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American Legion Junior Law Cadet Honorees Chosen

(Lincoln) July 8, 2022 – The Nebraska American Legion’s 53rd annual Junior Law Cadet Program was held June 21 - 24, 2022, at the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center in Grand Island.

26 boys and 18 girls who just finished their junior year of high school participated in this 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 - Mathew Zitek of Louisville; Outstanding Girl Cadet - Schyler Schwisow of Western; Outstanding Boys Driving Ability - Braden Hiser of Seward; Outstanding Girls Driving Ability - Thea Wahl of Ayr; Outstanding Boys Marksmanship - Dylan Krueger of McCook; Outstanding Girls Marksmanship – Destiney Frye of Sidney.

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 national defense with a focus on quality-of-life issues for those serving in today’s armed forces.

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