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## JUNIORS AWARDED ANGUS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

*More than \$200,000 in scholarships awarded at 2022 National Junior Angus Show.*

*by Sierra Walter, communications intern, compiled by Julie Mais, editor*

An ambitious group of young cattlemen and women were awarded Angus Foundation scholarships at the 2022 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Kansas City, Mo. Students from across the country were recognized for their work in the classroom and their commitment to the breed.

“It’s very fulfilling to read through the applications knowing these students are future industry leaders,” says Jaclyn Upperman, executive

director of the Angus Foundation. “It is clear these juniors hold the passion, tenacity and enthusiasm to carry the breed for years to come.”

A five-member committee consisting of industry experts, Angus Foundation board members, Angus breeders and National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) board members evaluate the applications. The committee considers involvement, participation, leadership, service, career goals and other criteria set

forth in the scholarships’ fund agreements.

“Year after year, Angus donors continue to invest in the next generation of Angus breeders,” Upperman says. “It is because of their support the [Angus] Foundation can offer these opportunities to junior members.”

Since 1998, The Angus Foundation has awarded more than \$4.2 million in undergraduate and graduate scholarships.



Receiving undergraduate scholarships (front row, from left) are Kelsey Theis, Leavenworth, Kan.; Alexis Vandeberghe, Cleveland, N.D.; Kinsey Crowe, Eaton, Ohio; Kyli Kraft, Fort Collins, Colo.; Alli Perry, Fayetteville, Tenn.; Lexi Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa; Amelia Miller, Gridley, Ill.; Paige Lemenager, Hudson, Ill.; and Richard Dyar, Angus Foundation chairman, presenting. Pictured back row (from left) are Trey Conley, Clarksdale, Mo.; Seth Cox, Eagle Point, Ore.; J. Gordon Clark, Gretna, Va.; Victoria Gerken, Cashion, Okla.; Kady Figge, Onaga, Kan.; and Jordyn Wickard, Greenfield, Ind.

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## ANGUS FOUNDATION GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Generous unrestricted Angus Fund donors make possible the general undergraduate and graduate scholarships earned each year.

## Undergraduate Angus Foundation Scholarships — \$2,000

Receiving \$2,000 undergraduate Angus Foundation scholarships were J. Gordon Clark, Gretna, Va.; Trey Conley, Clarksdale, Mo.; Seth Cox, Eagle Point, Ore.; Kinsey Crowe, Eaton, Ohio; Kady Figge, Onaga, Kan.; Victoria Gerken, Cashion, Okla.; Lexi Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa; Morgan Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa; Kyli Kraft, Fort Collins, Colo.; Paige Lemenager, Hudson, Ill.; Amelia Miller, Gridley, Ill.; Alli Perry, Fayetteville, Tenn.; Rachel Smith, Osceola, Neb.; Jeremiah Steph, Tatum, Texas; Kelsey Theis, Leavenworth, Kan.; Alexis Vandenberghe, Cleveland, N.D.; and Jordyn Wickard, Greenfield, Ind..

## Graduate Angus Foundation Scholarship — \$5,000

A graduate Angus Foundation scholarship in the amount of \$5,000 was awarded to Haley Greiman, Perry, Iowa.

## NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS “In A League of Their Own” Scholarships — \$500

“In a League of Their Own” scholarships are made possible by the 2012 NJAS host states Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee. Scholarships in the amount of \$500 went to Skyler Ward, New Paris, Ohio; and Ben Mayfield, Pulaski, Tenn.



Ben Mayfield, Pulaski, Tenn., (left), received the 2012 NJAS — In a League of Their Own Tennessee Scholarship. Pictured presenting is Richard Dyar.



Ellie Kidwell, Walhonding, Ohio, (left), received the Certified Angus Beef (CAB) LLC/NJAA Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

## Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial and Robert and Hollyce Neumeyer Angus Scholarship — \$1,000

Established by Bob and Hollyce Neumeyer of Jaynbee Ranch, Bonners Ferry, Idaho, in memory of their daughter, the \$1,000 Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial and Robert and Hollyce Neumeyer Angus Scholarship was awarded to Sydney Dodge, Pendleton, Ore.



Sydney Dodge, Pendleton, Ore., (left), received the Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial and Robert & Hollyce Neumeyer Angus Scholarship. Presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

## Certified Angus Beef/NJAA Scholarship — \$1,500

The \$1,500 *Certified Angus Beef*® brand/NJAA Scholarship was awarded to Ellie Kidwell, Walhonding, Ohio.

