

# FINANCIAL BOOST

Angus youth received more than \$213,000 in scholarships.

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Supporting the educational pursuits of young people in the Angus industry is one of the key endeavors of the Angus Foundation. At the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Des Moines, Iowa, 116 scholarships were given to undergraduate and graduate students totaling more than \$213,000 invested in future agriculture industry leaders.

“The Angus Foundation prides itself on making an incredible investment in the future of our industry — our youth — through education,” says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. “Of course, very generous donors from across the Angus industry are really what makes this investment possible.”

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 \$2.7 million in undergraduate and graduate scholarships.

The 2017 scholarship recipients were recognized on July 13 and 14 during the NJAS.

A complete list of scholarship winners follows.

## New this year

**Joseph “Joel” Harrison Memorial Angus Scholarship.** The family and many friends of the late Joseph “Joel” Harrison have created the Joseph “Joel” Harrison Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund. Mr. Harrison



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 of \$1,000 was awarded to the exhibitor of the grand champion bred-and-owned cow-calf pair at the 2017 NJAS this July in Des Moines, Iowa.

Receiving the 2017 Joseph “Joel” Harrison Memorial Angus Scholarship was Sydney Schnoor, Chowchilla, Calif.

**Joe Bill Meng 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 many years and promoted the breed with fervor.

To honor Meng’s legacy, many friends and

fellow Angus breeders sponsored the Joe Bill Meng Scholarship Benefit Auction via Angus Live April 4, 2017. Receiving the Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship of \$1,000 was Caroline Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.

**Pat Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship.** The family of Pat Goggins has provided a \$11,750 gift, creating 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*.

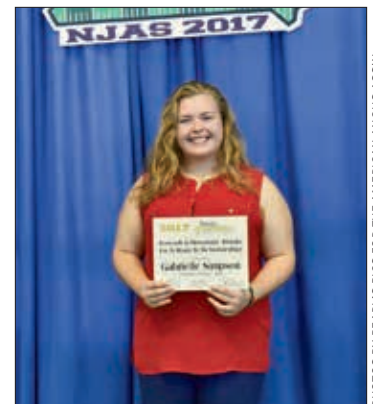
A self-taught auctioneer, Goggins became one of the leading purebred livestock auctioneers in the United States. Over the years, Goggins’ keen business sense led him to acquire three auction markets, numerous ranches and feedlots, the first livestock video auction, a real estate company and other business ventures.

“Pat spent a lifetime working in the livestock industry,” says Babe Goggins, his wife. “We started the Vermilion Ranch more than 50 years ago with registered Angus cattle, and our six children, 16 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren have all been involved in the Angus industry.”

Goggins served as part of the Angus Foundation’s \$11 million *Vision of Value: Campaign for Angus Leadership Cabinet*



► The Joseph “Joel” Harrison Scholarship is awarded to the exhibitor of the grand champion bred-and-owned cow-calf pair. Winning the inaugural scholarship is **Sydney Schnoor**.



► **Gabrielle Simpson** receives the Joseph and Susanne Bush/J&S Ranch Scholarship.

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► Front row, from left, John Grimes, Angus Foundation chairman, presents \$1,000 scholarships from the Angus Foundation to **Claire Hawthorne; Morgan Woodbury; Hannah Steph; Sarah Harris; Brianna Erdmann; Molly Cooksey; Paige Birk; Faith Massingill; Sara Lechliger; Linsey Rogers; Drew Williams;** Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president; (back row from left) **Karsyn Zenor; Cara Smith; Sarah Innis; Tyler Steele; Morgan Scilacci; Benjamin Marsh; Lexi Stevenson,** accepting on behalf of **Kaydee Free; Cassidy Becker; Derek Wolf; and Baxter Knapp.**

from 2006-2008, helping to raise funds for education, youth and research.

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

Receiving the Patrick "Pat" Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship of \$1,000 was 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 it does each year.

