

Financial Foothold

Angus Foundation offers more than \$2.9 million in scholarships since 1998.

compiled by Lindsay King, assistant editor



Scholarships: the leading reason students are able to pursue higher education. On average, college tuition has increased by more than 200% in the last 20 years. The Foundation not only recognizes the outstanding leadership of junior members, they have provided financial footholds for undergraduate and graduate students.

A branch of the Foundation's mission includes education. Awarding 111 scholarships at the 2018 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), the Foundation adhered to supporting youth development. Scholarships were also awarded for higher education and attending leadership development events.

"We are proud to make an investment in the industry's future," says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. "These young people are the leaders of today and tomorrow, but we could not support them without the help of our very generous donors from across the Angus industry. They make these

opportunities possible for our youth."

A five-member committee evaluates the scholarship applications and considers National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) involvement, state association participation, leadership and other criteria. Since 1998, the Angus Foundation has awarded more than \$2.9 million in scholarships, for both undergraduate and graduate students.

The 2018 scholarship recipients were recognized at the NJAS.

Scholarship winners

Patrick "Pat" Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship. The family of Pat Goggins provided an \$11,750 gift, for the Pat Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Goggins was a publisher, columnist, auctioneer, livestock market owner, real-estate broker and longtime Angus breeder from Billings, Mont. He gained great prestige in the Angus industry working as a fieldman and ringman for *Western Livestock Journal*, the *Montana Farmer Stockman* and *Western Livestock Reporter*.

A self-taught auctioneer, Goggins became one of the leading purebred livestock auctioneers in the United States. Over the years, Goggins'

keen business sense led him to acquire three auction markets, numerous ranches and feedlots, the first livestock video auction, a real estate company in addition to other business ventures.

Numerous Angus breeders and friends have made memorial gifts to the fund that now surpasses \$15,000. The endowment generates a scholarship presented to an undergraduate student each summer at the NJAS. Selection criteria for the scholarship include first preference given to Angus youth from Montana.

This year the Patrick "Pat" Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, goes to Jordyn Wagner, Billings, Mont.

Foundation general scholarships

Generous unrestricted gifts to the *Vision of Value: Campaign for Angus* and other support to the Angus Foundation through the Angus Foundation Heifer Package at Denver, silent auction, golf tournament, annual fund, Angus credit card program, Angus breeder fundraising events, merchandise sales and Foundation activities in Louisville are the reason the Foundation is able to award the level of general undergraduate and graduate scholarships each year.

Receiving \$1,000 **Angus Undergraduate Foundation Scholarships** for 2018 were Jake Barnes, Broken Arrow, Okla.; Cassidy Becker, Diagonal, Iowa;



Jordyn Wagner (center) received the Pat Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship from Bob Cook (left) and Coreen Cook (right). Receiving the \$1,000



Receiving the \$1,000 Undergraduate Angus Foundation General Scholarship (front row, from left) are Hannah Tremaine; Kalli Flanders; Carrie Otte; Ryland McCormick; Bryanna Hite; Maddie Fugate; Reba Colin; Paige Birk; Dakota Lovett; James Coffey, Angus Foundation chairperson; Rod Schoenbine, Angus Foundation director of development; (second row, from left) Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president; Nicole Stevenson; Reagan Skow; Lexi Stevenson; Chase Mogck; Miranda Raitchel; Gabriela Hernandez; Cassidy Becker; Morgan Woodbury; Garrett Bromenshenk; (back row, from left) Allyson Sellers; Morgan Scilacci; Garrett Handsaker; Shelley Rowlett; and Brianna Erdmann.

Paige Birk, Gordonville, Mo.; Garrett Bromenshenk, Billings, Mont.; Grant Cash, York, Pa.; Reba Colin, Butler, Mo.; Sydney Cutler, Philipsburg, Mont.; Brianna Erdmann, Leola, S.D.; Kalli Flanders, Buffalo, Ky.; Maddie Fugate, Mahomet, Ill.; Taylor Glover, Pikeville, N.C.; Garrett Handsaker, Pearl City, Ill.; Sara Hatlewick, Jamestown, N.D.; Gabriela Hernandez, Wellington, Fla.; Bryanna Hite, Valley Center, Kan.; Dakota Lovett, Bladen, Neb.; Ryland McCormick, Pleasantville, Iowa; Chase Mogck, Olivet, S.D.; Taylor Nikkel, Maple Hill, Kan.; Carrie Otte, St. Mary, Mo.; Miranda Raitchel, Falls City, Neb.; Shelley Rowlett, Martin, Tenn.; Morgan Scilacci, Baker City, Ore.; Allyson Sellers, Vilonia, Ark.;

Reagan Skow, Palisade, Neb.; Lexi Stevenson, Argyle, Texas; Nicole Stevenson, Joliet, Mont.; Hannah Tremaine, Oconomowoc, Wis.; Elizabeth Voight, Fredericksburg, Pa.; and Morgan Woodbury, Quenemo, Kan.

