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Gelbvieh Foundation Awards Four Scholarships

The American Gelbvieh Association Foundation awarded four scholarships to deserving American Gelbvieh Junior Association (AGJA) members at the 2005 AGJA Rocky Mountain Classic in Greeley, Colo. Twelve individuals competed for two \$1,000 memorial scholarships and two \$500 AGJA scholarships.

Beginning in 2006, a \$500 scholarship will also be presented in memory of Robert Rea, Sr. This scholarship will be funded by Bob Rea, Jr., and his wife, Judy, of Boulder, Colo. Bob and Judy's son and grandchildren are active in the American Gelbvieh Association and American Gelbvieh Junior Association.

Winning the \$1,000 Earl Buss Memorial Scholarship is Dustin Volek of Highmore, S.D. Volek will be a sophomore at South Dakota State University this fall, majoring in Animal Science/Pre-Vet. Volek is active in the South Dakota Gelbvieh Junior Association and was elected to the AGJA Board of Directors this year. He is the son of Keith and Janice Volek.

The \$1,000 Leness Hall Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Staci DeGeer of Erie, Kan. DeGeer is the daughter of Jim and Terri DeGeer. Staci will be a junior at Kansas State University majoring in Food Science & Industry. She has served in several offices for Kansas Junior Gelbvieh Association, including two years as president. Staci was elected to the AGJA Board of Directors this year and will serve as the AGJA Secretary.

Travis Arp of Arlington, Wis., earned one of the \$500 AGJA Scholarships. Travis is the son of Steve and Betty Arp. He will be a sophomore at University of Missouri, majoring in Animal Science. He is active on the livestock judging team and will serve as the 2005-06 AGJA President.

Jessica Lindgren of Atlanta, Ill., earned the other \$500 AGJA Scholarship. Jessica is the daughter of Jim and Diane Lindgren. She serves on the AGJA Board of Directors and has been active in the Wisconsin-Illinois Junior Gelbvieh Association. Jessica will be a freshman at the University of Illinois this fall where she plans to major in marketing.

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Photo Caption: These four individuals earned scholarships from the American Gelbvieh Association Foundation. Pictured from left: Dustin Volek, South Dakota, \$1000 Earl Buss Memorial; Staci DeGeer, Kansas, \$1000 Leness Hall Memorial; Jessica Lindgren, Illinois, \$500 AGJA Scholarship; and Travis Arp, \$500 AGJA Scholarship.

