

2019 ANSONIA HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS INFORMATION

_____ The ANSONIA HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS – Priority in awarding: The applicant must be a graduate of Ansonia High School Class of 2019. These scholarships are for tuition only and must be used within one year of the graduation date.

_____ ANSONIA AMERICAN LEGION POST #353 SCHOLARSHIP: The applicant must be a graduate of the Ansonia High School Class of 2019 and have a family member registered as a member with the Ansonia American Legion Post #353.

1. Please write the relationship you have with a member in good standing (4 years) in The American Legion Post #353

(a) Relationship is: _____

(b) Member's name and address: _____

Have you been involved in any of the Legion's programs such as: _____ The American & Government Program? _____ Buckeye Boy's or Girl's State? If so, what, when and where, etc. _____

_____ THE JUDGE GLENN E. DETLING SCHOLARSHIP on behalf of him and his brother, Kenneth D. Detling, PhD., Chemistry. O.S.U.-Priority in awarding: Must be a graduate of Ansonia High School entering or attending The Ohio State University, in the field of Agriculture, Education, Law, or Science.

_____ The DOROTHY E. & GLENN E. DETLING WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP-Purpose: To Commemorate the honor and long-standing relationship between Judge Glenn E. and Dorothy E. Detling. Priority in awarding: Only students intending to attend Wittenberg University and enter the legal profession or teaching profession are eligible.

*WARD FAMILY TRUST will award \$2,000 scholarship to an Ansonia graduate pursuing an agriculture degree.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not a complete list of the scholarships, as sometimes Alumnus will create scholarships, as the time gets closer to graduation.

Please read and understand the following requirements:

1. If you change and/or drop out of the college listed on your application, that college must return the money to the A.H.S. Alumni Association.
2. If you are a recipient of a scholarship, be sure to read all the inserts included in your packet, which you will receive at your commencement.
3. Applicants must be present at the A.H.S. Alumni Banquet on Saturday May 25, 2019. If not present at the banquet the scholarship will be forfeited.
4. If you receive a scholarship, please send a "Thank You" note to the individual/group that made the scholarship possible in care of The A.H.S. Alumni Association.
5. If you applied for and receive a full four year scholarship from any source such as military, college, or any other, congratulations. You must then forfeit any A.H.S. Alumni Scholarships you were awarded.
6. If you are a recipient of a scholarship, you must use it within one year from your A.H.S. graduation date; otherwise, it will be forfeited.

Mailing time: April 29 (not before), to be received on or around May 6, 2019.

Mail to: The Ansonia High School Alumni Association

P.O. Box 146

Ansonia, OH 45303

2019 Ansonia High School Alumni Scholarship Application

Student Information: Full name _____ Phone number: _____
Address _____
Marital Status: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Your GPA: _____ ACT: _____ Class Rank: _____

Family Information: Are your parents separated or divorced? _____
Are either parent deceased? _____ Number of brothers or sisters at home? _____
Give names and ages _____

Number and ages of siblings in post- secondary education: _____
Mother's name and address: _____
Father's name and address: _____

Higher Education: What degree and in what area are you pursuing? _____
Which college, university or technical school will you attend? _____
Have you applied for admission? _____ Have you been accepted? _____
What is the annual cost? \$ _____ What is the length of the program? _____
Have you applied for other Scholarships? Please list: _____

Have you been notified of receiving any? _____ List: _____

How do you plan to get the rest of your money necessary to complete your education? _____
How and why did you decide upon this choice of profession or vocation? _____
(use back of this sheet to explain and mark (a))
What extra-curricular activities have you belonged to at school, church and community? _____
(use the back of this sheet to explain and mark (b))
What special awards or honors for outstanding school work or leadership have you received? _____
use the back of this sheet and explain and mark (c)

***Please attach your grades from grade 9 through grade 12 (transcript) to this sheet.**

References: Be sure to ask permission to use their names (we will check them).

Name	Address and Phone #	Title, Occupation, Vocation
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

True and accurate statements:
_____ Yes, the statements and answers are true and accurate.

Signed by applicant: _____ Date: _____
Signed by father: _____ Date: _____
Signed by mother: _____ Date: _____

Marlene & Lester E.
Ward Jr.

The following story
was published in the
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American Chianina
Association –
November 2011

“Once a Showman,
always a Showman!”

Born

September 17, 1922,

Lester E. Ward, Jr.

was raised on a large
farm in Indiana. At
that time horses were



the power behind farming. The days were long and the evenings were filled with tired, young, hardworking families. He began working in a factory near Richmond, Indiana after graduating from high school and then enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps when WWII broke out. He was on board a United States Air Fighter; a B-17, when it was shot down across enemy lines. He became a WWII Prisoner of War and went through the “Long March” of the concentration camps in Germany. As WWII came to an end, thankfully, he was released back into the hands of the United States. He began a lengthy three month recovery stay at a hospital. When he was well enough, he was honorably discharged from the military and received The Purple Heart.

As Lester moved forward from the war and overcame The Great Depression, he became partners with Hershale Fleagle. Together they formed a successful painting and interior design business. Lester took great pride in his work and eventually he became known for his ability to match colors no matter what they were. He was so good at painting he was offered a job in Cincinnati. He declined the offer so he could marry Marlene. It was love at first sight. In 1949, she became Marlene Bowman-Ward, who is now his wife of sixty-two years, and they moved into their current home.

