

PRESS RELEASE

Local Talent Act Perform in Overland Park, KS

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Alexa Whipple of Arapahoe, NE, was one of fifteen 4-H club members honored by being selected to perform for the 4-H Talent Revue at the 2011 National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA) Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference (AM/PIC) in Overland Park, Kansas on August 8. Alexa sang for the crowd of over 1100 County Extension Agents, spouses and guests. In addition to their solo time on the stage, Alexa performed two numbers as part of the entire cast.

4-H members were selected from audition videos submitted in October 2010, and were able to enjoy a weekend at the Overland Park Convention Center. In addition to practice time, Alexa was able to work one-on-one with the Nashville directors of the show. The cast members were also able to hear the Sunday evening address from Retired General Richard Myers, 15th Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, who served as principal military adviser to the President, the Secretary of Defense, and the National Security Council.

The Monday night performance was one of the highlights for the week. Many long-time attendees of the NACAA AM/PIC remarked that it was the best 4-H Talent Revue they had ever seen. And all the participants were made aware that the last time Kansas hosted the annual meeting, none other than Martina McBride was one of the 4-H Talent Revue performers.

“All of the 4-H members did an outstanding job as they brought down the house at the close of their performance Monday night” stated Brian Rees, Kansas Extension Agricultural Agent who coordinated the 4-H Talent Revue. “These young people brought an enormous amount of talent and energy to Overland Park and Alexa did a great job sharing her talent with our membership!”