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Charter Members Thanked at First Heritage Club Event

On October 9, 2009, 20 National 4-H Heritage Club Charter Members gathered at National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD, to be recognized for their intended gifts to 4-H.

“Welcome home!” began Don Floyd, President and CEO of National 4-H Council, as he greeted charter members and guests at the first annual club luncheon. Don then shared the great 4-H accomplishments for the year.

- The 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development documented youth’s benefits from 4-H.
- With the support of DuPont, the 4-H clover and Web address were displayed on Jeff Gordon’s No. 24 Chevrolet on October 4 at Kansas Speedway.
- The second annual *4-H National Youth Science Day*[™] promoted the National Science Experiment, *Biofuel Blast*.
- Council’s commitment to enhance 4-H’s global presence, based on the previous work of many charter members.

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—Don Floyd, President and CEO of National 4-H Council

Whitney Kupferer, former New Mexico 4-H member and Youth Trustee of the National 4-H Council Board of Trustees, spoke about 4-H’s impact on youth. Now a senior at the University of Alabama, Whitney continues to be grateful to the friends and leaders she met through 4-H.

“These individuals have provided me with the foundation which shaped my life.” She attributes 4-H for giving her confidence to pursue a new career opportunity with the FBI.

Don and Whitney both extended thanks to the charter members for



Charter Members John and Nancy Sterling receive a plaque in their honor at the luncheon with Don Floyd; Lynn Henderson, National 4-H Council Trustee and Resource Development Committee Chairman; and Whitney Kupferer.

their generous support. “4-H is phenomenal because of you and your contributions of time and talent,” said Don. “On behalf of six million 4-H’ers, 500,000 4-H volunteers and 4-H staff across our nation, we thank you.”

Remembering the Opening of Center

June 16, 1959—The first day of National 4-H Conference at the new National 4-H Youth Conference Center. It was attended by 200 youth and their 4-H advisors from across the US. President Dwight D. Eisenhower was to preside over Center's opening ceremony. Before noon, the President arrived at the Center by

limousine while Conference delegates and guests excitedly gathered to witness this landmark 4-H event.

Fifty years later, on October 9, 2009—The National 4-H Heritage Club charter members gathered on the steps of J.C. Penney Hall to witness the reenactment of the 1959 ribbon cutting. Anita Hollmer

(Hodson) and Larry Dilda were present to resume their historic roles. Don Floyd, National 4-H Council President and CEO, played the role of President Eisenhower and cut the ribbon to mark the beginning of Center's next 50 years.

In addition, Sue Benedetti and Larry Krug, Heritage Club charter members and members of the 4-H History Preservation Team, invited Dick Heavner and Lois Redman, the 1958-59 National 4-H Fellow from KS, to join Anita and Larry in sharing their special memories of that historic day.

During the luncheon to recognize charter members, Jennifer Sirangelo, Senior Vice-President of Resource



Larry Dilda and Anita Hollmer (Hodson) with Don Floyd, President and CEO, National 4-H Council, cut the ribbon during the reenactment of Center's opening ceremony.

Donor's 4-H Investment in Center Continues

Dalton and Ruby Proctor have enjoyed a lifetime of 4-H experiences in North Carolina. Dalton focused on animal science and leadership, which helped him learn to make decisions and Ruby was active in 4-H home economics projects. 4-H has remained a centerpiece of their lives, which was also evident in their two children becoming actively engaged in 4-H during their childhood.

Dalton's 4-H career culminated with his role as North Carolina State 4-H Leader. In this position, he teamed with Gary Deverman, former National 4-H Council Resource Development Officer, to secure a major gift that led to the construction of Ketner Hall at National 4-H Youth Conference Center. In addition, Dalton led the campaign funding the North Carolina Lobby at the entrance to Aiton Auditorium.

Therefore, it's not surprising that Dalton and Ruby have continued their investments in 4-H by establishing *The Dalton and Ruby Proctor Endowment for the North Carolina Lobby of Ketner Hall*. As Dalton

commented, "We want to assure the quality of the facility is maintained through the years."

