

New Jersey's Dietzman, Severino win scholarships

CHICAGO, Ill. — Two New Jersey 4-H'ers claimed \$2,000 in scholarships at the 60th National 4-H Congress.

Selected for outstanding accomplishments in 4-H projects and activities were:

Cari Dietzman

A 17-year-old New Jersey girl, who learned how to pack perishable foods safely for her family's trips across this country and Canada, has been named one of six national winners in the 4-H food conservation and safety program.

Cari Dietzman, 4 Wolfe Drive, Somerville, received a \$1,000 scholarship.

The six winners were presented their awards by Reynolds Metals Company, and program sponsor.

Dietzman, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Howard Dietzman, is a high school senior and undecided on a career. She is a nine year 4-H'er.

In her 4-H project, the Somerset County girl "learned how to pack foods and which types of food travel best. As my knowledge increased, we began traveling with perishables. I learned the conditions under which perishables must be kept."

The 4-H'er also has given a presentation on food poisoning. "I chose it as a topic for an illustrated talk because it was a subject that

people knew little about. My presentation was very well received and captivated audiences. Everyone left wiser, healthier and safer with their new knowledge," she said.

She has prepared a food preservation and safety video tape that will be circulated regionally and then serve as a permanent reference in her school's archives.

Mark Severino

An 18-year-old New Jersey youth, who cooked the family dinner two or three times a week, has been named one of six national winners in the 4-H food-nutrition program.

Mark Severino, 27 Anderson Ave., Demarest, received a \$1,000 scholarship.

His award was presented by General Foods Corporation, sponsor of the 4-H food-nutrition program.

Severino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Severino, expects to attend the Culinary Institute of America beginning next February and plans a career as either a chef or in hotel and restaurant management.

The Bergen County youth cooked the family dinner because his mother had returned to college and her class schedule made it impossible for her to do it. "I always

enjoyed cooking and had been cooking for about three years prior to this," he said.

The five-year 4-H'er made a decorated cake in the shape of baby booties and titled it "Shower Surprise" for the county favorite foods festival.

The youth has been working as a night chef at a restaurant to get some experience. He also started an assortment of cookies, cakes, candies and pastries to give as Christmas gifts to friends and relatives.

The 4-H'er also have appeared twice on television to demonstrate a summer dessert and a chicken casserole he had created.

Four from Delaware win nat'l awards

NEWARK, Del. — Four Delaware 4-H'ers won \$1000 scholarships at the 60th National 4-H Congress held in Chicago, this week.

Christopher T. Kirk, 16, of Laurel, won a scholarship sponsored by International Harvester Co. for his agricultural project.

Lisa Clark, 18, of Greenwood, won a scholarship sponsored by John Deere for her project on the conservation of natural resources.

Jacalyn F. Taylor, 15, Seaford, won a scholarship for her food preservation project. It was sponsored by Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corporation.

Raymond T. Vincent, Jr., 17, of Laurel, won Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation's scholarship for his wood science project.

The Delaware teens were selected for outstanding accomplishments in 4-H projects and activities, leadership development, personal growth, and community and civic responsibility.

Raymond Vincent

To most teens, wood science means a slightly crooked table built in the school shop. But wood science national 4-H winner Raymond Vincent has built skateboards, bleachers, farm buildings, and the lion's share of his great-grandmother's house.

Now a senior at Laurel Senior High, Raymond first became involved in 4-H in early childhood when his older brother joined. Following in the footsteps of his father, who is a farmer, lumberyard manager and former cabinetmaker, Raymond's main 4-H projects have been in the woodworking and agricultural fields. He learned woodworking at a very early age by watching and helping his father.

Raymond's first successful projects were skateboards, which he designed, built, and sold to friends. He followed up with a skateboard ramp, where they all spent many happy hours perfecting their skills.

Since that time he has made a chess table, a gun cabinet, and a very realistic replica of a shotgun.

Raymond ran this year's state woodworking judging contest, and coached his county's team. In previous years he has had a number of different livestock projects.

Agriculture, wood science, and 4-H each have a place in Raymond's future. He plans to use his scholarship money toward college, where he will major in agricultural engineering. He's looking forward to a career in agri-building and farming, and he has also decided to become a 4-H leader.

Jacalyn Taylor

Jacalyn Taylor was a baby when her mother organized the Seaford Blue Jays, the town's first 4-H club. 4-H has been a big part of her life ever since. Not only was Jacalyn named a national winner



Raymond Vincent



Jacalyn Taylor



Lisa Clark



Christopher Kirk

this year, but her older sister was a national winner four years ago.