## C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship — \$2,000

In admiration of C.L. and Joyce Cook of Briction Farms, Social Circle, Ga., Stacey and Melanie Britt and other longtime friends of the Cooks initiated a fundraising drive to establish the C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship. Applicants from Georgia are given first preference for the undergraduate scholarship, which has no restrictions to academic major or student year classification. Receiving the 2021 C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 was Hannah Williams, Milan, Ga.



Hannah Williams, Milan, Ga., (left), received the C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Taylor Gazda.

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## Adam & Julie Conover Angus Scholarship — \$500

The Adam and Julie Conover Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund was started in 2017 with a gift from Adam and Julie Conover of Holden, Mo. Julie grew up on her parents', Steve and Nancy Thelen, Angus farm where she raised and showed cattle. The family members have been longtime members of the Association, the Michigan Angus Association and the American Angus Auxiliary. Adam grew up in Iowa and developed a true passion for the Angus Breed with the assistance of his father, Al Conover. Adam and Julie now reside in Missouri, where Adam works for the Association as a regional manager, and Julie works for the Missouri Angus Association as the general manager. Scholarships are available to youth from Iowa, Michigan and Missouri. The Adam and Julie Conover Angus Scholarship was awarded to Cassidy Bremer, Redfield, Iowa.

## Pat Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship — \$1,000

The family of Pat Goggins provided a generous 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. Selection criteria for the scholarship include first preference given to Angus youth from Montana. The Pat Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,000, went to Claire Stevenson, White Sulphur Springs, Mont.

## Oliver A. Hansen/ Laudmere Farms Angus Scholarship — \$500

Oliver A. Hansen grew up in Dixon, Iowa, and helped his father with the Angus herd at Laudmere Farms, established in 1931. He held several leadership roles in the Eastern Iowa Angus Association and was an advocate for Angus cattle and the ag industry. The recipient must be an Iowa resident and a member or past member of the Iowa Junior Angus Association for at least four consecutive years. The \$500 Oliver A. Hansen/Laudmere Farms Angus scholarship was awarded to Allie Bieber, Waukon, Iowa.

## James and Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Ranch Angus Scholarship — \$1,250

James and Mary Lou (Bradley) Henderson, with Mary Lou's mother, Minnie Lou Bradley, own and operate Bradley 3 Ranch in Memphis, Texas. 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 for this scholarship. Receiving the James and Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Ranch Angus scholarship in the amount of \$1,250 was Mardee Sadowsky, Eagleville, Mo.



Mardee Sadowsky, Eagleville, Mo., (left), received the James and Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Ranch Angus Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

## Howard and JoAnne Hillman/Bon View Farms Scholarships — \$1,000

Howard and JoAnne Hillman of Sioux Falls, S.D., are no strangers to the Angus breed. From 1908 to 1999, their Angus seedstock operation, Bon View Farms of Canova, S.D., produced quality, elite cattle. Howard and JoAnne have continued to support Angus cattle by volunteering their time to both the Association and Angus Foundation. The scholarship fund provides two \$1,000 scholarships annually. One scholarship is awarded to a South Dakota Junior Angus member and the other to a junior member from any state. The \$1,000 Howard and JoAnne Hillman/Bon View Farms scholarships were awarded to Craig Becker, Atlantic, Iowa; and Lynae Bowman, Germanton, N.C.



Receiving Howard and JoAnne Hillman/Bon View Farms Scholarships (from left) are Howard Hillman, presenting; Craig Becker, Atlantic, Iowa, state scholarship winner; Lynae Bowman, Germanton, N.C., national scholarship winner; and JoAnne Hillman, presenting.



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## James E. Horton, Jr. Angus Scholarships — \$4,250

Gregg and Lile Blythe established the James E. Horton, Jr. Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund to honor Gregg's longtime friend, mentor and Angus partner, James Edwin Horton, Jr. 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. The \$4,250 James E. Horton, Jr. Angus Scholarship was awarded to Heather Gladney, Buhl, Ala.



Heather Gladney, Buhl, Ala., (left), received the James E. Horton Jr. Angus Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

## Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarships — \$1,250

The donation from Gordon and Robin Keys of Middleburg, Va., to the Angus Foundation created two scholarship endowment funds in 2015 providing opportunities to Angus youth from Virginia and Maryland because of the family's roots — Gordon is originally from Maryland, and Robin is from Virginia. Winners of the \$1,250 Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarships for 2022 were Alyson Schulze, Woodbine, Md.; and Hannah Davis, Winchester, Va.



