

4-H NEWS FLASH

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GLENN COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL LEADERS' APPRECIATION DINNER WELL ATTENDED

Over 100 Glenn County 4-H Leaders and their spouses, along with local government representatives and other special guests, attended the 62nd Annual Glenn County 4-H Leaders' Appreciation Dinner. Along with the dinner, came an evening filled with fun and entertainment. Glenn County 4-H All Star Kassidi Buttermore, along with BLAST members Kaylee Jackson, Garrett Otterson and Katheryn Valle organized the games and contests that sprouted up throughout the evening. 4-H Program Representative Jamie Marron emceed the event.

As 4-H marks its 100-year anniversary, the theme of the evening was "100 Years and Still Growing." In honor of our 100 years this coming 4-H year 2014-15, the Glenn County 4-H Council will be paying all leader fees as a thank you for volunteering.

There were many awards given out during the evening festivities. The meritorious awards are given to an organization, business or individual who traditionally is not currently active in the 4-H program, but have made an impact on our organization. The recipients this year were Deanna and Denny Rogers for their generosity to our entire 4-H program throughout the years. Deanna has been a parent, 4-H leader, 4-H Community Club Leader, 4-H Office Secretary, and most recently the Glenn County 4-H Program Representative for the past 14 years. Deanna, Denny and their entire family have put in countless hours for our program.

Ken and Marcia Sanchez of Schaffert 4-H Club are this year's winners of the "Loving Cup II" award. This award is given to especially caring 4-H leaders or supporters. Both Ken and Marcia are constantly helping where ever there is a need, and are always there for the kids best interest, even when their own kids are not participating.

The "4-H Ringleader Award" went to Britt Grimsman. The recipient for this award is chosen by the 4-H Office staff and goes to a leader who has shown unique approaches to solving problems, is resourceful in accomplishing goals, has the ability to motivate other volunteers, and one who is pleasant to work with. Britt is a Horse Project Leader who is very active with her members in and out of the saddle. She teaches the youth safety, community service, ethics and morals.

The “4-H Mission Award” is given to someone who creates a supportive environment for youth and adults, enabling them to reach their fullest potential. They are the kind of person who is creative in providing educational programs, and motivates and encourages youth to participate in real-life experiences that the 4-H program has to offer. The recipient of this award is Barbara Warner, countywide and Orland 4-H Club sewing leader. Barbara is a champion for the fabric arts projects and is one of the major reasons for the current popularity of the project.

Lea Eddy of the Lake 4-H Club was given the “Vision Award”. This award is given to leaders who are instrumental in developing youth to become productive citizens, and have adapted to the changing program in a positive way which benefits the children. Lea is an outstanding sewing leader with a great amount of creativity for each child to succeed in their own unique way.

Another award that was presented was the “Room 707 Award”. Each year a leader with five years or less of volunteer service is selected as the recipient of this award. The leader’s name is engraved on a perpetual plaque, and the 4-H Council pays for his or her registration to attend the annual 4-H Leaders’ Conference. This year’s winners were Neisha Furtado and Gina Taylor from the Clover 4-H Club. Neisha and Gina are a terrific duo who are admired for their contribution toward the legacy of Clover 4-H and the 4-H Council.

The Lifetime Service Award, an award for a leader with at least 15 years of continual and loyal service in perpetuating the goals and mission of 4-H, went to Debbie Scritchfield, Willows 4-H Club Co-Key Leader and Willows/Countywide rabbit leader. Debbie has been a Glenn County 4-H Leader for 29 years. Debbie has been the driving force behind the success of our annual fundraising dinner. She also heads up the tabulations for presentation night and also serves as our 4-H Summer Camp head cook. Thank You Debbie for all your years of dedication to our program.

One last award for the evening is the Outstanding Entertainer Award. This award is decided on by the local dignitaries that attended the dinner, and was awarded to Sara Taylor for providing the most entertainment for the evening with her racing skills.

Thank you to those 4-H members who helped throughout the evening and the All Star and BLAST Team, and advisor Landry Otterson for their hard work and nice decorations.

On behalf of the approximately 425 members and 120 leaders of the Glenn County 4-H Program, thank you to the Ord Bend Community for allowing us to have the dinner in their hall.

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