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# SPECIAL BULLETIN

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THE VOICE OF MISSISSIPPI'S TRUCKING INDUSTRY



# THE MTA FOUNDATION SERVES MANY PURPOSES BEYOND JUST SCHOLARSHIPS

Most are aware of the scholarships the Foundation awards each year. It is certainly something our membership should be proud of as we have given out over 450 scholarships to date, but there is so much more the Foundation does in the realm of education and promotion of the trucking industry.

The MTA Foundation works to promote trucking in a positive light in hopes of drawing others into our industry. MTA and the Foundation have a history of supporting efforts that will educate others on the importance of our industry and provide information on what it means to be a part of trucking. The Foundation has been engaged in multiple efforts to support workforce development in Mississippi.

Believing it is never too early to introduce the wonders of trucking to others, we, along with many of our members participate in the annual Touch a Truck event presented by the Junior League of Jackson. Thousands of people, both young and old, come out to experience first-hand the equipment, as well as meet company representatives in the trucking industry. Experts help connect these gigantic vehicles to our Mississippi economy and inspire kids to imagine possible careers in trucking. We encourage our members to support the next Touch a Truck event scheduled for Spring 2025!

The Foundation is a financial supporter of ATA's *Trucking U* program. This educational initiative offers students the opportunity to explore and learn about the trucking industry

through networking and mentorships. By supporting this program, Mississippi State has been able to send several students through Trucking U which allows these students to become exposed to our industry, and we hope it will lead them towards a career in Mississippi trucking!



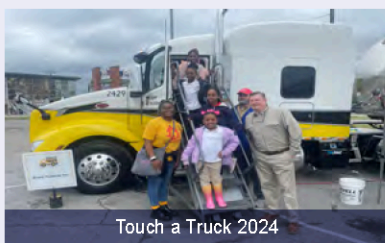
Filling the dual role of both public safety education and positive image projection, the Foundation helps support the fight against Human Trafficking by not only contributing to *Truckers Against Trafficking* but also

helping organize training throughout the state for various law enforcement agencies and other industries to help bring information to many others regarding what human trafficking is. MTAF partnered with the Department of Public Safety and the Attorney General's office in the *Be the Solution* statewide education and awareness campaign, as well as the Secretary of State's office *MS Businesses Against Trafficking (MBAT)*, to empower everyday Mississippians to help rid our State of human trafficking.

Through the generous support of our members for the past many years, your Foundation has grown into an amazing machine for so many good efforts. We hope you find much pride in being associated with such an amazing and positive organization and will continue to support it as we go forward so that we can continue to do good things for and through our industry.



Be the Solution



Touch a Truck 2024



Touch a Truck 2024



Touch a Truck 2024



MBAT Panel



Touch a Truck 2024



Trucking U



Trucking U



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2024-2025 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Over thirty years ago, the Mississippi Trucking Association Foundation Scholarship program was created. The primary objective of the Foundation, a 501(c) (3) charitable corporation designed to receive contributions, memorial gifts and property, is to promote educational projects related to the trucking industry and provide scholarships to deserving students who have ties to the trucking industry and are enrolled in scholastic endeavors in the state of

Mississippi. This class joins over 450 students who have received this scholarship.

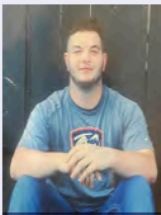
Scholarships are offered through the Mississippi Trucking Association Foundation and the following endowments: **Mike McLarty, John Fayard Jr., H. Dean Cotten, G. Larry Kerr, R. Gene Holmes, Vernon G. & Nancy Sawyer, John D. Stomps, and W. Todd Bates.**



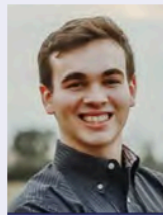
**Payton Atkins**  
MS Peanut Supply & Equipment



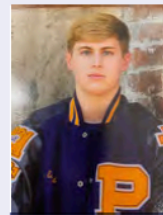
**Kadence Banaka**  
S & B Trucking



**Russ Blankenship**  
TAG Truck Center



**Nick Culwell**  
CTC Trucking



**Ryder Evans**  
MS Dept. of Public Safety - CTED



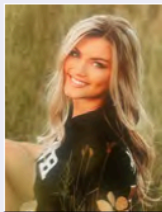
**Zach Faulkenberry**  
Holmes Company



**Abby Fielder**  
Performance Peterbilt of Hattiesburg



**Ramya Hudnell**  
KLLM Transport Services



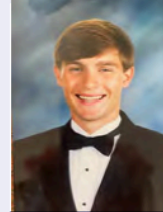
**Jada Jenkins**  
Love's Travel Stops



**Lexie Johnson**  
Morgan Van Lines



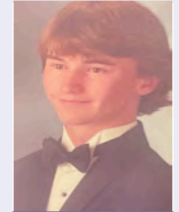
**Emma Grace Koger**  
Willard Jack Trucking



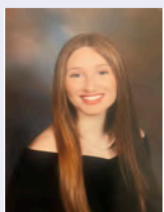
**Matthew Lott**  
MS Dept. of Public Safety - CTED



