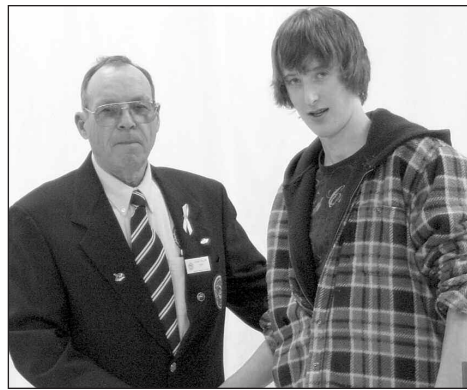




Shannon Willemsma accepts the 4-H Senior Member of the Year Award from Shawn Morris.



Adam Trimble receives the Ontario Plowmen's Association Award from Jerome Deslippe.



Jennifer Scherer receives the 4-H Junior Member of the Year Award from Shawn Morris.



Amber Fontaine accepts the 4-H Top Secretary Award from Shawn Morris.

Youth honoured at 4-H Awards

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Members of the Essex County 4-H Association gathered at Essex Legion Jan. 13 to celebrate another successful year.

"We had a wonderful year," said local 4-H president Kelli Kirkpatrick, speaking of the growth of the organization for youth ages 10 to 21. The group currently has 137 members in 27 clubs.

"It is a great way to make friends," said Kirkpatrick. The emcee for the event was 4-H director Mary Mayville. She noted that many of the youth involved did not come from area farms, although many of the

clubs deal with agricultural interests, such as livestock and field crops.

Mayville brought greetings from John Drummond, past president of the Ontario 4-H Council.

"The 4-H program is about opportunities, personal development, making friends, and having fun," she said.

Among the numerous 4-H awards presented were the following:

- Club of the Year – Farm Safety Club;
- Senior Member of the Year and Ontario Graduate – Shannon Willemsma;
- Junior Member of the Year – Jennifer Scherer;

- Top Secretary – Amber Fontaine;
- Top Press Reporter – Darren Mayville;
- Ontario Plowmen's Association Award – Adam Trimble;
- 66 Project Award – Amanda Willemsma and Andrew Willemsma;
- 30 and 36 Project Award – Maggie Anger;
- 24 Project Award – Emma Anger, Darren Mayville and Nic Willemsma;
- 18 Project Award – Tatyanna Anderson, Emma Anger, Jenny Anger, Rachel Balkwill, Bonnie Trealout, Adam Trimble, Nic Willemsma and Kaitlyn Wright;
- 12 Project Awards –

Emma Anger, Rachel Balkwill, Chelsea Barnett, Amber Fontaine, Kayla Holman, Chris Mass, Heather Reid, Tori Rocheleau, Jennifer Scherer and Bonnie Trealout;

• Ontario Gay Lea Award of Achievement – Maggie Anger and Darren Mayville. In addition, \$500 4-H scholarships were presented to Shannon Willemsma and Jessica Tracey.

Volunteers were also recognized for their contributions. Five Year Volunteer Awards went to Penny Anger and Michael Schertzer, while First Year Volunteer Awards were presented to Victoria Beaulieu, Chris Carrier,

Darren Mayville receives the 4-H Top Press Reporter Award from Shawn Morris.



Christine Matthews, Colette McLean, Beverly Pillon, and Peter Steckle.

Numerous first year certificates, member plaques, and other project awards were also presented at the event

The Ontario 4-H Council represents over 7,000 members and 1,500 volunteers from every county, region and district in the province. The organization encourages

youth to develop self-confidence, a sense of responsibility, as well as learn useful skills in communications, leadership, problem solving and goal setting.

4-H is defined in their pledge: "I pledge, my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my county, and my world."



Bonnie Popov, leader of the Farm Safety Club, accepts the 4-H Club of the Year Award from Shawn Morris.

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Collectables - selection of milk bottles, Bordens Dairy, three Essex County bottles, Blenheim Dairy, Dell's Dairy, Silverwoods cream can, Majolica 7 1/2" pitcher, Emerson plastic radio model 744B orange colour.

Jewellery - "Sherman" brooch, rhinestone bracelet, necklaces, "Bulova" deco wristwatch with emeralds, pocket watches, large gold filled chain and locket, "Noah's Ark" sterling charm bracelet, selection of gold bracelets and diamond rings and more.

Toys - "Hunting Shotgun", Japanese "Comet Motorcycle #27 with rider", Roy Rogers 620 snap shop camera, early horseman doll, 1995 Barbie "Happy Holidays", Emmett Kelly clown doll, doll crib, 6" Mighty Morphin Power Ranger toys - 1993-94, 1993 Marilyn Monroe, "Ohio Art" large Hummer top, Mercury, U.S. Marines piggy bank.

Tools - Craftsman No. 71530 Brad power nailer - 18 gauge, vintage planes, buck saw, small draw knife, Stanley Model No. 192 plane, Stanley Model No. 933 manual drill.

Porcelain, Glass, Etc. - Royal Devon "Stoke-on-Trent" bowls, "McCoy" early "Kissing Penguins" cookie jar, Circa 1920's "Arthur Wood" biscuit jar, "McCoy" "Wishing Well" cookie jar, Moorcroft ashtray, "Majolica" pitcher, Royal Doulton 1-HN1315 Old Balloon Seller, six more Royal Doultons.

Stamp Collection - coins and paper money - 1941, 49, 60, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 84, 87 and 89 Canadian nickels, 1966 and 1967 U.S. quarters, 1867-1992 New Brunswick quarter, 1921 U.S. silver dollar, "Abarclays" Elizabeth and Phillip 1947-1972 - 25th Anniversary Commemorative coin, 1923-25 Cent Dominion of Canada (Shin Plaster), three 1937 \$1 bills, one 1935 \$1 bill, three 1967 regular serial \$1 bills.

Feature Items - 9"Hx5" middle D X 3 3/8" D base - "Medalta" #103 of 1550≤ Medicine Hat Canada vase, Model #JBL27B "Bradna" portable radio - Circa 1930-48, "Roy Rogers and Trigger" 620 snap shot camera, Chicago, "Moon Rocket" with hydraulic stairway, MIJ "Singer" portable lightweight sewing machine, "Moorcroft" ashtray, drum set (snare drum, amplifier) vintage violin, horse racing items.

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