

Two Inaugural Rachel Ehrlich Scholarships Awarded

Two applicants have received scholarships in the first year of the Rachel Ehrlich Scholarship Fund. The two applicants are representative of those who desire to breed and/or train quality Hanoverian and Rhineland horses and further their education in this endeavor.

Emily Shields will receive \$2,500 to be used to promote their mares and offspring at breed shows—including the USDF Breeders Series and USDF Materiale young horse classes. Emily also plans to further her riding and training knowledge with trainer Jannike Gray Gallagher.

Cassandra Goyer, who is involved with the training and preparation of Hanoverian mares and offspring for inspection and mare performance tests, will receive \$500 to be used for her training education through participation in clinics with Scott Hassler and former Olympian Cindy Ishoy.

These two recipients represent the continuum of what this scholarship aims to support: breeders and those training Hanoverian and Rhineland horses, so buyers don't have to look outside the U.S. for breeding prospects or riding horses.

In this inaugural year, 27 applications were received. The selection committee was provided with all the applications with the names of the applicants and horses redacted, so it was a completely objective selection. Photographs and articles from the two recipients about their experiences will be published in the future.

The <u>Rachel Ehrlich Scholarship Fund</u> was made possible by founding family donors, Barbara Davis, VMD, PhD, DACVP, and J. Carl Barrett, PhD, in recognition of the mentorship of Rachel Erhlich who has dedicated her professional life to breeding and promoting quality Hanoverians and actively supporting and mentoring new breeders and riders who possess a deep dedication to their horse's welfare and proper development.

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