

2002 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



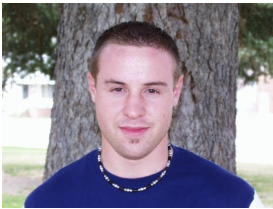
Heather Adams

Heather Adams is the recipient of the Weld County 4-H Foundation Home Economics Scholarship. She is the daughter of Dee & Jodene Adams of Kersey, and will graduate from Platte Valley High School where she has been active in softball, volleyball, and FCCLA. She is a member of the Box Elder Ag 4-H club, where her main projects have been Cooking, Cake Decorating, and Dairy. Heather has participated in the State 4-H Dairy Judging program, and has represented Colorado at the Mid-South Regional Dairy Judging Contest in Memphis, Tennessee. Currently, she works as a teacher's aide at the Kersey Early Learning Center, and plans to enter Aims Community College this fall and major in Early Childhood Development. Her career plans are to become a pre-school teacher.



Brandon Croissant

Brandon Croissant will graduate from Eaton High School, and plans to enroll at Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, majoring in Plant & Crop Sciences. He is a 10-year 4-H member and currently serves as president of the Galeton 4-H club. He has taken both market lamb and market beef projects, and had the champion beef carcass winner at last year's County Fair. At Eaton, Brandon participated in both football and wrestling. He lettered all four years in football. He is the Sentinel in his FFA Chapter, and has received the FFA State Degree award. Brandon helps his parents Randy & Carol Croissant, on their 320 acre farm. He is the recipient of the Norgren Family 4-H Scholarship.



Matt DeAngelis

Matt DeAngelis has been awarded the Kenneth & Clarice Benson Memorial Scholarship and plans to attend either Chadron State College, or Adams State College. He will major in Sports Medicine. Matt is the son of Dave and Debbie DeAngelis of Ault, and attends Highland High School. At Highland, Matt is a member of National Honor Society, and participated in football, basketball, and track. He has received All-Conference honors in track. A 10-year member of Wyatt Ag 4-H, Matt took market beef, lamb, and swine projects. He owned the Reserve Champion hog at the 2000 Weld County Fair.



Katie Johnson

Katie Johnson is the daughter of Wayne & Teresa Johnson of Greeley. She will graduate from Platte Valley High School where she has been active in cheerleading, FFA, Student Council, and National Honor Society. Katie has served as Vice President and Treasurer in FFA, and received the Star Greenhand and Star Chapter Farmer awards. She has been a member of several judging teams that have gone to national competitions in both FFA and 4-H. In FFA, she was on the Parliamentary Procedure and Horse judging teams, and in 4-H she was on the Horse Bowl and Horse judging teams. She was the 4-H National Champion Individual for Horse Bowl in 2000. A 10-year 4-H member, Katie will receive the Weld County 4-H Foundation Agriculture Scholarship, and plans to attend CSU, double majoring in Ag Education and Ag Business.

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Elizabeth Killion

Elizabeth Killion is the daughter of Chuck & Martha Killion, and lives east of Pierce where she is home schooled. She has participated in home school band and choir, and prior to moving to Colorado she volunteered at the Food Bank and Crisis Pregnancy Center in Laramie, Wyoming. Beth has taken a multitude of projects during her 10-year 4-H career, including Dog, Rabbit, Poultry, Food Preservation, and Crocheting. She was Reserve Champion in the small animal round robin showmanship, both as a junior and senior member. She has attended Western 4-H Round-up, and is currently President of the Eaton Country Critters 4-H Club. Beth receives a Weld County 4-H Foundation Scholarship, and will attend Christendom College in Virginia, majoring in English Literature and minoring in Spanish. A Masters Degree in Extension Education is in her plans.