Hannah Davis, Winchester, Va., (center), received the Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Maryland Angus Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award are Sarah McCall (left), and Pam Velisek.

## Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship — \$750

The late Joe Bill Meng was a devoted Angus breeder. He worked and lived on the Meng family farm in Woodburn, Ky. Meng served on the boards of both the Kentucky and American Angus Association and was an inductee in the Angus Heritage Foundation. Selection criteria for the Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship include first preference being given to Angus youth from Kentucky. Receiving the \$750 Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship was Ethan Vanderwert, Columbia, Mo.



Ethan Vanderwert, Columbia, Mo., (left), received the Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

## Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship — \$3,000

Established in 2014 by Wilma Minix, Black Witch Farm, Athens,

Ga., this scholarship is in honor of her late husband, Ed Minix, and herself. The fund generates an annual scholarship, and the balance of the annual investment earnings is used for youth activities, including the Raising the Bar conference and Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) conference. Receiving the \$3,000 Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship for 2022 was Marcie Harward, Richfield, N.C.



Marcie Harward, Richfield, N.C., (left), received the Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Steve Pass.

## John R. Mrotek Family Technical Education Scholarship — \$1,750

Established in 2020 with a gift of transferred stock, John Mrotek established the John R. Mrotek Family Technical Education Scholarship Endowment Fund to provide academic scholarships for Angus youth pursuing vocational training in career and technical programs ranging from farm/ranch management and precision agriculture to welding, diesel mechanics and veterinary technicians. This is the first Angus Foundation scholarship fund to specifically target trade schools and supporting vocational careers and students seeking a terminal, technical degree or certificate

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program. The John R. Mrotek Family Technical Education Scholarship of \$1,750 was awarded to David Bell, Nottingham, Pa.

### **NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship — \$1,750**

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., pledged a total of \$25,000 in matching funds to support the endowment fund. The NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship of \$1,750 went to Jace Stagemeyer, Page, Neb.



Jace Stagemeyer, Page, Neb., (left), received the NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

### **Mack C. Olson Memorial Angus Scholarship — \$500**

A fund drive led by friends in the Angus breed ensured 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, Montana Angus Association and Western Montana Angus Association and served as a director for the Western Montana

Stockgrowers Association. The Olson family continues to raise cattle in the Mission Valley area of Saint Ignatius, Mont. The Mack C. Olson Memorial Angus Scholarship of \$500 was awarded to Lexi Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa.



Lexi Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa, (left), received the Mark C. Olson Memorial Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

### **Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship — \$500**

The late Roscoe L. Richardson, 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 Angus breeder. Continuing his ideals of helping young people remain in agriculture, the selection criteria for this scholarship is to support Angus youth from New England states. The \$500 Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship was awarded to J. Gordon Clark, Gretna, Va.



J. Gordon Clark, Gretna, Va., (left), received the Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

### **John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship — \$1,250**

Hill Crest Farm at Delaplane, Va., was started in 1924 by John Rucker's father, Bayard Ambrose Rucker. John; 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, Dwight and Carolyn Houff of Holly Hill Farm, Mount Sidney, Va., created the John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund to provide educational scholarships to deserving youth of the Virginia Junior Angus Association. Zach McCall, Greenville, Va., received the \$1,250 John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship.

### **Joseph & Ruby Schaff/Schaff Angus Ranch Scholarship — \$500**

The Joseph and Ruby Schaff/Schaff Angus Ranch Scholarship Endowment Fund was funded initially with a gift in 2006 from Joseph and Ruby Schaff of Schaff Angus Ranch of Saint Anthony, N.D. Angus youth from North Dakota who meet the qualifications and requirements for the Angus Foundation Scholarship Program are eligible for this scholarship. The first scholarship was awarded at the 2006 NJAS. Karlee Sailer, Golden Valley, N.D., was awarded the Joseph and Ruby Schaff/Schaff Angus Ranch Scholarship in the amount of \$500.

