

2019 Scholarship Recipients



Rayna Yasieniuk - nominated by the North Battleford Agricultural Society

Rayna is attending the University of Saskatchewan in the Early Years/Elementary Years program with the goal of becoming a Kindergarten teacher in rural Saskatchewan.

Rayna was very active at the Hafford School participating in many different extra-curricular activities. She was on the school basketball, volleyball and track and field teams. In addition to the sports teams she was also on the yearbook committee and was a volunteer teacher's aid in the Kindergarten classroom. She also helped out as a junior basketball coach and volunteered in the canteen. From 2012 -2018 she participated in the Hafford School and Hafford Legion Remembrance Day Program - winning awards for her essays and poetry.

Rayna has been heavily involved with 4 H over the last 12 years - at all levels - Club, District, Regional, Provincial, National and International.

Provincially she has competed in public speaking - placing third this past year. She has been accepted to the Prairieland Youth Leadership conference for many years, as well as attending the provincial Annual Meeting. Nationally Rayna was one of 10 members representing Saskatchewan at the Canadian 4 H Citizenship Congress in Ottawa in 2019. In 2018 she was the lone Saskatchewan 4 H member to be chosen to attend the U.S. National 4 H conference in Washington.

In addition to 4H Rayna has been very involved in the Saskatchewan High School Rodeo Association - competing in numerous events - she has qualified for the Nationals Final Rodeo in pole bending and reining cowhorse. She is also a member of the Kakeyow Cowboy Rodeo Association and won the youth division in mounted shooting at the Canadian Cowboy Mounted Shooting Finals. Rayna is also a member of the Cheremka Ukrainian Dance Club. In whatever other spare time she has - she enjoys reading, scrapbooking, baking, cooking and snuggling with her cat.

Rayna has a number of different jobs that she works at. She gives riding lessons - cleans the local church - has an internet business selling various items, as well as working at her family's ranch.

Their ranch is located in the Redberry Biosphere Reserve, which has had a huge impact on Rayna. Her family has hosted delegates from China, Japan, Nigeria and Germany. Rayna has spent countless hours with these delegates showing them around her family's ranch. Her family's ranch was featured in a film documentary about Canada's biospheres in 2016. Because of her involvement in environmental organizations she was awarded a trip to a UNESCO conference in Winnipeg in 2017. Her families ranching ethic is to be perfectly sustainable - to raise healthy, stress free beef, while increasing the quality of the soil, reducing emissions, protecting native prairie grass land and allowing the smallest of species which exist in their watershed and aquatic areas to thrive. SAASE congratulates Rayna on being one of this year's scholarship recipients.

Reilly Mackay - nominated by the Nokomis Agricultural Society

Reilly is attending the University of Saskatchewan working on her Bachelor of Science degree - ultimately she wants



to obtain her Doctor of Pharmacy Degree and work in rural Saskatchewan.

Reilly attended Lanigan Central High School and in addition to maintaining a very high average - she was very involved in extra curricular activities. She was on the School Leadership council for 6 years and represented her school each year at the Provincial Leadership Conference. Reilly also mentored junior School Leadership Council members to help grow their leadership skills. She was a Breakfast for Learning Volunteer - providing a community-centred nutrition program to ensure all the students at her school started the day with a healthy breakfast. Reilly was also on the School Representative Council for 4 years. She was also on the Senior Girls Basketball Team.

In addition to being very involved at her school Reilly worked very hard in her community. Reilly has a passion for horses and gave riding lessons to some youth in the community in the hope that they would share her passion. She volunteered at the Lanigan Youth centre - known as the Hub - with an after school care program for young at-risk children from Lanigan - ensuring the youth were well cared for and felt safe. For 2 years she organized

the “Coats for Kids” project - collecting used winter cloths from the surrounding community and distributing them to children in need. She also organized the Halloween “Fill the Trunk” event, which was a food drive for the Lanigan Food bank, and finally she organized “Operation Christmas Child” - donations were dropped off at the school - they were then boxed up and delivered to the church.

