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Newborn Wins Scholarship from Nebraska Educational Savings Trust

(LINCOLN, Neb. March 21, 2011.) – A scholarship winner has been selected from the NEST (Nebraska Educational Savings Trust) *New Plan, New Born* scholarship drawing, announced State Treasurer Don Stenberg. The drawing was announced at a news conference on December 20, 2010, and was open to beneficiaries born on December 20, 2010, whose primary residence is Nebraska.

Aevyn Anne Smith, infant daughter of Ryan and Glenna Smith from Gordon, Nebraska, was selected as the lucky winner and will have \$529 deposited to her NEST college savings plan account. Aevyn Anne is the granddaughter of Garry and Lucille Smith of Box Elder, South Dakota; Boyd Egli of Gordon, Nebraska; and Jo Ellen Martin of Cheyenne, Wyoming.

“It is never too early to start saving for the costs associated with a higher education,” said Stenberg. “On behalf of the State of Nebraska, I would like to congratulate Aevyn’s parents for taking the first steps in saving for her future education by opening a NEST college savings plan account.”

Additional NEST scholarship opportunities are planned throughout 2011, including the recently announced essay contest sponsored by the Omaha Storm Chasers Baseball Club and the State Treasurer’s Office. Future announcements will be made regarding the upcoming scholarship opportunities. For more information, visit www.NEST529.com or www.treasurer.org.

NEST is a tax-advantaged 529 college savings plan and provides four plans to help make saving for college simple and affordable: NEST Direct College Savings Plan, the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, the TD Ameritrade 529 College Savings Plan, and the State Farm College

Savings Plan. The Nebraska State Treasurer serves as the Program Trustee. First National Bank serves as the Program Manager, and all investments are approved by the Nebraska Investment Council. More than 49,000 families in Nebraska and over 145,000 nationwide are saving for their children's higher education through NEST. For more information, visit www.NEST529.com.

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