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Enclosed is a list of youths who participated in the Youth Election Service. 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 333 youths statewide who served as election workers during the Nov. 4 general election.

The youths participated in the Youth Election Service (YES), which is designed to increase interest and involvement in the election system among youths ages 14-18.

YES participants served in 36 counties and worked over 1,580 hours. Each participant will receive a recognition certificate from Gale.

As part of the program, the Nebraska Bankers Association awarded \$50 savings bonds to 10 participants. The winners were picked in geographical drawings.

The winners of the savings bonds were Brandi Woten of Potter, Brittany Mendoza of Oshkosh, Matthew Gohl of Culbertson, Amara Meyer of Brule, Tim Davidson of Kearney, Ashley Beckman of Marquette, Chase Winter of Norfolk, Taylor Anderson of Columbus, Hans E. Zander of Lincoln and Matthew Scholz of Crete.

The number of participants for the 2008 general election was a record for the program, which began in the November 2004 general election. The program operates for the statewide primary and general elections every two years.

"The recent election attracted intense interest among voters, and this interest carried over to the YES program," Gale said.

"We're delighted that so many young people helped with the November election. Our deep thanks go to these youth workers for their valuable community service."

In terms of the number of participants, the top counties were Holt (38 participants), Douglas (34) and Adams (31).

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Youth Election Service Participants

Adams County: Pamela Luvaas, Hastings; Becca Neemeyer, Hastings; Tyler Neemeyer, Hastings; Cameron Brei, Hastings; Blake Barwick, Juniata; Jena Gangwish, Hastings; Nicole Glover, Hastings; Nicole Rehbein, Hastings; Lacey Uden, Juniata; Grace Napier, Hastings; Makenzie Hinrichs, Hastings; Jessi Cindbland, Hastings; Zach Van Meter, Hastings; Taylor Craig, Hastings; Tessa Johnson, Hastings; Katie Hoergen, Hastings; Brodie Schulz, Hastings; Joey Fox, Hastings; Kelsey Willnerd, Hastings; Claire Phillips, Hastings; Kelley Junker, Hastings; Kelsie Scoggins, Hastings; Kayla Schultz, Hastings; Diedre Ground, Hastings; Amy Thiel, Hastings; Courtney Thiel, Hastings; Erich Vogel, Hastings; Sarah Wolfe, Hastings; Cara Crandell, Inland; Hailey Lonowski, Hastings; Christopher Maunder, Juniata.

Box Butte County: Christopher Yant, Alliance.

Boyd County: Sarah Sobotka, Spencer.

Brown County: Seth Davis, Ainsworth.

Buffalo County: Tim Davidson, Kearney; Dana Gibbs, Kearney; Eva Carper, Kearney; Collin Petri, Kearney; Shae Fletcher, Ravenna; Cale Spellman, Kearney; Alaina Rickard, Riverdale; Betsi Hinkle, Kearney; Kelsey Reiman, Kearney; Blake Prusia, Kearney; Jill Davidson, Kearney; Ashley Jenn, Amherst.

Butler County: Brian Glock, Rising City.

Clay County: Morgan Shuck, Edgar.

Cuming County: Landon Bloedorn, Wisner; Hortencia Lara, West Point.

Dawes County: Sheyenne Hunn, Chadron; Cassie O'Boyle, Chadron; Susannah Walgren, Chadron.

Douglas County: Carly Baunmann, Omaha; Kenneth Bennett, Omaha; Michael Burke, Omaha; Courtney Carpenter, Omaha; William Choate, Omaha; Ben Dean, Omaha; Justin Fickel, Omaha; Victoria Fuhs, Omaha; Rachel Gehringer-Wair, Omaha; Andrew Juricek, Omaha; Rachel Kroon, Omaha; Mike Lokey, Omaha; Tapiwa Mavnezna, Omaha; Kelsey McDonald, Omaha; Nick Meschede, Omaha; Leslie Minino, Omaha; Britney Morgan, Omaha; Michael Morong, Omaha; Blair Mourer, Omaha; Andrew Nguyen, Omaha; Devon Payton, Omaha; Anne Prauner, Omaha; DeVante Reed, Omaha; Brigid Richter, Omaha; Jason Rogers, Omaha; Tom Ruzicka, Omaha; Daniel Schaefer, Omaha; Ainsley Steward, Omaha; Rachel Torralbas, Omaha; Katie Waldeck, Omaha; Lura Walker, Omaha; Whitney Welch, Omaha; Amanda Wiggs, Omaha; Christine Yost, Omaha.

Frontier County: Jordan Walther, Stockville; Michael D. Koch, Eustis; Benjamin Wolf, Curtis; Justin Eschelmann, North Platte.

