

## **Cihal Selected as 2006 UNL ARDC Employee of the Year**

Near Mead, NE – Marnie Cihal has been selected as the recipient of the 2006 Employee of the Year Award at the University of Nebraska Agricultural Research and Development Center near Mead.

Sponsored by the ARDC/UNL Extension in Saunders County Social Committee, fellow employees nominate candidates and supervisors, employees and the social committee then submit scoring forms.

Cihal is a Clerical Assistant at the ARDC. Also nominated were Bryon Chvatal, Allison Miller, Deloris Pittman, Cheryl Sheary, and Jon Swanson.

Nominations for Cihal state that she brings out the best in others and goes above and beyond what is expected of her. She meets challenges head on and is often the "go to" person with special requests. She is very dependable and punctual with her work assignments. She cares about doing a good job and cares about the people she works with.

Cihal and her husband, Dan, live near Valparaiso. They have three children.

In addition to receiving a plaque, Cihal was also honored with prizes solicited and organized by the ARDC/UNL Extension in Saunders County Social Committee. This includes: \$50 gift certificate to the UNL Dairy Store; \$20 gift certificate to the Barn Door restaurant and 18 holes of golf with cart for four people at the Hilltop Country Club and recognition on a plaque to be displayed indefinitely at the ARDC August N. Christenson Research and Education Building.

In January 2006, Cihal was also honored with the Outstanding Employee Award for office/service. This award is presented by the University of Nebraska's Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR).

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