### **INFORMATION RELEASE**

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### BIRD ISLAND STUDENT WINS AFA SCHOLARSHIP

ProAg of Renville County is honored to announce Daniel Roker of Bird Island as the recipient of the Agriculture Future of America Leader and Academic Scholarship. ProAg raised funds that were matched by AFA to award this \$4,200 scholarship.

Daniel Roker, a senior at BOLD, plans to attend South Dakota State University to study Animal Science.

In addition to \$3,200 in academic scholarship, Daniel will attend the AFA Leaders Conference November 5-8, 2015 in Kansas City, Missouri. This event is attended by nearly 600 elite agriculture students from across the nation.

AFA partners with businesses and individual donors to provide scholarships and intern opportunities to students who are actively pursuing careers in an agriculture-related industry. It is through partnerships such as these that the needs of youth are met, intern opportunities are created, scholarship dollars are allotted, and leadership skills are enhanced.

AFA, founded in the fall of 1996 by the late R. Crosby Kemper Jr., is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri. In addition to enhancing the education and leader potential of rural youth in the Midwest region through community-based scholarships, AFA provides leader and career development training and internship assistance to college students across the country.

For more information about AFA, visit <a href="https://www.agfuture.org">www.agfuture.org</a>.



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#### **About AFA**

AFA creates partnerships that identify, encourage and support outstanding collegiate and young professional men and women who are pursuing careers in the agriculture and food industry. With program participation increasing 122 percent in the last five years, AFA leader development programs have impacted 10,000 college leaders and young professionals from more than 200 colleges and universities throughout 43 states since its inception in 1997. AFA has awarded more than \$8 million in academic and leader development scholarships. For more information about AFA, visit www.agfuture.org or contact Megan Karlin at <a href="megan.karlin@agfuture.org">megan.karlin@agfuture.org</a>. For more information about this local scholarship opportunity, contact [Community Coordinator] at [Phone] or [email].