To: KAE4-HA Members

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NOTICE MARCH 1st 2012 Deadline!!!!!

It's time to recognize ourselves and each other for all the hard work we do!!!
Extension professionals are among the hardest working people we know, and receiving recognition from one's peers is a great honor. The Recognition Committee of KAE4-HA encourages you to take a few minutes to nominate one or more of your co-workers or yourself for recognition for hard work and service to 4-H. Nominations and applications for the following awards are due March 1. (All nominations for MSA, DSA, and ASA must come via email to kbaehler@ksu.edu).

The MSA, DSA, ASA, Communicator Awards and Koons Scholarship winners will be announced at the KAE4-HA Spring Workshop in April. The Clover Award winners will be recognized at Annual Extension Conference in the Fall and 25 year award recipients will be honored at the NAE4-HA National Meeting in Omaha in the Fall. MSA, DSA, and ASA recipients will also be recognized at the national meeting. Below is a list of award categories. The following two pages contain a more complete list with additional information.

1. **Meritorious Service Award (MSA)**
2. **Distinguished Service Award (DSA)**
3. **Achievement in Service Award (ASA)**
4. **25 Years of Service Award**
5. **Kansas Clover Award**
6. **Koons Scholarship**
7. **Communicator Awards**
8. **Specialty Awards**
9. **Professional Development Awards**

There are 3 ways to obtain the nomination forms:

- **It can be located on the KAE4-HA website (http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/agent_association/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=55)**
- **It can be accessed via www.nae4ha.org/awards.htm. You will not need to log in to access this information.**
- **Email me and I will be happy to send it to you!**

Please look over the next two pages and consider submitting one or more award applications for yourself or someone else.

For your convenience in deciding what award applications to submit, a summary of eligible and previous award winners for DSA and ASA will soon be listed on the KAE4-HA web site along with list of previous Kansas Clover Award winners. If you find any errors or updates please contact me to get those corrected.

1. Meritorious Service Award (MSA) – 15 or more years in Extension 4-H youth work, has received DSA, submit KAE4-HA Award Application

2. Distinguished Service Award (DSA) – 7 or more years in Extension 4-H youth work, submit KAE4-HA Award Application

3. Achievement in Service Award (ASA) – 3 to 7 years in Extension 4-H youth work, submit KAE4-HA Award Application

4. 25 Years of Service Award – 25 years or more of service in Extension 4-H youth work, please contact me if you qualify for this award!

5. Kansas Clover Award – Recognition for two extension professionals who contribute greatly to the 4-H program but do not have full-time 4-H responsibilities, submit KAE4-HA Award Application

6. Koons Scholarship – Provides assistance to any Kansas County Extension professional who is seeking to improve their skills in 4-H programming. It might include, but is not limited to graduate study, inter-session courses, summer school, or a professional improvement conference. Amount is $200-$225 (based on earnings of the account). Submit KAE4-HA Award Application.

7. Communicator Awards – for each of these awards submit the item to be considered, the NAE4-HA Member Recognition Award Application, and an abstract containing information such as objectives, target audience, methods used, impact results, etc. (what to include in the abstract and a couple of sample abstracts are available on the NAE4-HA site)
Educational Package (individual or team)
Educational Piece (individual or team)
Exhibit/Display
Feature Story
Media Presentation
News Story
Periodical Publication (individual or team)
Personal Column
Promotional Package (individual or team)
Promotional Piece (individual or team)
Published Photo
Radio Program
Video Program

8. Specialty Awards – for each of these awards submit NAE4-HA Member Recognition Award Application plus additional items as required for individual awards
Air Force Recruiting Salute Award
4-H/Army Youth Development Project Salute Award
4-H/Air Force Aim High Award
4-H/ Navy "Pledge" Award
Beyond Youth Leadership Award – $1,000 funding for a program to involve youth in significant decision making roles that impact their club, community, country or world
Diversity Award – recognition of outstanding effort and accomplishments in achieving and sustaining diversity in the NAE4-HA organization, programs, and/or audiences
Educational Technology Award (individual or team) – recognition of the use of technology in delivering or managing educational programs

Excellence in 4-H Club Support Award (individual or team) - $500 award to encourage and recognize the efforts of Extension professionals who support and strengthen their 4-H club program
Excellence in Teamwork Award – recognition of outstanding Extension programs or projects conducted by a team that demonstrate effective performance and significant impact at community, area, state or multi-state levels
Excellence in Camping Award (individual or team) – recognition of outstanding effort in youth development through 4-H camping, practice, evaluation, or research
Excellence in Natural Resources/Environmental Education Award (individual or team) – recognition of outstanding effort by staff in Natural Resources/Environmental Education
Power of Youth Award – recognition of outstanding efforts that exemplify youth and adult partnerships which engage young people in decisions that affect them and their world
World Citizenship in 4-H Youth Development Award – recognition of the efforts of Extension staff developing and/or conducting programs and/or projects that provide opportunities for youth to develop a "world view" including a global perspective and the skills for living in a global society
Search for Excellence in Teen Programming Award (individual or team) – recognition for outstanding programs conducted for and with teen audiences
Interactive 4-H Educational Website Award – recognition of the power of interactive websites in holding youth interest and facilitating youth learning
Denise Miller National 4-H Innovator Award - $1,500 cash grant awarded to an individual or team who exemplifies innovation, accomplishment, and commitment in the design and delivery of a unique 4-H program
Excellence in Urban 4-H Programming Award - $500 award in recognition of outstanding efforts in the area of urban 4-H programming
Excellence in Animal Science Programming Award – recognition of outstanding effort in youth development through Animal Science programming, evaluation, or research projects
Excellence in Global Citizenship Programming Award – designed to encourage, support and recognize the efforts of Extension professionals who actively support and expand international cultural immersion opportunities for 4-H aged youth
Excellence in 4-H Volunteerism to Specialty Awards- designed to encourage and recognize the efforts of Extension professionals who do excellent work managing a 4-H volunteer program and/or enhancing 4-H volunteer development. Is a team or individual award and national winners receive $500 award while Regional recipients receive $150.
Excellence in Geospatial Programs Award

9. Professional Development Awards
First Time Conference Attendee Scholarship – monetary award to be used toward the NAE4-HA conference registration fee, submit NAE4-HA Member Award Recognition Application plus NAE4-HA First-Time Attendee Scholarship Application
Stiles Memorial Scholarship - $1,000 award to be used for college degree programs, submit NAE4-HA Member Award Recognition Application plus NAE4-HA Professional Development Award Application along with some additional information
Susan Barkman Scholarship for Research and Evaluation – Up to $750 for use in a research and/or evaluation project, submit NAE4-HA Member Award Recognition Application plus Susan Barkman Scholarship for Research and Evaluation Application along with some additional information