Angus Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships of \$3,000 went to Molly Cooksey, Roggen, Colo.; Caroline Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.; Madison Cox, Eagle Point, Ore.; Lydia Dance, Hillsboro, Ohio; Lindsey Decker, Philo, Ill.; Grady Dickerson, Paradise, Kan.; Kaydee Free, Salado, Texas; Haley Greiman, Perry, Iowa; Sarah Harris, Buchanan, Va.; Claire Hawthorne, Westby, Wis.; Baxter Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa; Dalton Lemenager, Clifton, Ill.;

Sydni Lienemann, Princeton, Neb.; Jacob McCall, Greenville, Va.; Sarah Pelton, Paradise, Kan.; McKayla Raines, Seaman, Ohio; Daniel Rohrbaugh, Seven Valleys, Pa.; Cara Smith, Pleasant Garden, N.C.; Miles Stagemeyer, Page, Neb.; and Karsyn Zenor, Attica, Ind.

Angus Foundation Graduate Student Scholarships of \$5,000 were awarded to Madison Butler, Vincennes, Ind.; Jaden Carlson, Pipestone, Minn.; Alexis Cash, York, Pa.; Michael Cropp, Damascus, Md.; and Maci Mueller, Davis, Calif.

Named scholarships

DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship and Achievement/

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Presenting the \$3,000 Undergraduate Angus Foundation General Scholarship is Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president, to (from left) Jacob McCall; Claire Hawthorne; Karsyn Zenor; Miles Stagemeyer; Cara Smith; Daniel Rohrbaugh; Sarah Pelton; Sydni Lienemann; Dalton Lemenager; Baxter Knapp; Sarah Harris; Haley Greiman; Kaydee Free; Grady Dickerson; Lindsey Decker; and Caroline Cowles. Also presenting were James Coffey, Angus Foundation chairperson, and Rod Schoenbine, Angus Foundation director of development.

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Fund. A new scholarship was announced for 2016 in memory of DeEtta (Jones) Wood. DeEtta and her family have enjoyed raising purebred Angus cattle at their Wood Angus Farm in Willow Spring, N.C.

DeEtta was more than an Angus breeder, she was also a leader, serving the North Carolina Angus Auxiliary and as an advisor for the North Carolina Junior Angus Association.

Her legacy will be carried on in perpetuity in the Angus breed through the DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship and Achievement/Leadership Awards Endowment Fund. The endowment will fund a \$1,000 scholarship given annually with preference to North Carolina Angus youth.

This year's winner is Cara Smith, Pleasant Garden, N.C.

Joseph and Susanne Bush/J&S Ranch Scholarship and Junior Activity Endowment Fund. Joe and Susanne Bush of J&S Ranch, Gatesville, Texas, began ranching in 2005 and started their Angus herd three years later. The Bushes are U.S. Army veterans with more than 40 years combined military service. They became involved with the Texas Angus Association, the Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and the American Angus Association. Their passion for the Angus industry fueled their decision to name the

Angus Foundation as the primary charitable beneficiary for the bulk of their estate. A \$10,000 cash gift in 2015 was announced, creating the Joseph and Susanne Bush, J&S Ranch Scholarship and Junior Activity Endowment Fund. Each year, a different Angus junior from either Texas or Mississippi will receive a \$500 scholarship.

The winner of the Joseph and Susanne Bush, J&S Ranch Scholarship is Faith Massingill, Hamilton, Texas.

Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship. The Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund was established following the Feb. 19, 2015, passing of Cory Watt, 22, of Iva, S.C., after a prolonged battle with cancer. A lifelong Angus breeder, Watt was halfway through his term as chairman of the National Junior Angus Board (NJAB). He was a faithful steward of Angus cattle and a positive role model for Angus youth.

