

Janna Smith named Rising Star

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Two Northeastern Junior College students were recently recognized as Rising Stars on the Sterling campus. Janna Smith of Holyoke and Stephen Geu of Peetz, both sophomores, were recognized along with 22 other honorees from the 13 colleges that make up the Colorado Community College System.

Smith, an animal science major, has been very active for the last two years as part of the college community. She is treasurer for the NJC Aggies Club, vice president of Phi Theta Kappa, a Crossroads Club leadership team member, a member of the Ambassador Team and a member of the rodeo team.

She is, or has been, actively involved with 4-H, National Future Farmers of America and is on the board of directors for Platte Valley Rodeo Bible Camp. In her free time, Smith loves to show livestock, make leather crafts and ceramics. After finishing her studies at NJC, she plans to attend Colorado State University.

Geu was born and raised in Peetz and is the youngest of five boys. He is currently working on his associate's degree in general studies. Geu is the president of the NJC Aggies Club, treasurer for the Collegiate Farm Bureau and is currently first vice president of the Associated Student Government. Geu is also highly involved with Future Farmers of America, is a Sunday school teacher and is managing the greenhouse on campus.

He plans to attend the University of Wyoming to study agronomy, continue on for a doctoral degree and then return home to his family farm.

Both Smith and Geu have been honor roll students while attending Northeastern. This is the second year that Smith has received this particular award. She was also named to the Colorado All-Academic Team through Phi Theta Kappa.

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