



HENRY C. GARDINER

Scholarship

SUPPLEMENTAL
SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION
DUE: FEBRUARY 1

Application is online at GardinerAngus.com
Submit completed application to:
Kathy Huser, 134 Weber Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506
Email: kch8399@k-state.edu

KSU SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
ALSO DUE: FEBRUARY 1

Apply online at K-State.edu/sfa/scholarships



Henry Gardiner purchased his first Angus female in 1947, at age 16. While attending Kansas State University in the 1950s he learned about relatively new and definitely unconventional technology, artificial insemination. Henry was curious about AI as an opportunity to use better sires and believed the only way to make documented improvements and advance the efficiency of beef cattle was to use science and technology.

He knew continuing education, curiosity and discipline was necessary to advance the cattle industry and ultimately improve profitability. Henry Gardiner's commitment to excellence has led Gardiner Angus Ranch to become one of the most successful and genetically elite beef operations in America.

As an early adopter of AI and Expected Progeny differences (EPDs), Gardiner Angus Ranch has continued to make documented genetic progress by embracing sound science and technology. Since the fall of 1980 when the American Angus Association published the first sire summary, only progeny proven bulls have been used in sire selection. The ranch has kept extensive records on reproductive performance, growth and collected carcass data on all home-raised steers since 1970.

*Who was
Henry Gardiner?*

A MAN BEFORE HIS TIME





ALWAYS AN EDUCATOR

Henry's knowledge and commitment to genetic improvements have directly affected the beef industry. Cooperative research has been conducted with Kansas State University, Auburn University, Colorado State University, the University of Illinois, Oklahoma State University and Virginia Tech. Extensive research has been conducted at the ranch on estrous synchronization systems and real-time ultrasound measurements of carcass traits.

Henry Gardiner wrote papers and presented information in 35 states and three foreign countries regarding the use of beef industry technology and his relentless pursuit to make beef better. Henry never met a fellow beef producer that he wouldn't spend countless hours helping.

GARDINER ANGUS RANCH TODAY

Gardiner Angus Ranch is a family-owned ranching operation that produces registered and commercial Angus cattle. The original ranch was homesteaded near Ashland, Kan., in 1885 by Henry Gardiner's grandfather. The ranch encompasses 48,000 acres, 6,000 acres are cultivated land and 42,000 acres of native grass pastures. The cow herd consists of 1,500 registered females and 2,000 commercial cows. The Gardiner operation sells approximately 2,500 bulls and 2,000 registered and commercial females a year. GAR purchases approximately 5,000 head of customer steers and heifers each year. The commercial heifers are genetically tested using Method Genetics technology. The heifers are AI bred in a time restricted breeding window. The bred heifers are marketed as elite female replacements. The open heifers enter the feedyard and earn value-added premiums upon entering the food supply. The steers graze GAR native pastures, are finished in the feedyard, and sold through U.S. Premium Beef on a value-based grid that rewards high quality beef.

Gardiner Angus Ranch is a founding member of U.S. Premium Beef, the producer-owned limited liability corporation with minority ownership in National Beef, the nation's fourth largest beef processing company. From 1998 through 2024, GAR customers marketed 146,000 head through U.S. Premium Beef, earning an average of \$103.89 per head above the base price totaling more than \$15.2 million in premiums and dividends.

Henry C. Gardiner instilled in his family the willingness, ambition and discipline to achieve goals. He challenged the beef industry to use science to develop tools that made rapid genetic improvements possible. Henry Gardiner readily incorporated technology and change into his own business, and was always willing to educate others about how they could do the same things to improve profitability. Today, Gardiner Angus Ranch hosts producers and tour groups from across America and around the world.

Henry Gardiner's vision and leadership positioned Gardiner Angus Ranch as a world leader in providing beef cattle genetics and shaping the beef industry today and in the future.

Who can apply?

HENRY C. GARDINER SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED TO THOSE STUDENTS WITH A STRONG WORK ETHIC, AMBITION AND DISCIPLINE TO EXCEL AND THE WILLINGNESS TO FOCUS ON FUTURE BEEF INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENTS.

Students classified as a rising-junior, junior or senior, either enrolled in or planning to enroll at Kansas State University with a major in Animal Science & Industry or closely related field may apply. All applicants are required to review the information located at www.k-state.edu/sfa/scholarships and complete the K-State University scholarship application form located at:

www.k-state.edu/sfa/scholarships/apply.

You must complete the KSU application first.

Upon completion of the original KSU scholarship application AND the additional information form required by Gardiner Angus Ranch, please follow instructions to submit your completed application to Kathy Huser, 134 Weber Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506, kch8399@k-state.edu.

ELIGIBILITY:

Classified as a junior or senior at Kansas State University when receiving the scholarship. Transfer students entering K-State as a junior will be considered. (Preference will be given to current K-State students.)

- Background or career related to animal agriculture
- Academic major in Animal Science & Industry or closely related field.
- Interest in animal genetics, animal nutrition, animal health, reproductive management, agribusiness management and/or marketing of beef cattle.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Career goals and leadership potential
- Work ethic and attitude
- Academic performance and extracurricular activities
- Background and experience in the livestock industry

APPLICATION MATERIALS:

- Completed KSU scholarship application (see k-state.edu/sfa/scholarships/apply)
- Completed Gardiner Angus Ranch scholarship application (see GardinerAngus.com/scholarship/index.html)
- Copy of college transcripts (unofficial transcripts acceptable)

SUBMISSION OF MATERIALS:

FEBRUARY 1, 2025, IS THE DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AWARDED FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

K-State application forms must be completed at K-State.edu/sfa/scholarships/apply.

Go to GardinerAngus.com and complete the online form and forward the additional application to:

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