Led by Kevin and Lydia Yon and their family with the donation of an Angus female, other family, friends and industry role models have raised a memorial of more than \$37,000 in Cory's memory to fund a scholarship to help juniors pursue higher education. While he is no longer with us, Cory will remain an inspiration, and his memory will be honored in the NJAA and the American Angus Association for generations to come.



Esther McCabe, Elk City, Kan., received the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Graduate Scholarship.

The 2018 recipient of the \$1,500 Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship was Ashley Cox, Eagle Point, Ore.

Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarship. Gordon and Robin Keys of Middleburg, Va., donated \$52,000 to the Angus Foundation for the creation of two scholarship endowment funds in 2015. Officially titled the Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarships, the generous donation will provide opportunities to Angus youth from Virginia and Maryland. Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded annually.

The decision to establish these two scholarships was because of the family's roots — Gordon is originally from Maryland, and Robin is from Virginia. For the past 20 years, their home has been Beaver Dam Farm, a 150-acre historic property in Virginia. Their children grew up participating



Jenkins presents the Angus Foundation Graduate Scholarships to (from left) Jaden Carlson; Michael Cropp; Alexis Cash; Maddi Butler; Coffey; and Schoenbine.



Morgan Blommel (left) received the Iowa Junior Angus Association National Scholarship from Schoenbine.



Jenkins presents the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Undergraduate Scholarships to (from left) Jera Pipkin; Morgan Fruge; Cheyenne Jones; Kallie Knott; Sierra Day; Keegan Cassidy; Dawson Dal Porto; Ryan Callahan; Cody Boden; Corbin Cowles; presented by Schoenbine and Coffey.

in 4-H, exhibiting Angus cattle and being involved in the livestock industry.

Winners of the \$1,000 Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarships for 2018 were Sara Lechluder, Gaithersburg, Md., and Jacob McCall, Greenville, Va.

C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund. In admiration of C.L. and Joyce Cook of Bricton Farms, Social Circle, Ga., and the impact C.L. had on their lives raising Angus cattle, Stacey and Melanie Britt and other longtime friends of the Cooks initiated a fundraising drive. C.L. and Joyce were overjoyed at the Georgia Genetics Angus Sale in April 2015 when more than \$37,000 was raised in C.L.'s honor from the proceeds of an Angus female donated by Britt Angus Farms and contributions from other generous Angus breeders.

Applicants from Georgia will be given first preference for the undergraduate scholarship, which has no restrictions to academic major or student year classification.

Receiving the 2018 C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship in the amount of \$500 was Daniel Williams, Milan, Ga.

The Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship and Activities Endowment Fund. This fund was established in 2014 when Wilma Minix, Black Witch Farm, Athens, Ga., donated \$102,500 to establish a scholarship and named the Angus Foundation a charitable beneficiary.

This scholarship is in honor of her late husband, Ed Minix, and herself. The fund will generate an annual \$2,500 scholarship and was awarded for the first time at the 2014 NJAS. The balance of the annual investment earnings will be

used for youth activities, including the Raising the Bar conference and the Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) conference.

Receiving the \$2,500 Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship for 2018 was Drew Williams, Milan, Ga.

Established in 2014 with contributions in memory of the late Stan Prox, the **Stan Prox Memorial LEAD Award** covers the registration cost for one NJAA member attending the LEAD conference. The recipient will be selected by random drawing from Illinois youth who have registered for the LEAD conference by the early registration deadline. Eligibility follows LEAD conference rules. Past recipients will be ineligible in the following years.

Receiving the Stan Prox Memorial LEAD Award for 2018 was Amelia

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Anne Patton Schubert presented the Gary Brost LEAD Conference award to (from left) Karsyn Zenor; Dalton Lemenager; Kallie Knott; and Keegan Cassidy.



Amelia Miller (right) received the Stan J. Prox LEAD Conference Award from Linda Prox.



Mary Ali Oliver (right) received the James E. Horton Jr. Angus \$2,500 Scholarship from Jenkins.

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Miller, Gridley, Ill.

Angus Foundation Richard L. Spader Scholarships. Richard L. “Dick” Spader was responsible for starting the Angus Foundation during his tenure as executive vice president of the American Angus Association. Upon his death, his family established a scholarship fund in his memory, started with the auctioning of the first five copies of *A Historic Angus Journey*, written by Keith Evans, and expanded through contributions from members across the country.

Receiving \$5,000 scholarships in remembrance of the late Dick Spader were Cale Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan.; and Madison Styles, Brentford, S.D.

Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Scholarships. Camron “Cam” Cooper, owner of the Talon Ranch located in Twin Bridges, Mont., loved the land and Angus cattle. She believed in educating our children as the future of the beef industry. At the Angus Foundation’s Supporter Recognition Event in Louisville, Ky., in 2009, Cooper announced that she had named the Angus Foundation as a charitable beneficiary of her estate.

Cooper established the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Endowment Fund with outright cash gifts through the

Angus Legacy Society to give \$5,000 undergraduate scholarships in 2010 to 10 Angus youth who satisfied the first preference for field of study in animal science and range management, had a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, with pre-veterinary medicine students specializing in bovine (large) animal practice also given strong preference. The \$5,000 scholarships are renewable for up to four years contingent upon the recipient’s meeting the requirements.

The individuals receiving the \$5,000 Angus/Talon undergraduate Scholarships in 2018 include Cody Boden, Clear Brook, Va.; Ryan Callahan, Edmond, Okla.; Keegan Cassady, Bloomington, Ill.; Corbin Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.; Dawson Dal Porto, Oakley, Calif.; Sierra Day, Cerro Gordo, Ill.; Kallie Knott, Laotto, Ind.; Cheyenne Jones, Crown Point, Ind.; Morgan Fruge, Jennings, La.; and Jera Pipkin, Republic, Mo.

Receiving the \$10,000 Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Graduate Scholarship was Esther McCabe, Elk City, Kan.

Howard and JoAnne Hillman/Bon-View Farms Angus Scholarship. Funded during the *Vision of Value: Campaign* for Angus, a capital campaign for the Angus breed that concluded in 2011, the fund now provides two \$1,000 scholarships



Caroline Cowles (left) received the 2012 NJAS — *In a League of Their Own Kentucky Scholarship* from Paula and Charlie Boyd (right).

annually. One is awarded to a South Dakota Junior Angus member and the other to a junior member from any state.

Howard and JoAnne Hillman of Sioux Falls, S.D., are no strangers to the Angus breed. From 1908-1999, their Angus seedstock operation, Bon-View Farms of Canova, S.D., produced quality, elite cattle through financial prosperity and hard economic times. They had many successful appearances in national show rings through the years and offered genetic advancements to the Angus breed through annual production sales.

Even after their dispersal sale in 1999, Howard and JoAnne have continued to support Angus cattle by volunteering their time to both the Association and Foundation. Howard served as chairperson of the Leadership Cabinet for the *Vision of*



Jordyn Wagner (right) received the NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship from Corbin Cowles, NJAB Foundation director.



Jayne Bannister (center) received the Certified Angus Beef LLC/NJAA Scholarship from Cowles (left) and Schoenbine.



Daniel Williams (right) received the C.L. Cook Angus \$1,500 Scholarship from Doug Williams.



Cara Smith (center) received the DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship. Presenting the award are (from left) Jeff Wood, Ava Wood, Mary Wood and Justin Wood.



Receiving the Texas Angus Association Scholarships are (from left) Derek Wolf; Faith Massingill; and Dylan Denny; presented by Cindy Ahearn.

Value: Campaign for Angus.

Receiving the 2018 Bon-View Farms scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 were Alexa Montagne, Elk Point, S.D.; and Victoria Hernandez, Wellington, Fla.

Gary Brost LEAD Award. In honor of his accomplishments in the Angus breed, friends and family of the late Gary Brost of Harrodsburg, Ind., have created the Gary Brost LEAD Award Endowment Fund. Brost, an Angus breeder for many years, was a pioneer in the Angus business. In addition to raising two national champion Angus bulls, he was also named a master breeder at the All-American Angus Breeders' Futurity.

This fund will annually award two (or more) NJAA members with resources necessary to defray registration costs to attend the LEAD conference. Preference will be given to applicants with a

farm/ranch background from the states of Indiana and Illinois. The Angus Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship Program application will be used to select recipients, who remain eligible to receive other scholarships from the Angus Foundation or local, state, regional and national Angus-related entities.

Receiving the Gary Brost LEAD Award for 2018 were Keegan Cassady, Bloomington, Ill.; Kallie Knott, Laotto, Ind.; Dalton Lemenager, Clifton, Ill.; and Karsyn Zenor, Attica, Ind.

