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July 1 is Deadline to Apply for National Scholarships and Educational Awards

Reynoldsburg, Ohio (May 7, 2024)—Monday, July 1 is the deadline to apply for scholarship and educational awards administered by the American Jersey Cattle Association (AJCA), Reynoldsburg, Ohio.

The AJCA awarded \$31,600 in scholarship money to Jersey Youth last year. This funding went toward young Jersey enthusiasts pursuing a college or university degree or, in some cases, gaining hands-on experience in the development and management of Registered Jersey™ cattle. Junior or Lifetime members of the association with a 2.5 minimum grade point average, on a 4.0 scale, are eligible to apply for the awards.

The Russell–Malnati Scholarship for Advanced Studies (\$5,000) will be awarded to a graduate dairy science, animal science (dairy emphasis), large animal veterinary practice, dairy production or manufacturing, or dairy product marketing student.

The Walter and Joyce Owens Family Scholarship (\$5,000) will be offered for the third time. Those who are incoming or current undergraduate students in any post education institute studying a dairy related major are eligible. Applicants must also be working toward a two or four year degree and demonstrate satisfactory academic performance. Recipients can receive the scholarship a maximum of two (2) times but must reapply for reconsideration.

The William A. Russell Memorial Scholarship (\$2,750) is offered to those who will begin their studies at an accredited college or university in the fall of 2024. Students who have completed at least one year of their studies are eligible for the V.L. Peterson Scholarship (\$2,000). The Jack C. Nisbet Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000) will be awarded to an eligible nominee for the Jersey Youth Achievement Contest.

The Robert Bignami Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000) was established from a generous donation of Bob and Pam Bignami, Orland, Calif., from the sale of BW Graduate-ET in 2020. Those who have graduated high school and attended Jersey Youth Academy are eligible to apply. These students must also be heading to or enrolled in an accredited four-year college or university majoring in an agricultural-based degree.

The Cedarcrest Farms Scholarship (\$1,250) will go to either an undergraduate or graduate student working toward a degree in large animal veterinary practice, dairy production, dairy manufacturing, or dairy product marketing. Students must also demonstrate significant progress toward their intended degree and a clear intention of an agriculture career through coursework completion and a goal statement.

The Paul Jackson Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000) is for continuing college students in any degree program area. The recipient of the AJCA Directors' Scholarship (\$1,000) is determined based on academic performance, activities and accomplishments with Jersey cattle and commitment to continued involvement in the Jersey dairy business. The Bob Toole Jersey Youth Award (\$1,500) can be used for educational expenses or a well-defined practical experience related to breeding, developing and showing Registered Jerseys.

The Morris B. Ewing ABS Genetic Performance Scholarship (\$2,500) will be awarded to a junior or senior undergraduate student seeking a career in genetics, dairy production, large animal veterinary medicine or milk marketing. The Lineweaver Scholarship (\$2,750) will be awarded to an undergraduate who has completed at least one year of study in a four-year program focused on dairy science, animal science (dairy emphasis) or dairy products.

The recipient of the Anne E. Perchard Challenge Award (\$350) will be selected from among applicants for the national achievement contest and/or scholarship program to recognize abilities and leadership potential and, in turn, challenging the recipient to achieve his/her potential through continuing Jersey activities.

Also, the Reuben R. Cowles Jersey Youth Award will be presented to an eligible resident of Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia to be used for educational expenses or to travel to the All American Jersey Show and Sale, the AJCA-NAJ Annual Meetings or other Jersey educational activities. Applicants must be at least high school graduates, but not older than 36 years of age as of January 1, 2024.

For application forms and instructions, visit the "Scholarships and Internships" page on the USJersey website or use the link, tinyurl.com/JerseyScholarships. Recipients will be recognized on Saturday, November 9 at the Youth Awards Ceremony held in Louisville, Ky.

For more information, contact the AJCA by email at info@usjersey.com; or visit its web site at USJersey.com.

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