

Scholarship recipients announced

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MORGANTON — The Community Foundation of Burke County announces the 2013 scholarship recipients.

The Adam Benson Scholarship was established by the Benson family in memory of their son, Adam. Olivia Marie Benson (Robert L. Patton High School) is the recipient.

The family of Clyde Nichols Young Jr. established an endowment to honor the life of Mr. Young, a Burke County educator for 33 years, and to recognize an outstanding math student. The 2013 recipient is Joseph Dobson Lookadoo (Freedom High School).

Drexel Alumni Association established a scholarship endowment in memory of two educators, Harry L. Hallyburton and Faye T. Russell. Hallyburton scholarships were awarded to Jonelle Elizabeth Bobak (Western Piedmont Community College), Lola Katherine Benfield (East Burke High School) and Sarah Pritchard (Western Piedmont Community College).

Russell Scholarships were awarded to Tony Allen Grady II (Jimmy C. Draughn High School) and Boone Bennett Hollar (Hickory High School). Drexel Alumni Association endowment also funded a scholarship in memory of Rev. Larry Wayne Fletcher and Melissa Rae Sigmon was the recipient (Western Piedmont Community College).

The Glenn R. Yoder Scholarship was established in memory of a member of the Valdese Lions Club, a career elementary school teacher, principal and benefactor to many past Burke County students. Jordan Rae Parkhurst (East Burke High School) and Chantel Zhane Brown (Jimmy C. Draughn High School)



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CutlineBurke Community Foundation 2013 scholarship recipients.

were recipients of the 2013 Yoder Scholarship.

The Jimmy C. Draughn Scholarship was established to honor the life and work of Mr. Draughn, the first principal of East Burke High School. Jordan Rae Parkhurst (East Burke High School) is the recipient.

The Larry and Louise Huffman Scholarship pays tribute to two individuals who, as teachers, devoted their lives to serving others, especially the youth of Burke County. Haden Andrew Baker (Jimmy C. Draughn High School) received the Huffman scholarship.

Eric Vincent Leopin (Western Piedmont Community College) received the Raymond K. Miller Scholarship, which was established in memory of an educator who taught at Western Piedmont Community College for thirty years.

The Rotary Club of Morganton Scholarship is awarded to students who best reflect the principles and ideals of Rotary. Eli Harrington Smith (Robert L. Patton High School) and Amber Nicole LeGoullon (Freedom High School) were this year's recipients.

The Olin and Evelyn Stiff Scholarship is awarded to

an outstanding nursing student who is pursuing a four-year degree in nursing. Kaitlin Alicia Peters (Robert L. Patton High School) is the recipient.

The Valdese Rotary Club Scholarship was established in memory of John P. Rostan Jr. and his fifty years of service to the Valdese Rotary Club. Scholarships were awarded to Sarah Pritchard (Western Piedmont Community College), Chantel Zhane Brown (Jimmy C. Draughn High School), and Alexis Weaver (East Burke High School).

Waldensian Presbyterian Women Scholarship Program (WPWSP) was established to further the education of deserving students and members of Waldensian Presbyterian Church.

The 2013 recipients are Molly Ann Murray (Jimmy C. Draughn High School), Lola Katherine Benfield (East Burke High School) and Emily Nicole Fender (Jimmy C. Draughn High School). WPWSP also es-

tablished the Michael Morse and the Rostan Family Foundation scholarships in memory and honor of members of their church community.

The Morse Scholarship recipient is Haley Cecilia Brinkley (Jimmy C. Draughn High School). The Rostan Family Foundation Scholarship recipient is Matthew Aaron Cook (Burke Middle College). The Fletcher Scholarship, also through the WPWSP, has Eleanor Frederick (Jimmy C. Draughn High School) as its recipient.

The Wynne and Otto Woerner Scholarships were established to help young people in this area continue their education. Lola Katherine Benfield (East Burke High School) and Katilin Alicia Peters (Robert L. Patton High School) are this year's recipients.

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