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CONVENIENCE DISTRIBUTION ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES 2019 RAY FOLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Convenience Distribution Association (CDA) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 CDA Distributors Education Foundation (DEF) Ray Foley Memorial Scholarship.



Luke Hightower is the son of Sandy Zazulak, controller, Imperial Trading Co. in Elmwood, LA.

Luke is a National Merit Scholar and was salutatorian of his class. He is involved in a number of clubs and extracurricular activities, including campus ministry, bowling, power-lifting, Latin club and National Honor Society. His senior year of high school, Luke served as a leader for many of the clubs he was involved in. He was a regular volunteer at Second Harvest Food Bank throughout high school. A teacher of Luke's noted that he is, "one of the most intellectually gifted and conscientious students I have ever taught."

Luke will be attending Louisiana State University in the fall, where he plans to study psychology.

Megan Langel is the daughter of Tammy Langel, staff accountant, Farnar-Bocken, a division of Core-Mark, in Carroll, IA.



Megan is an exceptional student and dancer. She was selected to be in the All Iowa Honor Dance Team for three consecutive years, a soloist all four years of high school and dance captain her senior year. She also had the high honor of choreographing one of the state routines for the dance team her senior year. Megan was a member of the volleyball team for two years, a football manager for three years, a member of her school's Spanish club and a volunteer with the Relay for Life. In addition to her education and extracurricular activities, Megan works as a dance instructor for children and at a salon and spa. "Megan is not only a great dancer, but as a person she is reliable, determined, goal-driven, trustworthy, and, most importantly, a friend to everyone," said Megan's dance coach.

Megan will be attending Iowa State University in the fall, where she plans to study business marketing.



Noah Shepard is the son of Ronnie Shepard, warehouse technology specialist, Stewart Distribution in Waycross, GA.

Noah stayed committed to his studies in high school while excelling at soccer and football, despite recovering from major back surgery for scoliosis. Noah received the prestigious "Above and Beyond the Call of Duty" award his senior year of high school in recognition of his caring and honorable behavior on and off the field as well as his positive influence within his community. He has volunteered significant time with many organizations, such as Rebuild Together; Stop Hunger Now; Special Olympics; Upward Basketball coaching; Restoration Disaster Relief; Miracle UGA; W.I.T. UGA; UGA Ducks Unlimited; Extra Special People; and many more.

Noah is currently attending the University of Georgia, where he is majoring in biological sciences with an emphasis in pre-dental.



Brenna Tinjum is the daughter of Mike Tinjum, sales development representative, Core-Mark, Minneapolis, MN.

Brenna has maintained an impressive 4.0 GPA in her challenging undergraduate courses while working, playing volleyball and participating in volunteer work. Brenna has volunteered her time at volleyball camps throughout the year, with outreach activities to a local elementary school and as a bible school teacher in the summer. In high school, Brenna was a three-sport athlete, the leader of Interact Club, the vice president of her class, a member of the student council, and a member of the National Honor Society. One of Brenna's professors stated, "She is exactly the kind of person we are delighted to see entering into the teaching profession because of her many strengths, both academically and personally."

Brenna is currently attending the University of Minnesota, Morris, and majoring in elementary education.

Each year, four \$5,000 college scholarships are available for CDA distributor member company employees and their immediate family members. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply for the next round, which will begin late spring 2020. Learn more at cdaweb.net/scholarships. For questions, please contact Angie Simonetti, director of education, at AngieS@CDAweb.net.

About CDA:

The Convenience Distribution Association (CDA) is the trade organization working on behalf of convenience product distributors in the United States. Its distributor members represent more than \$92 billion in U.S. convenience product sales, serving a wide variety of small retail formats. Associate members include leading convenience product manufacturers, brokers, retailers, suppliers, and others allied to the industry. For more information visit: www.cdaweb.net.

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