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Karlee Sailer, Golden Valley, N.D., (left), received the Joseph & Ruby Schaff/Schaff Angus Ranch Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

## Ray Sims Angus Scholarship — \$1,500

In 2010, Ray Sims became the first auctioneer in more than 50 years to receive the prestigious Saddle & Sirloin Club's Portrait Award. 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 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 Louisville, Ky., the Ray Sims Portrait Committee generously donated the remaining funds to establish the scholarships. The \$1,500 Ray Sims Angus Scholarship was awarded to Zach McCall, Greenville, Va.

## Richard L. Spader Scholarships — \$5,000

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. Receiving \$5,000 scholarships in



Receiving Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Undergraduate Scholarships (front row, from left) are Ryan Borer, Buchanan, Va.; Suter Clark, Gretna, Va.; Alexandria Cozzitorto, College Station, Texas; Allison Davis, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Avery Dull, Westminster, Md.; Eva Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan.; Ella Jordan, Savannah, Mo.; Dalton Birdwell accepting for Stuart Lastovica, Salado, Texas; and Lizzie Schafer, Owaneco, Ill. Back row (from left) are Richard Dyar, chairman of the Angus Foundation Board of Directors, presenting; Blake Long, Big Cabin, Okla.; Emma Nowotny, New Braunfels, Texas; Clay Pelton, Paradise, Kan.; Rylie Phillipello, Bryan, Texas; Cutter Pohlman, Hereford, Texas; Nicholas Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark.; and Eric Schafer, Owaneco, Ill.

remembrance of the late Dick Spader were Jonwyn Ayres, Medford, Ore.; Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green, Mo.; and Colter Pohlman, Hereford, Texas.



Receiving scholarships in memory of Richard L. "Dick" Spader, former American Angus Association executive vice president, (from left) are Sheri Spader, presenting; Jonwyn Ayres, Medford, Ore.; Alexis Koelling, Bowling Green, Mo.; and Colter Pohlman, Hereford, Texas.

## Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Undergraduate Scholarships — \$5,000, and Graduate Scholarship — \$10,000

Camron "Cam" Cooper, owner of the Talon Ranch located in Twin

Bridges, Mont., established the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Endowment Fund. The endowment gives undergraduate scholarships 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 scholarships are renewable for up to four years, contingent upon the recipients' meeting the requirements.

The individuals receiving the \$5,000 Angus/Talon Youth Education Learning Program undergraduate scholarships in 2022 include Ryan Borer, Buchanan, Va.; Suter Clark, Gretna, Va.; Alexandria Cozzitorto, College Station, Texas; Allison Davis, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Avery Dull, Westminster, Md.; Eva Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan.; Ella Jordan, Savannah, Mo.; Stuart Lastovica, Salado, Texas; Blake Long, Big

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Cabin, Okla.; Emma Grace Nowotny, New Braunfels, Texas; Clay Pelton, Paradise, Kan.; Rylie Philipello, Bryan, Texas; Cutter Pohlman, Hereford, Texas; Nicholas Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark.; Eric Schafer, Owaneco, Ill.; and Lizzie Schafer, Owaneco, Ill.

Receiving the \$10,000 Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Graduate Scholarship were Kallie Knott, Laotto, Ind.; and Maci Mueller, Davis, Calif.



Kallie Knott, Laotto, Ind., (left), received the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Graduate Program Scholarship; and Haley Greiman, Perry, Iowa, right, received the Angus Foundation Graduate Program Scholarship.

## Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship — \$2,000

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 NJAB. He was a faithful steward of Angus cattle and a positive role model for Angus youth. The 2022 recipient of the \$2,000 Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship was Mattie Harward, Richfield, N.C.



Mattie Harward, Richfield, N.C., (center), received the Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award are Tanner Rhodes (left) and Carly Rhodes.

## Richard and Wanda Wilson Scholarship — \$1,000

The Richard and Wanda Wilson Scholarship Endowment Fund was established to recognize Rich's distinguished 48 years of service to the American Angus Association and its members. Through his exemplary leadership and guidance as the Association's longtime CFO, the organization's consolidated net assets grew to more than \$65 million from 1968-2017. The Richard and Wanda Wilson Scholarship Endowment Fund will provide scholarships to Angus youth enrolled in a finance, business management, economics or accounting academic major. First preference will be given to continuing students who have completed two years of college. The recipient of the Richard and Wanda Wilson Scholarship of \$1,000 was Colter Pohlman, Hereford, Texas.



Colter Pohlman, Hereford, Texas, (left), received the Richard and Wanda Wilson Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award are Richard Wilson (center) and Wanda Wilson.

## DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship — \$1,750

DeEtta (Jones) Wood and her family have enjoyed raising purebred Angus cattle at their Wood Angus Farm in Willow Spring, N.C. DeEtta was a leader, serving the North Carolina Angus Auxiliary and as an advisor for the North Carolina Junior Angus Association. Established in 2016, her legacy will be carried on in perpetuity in the Angus breed through the DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship. This year's winner of the \$1,750 scholarship is Mary Wood, Willow Spring, N.C.



Mary Wood, Willow Spring, N.C., (center), received the DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award are Ava Wood (left) and Justin Wood.

## Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship — \$1,250

Blanford and Joan Pierce of Creston, Ill., established the Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund through the Angus Foundation in 2005. Angus cattle resided at Woodlawn Farms for 125 years, from 1881-2005. The Pierce family's legacy is carried on through this scholarship. The Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship, in the amount of \$1,250, was awarded to Kristina Scheurman, Warsaw, Ohio

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Kristina Scheurman, Warsaw, Ohio, (right), received the Woodlawn Farms Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Casey Jentz, American Angus Association regional manager.



Sophia Patchin, Mitchellville, Iowa, (left), received the Iowa Junior Angus Association State Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Kurt Greiman.

## STATE-FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

### Arkansas Angus Auxiliary Scholarship — \$500

The \$500 Arkansas Angus Auxiliary Scholarship was presented to Nicholas Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark.



Nicholas Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark., (left), received the Arkansas Angus Auxiliary Scholarship. Pictured presenting is Michelle Rieff.

### Iowa Junior Angus Association Scholarships — \$750

In 2009 the Iowa Junior Angus Association established two scholarships, one state and one national. The \$750 Iowa Junior Angus Association State Scholarship went to Sophia Patchin, Mitchellville, Iowa; and the \$750 Iowa Junior Angus Association National Scholarship went to Isaac Rhode, Stewartsville, Mo.

### Kansas Angus Association Scholarship — \$1,250

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. The fund provides scholarships to Angus youth from Kansas attending college and/or supports sponsorships for Kansas youth to attend the national LEAD conference. The \$1,250 Kansas Angus Association Scholarship was awarded to Ava Perrier, Eureka, Kan.



Ava Perrier, Eureka, Kan., (left), received the Kansas Angus Association Scholarship. Pictured presenting is Anne Lampe.

### Montana Angus Youth Scholarship (MAYS) — \$2,000

The Montana Angus Association and Montana Angus Auxiliary's

created a scholarship endowment within the Angus Foundation to establish the Montana Angus Youth Scholarship (MAYS). 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. Receiving the \$2,000 MAYS was Claire Stevenson, White Sulphur Springs, Mont.

### Pennsylvania Angus Association Scholarship — \$750

The Pennsylvania Angus Association Scholarship was initiated and supported by the Pennsylvania Angus Association and Angus breeders from the state. David Bell, Nottingham, Pa., received the \$750 Pennsylvania Angus Association Scholarship.

### Texas Angus Association "Texas Challenge" Scholarships — \$1,000

As a feature of an \$11 million national fundraising initiative, Texas Angus breeders raised funds to match a challenge gift of \$75,000 from Klaus and Bonnie Birkel, Camp Cooley Ranch, Franklin, Texas, to create the Texas Angus Association (TAA) Scholarship Endowment Fund. Continuing to build on this success, the TAA and Angus breeders in Texas raised their goal to \$1 million in 2008. Receiving scholarships for 2022 were Amanda Hoffmann, Schertz, Texas; McKenzie Kostel, McKinney, Texas; and Presley Sliger, Hamilton, Texas.

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Receiving the Texas Angus Association Scholarships (from left) are Kelly Blackwell, presenting; Presley Sliger, Hamilton, Texas; McKenzie Kostel, McKinney, Texas; and Tracy John, presenting.

## Western States National Junior Angus Show Scholarship — \$750

In 2009, the WSNJAS organization established a fund in the Angus Foundation to support a future NJAS to be hosted by their organization and to provide for undergraduate scholarships. To be eligible to receive these scholarships, recipients must be from states in the Western States National Junior Angus Show (WSNJAS) organization. Receiving the \$750 WSNJAS scholarship for 2022 was Matthew Rosman, Creston, Wash.



Matthew Rosman, Creston, Wash., (left), received the Western States National Junior Angus Show Scholarship. Pictured presenting the award is Kathi Creamer.

