AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

All application are available by contacting the Events and Junior Activities Department or by visiting www.njas.info or <a href="www.njas.info or <a href="www.njas.info<

Jim Baldridge Outstanding Leadership Award

The Jim Baldridge Outstanding Leadership Award was designed to recognize one outstanding NJAA member. This prestigious award is based upon the leadership that has been exhibited by the nominee through their Angus involvement and other activities as presented in the application. The recipient will receive an award by the NJAA and a scholarship from the Angus Foundation. The application is due May 1.

National Junior Recognition Program

The American Angus Association established a National Junior Recognition Program in 1972. It has been successful in providing an opportunity for young Angus breeders to become nationally recognized for continued achievement. This program is based on activities over a junior member's entire career. There are three levels of recognition; Bronze, Silver, and Gold. Bronze and Silver Awards can be earned at any age. The Gold Award, however, will be given only during the last year of eligibility as a junior member. Winners of the various levels receive a specially designed pin, cast in the metal of the respective award (Bronze, Silver, or Gold).

Crystal Award

The Crystal Award is sponsored by the American Angus Auxiliary and awarded to the highest placing male and female junior Angus member in all the contests held at the NJAS.

Silver Pitcher

The American Angus Auxiliary awards the top placing male and female exhibitors at the NJAS with a Silver Pitcher. Points are awarded in each of the following categories: steer, cow-calf, owned heifer, bred-and-owned bull, and bred-and-owned heifer.

American Angus Auxiliary Scholarships

The American Angus Auxiliary awards scholarships annually to five young men and five young women who have demonstrated exceptional participation and achievements in Angus projects, school, community and church, and superior character. Coordination and administration of this scholarship program lies with the Auxiliary. Applications are available from your state Angus Auxiliary, the American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship Chairwomen and www.angusauxiliary. com. The winners are announced at the NJAS.

Colvin Scholarship

Developed in 1999 as Louis M. "Mick" Colvin retired from the CAB executive director position, this scholarship recognizes his role in making dreams a reality and inspiring others to be their best. Colvin directed the beef brand for more than 20 years. This scholarship benefits tomorrow's leaders who are involved in their communities and the beef industry. Scholarships will go to the top applicants based on activities and scholastic achievement, communication skills—essay and verbal and reference letters. For more information, visit the Web site www.certifiedangusbeef.com.

CAB/NJAA Scholarship

One scholarship is awarded to a current or former member of the NJAA who is pursuing a degree in animal science, meat science, food science, Ag communications or a related field. The scholarship recipient is announced at the NJAS and receives \$1,000. The scholarship, first awarded in 1990, is a grant for which no equivalent work is required. CAB/NJAA Scholarship applications are due May 1 and can be accessed at www.angusfoundation.org. (NOTE: This application is separate from the Angus Foundation's general scholarship application for undergraduate students.)

Advisor of the Year

Behind every successful junior Angus group are dedicated advisors. Each year at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) one advisor or advisor Team is given special recognition by being named "Advisor of the Year." State junior Angus associations may nominate an advisor that they feel has been instrumental in the success of their association. Nominations are due March 1.

Angus Foundation Undergraduate Student Degree Scholarship Program

The Angus Foundation will award general scholarships to young men and women actively involved in the Angus breed who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in higher education. Students in all academic degree fields of study are encouraged to apply. Awards consisting of two \$5,000 scholarships in honor of Richard L. Spader, former Executive Vice President of the American Angus Association; a number of general \$3,000 and \$1,000 scholarships; and donor-named scholarships will be available. Applicants at one time must have been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association, and cannot have reached their 25th birthday prior to January 1 of application year. Awards are announced at the NJAS. Angus Foundation Undergraduate Student Scholarship Program applications are due May 1.

Applicants may also be considered for other donor named undergraduate scholarships depending on the applicant meeting the eligibility criteria set forth by the donor and Angus Foundation for those respective scholarships. Past applicants and recipients of Angus Foundation general scholarships can continue to apply for these donor named scholarships. For more information about the Angus Foundation's Undergraduate Student Scholarship Program and to obtain an application, visit www.angusfoundation.org.

Angus Foundation Graduate Student Degree Scholarship Program

To further foster the advancement of education, youth and research, the Angus Foundation will award five general graduate student scholarships to young men and women actively involved in the Angus breed and who are pursuing an advanced degree in higher education. These \$5,000 scholarships will be one-year awards.

The graduate student scholarship can only be applied to advanced degree studies. Applicants at one time must have been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association. Strong preference and priority will be given to applicants pursuing advanced degrees related closely to the beef industry.

Applicants may also be considered for other donor named graduate scholarships depending on the applicant meeting the eligibility criteria set forth by the donor and Angus Foundation for those respective graduate student scholarships. Past applicants and recipients of Angus Foundation general graduate scholarships and donor named graduate scholarships can continue to apply for donor named scholarships. For more information about the Angus Foundation's Graduate Student Scholarship Program and to obtain an application, visit www. angusfoundation.org. Deadline for application is May 1.

Tom Burke Young Angus Achievement Awards Endowment Funds For NJAA members ages 8-13 as of January 1. Awards of \$1,250 will be presented to the boy and girl receiving the highest combined score from their participation in exhibiting cattle entries and contest competitions at NJAS.

DISCLAIMER: Depending on the level of funds available, respective scholarships reference above and any other scholarships administered by the Angus Foundation may or may not be awarded each year