## Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau® Foundation Scholarship Recipients



The Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau® Foundation is proud to announce this year's scholarship recipients. Because of the generosity of the Twomey Family Foundation and the donations and support of our members, the Foundation is able to assist twenty-one applicants this year furthering their education in agriculture. Each of this year's recipients will receive a total of \$1,500 for the 2020-21 academic year.

This year's recipients are: Ian Allaman, Blake Arnold, Keaten Blevins, Nicholas Brokaw, Samuel Brownlee, JC Campbell, Joseph Crum, Heidi Ford, Andrew Frakes, Owen Jenks, Kaitlyn Kane, Sydney Killey, Levi Meadows, William Ornduff, Ashlyn Quinn, Blake Ryner, Alyssa Shea, Abigail Steck, John Steck, Courtney Torrance, and Evan Wynne. The following is a little bit of information about each of the recipients based on the information submitted with their applications this past winter.

lan Allaman is currently attending the University of Wyoming and is majoring in Agroecology with a minor in Ag Business. During his time at the University of Wyoming, Ian has been involved in American Society of Agronomy, as well as Soil Science of America. Ian's hobbies include hunting, fishing, camping, working cattle, farming, and riding horses. Ian's future goal is to obtain his degree from the University of Wyoming and then he is hoping to get a job in the seed industry. He would also like to develop his own herd of black angus cattle. Ian is the son of Craig and Heidi Allaman of Monmouth.

Blake Arnold is currently attending lowa State University majoring in Agriculture Business with a minor in Agronomy. While at ISU, Blake has been involved in the Agricultural Systems Technology Club, Agricultural Business Club, and Central Iowa Delta Waterfowl Chapter. During his free time Blake enjoys tractor pulling, as well as attending Iowa State athletic events. Blake's future plans include obtaining a career in either Agricultural Sales or Farm Management. One day he hopes to return to the family farm and continue the family tradition of raising corn and soybeans in Western Illinois. Blake is the son of Bryan and Jennifer Arnold of Sciota.

Keaten Blevins is attending Black Hawk East College and is majoring in Ag Transfer. While at BHE, Keaten has been involved with the livestock judging team. Keaten's hobbies include working with animals and meat judging. Keaten's future plans include continuing on to a 4-year college to become a USDA beef inspector. He also hopes to own a herd of cattle he can buy and sell as feeders. Keaten is the son of Darren and Theresa Dieckow of Oquawka.

**Nicholas Brokaw** is attending Western Illinois University, majoring in Agriculture Business with a minor in Precision Agriculture and Agronomy. While at WIU, Nicholas has become a member of Collegiate Farm Bureau, Ag Mech Club, Collegiate FFA, Agronomy Club, the Alpha Gamma Sigma Fraternity, as well as the WIU Ag Council. Hobbies that Nicholas enjoys are working on his family farm, lifting weights, watching the Chicago Bears, NFL, and college football. Nicholas reached one of his goals last year by receiving his American FFA Degree. Nicholas's future career goal is to become the head farmer for his family farm. Nicholas is the son of Richard and Wendy Brokaw of Media.

Samuel Brownlee attends the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and is majoring in Ag Business with a minor in Crop and Soil Science/Ag Engineering and Technology. While at UW-Platteville, Sam has been a member of the UW-Platteville Football team, National Society of Leadership and Success, as well as Agronomy Club. During his free time Sam enjoys hunting, fishing, football, weightlifting, as well as wood working. Upon completing his schooling, Sam plans to use his Ag Business degree to help him excel either on the family farm or for an agriculture company. Samuel is the son of Robert and Shanda Brownlee of Little York.

JC Campbell is attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and is majoring in Technical Systems Management with a minor in Crop and Soil Sciences. While at the U of I, JC has been a member of the Nabor House Cooperative Fraternity, Collegiate Farm Bureau, Agricultural Education Club, Agricultural Mechanical Club, Rodeo Club, and ABE @Illinois Ambassadors. JC's hobbies include hunting and competitive shooting. Upon completing his schooling, JC plans to pursue a career working for an equipment manufacturer with a position in marketing and product development. JC is the son of Russell and Shari Campbell of Little York.