## LEAD AWARDS

### GARY BROST LEAD AWARD

The late Gary Brost, Harrodsburg, Ind., 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 awards two or more NJAA members with resources to defray registration costs to attend the LEAD conference. Preference is given to applicants with a farm/ranch background from the states of Indiana and Illinois. Receiving the Gary Brost LEAD Award for 2022 were Morgan Hutchins, Charleston, Ill.; Charles Parr, Mason City, Ill.; and Hunter Royer, New Richmond, Ind.



Morgan Hutchins, Charleston, Ill., (left), and Charles Parr, Mason City, Ill., (right), received the Gary Brost LEAD Award. Pictured presenting the awards is Anne Patton Schubert.

### Thomas A. and Catherine Chambers LEAD Award

Thomas and Catherine Chambers of Chambers Angus, Ontario, Ore., established the Chambers Angus Endowment Fund to support Angus youth activities conducted by the NJAA. Additionally, two awards are given to attendees of the LEAD

conference to cover registration fees and travel. Preference is given to applicants from Washington, Idaho and Oregon. Receiving the Thomas A. and Catherine Chambers LEAD Award was Jonwyn Ayres, Medford, Ore.



Jonwyn Ayres, Medford, Ore., (left), received the Thomas A. and Catherine Chambers LEAD Award. Pictured presenting the award is Richard Dyar.

### Stan J. Prox Lead Award

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. Receiving the Stan Prox Memorial LEAD Award for 2022 is Lauren Wolter, Aviston, Ill.



Lauren Wolter, Aviston, Ill., (right), received the Stan Prox Memorial LEAD Award. Pictured presenting the award is Linda Prox.

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## 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 attendees to the LEAD conference to cover registration fees and travel. Preference will be given to applicants from Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. Wyatt Smith, Osceola, Neb., received the 2022 Gary M. Stoller Jump Start Your LEADership Award.



Wyatt Smith, Osceola, Neb., (center), received the Gary M. Stoller Jump Start Your LEADership award. Pictured presenting the award are Richard Dyar (left); and Reagan Skow (right).

## AWARDS

### Tom Burke Young Angus Achievement Awards

In 2017, Tom Burke of Smithville, Mo., was selected as the inductee into the Saddle and Sirloin Portrait Gallery, largely considered the highest honor in the livestock industry. Burke, a fourth-generation cattleman, was raised on his family's registered Angus operation in southeast Minnesota. He has

spent more than 50 years of his life traveling the country as a sale manager for the American Angus Hall of Fame. Burke served on the American Angus Association Board of Directors from 2013-2016. Funded by gifts in Burke's honor from friends in the livestock industry and Angus breed, the Tom Burke Young Angus Achievement Awards Endowment Fund will support two awards of \$1,250, presented annually at the NJAS to one young boy and girl, 8-13 years of age. The 2022 winners, selected for the award by a point system cumulating from their involvement in the NJAA's officially sanctioned and competitive show ring, are Case Conley, Sulphur, Okla.; and Avery Mullen, Ulysses, Kan.

### Joel Harrison Memorial Angus Scholarship

The family and many friends of the late Joel Harrison have created the Joel Harrison Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund. Joel loved ranching and Angus cattle and was a member of the American Angus Association and the Kansas Angus Association. The first Joel Harrison Memorial Angus Scholarship was awarded to the exhibitor of the grand champion bred-and-owned cow-calf pair at the 2017 NJAS in Des Moines, Iowa. The 2022 winner of the Joel Harrison Memorial Angus Scholarship was Karson Patton, Frankfort, Ind.

### Robert And Marillyn Schlutz Angus Scholarship

In 1948, Robert (Bob) Schlutz bought his first registered Angus

heifer as a 4-H project. Not long after, in 1953, Bob and his parents, Dale and Esther, formed a partnership that soon became known as Da-Es-Ro (Dale, Esther and Robert). Over the past 50 years, the herd has emerged into the current 125-cow purebred operation that focuses on producing seedstock that excel in economically important traits. The Schlutz family has pledged to continue the family tradition of producing cattle that meet the demands of their customers. Because of their love for the youth of the NJAA, the Schlutzes established the Robert and Marillyn Schlutz Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund to annually provide a \$1,000 scholarship to the exhibitor of the champion bred-and-owned heifer at the NJAS. Winning the 2022 award was Allison Davis, Shelbyville, Tenn. 