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## **For Immediate Release**

### **NEW 4-H ABA EXTRAVAGANZA EVENT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS! 4-H FOOD FIESTA & CREATIVE ARTS & SKILLS DAY, ABA JUDGING AND INTERVIEW CONTEST RESULTS**

Approximately 25 Glenn County 4-H members participated in the first annual 4-H ABA (Anything But Animals) Extravaganza, which included the Food Fiesta, Creative Arts & Skills Day, ABA Judging Day and Interview Contest. This event was held Saturday, February 9, at the Willows Intermediate School, reports Glenn County 4-H Interim Program Representative, Sara van Tol. The Adult Chair for the event was Marci Sanchez, Key Leader of the Schaffert 4-H Club and the Youth Chair for the event was Hannah Cloyd, Schaffert 4-H member. Members from many of the Glenn County 4-H Clubs also assisted with the event. The County Ambassador Team members: Carson Karle, Viviana Olmos, Sheyenne Munguia and Jakob Munguia and past alumni and current UCCE 4-H Assistant: Garrett Otterson, assisted with the event, along with their advisor Landry Otterson. The 4-H members brought many wonderful food dishes and beautifully crafted centerpieces and displays to be judged at the Food Fiesta event. They were also required to set a proper table setting and provide a nutritionally-balanced menu. 4-H members also participated that day judging ABA classes and testing their knowledge on many 4-H topics including sewing, leadership, cooking and finances. Later in the day a few of the members participated in the second annual Interview Contest. Youth had to choose a job, create a resume and cover letter for the chosen job and participate in a mock interview.

All primary members (5-8 years old) received participation ribbons and certificates for the Food Fiesta and ABA Judging. They were: Abimeleck Gonzalez- Capay 4-H Club; Owen Schmies – Schaffert 4-H Club; and Reese and Ellie Milne - Lake 4-H Club. Food Fiesta Junior Division Gold Medal Winners were: Hayden Boles and Rhett Milne - Lake 4-H Club; Hannah Bonesio and Xiomara Gonzalez – Capay 4-H Club; Ximena Graciano and Nailea Torres – Orland 4-H Club. Food Fiesta Junior Division Silver

Medal Winner was: Hannah Bonesio – Capay 4-H Club. Food Fiesta Intermediate Division Gold Medal Winner was: Xitlali Gonzalez – Capay 4-H Club.

There were several 4-H members competing in the Food Fiesta commodity category receiving special awards with their food dishes. Those categories included dairy and beef this year. In the dairy commodity category, the winners were: Hayden Boles of Lake 4-H Club- 1<sup>st</sup> place; team Ximena Graciano and Nailea Torres of Orland 4-H Club - 2<sup>nd</sup> place; and a tie for Xiomara Gonzalez and Hannah Bonesio of the Capay 4-H Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> place. In the beef commodity category, the winner was: Xitlali Gonzalez of Capay 4-H Club - 1<sup>st</sup> place.

ABA Judging Junior Division Winners were: Hannah Bonesio of Capay 4-H Club – 1<sup>st</sup> place; Rhett Milne of Lake 4-H Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> place; and Hayden Boles of Lake 4-H Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> place. ABA Judging Intermediate Division Winners were: Emma Kochems of Schaffert 4-H Club – 1<sup>st</sup> place; and Xitlali Gonzalez of Capay 4-H Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> place. ABA Judging Senior Division Winners were: Daria Danley of Clover 4-H Club – 1<sup>st</sup> place; and Alison Kochems of Schaffert 4-H Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Interview Contest Junior Division Blue Medal Winner was: Xiomara Gonzalez - Capay 4-H Club. Interview Contest Intermediate Division Gold Medal Winner was: Xitlali Gonzalez – Capay 4-H Club. Interview Contest Senior Division Blue Medal Winner was: Thea Baldrige – Plaza 4-H Club. Interview Contest Senior Division Gold Medal Winner was: Daria Danley – Clover 4-H Club.

A big thank you to all the leaders, youth and parents who helped with this new ABA Extravaganza event and set-up, evaluated and tabulated. Thank you to Willows Intermediate School for use of their facility.



*Figure 1: Lake 4-H members Reese and Ellie Milne with their Food Fiesta table display and dish. Figure 2: Lake 4-H member Hayden Boles with this dummy roping demonstration at the ABA Extravaganza event.*

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