Oliver A. Hansen/Laudmere Farm Angus Scholarship. The legacy of Oliver A. Hansen will continue through a \$10,000 scholarship endowment that will provide one college-bound Angus junior member from Iowa a scholarship each year.

Hansen was an active member of the American Angus Association.

He grew up in Dixon, Iowa, and assisted his father with the Angus herd at Laudmere Farm, which was established in 1931. He held several leadership roles in the Eastern Iowa Angus Association and was a strong advocate for Angus cattle and the ag industry. In 2009, he was inducted into the Angus Heritage Foundation. Oliver's sons, Ron Hansen of Durant, Iowa, and Tom Hansen of Enoch, Utah, chose to honor their father and family by creating the scholarship endowment in the name of their father and the farm.

The recipient of the Oliver A. Hansen Family/Laudmere Farm Angus Scholarship must have at one time been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association. The recipient must also be a resident of Iowa and a member

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Taylor Duckett (right) received the Oliver A. Hansen/Laudmere Farm Angus \$500 Scholarship from Jenkins.



Dylan Denny (right) received the Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Ranch Angus \$1,250 Scholarship from Jenkins.



Shelley Rowlett (left) received the 2012 NJAS — In a League of Their Own Kentucky Scholarship from Schoenbine.



Ashley Cox (right) received the Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship from Kevin Yon, American Angus Ass'n president.

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or past member of the Iowa Junior Angus Association for at least four consecutive years. Graduating high school seniors or students currently enrolled in college are eligible.

The scholarship must be applied to undergraduate studies and is applicable to any field of study.

The recipient of the 2018 Oliver Hansen/Laudmere Farm scholarship in the amount of \$500 was Taylor Duckett, Tipton, Iowa.

James E. Horton Junior Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund. Gregg and Lile Blythe established the James E. Horton Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund to honor Gregg's longtime friend, mentor and Angus partner, James Edwin Horton Jr. The fund was started with a gift of \$20,000 in 2006. Today it is funded at more than \$30,000 as Alabama Angus breeders and other family members have continued to contribute to the fund in honor of "Mr. Ed," as he was fondly known.

A leader in the Angus breed for many years, Horton served as a director and president of the American Angus Association during the 70s. He was instrumental in the acquisition of the *Angus Journal* and establishing the *Certified Angus Beef*® (CAB®) brand, and he led the efforts for the eventual creation of the Angus Foundation.

SCHOLARSHIPS FUNDED THROUGH



The \$2,500 James E. Horton Junior Angus Scholarship was awarded to Mary Ali Oliver, Union City, Tenn.

Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial Angus Scholarship. In October 2007, Bob and Hollyce Neumeyer of Jaynbee Ranch, Bonners Ferry, Idaho, established the Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial Angus Scholarship, in memory of their daughter, with a \$10,000 gift to the Angus Foundation. Jean Ann was very active in the Angus breed, showing Angus cattle and competing in junior activities at local, state, regional and national levels. As a young adult, she continued her involvement in the Angus breed, owning cows with her parents.

Receiving the Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez scholarship for 2018 in the amount of \$1,000 was Madison Cox, Eagle Point, Ore.

Mack C. Olson Memorial Scholarship. More than \$17,000 was raised in a fund drive led by friends in the Angus breed across the country to ensure the late Mack C. Olson's legacy would be carried on in perpetuity after a fatal automobile

accident in December 2007.

Mack was a member of the American Angus Association, the Montana Angus Association, the Western Montana Angus Association and a director for the Western Montana Stockgrowers Association. The Olson family continues to raise cattle in the Mission Valley area at Saint Ignatius, Mont.

The Mack C. Olson Memorial Angus Scholarship of \$500 went to Katelyn Holmes, Benton, Iowa.

NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship. Developed by the 2009-2010 National Junior Angus Board (NJAB), the objective of the NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship Endowment Fund is to create more scholarship opportunities for deserving Angus youth of the NJAA and to inspire other juniors and alumni to give back to the NJAA.

Bob and Margaret Duprey of Cherry Knoll Farm, West Grove, Pa., have pledged a total of \$25,000 in matching funds to support the NJAA Board Alumni and Friends Scholarship Endowment Fund. A different recipient will receive the scholarship each year. The Angus Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship Program application is used to select the scholarship recipient each year.

The NJAA Alumni and Friends



Faith Massingill (center) received the Joseph and Susanne Bush// & S Ranch \$500 Scholarship from Radale Tiner, American Angus Ass'n regional manager (left), and Jenkins.