Receiving \$1,000 Angus Undergraduate Foundation scholarships for 2017 were Kylea Arnold, Weston, W.Va.; Cassidy Becker, Diagonal, Iowa; Paige Birk, Gordonville, Mo.; Kelby Burks, Park City, Ky.; Grant Cash, York, Pa.; Molly Cooksey, Roggen, Colo.; Brianna Erdmann, Leola, S.D.; Kaydee Free, Salado, Texas; Kyle Frye, Three Forks, Mont.; Sarah Harris, Buchanan, Va.; Claire Hawthorne, Westby, Wis.; Victoria Hernandez, Wellington, Fla.; Sarah Innis, Milroy, Ind.; Baxter Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa; Sara Lechliger, Gaithersburg, Md.; Benjamin Marsh, Union, Ill.; Faith Massingill, Hamilton, Texas; Sarah Pelton, Paradise, Kan.; Linsey Rogers, Conway, Mo.; Morgan Scilacci, Baker City, Ore.; Cara Smith, Pleasant Garden, N.C.; Tyler Steele, Anita, Iowa; Hannah Steph, Tatum, Texas; Leisa Stevenson, Joliet, Mont.; Drew Williams, Milan, Ga.; Daniel Williams, Milan, Ga.; Claire Wingert, Ottawa, Kan.; Derek Wolf, Windthorst, Texas; Morgan Woodbury, Quenemo, Kan.; and Karsyn Zenor, Attica, Ind.

Angus Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships of \$3,000 went to Reba Colin, Butler, Mo.; Caroline Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.; Ashley Cox, Eagle Point, Ore.; Lydia Dance, Hillsboro, Ohio; Grady Dickerson, Paradise, Kan.; Taylor Duckett, New Liberty, Iowa; Morgan Fruge, Jennings, La.; Paige Gaffney, Barneveld, Wis.; LeAnn Harward, Richfield, N.C.; Allison Hawthorne, Westby, Wis.; John Henderson, East Troy, Wis.; Cale Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan.; Catie Hope, Berryville, Va.; Kallie Knott, Laotto, Ind.; Dalton Lemenager, Clifton, Ill.; Jacob McCall, Greenville, Va.; Cooper Sadowsky, Eagleville, Mo.; Gabrielle Simpson, Tupelo, Miss.; C.J. Stevenson, Hobson, Mont.; and Carter Ward, Plattsburg, Mo.

Angus Foundation Graduate Student Scholarships of \$5,000 were awarded to Michael Cropp, Damascus, Md.; Bailey Harsh, Radnor, Ohio; Maci Mueller, Davis, Calif.; Alex Rogen, Brandon, S.D.; and Courtney Younge, Ventura, Iowa.

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► From left, Grimes presents \$3,000 Angus Foundation scholarships to **Cale Hinrichsen; Carter Ward; Dalton Lemenager; Taylor Duckett; Gabrielle Simpson; Kallie Knott; LeAnn Harward; Reba Colin; Lydia Dance;** (back row, from left) **Jake McCall; Caroline Cowles; Grady Dickerson; John Henderson; Paige Gaffney; Allison Hawthorne; Morgan Fruge; Ashley Cox; and Cooper Sadowsky.** Also pictured is Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president.



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### Named scholarships

#### DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship.

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 LeAnn Harward, Richfield, N.C.

#### Joseph and Susanne Bush/J&S Ranch Scholarship.

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 in 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 youth from Texas or Mississippi will receive a \$500 scholarship.

The winner of the Joseph and Susanne Bush, J&S Ranch Scholarship is Gabrielle Simpson, Tupelo, Miss.

The **Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship** 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 nationwide.

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.

The 2017 recipient of the \$1,500 Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship was Alexis Cash, York, Pa.

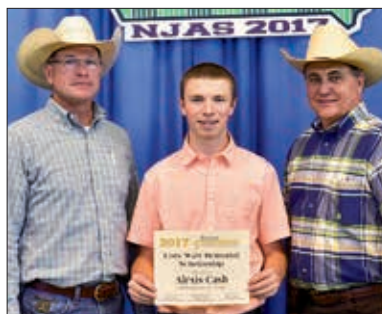
Gordon and Robin Keys of Middleburg, Va., donated \$52,000 to the Angus Foundation for the creation of two scholarship endowment funds in 2015. Officially titled the **Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarships**, the generous donation will provide opportunities to Angus youth from Virginia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

"It has been our intention to recognize the Angus Foundation, and we wanted to demonstrate our support in a very personal way," Gordon Keys says. "It seemed right to establish academic scholarships to help more youth achieve an education."

Gordon also says 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.



► From left, Grimes presents Angus Foundation Graduate Student Scholarships to **Michael Cropp**; **Courtney Younge**; **Bailey Harsh**; and **Alex Rogen**. Not pictured is **Maci Mueller**.



