Oshkosh; Randy Ross, Lisco; Danniell I. Sands, Lewellen; Danielle Seymour, Oshkosh; Ashley Steward, Lewellen; Jessie Thelander, Oshkosh; and Joshua Woolery, Oshkosh.

Hall County: Sara Oberg, Grand Island, and Hannah Swanson, Grand Island.

Hamilton County: Brandon Perry, Aurora; Carter Wasem, Aurora; Kati Oswald, Aurora; Troy Huebert, Aurora; Samantha Gowen, Aurora; Miles Bliss, Aurora; Nolan McLean, Aurora; Victoria Bergen, Aurora; Ciprianna Dudding, Aurora; Chris Patton, Aurora; Jenn Harney, Aurora; Jessica Merten, Aurora; Calyn Carfield, Marquette; Claire Meyer, Aurora; Robyn Johnson, Aurora; Whitney Perry, Aurora; Danielle Dose, Hampton; Shawn M. Hutsell, Hampton; Robert Sukovaty, Phillips; Lydia Samuelson, Giltner; Natalie Harmon, Trumbull; Chelsea Stallings, Giltner; Tosha Foulk, Giltner; Jordan Ashby, Giltner; Kevin Coffey Bolis, Aurora; Abby Hoegh, Hampton; Jill Oswald, Aurora; Jordan Watson, Phillips; Phoebe Olson, Giltner; Timothy Pawley, Aurora; Kelsey Rempel, Aurora; Tyler Jensen, Aurora; Kaitlyn Madison, Aurora; Mike Athey, Aurora; Jamie Dick, Aurora; and Melissa Schoenfelder, Aurora.

Hayes County: Randi Steele, Hayes Center; Brett Nevere, Hayes Center; Kayla Tockery, Hayes Center; Keith Griffiths, Hayes Center; Stefanie Yeager, Hayes Center; Lily Bowman, Hayes Center; Jamie Lapp, Hayes Center; Terra Bishop, Hayes Center; Pam Brannin, Palisade; Logan Hamilton, Maywood; Aimee Harms, Hayes Center; Aryka Hill, Hayes Center; J.J. Nitsch, Culbertson; Buck Richards, Hayes Center; and Evan Ritcher, Hayes Center.

Holt County: Justin Podany, O'Neill; Brady Anderson, O'Neill; Ryan Janousek, O'Neill; Robert Shields, O'Neill; Mary Peetz, O'Neill; Megan Gaughenbaugh, O'Neill; Meghan Boyle, O'Neill; Davida Smidt, O'Neill; Lisa Marx, O'Neill; Tony Gallagher, Page; Alex Ascherl, O'Neill; Jacqueline Stowell, O'Neill; Ashley Vandersnick, O'Neill; Ashley Kohl, O'Neill; Sloane Schneider, O'Neill; P.J. Conradt, O'Neill; Cory Seamann, Burwell; Curt Kloppenborg, Chambers; Stefan Franssen, Amelia; Lauren Hubel, Ewing; Brett Miller, Chambers; Tyler Klabenes, Chambers; Mikki Dexter, Amelia; Kyle Sanderson, Chambers; Ben Doolittle, Amelia; Tony Timm, Chambers; Scott Young, Chambers; Kristi Waller, Ewing; Brock Lange, Atkinson; Jessica Love, Atkinson; Jon Wolf, Atkinson; Kaitlin Reynoldson, O'Neill; Jon Nachtman, Atkinson; Mandi Braun, Atkinson; Brian Flannery, Atkinson; Mary Frerichs, Atkinson; Marissa Laetsch, Atkinson; and Annie Skrdla, Stuart.

Hooker County: Bryan Wright, Mullen, and Brad Wright, Mullen.

Johnson County: Chris Nieveen, Sterling.

Kearney County: Alisch Osterbuhr, Minden, and Austin Sherwood, Minden.

Keya Paha County: Jason Arens, Springview; Rowan Beck, Mills; Autumn Jerred, Springview; Brock Kaupp, Springview; Paul Kleinjan, Sparks; Jill Kurzenberger, Springview; Derek Larson, Springview; Margo Larson, Springview; Cody Mizner, Springview; Dana Newton, Sparks; Brianna Shepperd, Mills; Katie Swim, Springview; Akicia Wentworth, Springview; and Zokirjon Yuldosher, Springview.

Kimball County: Lanelle Janicek, Kimball; Kelvin Childress, Kimball; Nathan Elwood, Kimball; Michael Goodell, Kimball; and Shayla Nagel, Kimball.

Knox County: Nathan York, Center; Candice York, Creighton; Taylor McManigal, Center; Gary Paesl, Verdigre; Kevin Rohrer, Verdigre; and Whitley Frank, Verdigre.

Lancaster County: Tamaryn Cantatore, Lincoln; Justin Hall, Lincoln; and Cecil Carey, Lincoln.

