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American Legion Junior Law Cadet Honorees Chosen

(Lincoln) June 18, 2019 – The Nebraska American Legion’s 52nd annual Junior Law Cadet Program was held June 10-13, 2019 at the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center at Grand Island.

30 boys and 30 girls who just finished their junior year of high school participated in the week-long program. The students were selected from each of the 14 American Legion districts in Nebraska.

Participants learned about law enforcement responsibilities and had training from representatives of various city, county, state, and federal agencies. They participated in daily calisthenics, classroom sessions, self-defense, firearms, law enforcement driving, internet crime, and radar use. Evening classes were devoted to accident and crime investigation, fingerprinting and polygraph techniques, and other special topics.

Six young men and women were selected from the participants for performing above and beyond during the week. Outstanding Boy Cadet Austin Pierce of Brainard, Outstanding Girl Cadet Emma Wareham of Sutherland, Outstanding Driving Ability Hunter Mill of Kearney, Outstanding Marksmanship Camden Peery, Outstanding Driving Ability Courtney Kastens of Anselmo, and Outstanding Marksmanship Curtis Bruhn from Chadron.

Since its inception in 1919, The American Legion has been a key advocate for veterans’ benefits, patriotic American values, instilling values in young people through numerous programs, and a strong nation defense with focus on quality-of-life issues for those serving in today’s armed forces.

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