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Madge Lenz Jordan Scholars Named at SWOSU



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Southwestern Oklahoma State University students Bryler Atchley of Clinton, Madison Bollinger of El Reno, Gracie Eggleston of Weatherford and Houston Smith of Stroud have been named the 2021-22 academic year Madge Lenz Jordan Scholars by the SWOSU Foundation, Inc., in Weatherford.

The Madge Lenz Jordan Scholarship Fund was established at the SWOSU Foundation in 2015 to benefit SWOSU students studying in the Departments of Education, Biological Sciences, Chemistry and Physics, and Social Sciences. The fund was established by Marilyn Doty (SWOSU Class of 1966) of Auburn (WA) to honor her mother, the late Madge (Landers) Lenz Jordan.

Atchley is studying in the SWOSU Department of Biological Sciences. He is an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Clinton and has interned with OK-INBRE.

Bollinger is studying in the SWOSU Department of Social Sciences. She is a member of the SWOSU Model United Nations organization and serves as an officer in Phi Alpha Theta.

Eggleston is studying in the SWOSU Department of Education. She is active in the English Club

Smith is studying in the SWOSU Department of Chemistry & Physics. He is active in the Chemistry Club and works as a resident advisor at Henrietta Mann Hall.

“We heartily congratulate Bryler Atchley, Madison Bollinger, Gracie Eggleston and Houston Smith on being named the 2021-22 SWOSU Madge Lenz Jordan Scholars,” said SWOSU President Dr. Diana R. Lovell. “We are very grateful to generous alumni like Marilyn Doty who, in honoring past SWOSU students, are also able to provide much-needed aid to current SWOSU students. It is a great privilege to be able to tell the story of Bulldogs like Madge Lenz Jordan and her family.”

Jordan was born in 1904 in Caddo County. Raised on a farm near Hinton, she was educated in a country school until her high school years. She graduated from Hinton High School before spending several years teaching in small country schools throughout the area. Jordan put herself through college at SWOSU, waiting tables in downtown Weatherford and walking back and forth up “the hill” for classes. Jordan married Albert Lenz in 1931. The Lenz family lived on a farm in northern Caddo County while she educated young people at Mound Valley, Hydro and Weatherford, where the Lenz Family settled in 1946.

The Madge Lenz Jordan Scholarship is a substantial tuition and fees scholarship that also provides recipients with reimbursements for textbooks. Each SWOSU department that benefits from the fund was invited to submit a student nominee for consideration.

The Madge Lenz Jordan Scholarship Fund is stewarded by the SWOSU Foundation, Inc., which was established in 1977 to promote philanthropy and distribute funds to support the activities and programs of SWOSU. Located on the Weatherford campus in the historic Burton

House, the Foundation currently stewards nearly \$30 million in assets for the benefit of SWOSU. For more information, please contact the SWOSU Foundation at 580-774-3267 or visit www.SWOSUFoundation.com.

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