Joseph Crum is attending the College of the Ozarks and is majoring in Conservation and Wildlife Management with a minor in Agronomy. While at the College of the Ozarks, Joseph has been involved with the Point Lookout Fire Department, works in the Pearl Dining Center, and plays intramural sports. In his free time Joseph enjoys hunting, fishing, and intramural sports. After college Joseph plans to use his degree to pursue a career in the agriculture industry. Joseph is the son of Curtis and Andrea Crum of Monmouth.

Heidi Ford is attending Black Hawk East College and is majoring in Ag Education with a minor in General Education. In her free time, Heidi enjoys raising and showing cattle, writing, and volunteering in elementary classrooms. Heidi's future plans are unclear, but the areas of education, animal genetics (especially cattle genetics and bloodlines), and beef science interest her. She hopes to be an example of a woman who belongs and is successful in the agriculture industry. Heidi is the daughter of Scott and Jenny Ford of Media.

Andrew Frakes is currently attending Western Illinois University, majoring in Ag Science with a minor in Animal Science. While at WIU, Andrew has been involved in several organizations including the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, as well as Agronomy Club. Andrew's hobbies include working out and undergrad research. Andrew's future plans include working for some kind of agricultural retailer. He is also hoping to farm on the family farm on the side. Andrew is the son of Michael Frakes and Connie Frakes of Monmouth.

Owen Jenks graduated from United High School in May and plans to attend Iowa State University to major in Agricultural Studies with a minor in Agronomy or Agribusiness. During Owen's time at United, he was in involved in Baseball, Scholastic Bowl, and FFA. In his free time Owen likes to hunt, fish, water ski, and fly drones. He also enjoys helping with fieldwork as well as taking care of his cattle. Owen's future plans include expanding his cattle operation and also joining the family grain farming operation. Owen is the son of Andy and Jackie Jenks of Monmouth.

Kaitlyn Kane attends Western Illinois University, majoring in Agriculture Education with a minor in Animal Science. While at WIU, Kaitlyn has been involved in several organizations including Collegiate Farm Bureau, Collegiate FFA, Ag Ed Club, Ag Vocators, as well as Ag Mech Show. In her spare time, Kaitlyn enjoys tending to her flock of sheep, working with large and small animals, being with friends and family, and interviewing and public speaking preparation for pageants. Kaitlyn's future plans include being an Ag teacher and helping on the family farm. Kaitlyn is the daughter of James and Kimberly Kane of Smithshire.

Sydney Killey recently graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, majoring in Animal Sciences while minoring in Chemistry. At the U of I, Sydney was a James Scholar and involved in Pre-Veterinary Club, Four Paws of Ability, the Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority, as well as the Companion Animal Club. Sydney is graduating a year early from UIUC and will begin the Veterinary Technology Program at Parkland in the fall. Some of Sydney's hobbies include raising and showing livestock, working at the Roseville Veterinary Service and Fairview Sale Barn, babysitting, baking, and fishing. Sydney's future goal is to become a Veterinary Technician so she will be able to work with and on animals, a dream of hers. Sydney is the daughter of Kevin and DeNeene Killey of Berwick.

Levi Meadows graduated from Abingdon-Avon High School in May and plans to attend Black Hawk East College in the fall. Levi plans to major in Ag Transfer. While at Abingdon-Avon High School, Levi was involved in FFA, Forestry team, Agronomy team, Basketball, as well as Football. In his free time Levi enjoys working with livestock, especially fitting and showing cattle, hunting, and fishing. Levi's future plans include attending Black Hawk East to obtain an associate degree before transferring to a 4-year university to study ag business and animal nutrition. Levi is the son of <a href="Doug and Linnea Meadows of Abingdon.">Doug and Linnea Meadows of Abingdon.</a>

William Ornduff graduated from United High School in May and plans to attend college in the fall and major in Agriculture Business with a minor in Accounting. While at United High School, William was in involved in FFA, National Honor Society, and was an Illinois State Scholar. In his free time William enjoys woodworking and owns his own woodworking business. William's future plans include pursuing an agriculture business degree. William is the son of Rod and Deb Melton of Cameron.

