

Alexis Hansen, Garrett Korte and Grace Otott Receives 2022-2023 Triangle Insurance Scholarship

November 14, 2022 (MANHATTAN, Kan.) – Alexis Hansen of Belleville, Kansas, a junior in agricultural economics; Garrett Korte of Latham, Kansas, a junior in agribusiness; and Grace Otott of Washington, Kansas, a senior in agricultural economics have each been awarded the Triangle Insurance Scholarship through the Arthur Capper Cooperative Center and the Department of Agricultural Economics at Kansas State University.

Alexis Hansen is an active member of Alpha Chi Omega, K-State Agricultural Economics/Agribusiness Club and St. Isadore's Student Center. She volunteers for Common Table and Meals on Wheels. She is passionate about agriculture and works on the family farm when not in school. Alexis plans to graduate in May 2024. Her career plan is to return to north central Kansas, be part of the family farm/ranch operations and pursue a career as a veterinarian. The Hansen family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Aurora Cooperative, Central Valley Ag Cooperative, Cloud County Cooperative and Rolling Hills Electric Cooperative. In addition, Alexis' father worked for AgMark, LLC.

Garrett Korte believes in hard work and his faith is very important to him. He is actively involved in Christian Challenge and works on campus at K-State Admissions as well as on the family farm on weekends. He recently became a manager for the K-State Men's Basketball team and also coaches a middle school basketball team each summer. Upon graduating in December 2023, Garrett plans to return to the family farm and work as a broker. The Korte family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: American AgCredit, MKC and Valley Co-op.

Grace Otott serves as president of the K-State Milling Science Club and is a flour pack crew member. She is involved in Sigma Alpha Sorority, was a District IAOM attendee and volunteered as an elementary basketball coach. Grace completed a summer internship with Didion and was intrigued by the challenges of logistics and supply chain. She grew up working on the family farm and was part of a family mowing business. Upon graduation in May 2023, Grace plans to work in logistics or grain merchandising. The Otott family is affiliated with the following cooperatives: Bluestem Electric, CVA and Frontier Farm Credit.

"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 over \$19,000 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. Continuing K-State students are encouraged to fill out the K-State scholarship application to be included in the university scholarship process for the 2023-2024 academic year.

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: Dr. Brian Briggeman, ACCC Director and KSU AGEC Professor, Garrett Korte and Grace Otott at the K-State Agricultural Economics Awards Banquet, September 30, 2022. Not pictured: Alexis Hansen