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MACK RECIEVES DUCKETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

2010 National Junior Shorthorn Show & Conference



OMAHA, Neb., (July 8, 2010) – At the 2010 National Junior Shorthorn Show and Conference, held in East Lansing, Mich., scholarships were awarded to several deserving individuals. Of these scholarship recipients, Christopher Mack, Zumbrota, Minn., was awarded the Jesse M. and Jennie S. Duckett Memorial Scholarship. The Duckett Scholarship was adopted this year by the Shorthorn Foundation in memory of Jesse M. & Jeanie S. Duckett and their contributions to the Shorthorn breed. The \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a high school senior or college freshman based upon the applicants' involvement in agriculture, educational background, ACT scores, and high school and/or college GPA.

Mack, 18, is the son of Timothy and Marie Mack of Zumbrota, Minn. He has had a great passion for agriculture from the very beginning. His appreciation for family heritage in agriculture reinforces his work ethic and involvement in Shorthorn association as well as 4-H and FFA. Mack plans to attend Northeast Community College in Calmar, Iowa this fall to pursue a degree in Animal Science and GIS/GPS Technologies. After completion of his degree, he wishes to travel to Australia to see their Shorthorn industry first-hand.

"When you accomplish great things through hard work and positive attitude, doors seem to open up to endless opportunities in one's life. That is the reason why I have set career and future goals to allow myself to work hard to achieve them," said Mack.

Applications for the 2011 Jesse M. and Jennie S. Duckett Memorial Scholarship are due May 1, 2011, to the ASA office located in Omaha, Neb. For more information, contact Amanda Reeson or visit www.shorthorn.org.

The mission of the ASA is to contribute to the profitability and quality of life of its members and their customers by maintaining, protecting the vulnerability and enhancing the value of the herd book and performance database for Shorthorn cattle. The ASA is headquartered in Omaha, Neb., and was founded in 1872 with herd book records going back to 1822. As one of the oldest American breed associations, the ASA provides services for more than 6,000 junior and senior members who register nearly 18,000 cattle annually. The American Junior Shorthorn Association promotes personal development through youth activities and educational events. The AJSA is dedicated to the betterment of its members, promotes valuable skills, and fosters friendships that will last a lifetime. To learn more, contact the ASA office or visit www.shorthorn.org.

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A photo of Christopher Mack is available upon request.