After their marriage, Lester started working with his in-laws, shelling and hauling grain for the government. Unfortunately, he was involved in an accident at a grain storage which mangled his left hand. The doctor who performed the surgery had to reconstruct the entire hand. After recovering from such a traumatic accident, Lester knew that painting professionally was no longer an option so he began running a dry feed lot cattle operation. He processed as many as 1,000 head per year. In 1978 he was introduced to the show cattle world. He purchased his first show heifer at the Jackson Mill Auctions in West Virginia. This was no ordinary show heifer or just a commercial heifer; it was a Chianina (Chi) heifer.

From this point on, a legacy began that not only changed the lives of Lester and his family, but also many lives throughout the United States. He became a member of the Ohio Chi Association in 1978, and has been loyal member to this day. As his breeding of Chi cattle became more nationally known and they became more involved in agriculture, he and Marlene received several notable awards. One of the awards was distributed by the House of Representatives, Keith Faber, House district 77, Diana Fessler, House district 79, Jon Husted, Speaker of the House; also part of the Darke County Chamber of Commerce. This award was presented on behalf of the 126th General Assembly of Ohio. This award was for their committed service to agriculture. In 1997, he received another award in Maryland for his dedication to the livestock industry. Lester and Marlene were awarded the Who’s Who award in 2000 and he has also been

"Herdsman of the Year" numerous times throughout his career. Lester and five of his friends were the founders, and first board members, of the Darke County Cattleman's Association. He says he remembers this like it was yesterday. "We began holding our meetings at Deb Labig's home and she had pie", he said, "She made the best pie". During the 2011 Darke County Fair, Roy White presented him with an honorary member award on behalf of the Darke County Cattlemen's Association; the same association he helped create.

Lester recently traveled to Mississippi with his good friend Mark DeHaven who also raises Chi Cattle. When asked to share his feelings about Lester, Mark said that there are three things he most appreciates about Lester. First is his "E.F. Hutton" factor. When Lester speaks about cattle, people need to listen. He is extremely knowledgeable in developing superior Chi herds. Secondly, Lester has been an ambassador of the Chi breed for decades. As an example, during this trip to Mississippi, Mark learned that the particular farm that they visited was founded through Lester's blood lines over the course of many years. There were over 100 head of brood cows. Lester not only sold this gentleman cattle, he sold him in to a breed that would produce higher weights, heavier muscle patterns and higher market value. Thirdly, Lester Ward is a lifetime friend. Mark laughs when he says that Lester reminds him of Norm in the television show Cheers. When he shows up at a cattle show, everyone knows his name. Mark has developed a close, personal relationship with Lester. There are times when they disagree about cattle, but at the end of the day, they agree to disagree and remain close friends.

When asked what his most memorable moment in his whole career has been; Lester replies, "It was when my granddaughter won reserve grand champion heifer in Louisville." He goes on to say how proud she made him with her hard work and dedication. He says, "She was amazing in the show ring and amazing with her animals." When Lester was told that he had a very good showman at the county fair, he replied, "Once a showman, always a showman, you just never forget how.... At the county fair my granddaughter and I have fun and always show against each other, but she doesn't let me win very often."

Lester says that he has friends and fond memories from many places in the United States. The National Show in Louisville will always be his favorite. Not only does it give him the opportunity to show the breed he loves, but to also reunite with lifelong friends.

~Written by Friends and Family~

Working with Lester has been a truly life changing and influential experience in my life. I've had quite a few moments where Lester and I have sat around in his barn and just talked about his history in the cattle business. As far as accomplishments go, he's told me about so many different things and I've seen so many trophies and banners that I couldn't name any specifically. The best bet to learn about his accomplishments would be to go in his garage and do a 360; the walls are lined with banners and shelves full of trophies.

Currently Lester runs 15 cows and still does all the typical daily management involved with a beef cattle operation, but mainly the feeding since he installed automatic water at every pen and at his pasture he keeps his cows at to make it easier. He hired me in the summer of 2009 and since then he hasn't done as much of the work involved with a show cattle operation (i.e. washing, drying, breaking calves for shows), but he stays involved when he can and it's a pleasure to work side by side with him.

~Written by Mason Perez~

We had the honor and privilege of getting to really know Lester Ward after he partnered up with Winegardner Show Cattle on a heifer named Sunflower, a Reserve National Champion who also won the Fort Worth Stock Show. Since that time Lester has bought a few more high-powered cows from us as well. Lester owns and operates MarLes Acres with his wife Marlene and as recently as last year he was still exhibiting his own cattle at the Ohio State Fair. He even showed his own Chianina bull in 2009 at the Ohio State Fair.

Lester has always been very independent and does all of the daily care for his cattle, even breaking, washing and marketing of his calves. Over the past few years he has put a few of his calves in our sale and he became part of our team. We have traveled to Louisville together and he has had a few heifers in our show string in the past as well.

Lester is a man who always follows through on what he says he will do, an admirable quality from a man we know we can count on. Lester is a man of his word and a face in the Chianina industry that many people know and have come to respect. He and Marlene could be seen at all of the Ohio shows and he is very involved in the Ohio Chianina Association. He even came to our organizational meeting for the 2012 Chi Jr. Nationals, which was held during this year's Ohio State Fair.

Lester has helped improve the Chianina breed as a whole and has always kept up on the good bulls, while always looking for ways to improve his own cow/calf operation. We have become better people for having had the chance and privilege of knowing him.

~Written by Brad & Melanie Winegardner Family~

Updated note:

Lester lost his battle with cancer in 2014 and Marlene lost her battle with general health problems in 2016.

They are very much loved and missed by family and friends.

This scholarship is a result of all of Marlene and Lester's hard work and dedication to the agriculture field.