

# **Events & Opportunities**

#### MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & COMMERCE

MDAC invites you to come watch the Mississippi 4-H & FFA students as they compete in the 2024 State Fair October 3-13

#### MISSISSIPPI FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

MFBF will host a Collegiate Discussion Meet on Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 1:00 P.M. at the Bost Extension Conference Center on MSU campus in Starville.

Be sure to explore your membership perks @https://www.deere.com/en/index.html

### Save the Date!



Mark your calendars and be sure to join us in March for annual conference. We will be in Starkville this coming year, in Bost Building B. We'd like to have some feed back from you as the MWA membership about what you'd like to see at conference. Please use this <u>link</u> and complete our 3 question survey!







# **Meet Our Ambassadors**



#### Hayley Meriwether

Hayley feels that MWA helps women in agriculture by connecting them with others like themselves for guidance and creating a supportive community where they can share ideas, collaborate, and build connections. Hayley grew up on a farm and showed livestock. She continues to stay involved in agriculture throughout college.

#### Savana Ashley





#### Ellie Smith

Ellie believes MWA is important because it empowers women involved in agriculture by providing us resources, education, and a network of support. Women play a vital role in farming operations, agribusiness, and rural development. To stay involved with agriculture, Ellie is currently in prerequisite classes at Northeast Mississippi Community College to get into veterinary school in the future. Her current interest is large animal internal medicine and equine emergency surgery. Her family has had a beef cattle operation in the Tate County lines since the 1970s.

#### Mallory Lewis

Mallory believes MWA is a community of women who support one another and find community in their shared experiences in agriculture. It is a great place for women to learn from each other and teach others based on their own knowledge and experiences. Her agricultural involvement includes being an Agronomy Student at Mississippi State, and a student worker for Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Experiment Station.



#### Lilli Dixon



Lilli believes the organization is important because it fosters collaboration and growth for Mississippi women with agricultural interests and allows them to network while promoting their farming operations. Lilli is an Agribusiness Management major at Mississippi State University. She currently serves as the Treasurer for Sigma Alpha Professional Agriculture Sorority and is a student worker for FARMtastic, an MSU Extension Ag Literacy program developed by Dr. Julie White. Lilli grew up on a beef cattle cow-calf operation, showed livestock throughout her 4-H involvement, and was a member of the inaugural Livestock Show Team at Jones College before transferring to MSU.





# **2024 Scholarship Winners**



# grace Randle

Grace is from Pontotoc, MS, and she is homeschooled. Grace is involved in 4-H by showing cattle and serving as a State 4-H Ambassador. She is also a member of the MS Agriculture Youth Council.

#### Jana Claire-Ishee

Jana Claire is from Laurel, MS, and she attends Stringer Attendance Center. Jana Claire is involved in 4-H by showing chickens, rabbits, and more. She works at a local veterinarian office, and is a member of the MS Agriculture Youth Council.



# Amy Estes



Amy Estes is a winner of the Alma Cherry/ Pam Steele Scholarship. She is from Wesson, MS. Amy Grace attends MSU and is majoring in Ag. Education, Leadership, and Communications with plans of becoming an Ag. Teacher. She hopes to encourage the next generation of women in agriculture.

# Tristen Phillipson

Tristen is a winner of the Alma Cherry/ Pam Steele Scholarship. She is from Pulaski, MS. Tristen attends MSU and is majoring in Ag. Business. She wishes to pursue a career in Ag. Economics, possible with USDA Farm Loans. Tristen also serves as one of our MWA Ambassadors.









# Savana Ashley

Savana is the winner of the Commissioner's Women in Agriculture Scholarship. She is from Woodville, MS. She attends MSU and is majoring in Poultry Science with the goal of one day becoming an Agricultural Lobbyist to fight for the industry she loves.

# Jessica Fulgham

Jessica is the winner of the Dianne Evans Memorial Scholarship. She is from Itta Bena, MS. Jessica attends MSU and is majoring in Animal and Dairy Science with plans to pursue a career with MS State Extension.





## Anslee Boyd

Anslee is the winner of the Yazoo County Farm Bureau Scholarship. She is from Morton, MS. Anslee attends MSU and is majoring in Agricultural Engineering with plans to work in Precision Agriculture.





