

## **Message from the President:**

Dear Family & Friends:



Kyle Bailey

The 2023 Scholarship Application Period wrapped up in March and we received nearly 1,800 applications, which is up over the last few application periods. Thank you to the 235 Scholarship Selection Committee members who reviewed and scored each application we received. With their help and support of our mission, we were successfully able to award close to 500 scholarships for 2023-2024 tuition.

As the end of this school year approaches, I'd like to wish everyone a happy and safe summer.

And congratulations to our new Bailey Scholars and to those graduating college this year.

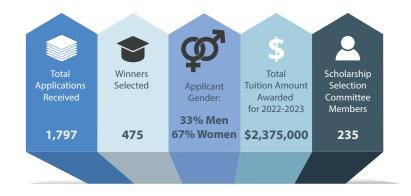
Please enjoy this edition of the Bailey Family Foundation Newsletter.

Warm Regards,

Kyle Bailey President

## **2023 Scholarship Period:**

With the help of our Scholarship Selection Committee, we reviewed and scored close to 1,800 applications this session.



### **DON'T FORGET:**

The Annual Bailey Family Memorial Day Reunion Saturday, May 27, 2023 12:00 noon Camp Creek State Park

# What's Happening?

#### **NEWS & UPDATES**

### **Descendants of George Patton Bailey:**

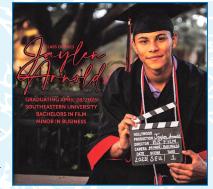


**Rhodes, James:** graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration from Stetson University, Cum Laude.

James Harrison Rhodes graduated from Stetson University

### **Scholarship Recipients and Friends of the Foundation:**

Arnold, Jaylen: graduated from Southeastern University in April 2023. He writes, "My future is brighter because of the generous and heartfelt individuals that make up this foundation. You will always have my love and gratitude for investing and believing in me – this is all only possible because of you."



Jaylen Arnold 2020 Bailey Scholar



Colarte, Andrew and Knox, Jasmine: married on October 6, 2022. Both are Bailey Scholars: Andrew (2012) and Jasmine (2015).

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Colarte



**Januchowski, Kristine**: graduated from St. Petersburg College with an Associates Degree and is moving on to USF to pursue a degree in Biomedical Science. She writes, "Thank you so much for everything you do for these students just like me."

Kristine Januchowski: 2020 Bailey Scholar

Montrose, Dominique: married Ben Okpiri on August 20, 2022. She writes, "Thank you endlessly for all that your family has done for Hillsborough county and beyond!"



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Okpiri

## Update from our 2023 Bailey Scholars in Kenya

(from Scholarship Evaluator Janet Jalloul, and teacher, in Kenya, Africa)

- 1. Elizabeth Lekolo (15): comes from a family of six. Her parents are traditional herders. She wants to be a nurse. Going to school in Meru, Kenya.
- 2. Thomas Leyian (16): comes from a family of seven. He's the first one to go to school and his best subject is math. He wants to build things, maybe roads and buildings. Going to school in Archer's Post, Kenya.
- 3. Mary Lekoyo (16): comes from a family of 4 girls and is the first one to go this far in school. She wants to be a teacher. Going to school in Isiolo, Kenya and has artistic talents.

Christmas Drawing from 4 students at Samburu Community School in Kenya



### **Foundation News & Activities**

### Tampa Theatre's WineFest 2023

The annual WineFest is the landmark theatre's biggest annual fundraiser for artistic and educational programming, as well as ongoing preservation and restoration. The 2023 WineFest theme was *Forrest Grape*.

Kim, Stacy, Dan and Terry along with actors Jenny and Forrest



# Friends of the Joshua House Benefit

Joshua House is a therapeutic foster home for our community's children who have been abused, abandoned, and neglected.

Stacy & Kim attended the luncheon in support of Joshua House's mission.

## **Bailey Family News & Activities**



The Bailey Family celebrated Thanksgiving at the farm in Plant City





# **Letters of Appreciation:**



"This scholarship will enable me to pursue my academic goals and dreams without the burden of financial stress. As a student, it can be challenging to balance the demands of academics and finances, but your foundation's contribution has alleviated a significant amount of that pressure."

#### -Wanya Clayton

"Your foundation's scholarship has affected my life in so many ways. It has allowed me to pursue my degree with less financial burden. Your organization has also afforded me many opportunities that I do not believe would be possible without your consideration. Thank you so much."

### -Emily Dernulc

"I cannot express how grateful we are for your dedication to belping the youth in our community. This scholarship will undoubtedly go a long way in helping my daughter achieve her academic and personal goals. More than that though, it is an ongoing reflection of your commitment to making a difference in other people's lives."

#### -Robert Horne, father to Madison Horne

"Thank you so much for accepting me for the scholarship! I am so excited to continue my academic journey and can't wait to make everyone proud!"

#### -Meghan Lambie

"I'm so thankful and grateful for the Bailey Family Foundation. You all have impacted my life so much and I truly appreciate all of your efforts to not only put me through school but thousands of kids to schools all over the country!"

#### -Kayla Musawwir

"... thank you so much for my scholarship. Because of it, it allowed me to go to college and then pursue my dream field of helping children from trauma and hard places receive help and healing. I now work with an organization in OKC called Halo Project that provides services for children in need all across the state of Oklahoma and the country."

#### -Hanna Nassar

"Because of you, I was able to focus on doing my best work and freshy learn from the music community around me. Because of your generosity, I had time to immerse myself in my education... I can't thank you enough."

#### -Moriah Quint

"I just wanted to write and say how grateful I am for the support of the Bailey Family Foundation and your work to support students like me pursuing higher education. I feel even more motivated to do well in class and do good for others as a way to return the kindness of those who are supporting me. Thank you again for all you do for me and so many others..."

### -Katherine Repka

"I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the Bailey Family Foundation, the scholarship committee, and generous donors in selecting me as a Bailey Family Foundation Scholarship recipient for 2023. I am incredibly grateful for this scholarship and what it will mean to me in my senior year as an undergraduate at Eckerd College." -Alexis Vargas

# **Message from the Editor:**

It has been my pleasure serving as editor for the Spring 2023 Bailey Family Foundation Newsletter. Thank you to everyone who shared photos and stories with us. Please keep 'em coming!



Kimberly Czabaj & son, Tyler (March 2023)

#### SEND US YOUR NEWS

We want to hear from you. If you have any questions, suggestions or would like to contribute to the next newsletter, don't hesitate to contact me. I would love to hear from you.

Email: kim@bailey-family.org

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**Board:** 

Cameron, Justin, Kyle, Kent, Lily, Brandon and Ron Bailey