Garden County: Morgan Pieper, Oshkosh; Austin Wolfe, Lisco; Shane Thelander, Oshkosh; Melissa Paulsen, Oshkosh; Brittany Mendoza, Oshkosh; Annsley Cook, Oshkosh; Melissa Alworth, Lisco; Destinee Belden, Lewellen; Oran Hollingsworth, Bingham; Jessie Bolton, Lewellen; Mark Noel, Oshkosh; Chelsee Jessen, Lisco; Kody

Collins, Chappell; Desire Coats, Oshkosh; McCabe Johnson, Lisco; Staci Holthus, Broadwater.

Hall County: Robbie Osberg, Grand Island; Hannah Swanson, Grand Island.

Hamilton County: Autumn Quiring, Hampton; Jamie Siebert, Henderson; Brandi Roehrs, Bradshaw; Aaron Koehn, Hampton; Jordan Wehmeier, Hampton; Janet Klawonn, Hampton; Alexandra Hosier, Giltner; Anastasia Ott, Trumbull; Gretchen Kreutz, Inland; Derek Kleier, Trumbull; Laura McNerney, Giltner; Taylor Lemberg, Giltner; Katie Elder, Aurora; Ashton Henderson, Aurora; Sarah Vrana, Aurora; Sean Bicknase, Hampton; Ashley Beckman, Marquette; Whitney Ruybalid, Hampton; Jon Braun, Aurora; Shelby Gowen, Aurora; Jenny Elge, Aurora; Sean McCarthy, Aurora; Ryan Grossnicklaus, Aurora; Derek DeMers, Hordville; Alex Goltz, Aurora.

Hayes County: Jessica Anderjaska, Hayes Center; Matthew Gohl, Culbertson; Lacy Bowman, Hayes Center; Brian Christner, Hayes Center; Luke Clifford, Hayes Center; Tiffani Dow, Hayes Center; Wacey Hamilton, Maywood; Austin Lawson, Hayes Center; Jack Loomis, Maywood; Heather Mugrage, Hayes Center; Lindsay Ridlen, Palisade; Katie Schwenk, Hayes Center.

Holt County: Lee Woita, Atkinson; Samantha Everett, Atkinson; Nicholas Humrich, O'Neill; Emma Larby, Atkinson; Grace E. Moore, Inman; Ben Olson, Atkinson; Brigitte Ascheri, O'Neill; Debra Cameron, Amelia; John Kersenbrock, O'Neill; Joleen Stowell, O'Neill; Cody Eiler, O'Neill; Michael Harvey, O'Neill; Brittany Petersen, O'Neill; Hayden Schneider, O'Neill; Katie Schneider, O'Neill; Nicholas Schrunk, Atkinson; Ashley Noel Tompkins, Page; Tiffany Vandernick, O'Neill; Matt Bowe, O'Neill; McKenna Ann Ludemann, O'Neill; Zach Sibbel, O'Neill; Brooke Barelmann, Chambers; Jed Dankert, Chambers; Katy Gottsch, Chambers; Halie Gribble, O'Neill; Matt Hoffman, Chambers; Amanda Jarman, Chambers; Ricky Klabeny, Chambers; Andrew Krotter, O'Neill; Jackie Lemmer, Atkinson; Montana Libolt, Chambers; Tyson Owen, Chambers; Nate Petersen, O'Neill; Riley Sicheneder, Chambers; Tony Soukup, O'Neill; Sarah Tomjack, Ewing; Tyler Dexter, Amelia; Cody Waller, Ewing.

Keith County: Dominika Budziszewska, Ogallala; Amber Flaming, Ogallala; Noel Ochoa, Ogallala.

Kimball County: Danielle Perry, Kimball; Heather Dickson, Kimball; Jaclyn Christensen, Bushnell; Rikki Rupp, Kimball; Brandi Woten, Potter; Charles Ferguson, Kimball; Spencer Morgan, Kimball; John Newbanks, Dix.

Knox County: Amanda Grim, Verdigre; Carson Frank, Verdigre; Angela Boggs, Winnetoon; Blaine Stoural, Verdigre; Garrett Jones, Verdigre.

