

# Honoring Academics



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The 2014 scholarship recipients of the Community Foundation of Burke County gathered recently.

## Community Foundation of Burke announces scholarship recipients

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The Community Foundation of Burke County is honored to announce the 2014 scholarship recipients.

The Adam Benson Scholarship was established by the Benson family in memory of their son, Adam. John Paul Cody (Fred T. Foard High School) is the recipient.

Betty Woerner established the Betty and Otto Woerner Endowed Scholarship Fund to

provide financial resources for the higher education of a young person living in Burke County.

Sarah E. Pritchard (UNC — Greensboro) is the recipient.

The Clyde Nichols Young Jr. Endowment Scholarship Fund was established by the family of Young to honor the life of this Burke County educator and to recognize an outstanding math student. The recipient is Mai-Gao Xiong (Freedom High School).

The Cranford Scholarship Endowment Fund was established



by Paul Cranford in memory of Eric and Fred Cranford. Emily Farris (Jimmy C. Draughn High School) and MacKensie Wycoff (East Burke High School) are the recipients.

Drexel Alumni Association established the Drexel Alumni Association Scholarship in memory of two educators, Harry L. Hallyburton and Faye T. Russell. Recipients of the Hallyburton Scholarship are Josie Benfield

(East Burke High School), Lola Benfield (Appalachian State University), Josh Chandler (Burke Middle College) and Sydney Shuping (Burke Middle College). Recipients of the Russell Scholarship are Samantha Burns (Freedom High School) and Zachary Shuping (Jimmy C. Draughn High School).

The Glenn R. Yoder Scholarship was established in memory of Yoder, who was a member of the Valdese Lions Club and an educator. Recipients of this scholarship are Jevon Morris (Robert L. Patton High School) and Israel Mendez (Freedom High School).

# Students

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The Jimmy C. Draughn Scholarship was established to honor the life and work of Draughn, the first principal of East Burke High School. The recipient of this scholarship is Molly Davis (East Burke High School).

The Larry and Louise Huffman Scholarship pays tribute to two teachers who devoted their lives to serving others, especially the youth of Burke County. Molly Davis (East Burke High School) received the 2014 scholarship.

Two scholarships are awarded by the Rotary Club of Morganton to students who best reflect the principles and ideals of Rotary. Jesse Bunton (Robert L. Patton High School) and Megan Mathes (Freedom High School) were this year's recipients.

Kristin Moody (Western Piedmont Community College) received the Raymond K. Miller Scholarship, which was established in memory of Miller, who taught at Western Piedmont Community College for 30 years.

The Olin and Evelyn Stiff Endowed Scholarship is awarded annually to an outstanding student who is pursuing a degree in nursing. Jimmy Merriman (Robert L. Patton High School) is the 2014 recipient.

The Valdese Rotary Scholarship was established in memory of John P. Rostan Jr. and to honor his 50 years of service to the Valdese Rotary Club. Scholarships were awarded to Lola Benfield (Appalachian State University), Taylor Hemmen (East

Burke High School) and Riley Zopp (Jimmy C. Draughn High School).

The Waldensian Presbyterian Women Scholarship Program was established to further the education of deserving students and members of the Waldensian Presbyterian Church or members of Scouting troops associated with the church.

The 2014 recipients are Madison Treadway (Jimmy C. Draughn High School) and Taylor Bradshaw (Jimmy C. Draughn High School). WPWSP also established the Michael Morse and Rostan Family Foundation scholarships in memory of and in honor of members of their church community.

The Morse Scholarship recipient is Haley Brinkley (N.C. State University) and the Rostan Family Foundation recipient is Sarah Teffeteller (Jimmy C. Draughn High School). The Mildred and Hugh Fletcher Scholarship, administered through WPWSP, awarded the 2014 scholarship to Christian Bonner (Jimmy C. Draughn High School).

The Wynne and Otto Woerner Scholarship Endowment Fund was established to provide financial assistance to young people in Burke and McDowell counties.

Anna Taylor (Freedom High School) and Rosalina Sanchez (East Burke High School) are this year's recipients.

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