Grady Dickerson (center) received the Kansas Angus Association \$1,000 Scholarship from Neal Haverkamp (left) and Anne Lampe, American Angus Auxiliary.



Katelyn Holmes (center) received the Mack C. Olson Memorial Angus \$500 Scholarship from Esther McCabe (left) and Kari Wagner.



Jacob McCall (left) received the Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Virginia Angus Scholarship from Jenkins.



Caroline Cowles (left) received the Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus \$1,000 Scholarship from Gil Cowles.



Drew Williams (right) received the Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth \$3,000 Scholarship from Carolyn Gazda.



C.J. Stevenson (left) received the Montana Angus Youth \$2,000 Scholarship from Julie Murnin, American Angus Auxiliary advisor.

Scholarship of \$2,000 went to Jordyn Wagner, Billings, Mont.

Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship. The late Roscoe L. Richardson of Dracut, Mass., was a longtime member and officer of the New England Angus Association. He loved Angus cattle and the associations he developed from being an active Angus breeder. He always found time to support Angus activities in New England and to help other breeders.

Funded at his death in 1988 with in-memory contributions to the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation in Great Barrington, Mass., the Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund of \$10,000 was later established with the Angus Foundation in early 2007. Created to continue his ideals of helping young people remain

connected to agriculture, the primary selection criteria for this scholarship is to support Angus youth from New England states.

The \$500 Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Jayne Bannister, Kent, N.Y.

John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship. Hill Crest Farm at Delaplane, Va., was started in 1924 by John Rucker's father, Bayard Ambrose Rucker, and produced quality Angus cattle for more than 70 years. John and his wife, Marjorie, and their three daughters, Connie, Sue and Penny, were also involved in positions of leadership and service to the Angus breed.

In honor of the Rucker family's stewardship and involvement, Dwight and Carolyn Houff of Holly Hill Farm, Mount Sidney, Va., decided to create the John

Rucker Family Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund with a \$10,500 gift to the Angus Foundation to provide educational scholarships to deserving youth of the Virginia Junior Angus Association.

Sarah Harris, Buchanan, Va., received the \$1,250 John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship.

Ray Sims Angus Scholarship. In 2010, Ray Sims became the first auctioneer in more than 50 years to receive the prestigious Saddle & Sirloin Club's Portrait Award.

Sims, formerly of Raymore, Mo., helped develop purebred auctions into fast-paced and steady marketing venues. During his 46-year career, Sims traveled throughout the United States, selling for both large- and small-scale livestock breeders, including U.S. senators and three

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Savannah Schafer (right) received the Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship from Schoenbine.



Jayne Bannister (right) received the Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship from Schoenbine.



Dawson Dal Porto (left) received the Western States Junior Angus Show Scholarship from Jenkins.

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U.S. presidents — at more than an estimated 7,000 auctions with the majority of these being registered-Angus cattle sales.

Once expenses were satisfied for the portrait painting of Sims now on display in the Saddle & Sirloin Portrait Collection in Louisville, Ky., the Ray Sims Portrait Committee generously donated the remaining funds of more than \$20,000 to the Angus Foundation to establish the Ray Sims Scholarship Endowment Fund for Angus youth scholarships.

The \$1,500 Ray Sims Angus Scholarship was awarded to C.J. Stevenson, Hobson, Mont.

Gary M. Stoller Jump Start Your LEADership Award. Established with contributions from the Stoller family and friends to the Angus Foundation in memory of the late Gary M. Stoller in 2012, this \$500 cash award is given to first- or second-year attendees to the LEAD Conference to cover registration fees and travel. Preference will be given to applicants from the western states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

Selection of the award recipient will be made by the Angus Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee. Interested applicants



must have submitted a one-page typed essay that includes the following information: Why attending LEAD conference is important to me, what I hope to gain by attending LEAD, and explanation of financial need.

Joshua Shaw, Fairfield, Neb., received the 2018 Gary M. Stoller Jump Start Your LEADership Award.

Vance Uden Memorial Angus Scholarship. Vance Uden purchased his first Angus heifer at age 12. From then on through his teenage years, he faithfully waited by the mailbox for his *Angus Journal*. Vance; his wife, Connie; and their two sons, Ty and Dru, built the widely respected TC Ranch, producing numerous well-known Angus sires.

