

Western National Roundup Conference

Denver, Colorado - More than eight hundred youth from more than thirty states along with Alberta, Canada participated in the 88th Annual Western National Roundup Conference January 9-13 2008 in Denver, CO. 4-H and FFA members between the ages of 14 and 19 qualify for the conference either by winning their home state's contest or by being chosen as a state delegate. Consumer Decision Making, Family and Consumer Sciences Bowl, Family and Consumer Sciences Presentations, and Horse Demonstrations were a few of the national competitions held during the week.

Competitions held at Western National Roundup also included horse and livestock judging, hippo logy, public speaking prepared and impromptu, parliamentary procedure and meats judging. Workshops offered throughout the week provide a learning experience for the youth, exposing them to topics ranging from G.P.S training to leadership development.

Youth participants develop a mastery of their respective subject matters, but more importantly, gain life-long skills. Such skills as public speaking, professionalism, and good sportsmanship, along with the memories and new friendships, will outlast the trophies and ribbons won during the Western National Roundup.

USU Millard County Extension would like to congratulate all the youth from Millard County who participated in the Western National Roundup and recognize them for their accomplishments. Christian Harris placed 5th in the Individual Horse Demonstration contest. Joshua Camp, Sam Holley, Noah Kershnik & Shelli Richardson placed 5th as a team in the Consumer Decision Making contest. Congratulations!!

Please check the conference website at www.westernnationalroundup.org for more information about the event, keynote speakers and results from other contests held during the conference.