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## BEATRICE AND NORTH PLATTE YOUTHS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS AT NAYI

LINCOLN – Two returning delegates to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Nebraska Agricultural Youth Institute (NAYI) have been awarded scholarships for their leadership and commitment to agriculture, as demonstrated during this year's Institute.

Dr. Dann Husmann, who serves as the associate dean of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR), presented the scholarships to Sarah Wollenburg of Beatrice and Landon Swedberg of North Platte. Each student was awarded a \$600 scholarship to utilize when they begin school at UNL this fall.

"We are excited to again be able to partner with CASNR to offer these scholarships to these two deserving returning delegates," said Nebraska Agricultural Youth Council (NAYC) Adviser Christin Kamm. "We greatly appreciate CASNR's willingness to sponsor these scholarships and are pleased that both Sarah and Landon plan to pursue degrees in agriculture."

This year marked the 14<sup>th</sup> year the scholarships have been awarded during NAYI. Wollenburg and Swedberg were selected by the members of the NAYC and their adviser based on their demonstrated leadership, interest in agriculture and the good example that they provided to the other NAYI delegates throughout the five-day Institute.

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NAYI is an annual five-day summer Institute where high school juniors and seniors gather in Lincoln to discuss agricultural policy, listen to motivational speakers, and learn more about careers in agriculture. The Institute is under the direction of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) and is planned by 21 college aged men and women chosen by NDA to serve on NAYC. This year's NAYI had the largest number of delegates in the 43-year history of the program.

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NOTE: Below you will find information on each of the scholarship winners; attached (to the e-mailed press release) are pictures of the scholarship recipients receiving their awards from Dr. Husmann. If you do not receive our press releases via e-mail and would like to request a photograph, you can e-mail <a href="mailto:christin.kamm@nebraska.gov">christin.kamm@nebraska.gov</a> to request a copy.

Sarah Wollenburg is the daughter of Larry and Michelle Wollenburg of Beatrice. Sarah is a recent graduate of Tri County where she was active in FFA and Student Council. Sarah plans to major in agricultural education at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this fall.

Landon Swedberg is the son of Ralph and LaDonna Swedberg of North Platte. He recently graduated from Wallace where he was active in FFA and Student Council. Landon plans to major in agribusiness at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln this fall.

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