

2018 CCFFA College Scholarship Awardees

DICK CALDWELL, CCFFA Scholarship Chair

Brenna Beyer, sponsored by her father Stan Beyer, is a graduate of Silverton High School where she maintained a 4.0 cumulative GPA during all four years of high school. While excelling in academics Brenna was a teaching assistant in the special education classroom, and also a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Red Cross Club, Dance team captain (lettering 4 yrs.), Interact Club, and Link Crew. Her volunteer service has included the Silverton Library, Silverton Ballet and Performing Arts, community aid food drive, strawberry festival and St. Paul Church. Brenna's summers have been filled with tree farm activities where at a young age she started with plantation maintenance, tubing seedlings, and when old enough graduated to Christmas tree work. Her father mentioned that "whether it has been cutting brush, pruning, gathering firewood, or playing and picnicking on our woodland property, we have generated lasting memories and values that will be with us all our lives." This

fall, Brenna states that she will be "studying Education and Early Childhood Developmentin order to obtain a teaching license."

Kara Guttridge, sponsored by her grandmother Wilma Guttridge, graduated from Canby High School with honors in 2017 and has been attending Central Oregon Community College this past year. High school activities included National Honor Society, Key Club, 4-H, FFA and scholar athlete in cross country running. Kara's volunteer service has involved the American Cancer Society, American Red Cross blood drives, Kiwanis Club thrift store and their food and toy drives, flood relief work in Colorado, and food for the homeless through her church. Recent summers have found Kara working at the OSU North Willamette Research Extension Center in berry field pest control research. Rebecca Sintek, former Sandy live-



CCFFA President Gary Bush with Brenna Beyer and Kara Guttridge.

stock 4-H leader, mentioned in her recommendation letter that she "had a chance to watch Kara from another perspective. Kara has developed exceptional public speaking skills and took her FFA speech onto the state level, placing 4th overall. This fall, Kara plans to enroll at Oregon State University, Cascades campus (Bend) and continue her goal towards a bachelor's degree in biological sciences.

Both Brenna and Kara will receive a \$1,000.00 college scholarship from CCFFA as they enroll full time in college this coming fall term. The CCFFA scholarship selection committee reviewed several applications again this year and all were outstanding, which made the awards process very challenging. The committee encourages the CCFFA membership to continue to fund the annual scholarship program, which has just completed its 13th year and has now awarded \$21,000.00 to date. ■



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