

by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council, the academy's goal is to develop young leaders within the livestock industry and prepare them for a successful future in the field.

"The experiences gained through KASLA will help develop your understanding of the industry and ignite your potential as a young leader in agriculture," said past participant Molly Bertz of Mayview, Mo. "I would highly recommend participation. Whether you come from a strong agricultural background or are curious to learn more about the industry, KASLA is providing students with an inside view of the food production system."

This year's program will take place June 14-17 in Manhattan. Applications are due April 1, 2017, and can be found at [www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu](http://www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu).

The program's itinerary will feature interactive workshops, tours and faculty mentor time with animal science professors. Industry leaders will also join the participants frequently to share their knowledge and expertise. Throughout the week, participants will work in teams to evaluate current events within the animal science industry and educate others. This experience will culminate with team presentations and a closing reception on Saturday morning.

The program also focuses on developing personal leadership skills through workshops and activities.

"One of my favorite parts of KASLA was learning more about our individual strengths through the Strengths Finder Assessment," Bertz said. "As we learned more about our strengths, we were also able to learn how to capitalize on them and use them effectively in group settings such as the agriculture issues team project. KASLA truly developed us as leaders in the agriculture industry both inside and out."

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**▶ Northern Virginia Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Jan. 21, Warrenton**



▶ **Lauren Beasley** (right), Bluemont, receives the Top Junior Award from Linda Alexander.

## Certificates of Achievement

The American Angus Auxiliary has awarded the 2016 Certificates of Achievement to qualifying junior members.

The Certificate of Achievement is issued for outstanding achievements at national, state and district (tri-county) levels. County-level achievements are not eligible. In a given year, a qualifying junior Angus member will receive one certificate in recognition of their achievement record as reported during the fiscal year (from Oct. 1 of the previous year to Sept. 30 of the current year).

Achievements that qualify include champion or reserve champion bull, heifer, steer or cow-calf pair; division champion or reserve division champion bull, heifer, steer or cow-calf pair; awards in showmanship, judging, carcass classes, scholarship competitions, royalty competitions and all competitions recognized by the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), including those at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). Gold, Silver and Bronze awards qualify, as do leadership roles or positions that were held during that time.

### ILLINOIS

Laramie Chaffin

### INDIANA

Hunter Carrico  
Bryce Hofing  
Kallie Knott  
Austin Nowatzke  
Kayden Nowatzke

### IOWA

Jordan Barker  
Cassidy Becker  
Colton Becker  
Craig Becker  
Alexis Bradshaw  
Kassidy Bremer  
Abby Collison  
Emily Collison  
Brooklyn Curtin  
Tanner Curtin  
Evan Dietz  
Taylor Duckett  
Grace Greiman  
Haley Greiman  
Shelby Greiman  
Madeline Herring  
Cale Jensen  
Jack Johnson  
Jordan Johnson  
Olivia Johnson  
Makayla Jones  
Brady Klendworth  
Baxter Knapp  
Lexi Knapp  
Morgan Knapp  
Roni Kruse  
Bryce Lafrenz  
Kenton Lain  
Will Lapke  
Tim Mardesen  
Maggie Maas  
Michael Maas  
Carson Mather  
Keegan Mather  
Reed McCormick  
Hannah Mitchell  
Nathan Moen  
Lexie Moore  
Jude Moser

Korey Moser

Lucas Moser  
Paige Owens  
Nicholas Prevo

Elsie Rogers  
Jacob Schermer  
Jerad Shires  
Alivea Skarda  
Abe Troyer  
Emma Troyer  
Maddy Udell  
Coryn Wilson  
Kaden Wilson  
Courtney Younge  
Sydney Younge

### KANSAS

Ethan Dickerson  
Grady Dickerson  
Jayce Dickerson  
Sydnee Shive  
Nicholas Siemens

### LOUISIANA

Faith Guice  
Kara LeBeouf  
Lani LeBeouf

### MICHIGAN

Dalaney Bates  
Hunter Brown  
Jaycie Brown  
Mike Brown  
Kavina Johnson  
Kollin Johnson  
Katrena Klopfenstein  
Amanda Kosal  
Kristopher Kosal  
Austin Pillars  
Blake Pillars  
Sterling Reichenbach  
John (Jack) Reid  
Maggie Reid  
Jason Zeilke  
Brady Zellmer  
Paige Zellmer  
Thea Zellmer

### MISSOURI

Brittany Eagleburger  
Katelyn Holmes

### MONTANA

Avery Bates  
Trista Bates  
Beau Bromenshenk  
Garrett Bromenshenk

Tyler Brown  
Wes Brown  
Conner Cook  
Jake Cook  
Parker Cook  
Sydney Cutler  
Allison Dubs  
Kade Friede  
Shane Friede  
Jillian Frye  
Leighton Green  
Rilee Green  
Ryan Green  
Jada Hartman  
Isabel Jeffrey  
Abby Leachman  
David Lowry  
Claire Murnin  
Kane Olson  
Jacob Reisig  
Ashley Sitz  
Abigail Stevenson  
Claire Stevenson  
Craig Stevenson  
Faith Stevenson  
Leisa Stevenson  
Nicole Stevenson  
Rachael Stevenson  
Bree Swanson  
Tanner Vanek  
Brooke Vincent  
Kristen Vincent  
Jordyn Wagner

### NEBRASKA

Caitlin Havelka  
Dakota Lovett  
Montana Lovett  
Kasey Meyer

Kyra Meyer  
Nicole Nichols  
Savannah Schafer  
Reagan Skow  
Rachel Smith

### NORTH CAROLINA

Lynae Bowman  
Colton Cox  
Taylor Glover  
J. Caleb Heath

### NORTH DAKOTA

Kourtney Schaff

### OHIO

Lydia Dance  
Ellie Kidwell

### PENNSYLVANIA

Conner Grim  
Claudia Hissong  
Kyle Livingston  
Dakota Mayle  
Samuel Parr  
Daniel Rohrbaugh  
Elizabeth Trowbridge  
Hunter Voight  
James Voight  
Elizabeth Voight  
F. Hayden Weaver  
Madison Weaver

### SOUTH DAKOTA

Madison Styles  
Sawyer Styles

### TEXAS

Colter Pohlman  
Cutter Pohlman

### VIRGINIA

Lauren Beasley  
Cody Boden  
Ryan Borer  
Catie Hope