

Jenna Crampton, Gracie Danner, Jenna Goetzmann, Kinsey Harlan, Suzanne Huntley, Kinsey Griffith, Dean Klahr, Sarah Niederee, Eli Ohlde and Kaitlyn Urban Receive 2018 CHS Foundation Scholarship Awards

October 23, 2018 (MANHATTAN, Kan.) – Jenna Crampton of Colby, Kansas, a junior in agribusiness; Gracie Danner of West Liberty, Iowa, a junior in agricultural economics; Jenna Goetzmann of Gardner, Kansas, a junior in agricultural business and global food systems leadership; Suzanne Huntley of Phillipsburg, Kansas, a junior in agribusiness; Dean Klahr of Holton, Kansas, a senior in animal sciences and industry; Sarah Niederee of Great Bend, Kansas, a senior in agricultural economics; and Eli Ohlde of Clyde, Kansas, a sophomore in agricultural economics; have each been awarded a CHS Foundation Scholarship through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center and the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State University. Three freshmen were also awarded CHS Foundation Scholarships through the College of Agriculture at Kansas State University. Those recipients are Kinsey Harlan of Madison, Kansas, a freshman in agribusiness; Kinsey Griffith of Wakeeney, Kansas, a freshman in agricultural economics; and Kaitlyn Urban of Louisburg, Kansas, a freshman in agribusiness.

Jenna Crampton is a member of the Kansas State University Collegiate Farm Bureau and works as a student assistant for the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. She spent her summer working on a custom harvest crew and previously worked as a K-State Research and Extension intern. Upon her graduation in December 2019, Jenna would like to work as a farm credit loan officer. The Crampton family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Central Valley Ag, Hi-Plains Cooperative Association, Midwest Energy, S & T Communications and United Ag Service.

Gracie Danner is a member of Sigma Alpha, a professional agriculture sorority, and also serves as a College of Agriculture Ambassador. She is part of the Kansas Corn Collegiate Academy and works two jobs while going to school. Gracie completed an internship with John Deere and participated on an agronomy study abroad experience in Ecuador. Upon graduation in December 2019, Gracie would like to pursue a career in the agriculture industry prior to returning home to take over the family farm. The Danner family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Consumers Cooperative, Eastern Iowa Rural Electric Cooperative, Farm Credit Services of America and River Valley Cooperative.

Jenna Goetzmann is actively involved in organizations that offer leadership growth and opportunity. She participated in a professional advantage program and was a member of KSU Quest Freshman Honorary, Catalyst and KSU Silver Key Honorary. Jenna was selected for the Sophomore Risk Management Connection Program.

She plans to graduate in May 2020 and would like to work in commodity merchandising. The Goetzmann family is affiliated with the following cooperative: Frontier Farm Credit.

Suzanne Huntley is involved with Smurthwaite Scholarship and Leadership House, Agronomy Club, and Chi Alpha: Christian Ministries. She has volunteered with HandsOn food distributions, Teens for Christ, Agronomy Club Earth Day and Discovery Day. Suzanne has worked as a community assistant in Ford Hall while going to school. Upon her May 2020 graduation, she plans to pursue a career in banking.

Dean Klahr is a member of several animal judging teams including Intercollegiate Horse Judging, Livestock Judging and Meat Animal Evaluation teams and was part of the AQHA World Champion Horse Judging Team. He is a College of Agriculture Ambassador and is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity. He served as a State FFA officer and as a Senator in the Student Governing Association. Dean completed an internship with Baca County Feed Yard. He plans to graduate in May 2019 and hopes to work as a banker and producer. The Klahr family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Brown-Atchinson Electric Cooperative, Genex Cooperative, and Jackson Farmers.

Sarah Niederee is active in student government serving as a College of Agriculture Student Senator and as Chair of the privilege fee committee. She also serves as a College of Agriculture Ambassador. Sarah completed a Kansas Food and Agricultural Policy Fellowship with Michael Torrey Associates in Washington D.C. and has interned with the Office of the Secretary at the Kansas Department of Agriculture. She also completed a Management Associate Internship with Cargill. Upon graduation in May 2019, Sarah hopes to pursue a career in management in an agribusiness or cooperative. The Niederee family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Great Bend Cooperative Association and Wheatland Electric Cooperative.

Eli Ohlde is a member of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity and has served as a Membership Development Chair. He was actively involved in FFA, including serving as the Kansas FFA State President. He grew up working on the farm and doing lawncare work. Eli plans to graduate in May 2021 and work as an agricultural salesman. The Ohlde family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Bluestem Electric Cooperative and Prairie Land Electric Cooperative.

“The CHS Foundation Scholarships are one way the CHS Foundation is giving back to future agricultural leaders at Kansas State University,” states Professor Brian Briggeman, director of the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. The scholarship has awarded over \$157,000 in scholarships through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center in the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State University since 2006.

To be eligible for the upper classman scholarship, the students must be U.S. citizens or legal residents properly enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior during the current academic year majoring in an agriculture-focused or ag-related STEM undergraduate program. Recipients must demonstrate academic ability and exhibit leadership qualities through the university, community or ag industry involvement. Priority is given to students demonstrating an interest in agriculture-based cooperatives.

The awarding of the CHS Foundation Scholarships is coordinated through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. “Additional contributions by those who want to support the purposes of cooperative scholarships are welcome,” Dr. Briggeman said. They should be made payable to “KSU Foundation/ACCC” and sent to the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center, Department of Agricultural Economics, 305 Waters Hall, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas. 66506.

About CHS Foundation

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About the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center

The ACCC provides research-based information, education and assistance to people with and interested in cooperative businesses, including cooperative members, directors, managers and employees. The Center also works with students and faculty at educational institutions, the general public and public officials as well as owners, directors, managers and employees of agribusinesses. Further information can be obtained about this scholarship or about establishing additional scholarships by contacting Brian Briggeman at the same address or e-mailing, bbrigg@ksu.edu.

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