An animal science graduate of the University of Nebraska, Vance was also a respected cattle judge for many breeds and had judged all the major

shows. He was a strong supporter of youth and guided many to their start in the Angus business.

Continuing students majoring in animal science or agribusiness with plans to return to production agriculture are given first preference for this scholarship.

The \$1,000 Vance Uden Memorial Angus Scholarship for 2018 went to Morgan Scilacci, Baker City, Ore.

Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship. In 2005, Blanford and Joan Pierce of Creston, Ill., donated \$25,000 to establish the Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund through the Angus Foundation. Angus cattle resided at Woodlawn Farms for 125 years, from 1881-2005. The Pierce family's legacy is carried on through this scholarship. Blanford served on the *Vision of Value: Campaign* for Angus board and has been invaluable in helping the Angus Foundation raise money for the campaign.

The Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,500, was awarded to Savannah Schafer, Nehawka, Neb.

"In a League of Our Own" Angus Foundation Scholarships. The Angus Foundation awarded scholarships made possible by 2012 NJAS host states Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee. Excess funds raised



Cale Hinrichsen (left) received a \$5,000 scholarship in memory of Richard L. "Dick" Spader, former American Angus Ass'n executive vice president, from Sheri Spader.



Sarah Harris (right) received the John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship from Monica Jordan.



C.J. Stevenson (left) received the Ray Sims Angus Scholarship from Schoenbine.

for the 2012 NJAS in Louisville, Ky., themed “In a League of Our Own,” allowed funding of a \$15,000 scholarship endowment to benefit Angus youth from those three states. Funds were initially to be used to support three undergraduate scholarships at \$500 each for a total expenditure of \$1,500 annually.

The announcement of this scholarship fund was made during the 2013 National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colo., where the 2012 NJAS host states presented \$115,000 to the Angus Foundation. In addition to making \$15,000 available for youth scholarships, the donation allowed for \$5,000 to help support the 2013 NJAS; \$5,000 for the Angus Foundation’s use for education, youth and research; and the balance of \$90,000 for a future NJAS involving Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee.

The 2012 NJAS Committee included Charlie and Paula Boyd of May’s Lick, Ky.; John and Joanie Grimes of Hillsboro, Ohio; as well as Lydell and Holly Meier of Clinton, Tenn.

The winners of the 2012 NJAS “In a League of Our Own” scholarships in the amount of \$500 were Caroline Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.; McKayla Raines, Seaman, Ohio; and Shelley Rowlett, Martin, Tenn.

James and Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Ranch Angus Scholarship. James and Mary Lou (Bradley) Henderson, with Mary’s mother, Minnie Lou Bradley, own and operate Bradley 3 Ranch in Memphis, Texas. One of only a few herds that have maintained more than 200 registered Angus cows for more than 50 years, Bradley 3 Ranch today has more than 400 Angus cows. James and Mary Lou established the James and Mary Lou Henderson/

Bradley 3 Ranch Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund in 2013. Applicants from New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas majoring in agriculture and business fields of study will be given first preference.

Receiving the James and Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Ranch Angus scholarship in the amount of \$1,250 was Dylan Denny, Lubbock, Texas.

Certified Angus Beef LLC/National Junior Angus Association Scholarship. A long-standing scholarship awarded through the Angus Foundation is the Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB)/NJAA Scholarship. To be eligible to receive this scholarship, applicants must have at one time been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association, along with being an incoming sophomore, junior or senior in college majoring in animal science, meat science, food science, agricultural communications or a related field of academic study.

This year’s recipient of the \$1,500 CAB/NJAA Scholarship was Jayne Bannister, Kent, N.Y.

Joe William (Joe Bill) Meng Jr. Memorial Scholarship. The late Joe William (Joe Bill) Meng Jr. enjoyed a lifetime of happiness as a devoted Angus breeder. He worked and lived on the Meng family farm in Woodburn, Ky., for many years and built their Angus herd into a nationally respected seedstock producer. He was known throughout the purebred cattle industry as an expert in Angus pedigrees and cow families and was a respected judge, consultant and breeder. Meng served on the boards of both the Kentucky and American Angus Association, and was an inductee in the Angus Heritage Foundation. He managed the American Angus Futurity for



Madison Styles (left) received a \$5,000 scholarship in memory of Richard L. “Dick” Spader, former American Angus Ass’n executive vice president, from Sheri Spader.

many years and promoted the breed with fervor. Selection criteria for the Joe William (Joe Bill) Meng Jr. Memorial Angus Scholarship includes first preference being given to Angus youth from Kentucky.

