

Reece Leonard Receives 2019 Triangle Insurance Scholarship

October 29, 2019 (MANHATTAN, Kan.) – Reece Leonard of McDonald, Kansas, a senior in agricultural economics at Kansas State University, has been awarded the Triangle Insurance Scholarship through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center and the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State University.

Reece is a section leader in the K-State Marching Band, was selected as a student fellow for K-State's Center for Risk Management and Research and is an active member of the KSU Swine Club. He participated in an international study abroad experience to the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg and completed internships with the Bank of the Northwest and Rabo Agri-Finance. Upon graduation in May 2020, Reece plans to return to western Kansas and work as an agricultural lending officer for a bank, expand his market hog business and farm/ranch with his father. The Leonard family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Beardsley Equity Cooperative Association, CHS, Decatur Cooperative Association, Frontier Ag, Inc., McDonald Co-op Equity Mercantile Exchange, Inc., Midwest Energy, Inc., Prairie Land Electric Cooperative, Inc. and United Plains Ag.

"The purpose of the Triangle Insurance Scholarship is to contribute to the education of future agricultural leaders," states Professor Brian Briggeman, director of the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center. This scholarship has awarded \$9,000 since 2011.

To be eligible for a scholarship, students must be either a junior or senior in high academic standing in K-State's College of Agriculture at the time the scholarship is received. The student or member of the student's family must be employed by or serving on the board of directors of a Triangle Insurance customer cooperative or the family must be engaged in production agriculture and be an active member of a Triangle Insurance customer cooperative.

The awarding of the Triangle Insurance Scholarship 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, KS 66506.

About the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center

The Arthur Capper Cooperative Center 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 emailing Brian Briggeman at bbrigg@ksu.edu or visiting the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center website at <http://acc.k-state.edu/>.

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Photo caption is as follows: (left to right) Kirby Bradley of Triangle Insurance and Reece Leonard at the K-State Department of Agricultural Economics Awards Banquet, October 4, 2019.