Jacalyn started out in the 4-H gardening project. At that time her older sister was specializing in home canning, and they worked out a productive partnership. Jacalyn grew the food and Karen canned it. But when Jacalyn saw her sister winning prizes for her canning projects, she decided that she, too, wanted to learn how to can the foods she grew.

Now Jacalyn knows how to can twelve kinds of food and freeze seven. Between her 4-H gardening and canning projects, she figures she is able to save her family almost \$300 per year in food costs.

Jacalyn has held most of the offices in her 4-H club, from reporter to president. She found out that leadership is not all glory,

but there are rewards for a job well done. The \$1000 scholarship from Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corporation is an especially nice reward that she'll use to begin study toward a career as a pediatrics nurse.

Lisa Ann Clark

Preserving the natural environment has always been important to Lisa Ann Clark, whose 4-H conservation project has made her a national winner. A nine-year member of 4-H, Lisa is a student at Terry Campus, Delaware Technical and Community College.

As part of her conservation project, she researched the costs of various fuels. When her family built a new home, she was able to show them that the addition of insulation and a wood stove would

save them \$1000 per year in heating costs.

Knowing that wood is a renewable resource, Lisa led other young people in planting 2,500 trees. She also has built and maintains bird-feeding stations.

She keeps very busy with two horses, three dogs, and two parakeets, a part-time job, and Sunday school teaching in addition to her studies and club work.

An outdoorswoman who enjoys photographing the natural world, Lisa worries about the world of the future. But through 4-H, she's taking steps to protect it. "To me," she says, "conservation means I care."

Christopher Kirk

Christopher Kirk, of Laurel, who has built up a herd of registered Poland China swine and sells to

other pork producers, has been named a national winner in the 4-H agricultural program.

Kirk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis L. Kirk, is a high school junior and plans a career in farming. He is a five-year 4-H'er.

The Sussex County youth has been striving to reach a 15-sow herd and to better regulate breeding. "I have learned that breeding takes a great deal of time, money and effort," he said.

He has found "raising purebred pigs can bring in more money per hog than crossbreeds, but also requires more investment and more detailed record keeping of statistics." Being one of the few breeders of Poland Chinas in his area should be an advantage.

His other projects have included field crops and leadership.

Two Maryland 4-H'ers

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Maryland's national winners, were:

Alan Gravenor

A 17-year-old Maryland youth, who creates new toys and games as he works with younger children in child care projects, has been named one of nine national winners in the 4-H achievement program.

Alan Gravenor, 304 N. Camden Ave., Fruitland, received a \$1,000 scholarship.

His award was presented by the Ford Motor Company Fund, sponsor of the 4-H achievement program.

Gravenor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gravenor, is a high school senior.

The Wicomico County youth has been a junior teacher at his local Bible School and enjoys creating toys, games and scrapbooks for the youngsters. He also has worked with other young people in his community in his child care project.

The youth has excelled in a number of 4-H projects. His food preservation project has saved his family quite a bit of money. He began with one pint of relish and this year canned over 100 jars of fruit, vegetables and pickles. "I even learned to do marmalade this year," he said.

Alan also has been involved in wood science, food-nutrition and home environment projects.

Betty Moreland

A 19-year-old Maryland girl, who redecorated her bedroom, kitchen and a half-bath, has been named one of six national winners in the 4-H home environment program.

Betty Moreland, 307 East Hawthorne Drive, La Plata, received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Her award was presented by The S&H Foundation, Inc., sponsor of the 4-H home environment program.

Moreland, daughter of Mrs. Mary Susan Moreland, is a sophomore at Charles County Community College in La Plata.

The Charles County girl became interested in the home environment program after her older brother and sister moved out of the family home, "leaving me a room to myself. I wanted that room to be an extension of me."

My bedroom was small, with a dormer, two heat vents of varying heights in the wall, a giant off-center window area and three doors, all overcast by a sloping Cape Cod ceiling," she said.

She decided to hire a carpenter to remove a wall to give her more floor space. Then she wallpapered all of the walls, "even those sloping ceilings." She covered one of the dormer walls with mirror tiles to brighten the room.

Then she made draperies, refinished an old cricket chair, installed a bi-fold louvered door and made a sewing table and refinished a sewing chest. To complete her room, she installed shelves, made a bedspread, cleaned and rewired an antique brass lamp and set up a filing system "to keep me organized."

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