► **Alexis Cash** received the Cory Watt Memorial Scholarship. Pictured are (from left) Kevin Yon, presenting; Daniel Rohrbaugh, accepting on behalf of Alexis Cash; and Mark Duffell, presenting.



► **Michaela Clowser** (left) receives the Western States National Junior Angus Show Scholarship from Jenkins.



► **Jordan Barker** receives the Woodlawn Farms Scholarship.



► Receiving the Gary Brost LEAD Conference Award are (from left) **Dalton Lemenager**; **Keegan Cassidy**; **Sierra Day**; and **Kallie Knott**. Anne Patton Schubert presents.



► **Rachel Smith** received the Gary M. Stoller Jump Start Your LEADership Award. Pictured are (from left) Brian, Tiffany and McKinley Stoller, presenting; Smith, recipient.

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Their children grew up participating in 4-H, exhibiting Angus cattle and being involved in the livestock industry. They continue to be successful with agriculturally based careers.

Winners of the \$1,000 Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarships for 2017 were Sara Lechluder, Gaithersburg, Md., and Jake McCall, Greenville, Va.

**C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship.** In admiration of C.L. and Joyce Cook of Brifton Farms, Social Circle, Ga., and the impact C.L. had on their lives raising Angus cattle, Stacy 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 resulting undergraduate scholarship, which has no restrictions to academic major or student year classification.

Receiving the C.L. Cook Angus scholarship for 2017 in the amount of \$500 was Drew Williams, Milan, Ga.

The **Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship** 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, such as the Raising the Bar and LEAD conferences.

Receiving the \$2,500 Ed and Wilma Minix/Black Witch Farm Angus Youth Scholarship for 2017 was Haley Throne, Lexington, 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 Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (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 2017 was Jack Dameron, Towanda, 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 Dawson Dal Porto, Oakley, Calif.; and Claudia Hissong, Greencastle, Pa.

**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

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► **Jack Dameron** (left) receives the Stan J. Prox Memorial LEAD Award from Linda Prox.



► **Drew Williams** (right) receives the C.L. Cook Angus Scholarship from Doug Williams.



► **Katelyn Holmes** (right) receives the Oliver A. Hansen/Laudmere Angus Scholarship from Ron Hansen.



► **Ryan Callahan** receives the James and Mary Lou Henderson/Bradley 3 Angus Ranch Scholarship.



► **Brianna Erdmann** receives the Howard and JoAnne Hillman/Bon-View Farms Scholarship.



► **Lydia Dance** (center) receives the 2012 NJAS — League of Their Own Ohio Scholarship from Grimes (left) and Jenkins.



► **Morgan Scilacci** (right) receives the Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial Angus Scholarship from Grimes.



► **Jera Pipkin** received the Vance Uden Memorial Scholarship. Pictured are (from left) Dru Uden, presenting; Pipkin, recipient; Connie Uden, presenting; and Tavin Uden, presenting.



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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 preveterinary medicine students specializing in bovine (large) animal practice also given strong preference, and with the \$5,000 scholarships renewable up to four years contingent on the recipient's continuing to meet the requirements.

The individuals receiving the \$5,000 Angus/Talon undergraduate scholarships in 2017 include Cody Boden, Clear Brook, Va.; Madison Butler, Vincennes, Ind.; Ryan Callahan, Edmond, Okla.; Keegan Cassidy, Normal, Ill.; Corbin Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.; Sierra Day, Cerro Gordo, Ill.; Cheyenne Jones, Campbellsville, Ky.; Macy Perry, Prather, Calif.; Karisa Pfeiffer, Orlando, Okla.; 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 Howard and JoAnne Hillman/Bon-View Farms Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund initially will allow for one \$1,000 scholarship annually, with preference given to a South Dakota Angus junior.

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 showings 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 through volunteering their time in the American Angus Association and Angus Foundation. Howard served as chairperson of the Leadership Cabinet for the *Vision of Value: Campaign for Angus*.

Receiving the 2017 Bon-View Farms scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 was Brianna Erdmann, Leola, S.D.

**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 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 2017 were Keegan Cassidy, Normal, Ill.; Sierra Day, Cerro Gordo, Ill.; Kallie Knott, Laotto, Ind.; and Dalton Lemenager, Clifton, Ill.

