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ARKANSAS STATE FAIR
FARM & RANCH CLUB OF ARKANSAS
LIVESTOCK SCHOLARSHIP WINNER
Katie Williams of Imboden

Katie Williams, daughter of Warren and Melinda Williams of Imboden is the recipient of the 2008 Arkansas State Fair Farm & Ranch Club of Arkansas – Livestock Exhibitor Scholarship. Katie will receive \$1,000 to help fund her education as she pursues a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology at Williams Baptist College in Walnut Ridge. Katie has a great interest in animals, genetic research, and writing and plans to pursue a career that incorporates these interests.

The main focus of Katie's Livestock Show career has been developing her registered Shorthorn cattle herd. Since 2004, she has increased her herd from two head to twenty and hopes to raise and sell show cattle someday. She has been very successful in the show ring – at the county, district, state and national levels. Katie has also enjoyed participating in photography, food preservation and horticulture contests during her 4-H and FFA Careers.

She has exhibited outstanding leadership skills by being involved in the Arkansas Junior Cattlemens' Association, the Arkansas Jr. Shorthorn Association, and the Sloan-Hendrix Student Council. She has fulfilled several roles as an officer through FFA and in 2008 was proud to receive her FFA State Farmer Degree. Katie also enjoys working with her church drama group, playing basketball for the Sloan-Hendrix Lady Greyhounds and serving as her Senior Class Vice-President. While maintaining leadership roles in several organizations, Katie graduated from Sloan Hendrix High School this spring with a 4.0 grade point average.

Katie will be presented the Arkansas State Fair Farm & Ranch Club Scholarship Award at the Arkansas State Fair Annual Meeting to be held August 1 at the State Fairgrounds in Little Rock.