Receiving the Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship was Caroline Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.

State-funded awards

Iowa Junior Angus Association Scholarship. In 2009, the Iowa Junior Angus Association established two \$500 scholarships, one state and one national, with a gift of \$25,000 to the Angus Foundation.

The \$750 Iowa Junior Angus Association State Scholarship went to Jordan Barker, Monticello, Iowa, and the \$750 Iowa Junior Angus Association National Scholarship went to Morgan Blommel, Dade City, Fla.

Kansas Angus Association Scholarship. In 2007, sale proceeds from donated heifers, memorial gifts and other contributions from Angus breeders and friends in Kansas helped the Kansas Angus Association establish the Kansas Angus Association Scholarship Endowment Fund at \$10,000. Subsequent gifts to the fund continue to be made. The

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fund provides scholarships to Angus youth from Kansas attending college and/or supports sponsorships for Kansas youth to attend the national LEAD Conference.

This year, the \$1,000 Kansas Angus Association Scholarship was awarded to Grady Dickerson, Paradise, Kan.

The Montana Angus Youth Scholarship. The Montana Angus Association and Montana Angus Auxiliary's creation of a \$25,000 scholarship endowment within the Angus Foundation to establish the Montana Angus Youth Scholarship (MAYS) was based upon the two organizations' shared goal to award a scholarship to a student continuing at least his or her second year of higher education.

The recipient of the scholarship must have at one time been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association. The recipient must also be a resident of Montana and a member or past member of the Montana Junior Angus Association.

The recipient must be pursuing at least his or her second year of higher education, as no graduating high school seniors will be considered. The scholarship must be applied to undergraduate studies and is applicable to any field of study. The Angus Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship Program application will be used to select the MAYS recipient. Recipients may also receive other scholarships from the Angus Foundation or local, state, regional and national Angus-related entities.

Receiving the MAYS for 2018 in the amount of \$1,500 was C.J. Stevenson, Hobson, Mont.

Pennsylvania Angus Youth

Undergraduate Scholarship.

The Pennsylvania Angus Youth Undergraduate Scholarship was initiated and supported by the Pennsylvania Angus Association and Angus breeders from the state.

Fundraising efforts are under way to build this scholarship endowment toward its goal of \$25,000. Along with other Pennsylvania cattlemen, Bob Hay, manager of ErReR Hill Farms, Friedens, Pa., has helped lead the scholarship fundraising efforts.

Elizabeth Voight, Fredericksburg, Pa., received the \$500 Pennsylvania Angus Youth Undergraduate Scholarship.

Texas Angus Association Scholarships. As a feature of the \$11 million national fundraising initiative, Angus breeders in Texas raised \$250,000 to match a \$250,000 challenge gift by Klaus and Bonnie Birkel of Camp Cooley Ranch, Franklin, Texas, as part of The Texas Challenge in 2007. The Birkels committed \$75,000 of their gift to create the Texas Angus Association Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Continuing to build on this success, the Texas Angus Association and Angus breeders in Texas raised their goal to \$1 million in 2008 through The Texas Challenge II. More than \$600,000 in outright cash gifts and pledges toward the state's



Morgan Scilacci (left) received the Vance Uden Memorial Scholarship from Connie Uden.

goal have been contributed. From these contributions and continued support, five juniors from Texas receive \$1,000 scholarships annually.

Receiving scholarships for 2018 were Dylan Denny, Lubbock, Texas; Faith Massingill, Hamilton, Texas; and Derek Wolf, Windthorst, Texas.

Western States National Junior Angus Show (WSNJAS) Fund Scholarships. In 2009, the WSNJAS organization established a fund in the Angus Foundation to support a future NJAS to be hosted by their organization and provide for undergraduate scholarships. To be eligible to receive these WSNJAS scholarships, recipients must be from states in the WSNJAS organization. These states are Arizona, Colorado, California, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

Receiving the \$500 WSNJAS scholarship for 2018 was Dawson Dal Porto, Oakley, Calif.

Receiving the **Joseph and Ruby Schaff/Schaff Angus Ranch Scholarship**, in the amount of \$500, was Sara Hatlewick, Jamestown, N.D.

The recipient of the **Richard and Wanda Wilson Scholarship**, in the amount of \$1,000, was Jordan Barker, Monticello, Iowa. 