**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.

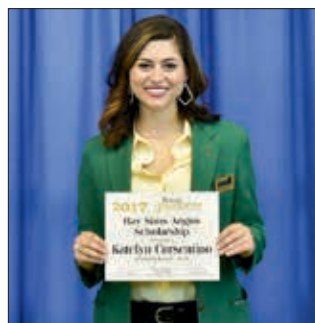
The recipient of the Oliver A. Hansen Family/Laudmere Farm Angus Scholarship must have at one time been an NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association. The recipient must also be a resident of Iowa and a member or past member of the Iowa Junior 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 \$500 Oliver A. Hansen/Laudmere Angus Farm Scholarship for 2017 was Katelyn Holmes, Benton, Iowa.

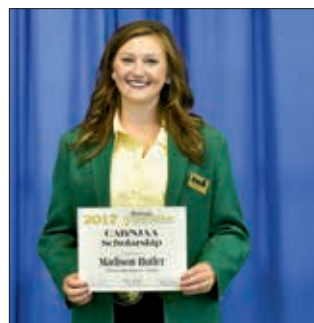
**James E. Horton Jr. Angus Scholarship.** Gregg and Lile Blythe established the James E. Horton Angus Scholarship Endowment Fund to honor Gregg's longtime friend, mentor and Angus partner, James Edwin Horton Jr. The fund was started with a gift of \$20,000 in 2006. Today it is funded at more than \$30,000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



► **Catie Hope** (right) receives the John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship from Monica Jordan (left).



► **Katelyn Corsentino** receives the Ray Sims Angus Scholarship.



► **Madison Butler** receives the Certified Angus Beef LLC/NJAA Scholarship.



► **Taylor Duckett** (left) receives the Iowa Junior Angus Association State Scholarship from Tim Mardesen (right), NJAB director.

A leader in the Angus breed for many years, Horton served as a director and president of the American Angus Association during the 1970s. He was instrumental in the acquisition of the *Angus Journal* and establishing CAB, and he led the efforts for the eventual creation of the Angus Foundation.

The \$1,500 James E. Horton Jr. Angus Scholarship was awarded to Savannah Schafer, Nehawka, Neb.

**Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial & Robert & Hollyce Neumeyer Angus Scholarship.**

In October 2007, Bob and Hollyce Neumeyer of Jaynbee Ranch, Bonners Ferry, Idaho, established the Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial & Robert & Hollyce Neumeyer 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 at the ranch.

Receiving the Jean Ann (Neumeyer) Bojorquez Memorial & Robert & Hollyce Neumeyer Scholarship for 2017 in the amount of \$500 was Morgan Scilacci, Baker City, Ore.

**Mack C. Olson Memorial Angus 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 raises cattle in the Mission Valley area at Saint Ignatius, Mont.

The Mack C. Olson Memorial Angus Scholarship of \$500 went to C.J. Stevenson, Hobson, Mont.

**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.

The NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship of \$1,500 went to Michaela Clowser, Milford, Neb.

**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 Huff 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.

Catie Hope, Berryville, Va., received the 2017 John Rucker Family Angus Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

**Ray Sims Angus Scholarship.**

In 2010, Ray Sims became the first auctioneer in more than 50 years to receive the prestigious Saddle & Siroloin 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 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

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▶ **Jake McCall** (left) and **Sara Lechlinder** receive the Gordon and Robin Keys and Family Angus Scholarship.



▶ **Michaela Clowser** receives the NJAA Alumni and Friends Scholarship.



▶ **Jayne Bannister** receives the Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship.



▶ **Cindy Ahearn**, Texas Angus Auxiliary, presents Texas Angus Association Scholarships to (from left) **Faith Massingill**; **Hannah Steph**; and **Lexi Stevenson** accepting on behalf of **Kaydee Free**.



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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 \$1,000 Ray Sims Angus Scholarship was awarded to Katelyn Corsentino, Denham Springs, La.

**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.

Rachel Smith, Osceola, Neb., received the 2017 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 2017 went to Jera Pipkin, Republic, Mo.

### **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 \$1,250, was awarded to Jordan Barker, Monticello, Iowa.

**"In a League of Their Own" Angus Foundation Scholarships.** The Angus Foundation awarded scholarships made possible by 2012 NJAS host states Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee. Excess funds raised for the 2012 NJAS in Louisville, Ky., themed "In a League of Their 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; and Lydell and Holly Meier of Clinton, Tenn.

