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Convenience Distribution Association Announces 2022 Ray Foley Memorial Scholarship Winners

JUNE 30, 2022 - RESTON, VA - The Convenience Distribution Association (CDA) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2022 CDA Distributors Education Foundation (DEF) Ray Foley Memorial Scholarships.

In June 1983, the CDA Distributors Education Foundation (DEF) Ray Foley Memorial Scholarship was created in memory of the late National Candy Wholesalers Association executive vice president, Ray Foley. The DEF awards four \$5,000 scholarships annually to applicants from distributor member companies in honor of Mr. Foley.

Ray Foley Memorial Scholarship applicants must either work for a CDA distributor member company or be the spouse or child of a CDA distributor member. CDA uses an anonymous judging process to select scholarship recipients. All applicants must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or graduate program in an accredited college or university. The scholarship winners are chosen based on academic achievements, volunteer activities, recommendation letters and a personal essay.



Carter Barnes is the son of Kevin Barnes, general manager at Stewart Distribution, Waycross, GA.

Carter has worked part time for Stewart Distribution throughout high school. During school, he was a member of the National Honor Society, BETA Club, Student Council and was named Most Outstanding Leader in his graduating class. He is a Platinum Senior, Zell Miller Scholarship Recipient and received the Georgia Certificate of Merit for being in the top 5% of all graduates in the state of Georgia. Carter has maintained above a 4.0 GPA throughout high school and will graduate 8th in his class of 369. He played baseball and football all four years of high school. He was named the 912 Area Sports Scholar Athlete, the Ware County Sports Hall of Fame Scholar Athlete and the team scholar athlete for varsity football and baseball. Carter is a lifetime Scout, having

earned the highest rank of Eagle Scout. He is described by his high school's social studies department chair as "the type of student every teacher wants in class...with a commitment to excellence and great leadership skills".

Carter will attend Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville as a full-time student and will be a pitcher for the Georgia College Bobcats baseball program.



Emma Hansen is the daughter of Shane Hansen, chief financial officer for Capitol Distributing, Inc., Caldwell, ID.

Emma recently graduated from Idaho State University with her Associate of Arts degree and cum laude honors while simultaneously completing her junior and senior years of high school. She is also a member of the National Honor Society and has been involved in a number of philanthropies, including Rake Up Boise, where Emma collected pop tabs and made blankets for the Ronald McDonald House. She also collected pennies for Faces of Hope and packaged goods for the Idaho Food Bank. Her history teacher called upon Emma as the department's teacher assistant, saying, "it has been such a relief to rely on Emma...she is trustworthy, focused...I am deeply impressed with her commitment to excellence."

Emma looks forward to continuing her education and having new experiences away from home. She will attend Brigham Young University-Idaho this fall, majoring in history education, with the hopes of fulfilling her life-long dream of becoming a high school history teacher.



Joel Johnson is the son of Steven Johnson, route driver for Cash-Wa Distributing Co. Inc., Kearney, NE.

Joel has been a part of the Student Council throughout middle and high school, serving on the executive board as events coordinator and lettering multiple times. He also volunteered with Student Ambassadors, helping organize the Fill the Dome fundraiser that filled an arena with food donations for those in need. As part of his school's National Honor Society, Joel served as a role model tutoring other students. He was a member of the school's Service Club, where he helped organize school events and fundraisers. Joel also played varsity tennis, baseball and golf and was part of the school chess club. His high school business teacher notes that Joel "is always willing to step in where needed to assist students...and has persevered through difficult coursework."

Joel is enrolled at the University of North Dakota for the 2022-2023 academic year and will be majoring in Accountancy at the Nistler College of Business and Public Administration.



Zoey Salem is the daughter of Joe A. Salem, direct sales consultant for Cash-Wa Distributing Co., Inc., Kearney, NE.

Zoey was a member of the National Honor Society for two years. Zoey was a top varsity golf player all four years of high school, serving as captain her junior and senior years. In addition, Zoey danced competitively, was dance team captain her senior year and also worked as a dance instructor for four years at a studio. She was part of the school's band program as a mellophone player and section leader in marching band, a French horn player, part of the wind ensemble and a solo bass guitarist in jazz band. Zoey's high school French teacher notes that she "has been one of my best students in 35 years of teaching...is self-motivated and has an outstanding work ethic."

Zoey plans to attend the University of Nebraska at Lincoln to study psychology.

Those who qualify for the CDA DEF Ray Foley Memorial Scholarship are encouraged to apply for 2023, with applications being accepted starting in March 2023. To learn more about this scholarship program and the impact Ray Foley had on the industry, visit www.cdaweb.net/Scholarships.

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 \$102 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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