Lincoln County: Sean Balerud, North Platte; Megan Balerud, North Platte; and Kory Hynes, North Platte.

Loup County: Lucas Howard, Taylor, and Brady Sheldon, Sargent.

Madison County: Ilene Anderson, Hoskins; Alaina Williams, Madison; Stephanie Backer, Norfolk; Trevor Freudenburg, Norfolk; Kyla Hoefler, Battle Creek; Kayla Kortje, Norfolk; Nick Jensen, Norfolk; Preston Sunderman, Norfolk; Katie Konopasek, Norfolk; Klayton Hoefler, Battle Creek; Stephen Sunderman, Norfolk; Lindsey Morris, Norfolk; Luke Hess, Norfolk; Angela Noelle, Norfolk; Elizabeth Becker, Madison; Darrek Schmidt, Meadow Grove; Ashley Nelson, Newman Grove; Kayla Fowlkes, Newman Grove; Callie Nelson, Newman Grove; Alyshia Nelson, Newman Grove; Tim Wiese, Lindsay; Alex Labenz, Newman Grove; Emily Matson, Newman Grove; Ashley King, Lindsay; Connie Dohmen, Newman Grove; Jason Eisenmann, Madison; Ethan Knapp, Madison; Cody Knapp, Madison; and Ann Oswald, Madison.

Morrill County: Alex Covalt, Broadwater; Cassie Lapaseotes, Bridgeport; and Devor O'Connor, Bridgeport.

Nemaha County: Emily Boruch, Auburn; Benjamin Billesbach, Auburn; Greg Florence, Auburn; Alex Chase, Auburn; Levi Haynes, Auburn; Kamron Fender, Auburn; Wyatt Gauchat, Auburn; and Kevin Volkmer, Auburn.

Otoe County: Will Carroll, Nebraska City.

Perkins County: Leslie Dudden, Venango; Makayla Lee, Madrid; Jessica Cornelius, Madrid; Sarah Wurst, Grant; Dawnie Ross, Grant; Tiffany Dahlkoetter, Ogallala; Jenna

Marshall, Grant; Lance Glunz, Grant; Brittany Pofahl, Grant; McKayla Vlasin, Grant; Julianna Johnson, Grant; Lance Wilson, Grant; Tara Krazinski, Venango; Valissa Hanson, Elsie; Sandra Sperber, Grant; Kylie Croup, Grant; Emily Carlson, Grant; Kendra Fuller, Madrid; Tim Burge, Grant; Carlie Sis, Elsie; Brittany Ross, Madrid; Ashley Brott, Madrid; Debi Johnson, Elsie; Tim McGreer, Grant; Jennifer Hagan, Madrid; Holly Copple, Elsie; Jordan Johnson, Grant; Kasey Gaar, Grant; Lindsey Perlinger, Elsie; Michelle Howester, Grant; Travis Kroeker, Grant; Ross Kurkanski, Grant; Curt Softby, Grant; Josh Wall, Grant; Nathan Borowski, Grant; Ben Jones, Grant; and Tyler Turner, Grant.

Pierce County: Andrew Halsey, Pierce.

Platte County: Katie Wozny, Columbus.

Richardson County: Drew Chandler, Falls City; Josh Santo, Falls City; Ben Clancy, Dawson; Ali Streit, Dubois; Kassandra Conner, Humboldt; Joseph Froeschl, Falls City; Emmalena Kelly, Falls City; Joshua Strasheim, Falls City; Erin Bangert, Falls City; Katelyn Hill, Falls City; Kaylie Frederick, Falls City; Elizabeth Wilhelm, Falls City; Kaitlin Thompson, Salem; Jessica Stauffer, Humboldt; Logan Hanzlicek, Dubois; Michael Olberding, Falls City; and Jessica Jorn, Verdon.

Saline County: Mollie Duba, Wilber; Paul Francis, Wilber; Julie Hoffmann, Wilber; Megan Howe, Clatonia; Tad Muckey, Western; Yanga Dolzhikova, Wilber; Kami Roth, Wilber; David Sage, Friend; and Eddie Hulse, Friend.

Saunders County: Chris Borreson, Colon; Cody Brousek, Wahoo; John Hauschild, Wahoo; Kali Hauschild, Wahoo; Amber Henkel, Wahoo; Whitley Jelinek, Wahoo; Rachel Kauffold, Wahoo; Joseph Komenda, Valparaiso; Danielle Nice, Mead; Scotty Nice, Mead; Ashlie Petersen, Wahoo; Michael Petersen, Wahoo; Bonnie Sutton, Wahoo; Desirae TePoel, Malmo; and Miranda Voboril, Wahoo.

Sioux County: Rebekah Parker, Harrison, and Lane Skavdahl, Harrison.

Thayer County: Jamie Blunk, Carleton.

Wheeler County: Kristi Eschliman, Ericson.

York County: Lauren C. Wright, Benedict; Alan Clark, York; and Patrick Clark, York.