Breanne Marris

Breanne Marris is a Junior at Colorado State University, majoring in Ag Education with a concentration in Applied Information Technology. She is the recipient of the Martin Produce scholarship. Breanne could not be with us this evening as she is the President of the College Council of Ag Sciences and they are having their recognition program this evening. She is a member of Alpha Zeta - an honor society for Ag Schools. Breanne is a graduate of Ft. Lupton High School, and was Salutatorian of her class. In high school, she was in National Honor Society, FFA - where she was District President, and participated in gymnastics. Breanne's main projects while in the Tailtwisters 4-H club were photography, cake decorating, sewing, and restoration. She is the daughter of Barry & Val Marris.



Andrea Milne

Andrea Milne of Eaton is a 10-year member of the Galeton 4-H club. She was a member of the 2001 Colorado team that placed seventh at the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Madison, Wisconsin. Andrea is on the 4-H Executive Council, and served as a counselor at Junior Jamboree for the past four years. At school, she is active in FFA, FCA, Volleyball and Track. She has been a part of the Weld County Sheriff's Explorers for three years, and plans to major in Sociology at UNC with an emphasis on Criminal Justice. Afterwards she plans to enroll in the Police Academy. Andrea has been awarded a 4-H Foundation Scholarship. Her parents are Chris and JG Milne.



Tonia Pettinger

Tonia Pettinger lives east of Galeton and helps out on the family farm which includes a beef feedlot and 640 acres of irrigated crops. She is the daughter of Richard and Lisa Pettinger. She has been active in many clubs and activities while at Eaton High School, including Key Club, Student Council, National Honor Society, FFA, and FBLA. In FBLA, where she was president her senior year, Tonia logged 280 hours of community service for Bonnell Good Samaritan Center, Meals on Wheels, and the Humane Society. Market lambs and cooking were her main projects during her 10 years with Galeton 4-H, and she took part in Citizenship Washington Focus in 1999. Tonia was awarded the Helmut Brunner Memorial Scholarship and will attend CSU majoring in Ag Business.

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Amber Reinick

Amber Reinick is the daughter of Rod and Tammy Reinick or Kersey. While at Platte Valley High School, Amber played volleyball for four years. In three of those years her team won the state championship. This year she was the co-captain of the team. She is also co-president of Student Council, and a member of National Honor Society, FCCLA, and FBLA. Amber is a 10-year member of 4-H, with market swine being her main project. Amber will receive a Weld County 4-H Foundation Scholarship, and plans to attend UNC majoring in Chemistry. She then hopes to pursue a Doctorate degree in Pharmacy at CU.



Melissa Schmunk

Melissa Schmunk is a Pre-Vet student at CSU in her freshman year. She is the daughter of Gary & Charlie Schmunk of Eaton. At CSU she has been a volunteer at the Raptor Center, and an active member of a student organization called the Raptor Program Associate Council. Her career goal is to become a veterinarian for raptors. Melissa was president of FFA during her senior year at Eaton High School, has received the FFA State Degree, and is applying for the American Degree. In high school, she was a member of National Honor Society, and participated in Knowledge Bowl and the Academic Decathlon. She was a member of the Eaton Country Critters 4-H club, and was on Executive Council for five years. Melissa is the recipient of the Ben Wilson Memorial Scholarship.



Lindsey Smith

Lindsey Smith is the daughter of Tracy & Linda Smith of Greeley. She attends Platte Valley High School in Kersey where she is the chapter president, state officer, and national officer candidate of FCCLA, and chapter president of FBLA. She recently won second place Outstanding Female Business Student at the State FBLA contest. She is also a member of Student Council and National Honor Society. Lindsey is president of the Weld County 4-H Executive Council, and has attended the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, and National 4-H Conference in Washington D.C. She has received the 4-H Award of Excellence and is a past state champion in Demonstration and Public Speaking. Lindsey will attend the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, Minnesota and major in Business Management Communication, with an emphasis on Public Relations. Her aspirations are to get a Masters in Political Science and to become Press Secretary for a high ranking politician - maybe even the President of the United States. Lindsey is this year's recipient of the Paul Hoshiko Jr. Memorial Scholarship and the Josh Jarman Memorial Scholarship.