Ashlyn Quinn will attend the University of Illinois in the fall, majoring in Environmental Agriculture with a minor in Statistics. Ashlyn attended Carl Sandburg College this last year where she was involved with the Carl Sandburg College Ag Board. In her free time Ashlyn enjoys the hobbies of dancing, swimming, music/percussion, Ag Board, as well as 4-H. Ashlyn's future plans include obtaining a research/analytic position to improve farming practices to reduce an impact on the

environment. Ashlyn is the daughter of Ken and Amy Quinn of Monmouth.

Blake Ryner is attending Black Hawk East College and is majoring in Ag Business/Ag Production. While at Black Hawk College, Blake has been involved in the Ag Mech Club, Ag Business Club, as well as the Livestock Judging Team. In his free time Blake enjoys working on the family farm, raising cattle and sheep, showing livestock, as well as racing dirt bikes. Blake's future goals include returning to the family farm to be a seventh-generation farmer. Blake is the son of Jeffrey and Christi Ryner of Alexis.

Alyssa Shea is attending Western Illinois University, majoring in Agriculture Science with a minor in Agronomy. Alyssa enjoys agriculture, specifically the crop and soil science aspects. She is also interested in health and fitness. In the future Alyssa plans to work on an agriculture research farm; she hopes to do hands-on research in the field and not in labs. Alyssa is the daughter of Shawn and Roxann Shea of Gerlaw.

Abigail Steck is attending Iowa State University, majoring in Agronomy with a minor in Ag Business. While at Iowa State, Abigail has been involved in Kappa Kappa Gamma, Agronomy Club, and Women in Agronomy. In her free time Abigail enjoys reading, learning new things, cooking, outdoor activities, plants, seeing friends, helping others, as well as spending time with family. Abigail's professional goals include earning a degree and using this degree to be the 5<sup>th</sup> generation to help run the century family farm. Abigail is the daughter of William and Brenda Steck of Carman.

John Steck graduated from West Central High School in May. He plans to attend college in the fall and major in Agribusiness with a minor in Agricultural Accounting. While at West Central High School, some of the activities John was involved in were Football, Track, Basketball, Scholastic Bowl, and FFA. In his free time John enjoys reading, traveling, spending time with family and friends, as well as farming with his family. John's future plans include earning a 4-year degree in agribusiness and operating and managing their family farm with hope of preserving and growing the operation. John is the son of William and Brenda Steck of Carman.

Courtney Torrance graduated from West Central High School in May. She plans to attend Black Hawk College East Campus in the fall and major in Veterinarian studies. Courtney was involved in many things while at West Central High School, including FFA, Student Council, Softball, Volleyball, Basketball, as well as being the Football Manager for two years. In her free time Courtney enjoys reading, writing, organizing, playing softball, working at the vet clinic, sewing/embroidering, and baking. Courtney's future plans include obtaining her associate degree before transferring to a larger university and continuing on to vet school. Courtney is the daughter of Mark and Leanne Torrance of Biggsville.

Evan Wynne graduated from United High School in May. He plans to attend Oklahoma State University in the fall to major in Animal Science. While at United High School, Evan was involved in FFA, Student Council, Baseball, Basketball, Golf, as well as many other activities. In his free time Evan enjoys showing livestock (especially hogs), playing sports, traveling, and spending time with his family. Evan's future plans include getting a degree in animal science and focusing specifically on animal nutrition and supplements. Evan is the son of John and Michelle Wynne of Alexis.

This year John Steck received the \$250 Leo & Carol Mahoney Memorial Scholarship; Evan Wynne received the \$250 Duane Jensen Memorial Scholarship; Owen Jenks received the \$250 Lloyd & Pauline Winbigler Memorial Scholarship and William Ornduff received the \$250 Clarence "Tom" & Marjorie Long Memorial Scholarship. The Foundation thanks these families for honoring their loved ones in a manner that helps students further their education in agriculture.

The Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau® and the Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Foundation® wish these students the very best in their academic studies and future careers.