Lancaster County: Gabriel L. Fitzgerald, Lincoln; Emily A. Chleborad, Lincoln; Mitchell H. Yost, Lincoln; Megan M. McCollister, Lincoln; Kaitlin A. Loos, Lincoln; Justin J. Rogge, Lincoln; Richard B. Bouma III, Lincoln; Grant M. Krieger, Lincoln; Justine R. Snyder, Lincoln; Hans E. Zander, Lincoln; Jacob A. Jirovec, Lincoln; Bobbi M. Harris, Lincoln; Sophia M. Iaquina, Lincoln; Anne M. Merchant, Lincoln; Richard W. Rice, Lincoln; Spencer J. Farley, Lincoln; Grace C. Farley, Lincoln; Emily L. Gasper, Lincoln;Carolynn M. Pohlmann, Lincoln; Chelsie J. Mattern, Lincoln; Cale C. Simonson, Lincoln; Nicole R. Goodteacher-Holloway, Lincoln; Vadoll D. Van Ness, Lincoln; Shelby A. Nesbitt, Lincoln; Matthew D. Thornton, Lincoln.

Lincoln County: Megan Balerud, North Platte; Mollie Balerud, North Platte; Sarah Wolfe, North Platte; Mike Rickett, North Platte.

Madison County: Erin Oswald, Madison; Jenna Miller, Madison; Ann Oswald, Madison; Ben Uhing, Norfolk; Katie Barry, Norfolk; Karissa Blank, Madison; Jordan Sunderman, Norfolk; Preston Sunderman, Norfolk; Trevor Freudenburg, Norfolk; Chase Winter, Norfolk; Brandon Kowalski, Norfolk; Ethan Koopman, Meadow Grove; Stephanie Backer, Norfolk; Emily Nealeigh, Norfolk; Amelia Anderson, Hoskins; Kristina Dozon, Norfolk; Drew Oswald, Madison; Garrett Koopman, Meadow Grove; Kourtney Hoefler, Battle Creek; Klayton Hoefler, Battle Creek; Diego Garcia, Norfolk; Darrek Schmidt, Meadow Grove; Ashley Wallin, Lindsay; Skye Rosno, Lindsay; Alyshia Nelson, Newman Grove; Travis McCloud, Newman Grove.

Nemaha County: Lauren Buchmeier, Auburn; Greg Moran, Auburn; Matthew Knapp, Peru.

Otoe County: Trent Calfee, Nebraska City.

Perkins County: Alecia Friedel, Grant; Lance Glunz, Grant; Juliana Johnson, Grant; McKayla Vlasin, Grant; Nick Turner, Grant; Holly Copple, Elsie; Jenni Sis, Elsie; Adam Pelster, Elsie; Jeremy Hagan, Madrid; Jordan Mahnken, Grant; Leslie Burge, Grant; Daneille Dahlkoetter, Grant; Emma Friedel, Grant; Stephanie Reichert, Grant; Seth Burge, Grant; Amara Meyer, Brule.

Pierce County: Zachary Halsey, Pierce; Micah Bahnfleth, Pierce; Kristopher Turk, Pierce.

Platte County: Taylor Anderson, Columbus.

Red Willow County: Derek Chancellor, McCook; Betsy Hardin, McCook.

Richardson County: Colton Schuetz, Humboldt; Dustin Metzner, Falls City; Jonah Santo, Verdon; Dayne Burrows, Falls City; Jason Keithley, Verdon; Allyson Vonderschmidt, Salem; Andrew Schawang, Salem; Darcy Stice, Falls City; Jessica Kelz, Falls City; Hannah Thompson, Salem; Allison Joy, Falls City; Courtney DeKlotz, Falls City; Madison Winslow, Falls City; Morgan Handley, Falls City; Tanner Sharpe, Table Rock; Hannah Harmon, Dawson; Kevin Eugene Oneill, Table Rock; Brittany Wendtlandt, Falls City; Mary Froeschl, Falls City; Justin Stice, Falls City; Joe Maschman, Humboldt.

Saline County: Tonya Ellis, Friend; Matthew Scholz, Crete.

Saunders County: Shelby Wade, Prague; Scott Nice Jr., Mead; Mike Petersen, Wahoo.

Seward County: Jordan Curtis, Milford; Keaton Schweitzer, Milford; Josh Ramsey, Utica; Melissa Antion, Milford.

Thayer County: Abigail Dougherty, Gilead; Andrea Kriesel, Hebron; Nicole Petersen, Hebron; Ryan Bulin, Bruning; Caleb Kenner, Hebron; Kelsey Wenske, Hebron; Jordan Schmitt, Hebron; JaLisa Winn, Hebron; Chase Wiedel, Hebron; Alex Tipton, Chester; Reid VanWesten, Alexandria.

Valley County: Megan Conner, Arcadia; Devon Weverka, Arcadia; Aundrea Mundt, Arcadia; Kayla Jurgensen, Arcadia; Zack Larson, Arcadia; Shannon Lawrence, Broken Bow; Devin Scott, Arcadia; Elizabeth Reynolds, Ord.

York County: Patrick Clark, York; Alan Clark, York.

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