The winners of the 2012 NJAS "In a League of Their Own" scholarships in the amount of \$500 were Corbin Cowles, Rockfield, Ky.; Lydia Dance, Hillsboro, Ohio; and Mary Oliver, Union City, 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 at 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 for 2017 in the amount of \$500 was Ryan Callahan, Edmond, Okla.

**Certified Angus Beef LLC/National Junior Angus Association Scholarship.** A long-standing scholarship awarded



► **Jordyn Wagner** (right) receives the Montana Angus Youth Scholarship from Julie Murnin, Montana Junior Angus Association advisor.



► **Cale Hinrichsen** (center) receives the Kansas Angus Association Scholarship from Anne Lampe (left), Kansas Angus Association secretary-manager, and Larry Lundgren (right), Kansas Angus Association president.



► **Claudia Hissong** (left) and **Dawson Dal Porto** (center) receive \$5,000 scholarships in memory of Richard L. "Dick" Spader, former American Angus Association executive vice president. Presenting is Jared Spader.



► **Esther McCabe** receives an Angus/Talton Youth Educational Learning Program Graduate Scholarship.

# WINNING WITH THE ANGUS TEAM



► Receiving the Angus/Talon Youth Educational Learning Program Undergraduate Scholarships are (from left) **Corbin Cowles; Cody Boden; Ryan Callahan; Macy Perry; Madison Butler; Karisa Pfeiffer; Cheyenne Jones; Sierra Day; Keegan Cassidy; and Jera Pipkin.**

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 an 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 \$1,000 CAB/NJAA Scholarship was Madison Butler, Vincennes, Ind.



► **LeAnn Harward** received the DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship and Achievement/Leadership Awards Endowment. Pictured are (from left) Elaine and Russell Wood, Ava Wood, Justin Wood, all presenting; LeAnn Harward, recipient; Jeff Wood, Riley Wood, Mary Wood, and Jeremy Feller, all presenting.

## 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 \$500 Iowa Junior Angus Association State Scholarship went to Taylor Duckett, New Liberty, Iowa, and the \$500 Iowa Junior Angus Association National Scholarship went to Carly Watt, Iva, S.C.

## 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 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 Cale Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, Kan.

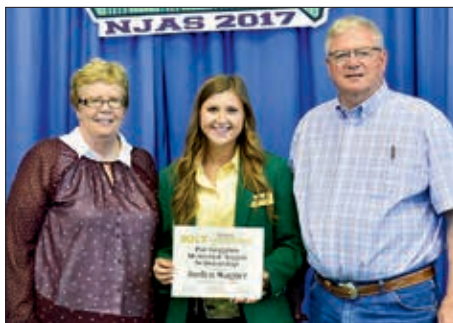
## The Montana Angus Youth Scholarship.

The Montana Angus Association and Montana Angus Auxiliary's creation of a \$25,000 scholarship endowment within the Angus Foundation to establish the Montana

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► **Savannah Schafer** receives the James E. Horton Jr. Angus Scholarship.



► **Jordyn Wagner** (center) receives the Pat Goggins Memorial Angus Scholarship from Coreen Cook (left), and Bob Cook (right).



► **Caroline Cowles** received the Joe Bill Meng Memorial Angus Scholarship. Pictured are (from left) Will Meng, Alissa (Meng) Padgett, Debbie Meng, all presenting; Cowles, recipient; Janie (Meng) Sawatsky and Skip Sawatsky, both presenting.



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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 an 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 2016 in the amount of \$1,500 was Jordyn Wagner, Billings, Mont.

**Pennsylvania Angus Youth Scholarship.** The Pennsylvania Angus Youth Scholarship was initiated and supported by the

Pennsylvania Angus Association and Angus breeders from that 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.

"I think it is very important to support our youth, as they are the future of our industry," Hay says. "I am really impressed with all the projects and contests the juniors are involved in at the national junior show. These contests teach them a lot about the

industry and help train them to be future leaders of the Angus breed. Anything we can do to support them will pay dividends in the future.”

Alexis Cash, York, 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 goal have been contributed. From these contributions and continued support, five youths from Texas have received \$1,000 scholarships annually.

Receiving scholarships for 2017 were Kaydee Free, Salado, Texas; Faith Massingill, Hamilton, Texas; and Hannah Steph, Tatum, Texas.

**Western States National Junior Angus Show (WSNJAS) 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 2017 was Michaela Clowser, Milford, Neb.

