

Callie Zeorian

Scholarship amount: \$4,000
(Ron Misener Scholarship recipient)

Harvest crew: Zeorian Harvesting & Trucking

Parents: Jim and Tracy Zeorian

School: Elmwood-Murdock High School in Murdock, Neb.

College intentions: Attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in Lincoln, Neb., major in agricultural broadcasting

Excerpt from Callie's scholarship essay:

From the age of 5, I've constantly heard my friends ask me, "Don't you hate leaving home in the summer? Why don't you just stay home for once?" ... For a while, I questioned it, too. ... But as I grew up, I realized what my friends didn't. It was much better leaving in the summer. ... They didn't get to experience what I did. Harvest has taught me a strong work ethic. Through



ABOVE: Callie Zeorian, center, accepts the Ron Misener scholarship. From left are Callie's parents, Jim and Tracy Zeorian, Callie, Kristy Misener and Dan Misener.

having to cook, clean the camper, clean the equipment, grocery shop, help move equipment, and so much more, it's taught me responsibility at a young age. I've learned how to quickly adapt to new living conditions and be confident in forming new friendships. These friendships with people from across the Midwest have allowed me to be personable and have a strong way of communicating,

which has helped me become a leader among my peers. So, in answer to my friends' question — no, I don't hate leaving home in the summer. Harvest has taught me priceless skills and life lessons that will be beneficial to my future, such as the skill of being able to communicate well. This will help me greatly as I plan to attend college in the fall and study agricultural broadcasting.