The Proctors have seen firsthand the benefits of 4-H in the lives of thousands of North Carolina youth. Dalton states that in 4-H, "a child is not a thing to be molded; rather, a child is a person to be unfolded." He continues by saying, "We continue to invest in youth development work through our gifts to Council because we believe that Center provides young people

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Current Gift		
A donation you make now can be used promptly to meet our current needs. You can see the beneficial results of your immediate gift without delay...and you maximize your income tax savings.		
Cash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write a check or charge a credit card. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It's quick and easy.
Securities or real estate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Give assets you've owned longer than one year and that are worth more than when you purchased them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You receive an income tax deduction and avoid capital gains tax.
Deferred Gift		
A deferred gift is a planned contribution that you arrange now to benefit us later—perhaps after your lifetime. Your unique personal circumstances may dictate this strategy, especially if you contemplate a sizable contribution.		
Bequest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through your will, give us money, property or a share of estate residue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A bequest can either be outright or contingent upon the death of a family member. You may consider a memorial gift.
Life insurance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name us the primary or contingent beneficiary—or transfer a policy to us now that you no longer need. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can contribute either a new policy or one no longer needed and provide a large gift to us at a relatively small cost.
Life Income Gift		
These plans ensure you (and even a survivor) an income for life as well as substantial tax savings. You can convert low-yielding assets into a higher income stream. You give assets to the plan now, and we receive the balance after the income beneficiary's lifetime.		
Charitable remainder annuity trust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fund with cash, securities or other assets. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You receive payments of a fixed dollar amount for life.

Development, recalled that the National 4-H Council Board of Trustees established their planned giving donor recognition society in 2007. "This club continues our commitment to the hopes and dreams of 4-H's early visionary leaders and to the historic spirit of the Center's opening day. Charter members help ensure that 4-H's high-quality and accessible programming continues to serve millions of youth across our nation now and for many future generations." Jennifer concluded the luncheon by sharing her sincere appreciation to all charter members.

with a unique learning environment in our nation's capital. We must not look back—we must look ahead. Our generation is the only bridge between the past and the future...we must pass the best of the past to future generations."

During the National 4-H Heritage Club luncheon, Dalton and Ruby were recognized as charter members. We are delighted to welcome the Proctors to charter membership and express our sincere

appreciation for their continuing support of 4-H.

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—Dalton and Ruby Proctor



Dalton and Ruby Proctor pose next to the plaque created in their honor in the North Carolina Lobby.

National 4-H Heritage Club Charter Members

Individuals and couples who have designated their planned gift intents by September 30, 2009

John A. Allen Jr.
Richard R. Angus
David E. and Frances K. "Sue"
Benedetti
Erna Bamford Breton
Marcius and Elna Butterfield
Anonymous
Susanne G. Fisher
Don and Carolyn Floyd
Gail and Edwin M. Gershon
Gardiner and Violet* Graham
Anita Hollmer Hodson and Family
Jim (James C.) Kemp

Dan A. Klingenberg
Mrs. J.O. (Gladys) Knapp
Anonymous
Larry L. Krug
Sandra Link Lignell
Mary Kaye Merwin
Mason* and Beverly Miller
Melanie Miller
Dr. Robert H. Miller and
Mrs. Vivian E. Miller
Wayne Nierman and Linda
Gould Nierman
Kenneth and Ethel* Pickett

Elaine R. Pitts
Dalton R. and Ruby H. Proctor
Elizabeth N.* and William R.
Sheldon
Jennifer L. Sirangelo
Jennifer R. Snelson-Wells and
Robert M. Wells
John C. and Nancy C. Sterling
Jo Ann Tilley
Eleanor L. Wilson
Mary Lee and Douglas A.* Wood

*Deceased



National 4-H Heritage Club charter members gather around the newly planted National 4-H Heritage Tree.

The National 4-H Heritage Tree

On June 30, 2009, the National 4-H Heritage Tree, a red oak, was planted at National 4-H Youth Conference Center. A symbol of strength, change, and hope for the 4-H movement, the tree is an enduring tribute to individuals who have designated a gift in support of 4-H's future. These individuals have confidence that 4-H will serve the educational needs of youth, their families, and communities for many generations.



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