In addition to riding lessons, Reilly has been a member of the Last Mountain Riding club for 14 years - volunteering as the Club Treasurer for 3. She has been the Junior Provincial Gymkhana Champion with the Saskatchewan Riding Club Association (SRCA) 3 times. She has also competed numerous times at the Nokomis and Kelvington Fairs. Originally from a 4500 head sheep ranch in New Zealand she has a keen interest in ranching and animals. She has volunteered at the Guenther Ranch, as well as for a local veterinarian.

In addition to all of her school activities and volunteer work in the community Reilly found time to work part time during school at TP Contacting in Lanigan and full time there in the summer, as well as working part time during school at the Doghouse spin Studio. Congratulations to Reilly on being one of this year’s SAASE Scholarship recipients.

Jackson Goudy - nominated by the Stoughton Agricultural Society

Jackson is attending the University of Saskatchewan and is enrolled in the College of Agriculture Department of Bioscience. Upon completion of his degree he hopes to be accepted in the College of Veterinary Medicine - specializing in Embryology.

Jackson has been very involved throughout high



school at Stoughton Central School. He has been involved as a participant in basketball, soccer, volleyball, track and field, cross country running, badminton and drama. He also volunteered as an assistant coach with the junior boys basketball team, as well as helping out refereeing both junior boys and girls basketball. While maintaining a very high average he also volunteered his time on several fund raising activities and took the lead role on the grad planning committee.

In addition to being heavily involved in school activities Jackson has also volunteered throughout the community. He not only played with the Stoughton Soccer Club, but he also volunteered his time to prepare the field and help referee and coach the younger teams. He has also helped out by serving at fall suppers. Jackson has been very involved in 4 H over the past 12 years attending shows across Saskatchewan and Alberta. He has also volunteered with various programs that the local 4 H have done for their community.

In addition to all the activities and volunteer work - Jackson has worked on the family farm, Goudy's Prairie Acres, for the past 5 years. He has helped out with calving, processing calves, seeding, haying and harvest. He has also worked at Ashworth Farm and Ranch at Oungre, SK when they have needed help preparing for cattle shows and sales. SAASE would like to congratulate Jackson on being one of this year's scholarship recipients.

Andie Hidlebaugh - nominated by the Nipawin Exhibition

Andie is attending the University of Saskatchewan and registered in Bachelor of Arts and Science, with her long range goal of graduating with a degree in medicine and specializing in non-invasive cardiology.

Andie was very active at L.P. Miller Comprehensive School in Nipawin. In addition to being on the Honour Roll throughout High School - Andie has been involved in many extra-curricular activities. Throughout High School she played basketball, badminton and volleyball - in addition to playing she also officiated many of the sports that took place at school. Andie has always been involved with many community groups and continues to support those groups. She has volunteered and worked with the Nipawin Pike festival, the Premier's Walleye Cup, the Vanity Cup, the 2018 Tony Cote Saskatchewan First Nations Winter Games, the Nipawin Jr. A. Hawks, the Nipawin Wesellie Dancers and the 2018 World Girls Hockey weekend.



In addition to all of the community groups and events, Andie spends a great deal of time volunteering for the Nipawin Exhibition. She has been a junior member since the program was introduced 3 years ago. Over the past number of years she has volunteered for the fair in a number of areas. She has helped out with administrative duties in the office, set up and tear down for the exhibit area, working in the Nevada booth, helping with the set up of the Grandstand and generally anywhere a volunteer is needed.

Andie has also been part of the local female hockey team, the Nipawin Giants Baseball team, the U21 TeamSask Women's Baseball Team, the Nipawin Veselli Dancers Club, Spirit soft ball, the Nipawin Girl Guides, the Nipawin Lions Swim Club and she plays the Clarinet as well. She is also certified as a hockey official and helps out as a baseball and soft ball umpire. In addition to everything that Andie has done - she also has a DJ business that she operates. Congratulations to Andie on being one of the recipients of the Clark and Ann Lewis SAASE scholarship.