Love County Nurse Wins Annual Laura K. Savage Award

Oklahoma’s Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program recently hosted the **2012 WIC Nutrition and Breastfeeding Conference—Luau the WIC Way!** The conference was attended by 469 WIC employees across the state. During the conference, Amber Marr was named the winner of the 2012 **Laura K. Savage Creativity in Nutrition Education Award**. The title of the winning submission is “Summer Fun with Fruits & Veggies,” which showed creative ways to prepare fruits and vegetables.

Marr will have the opportunity to showcase her entry at the National WIC Association’s 30th Annual Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas. She has been with OSDH since December of 2010 and is the coordinating nurse for Love County. This was her first time to enter a poster in the contest. Assisting her was Charla Gwin, the administrative technician for Love County. Gwin has been with OSDH WIC for six years.

The **Laura K. Savage Creativity in Nutrition Education Award** is named in memory of Laura K. Savage, former WIC nutrition education coordinator, who lost her life in 2001 in a car accident. Laura had a passion for nutrition education and was dedicated to developing new ways to educate participants about nutrition.

By participating in the **Laura K. Savage Creativity in Nutrition Education Award**, students and nutrition educators have the opportunity to showcase their talent and creativity. Forty-three students from three major universities, the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, and the University of Central Oklahoma submitted entries. Also, five WIC staff submitted poster entries.