**Abby McGee**  
96 Enterprises



**Jacob Merritt**  
Ergon Trucking



**Alayna Moree**  
Powell Transportation



**Caroline Morris**  
KLLM Transport Services



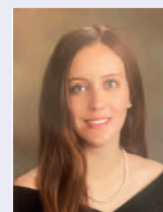
**Bianca Paez**  
Ergon Trucking



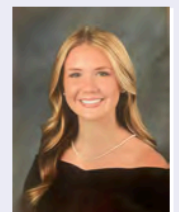
**Allison Reed**  
Fed Ex Freight



**Ainsley Robison**  
TAG Truck Center



**Ann Hart Smith**  
Willard Jack Trucking



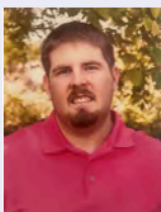
**Hannah Smith**  
Southern States Utility



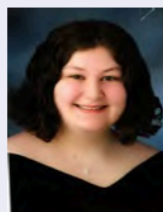
**Skyler Sojourner**  
Sojourner Trucking



**Kette Stavely**  
Southern Tire Mart



**Carson Tidwell**  
Royal Trucking



**Alyssa Turner**  
Jones Logistics



**Katy Rix Warren**  
Dobbs Peterbilt



**Grant Wood**  
KLLM Transport Services

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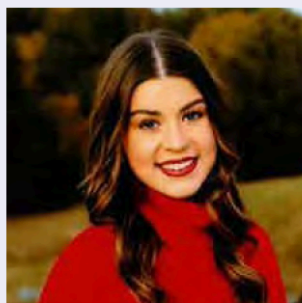
Over the past twenty years, eight Endowments have been established by generous MTA members as a way to give back to the trucking industry through the MTAF Scholarship program. An endowment requires \$100,000 to be initiated and it can be custom fit with a bent towards either geographic or occupational classification

as to who gets preference on the scholarship award. Current established Endowment donors are: **Mike McLarty, John Fayard Jr., H. Dean Cotten, G. Larry Kerr, R. Gene Holmes, Vernon G. and Nancy Sawyer, John D. Stomps, and W. Todd Bates.**



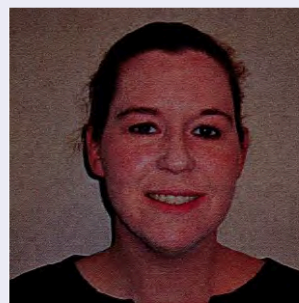
MIKE MCLARTY ENDOWMENT

Lydia Haynle  
TAG Truck Center



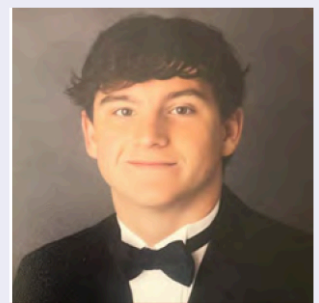
MIKE MCLARTY ENDOWMENT

Karson Meeks  
MS Truck Driving School



JOHN FAYARD JR. ENDOWMENT

Elizabeth Parrotta  
John Fayard Moving & Warehousing



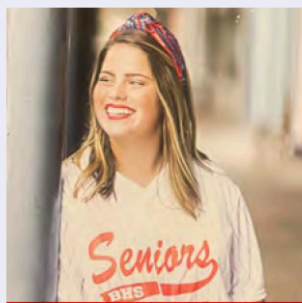
H. DEAN COTTEN ENDOWMENT

Noah Brand  
UPS



H. DEAN COTTEN ENDOWMENT

Bryan Sharp  
Walmart



G. LARRY KERR ENDOWMENT

Lilly Lambert  
Walmart



G. LARRY KERR ENDOWMENT

Joshua Saucier  
A & D Timber



R. GENE HOLMES ENDOWMENT

Hunter Barnes  
Co-Lin Diesel Mechanic Program



VERNON G. & NANCY SAWYER ENDOWMENT

Dakota Barlow  
Co-Lin Diesel Mechanic Program



JOHN D. STOMPS ENDOWMENT

Dylan White  
Total Transportation



W. TODD BATES ENDOWMENT

Jonathan Waller  
Waddle Trucking





**2024-2025 MTAF Board Members** pictured after the Annual Board meeting are: (L to R) Kennedy Miller, Mitchell Warren, Stormie Janzen, Katherine Kenney, Brian Austin, Zach Conaway, Miller Todd, and Patrick Lampton. Not pictured is Whitney Stokes who served as MTAF Chairman of the Board 2023-2024.



## MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS **2024-2025**

### **CHAIRMAN**

**Brian Austin**  
TAG Truck Center  
Tupelo, MS

### **PAST CHAIRMAN**

**Whitney Stokes**  
Big M Transportation  
Blue Mountain, MS

### **DIRECTORS**

**Zach Conaway**  
Truckworkx  
Jackson, MS

**Patrick Lampton**  
Ergon Trucking  
Jackson, MS

**Miller Todd**  
MCH Transportation  
Jackson, MS

### **VICE CHAIRMAN**

**Stormie Janzen**  
Total Transportation of MS  
Jackson, MS

**Katherine Kenney**  
Mid South Transportation  
Tupelo, MS

**Kennedy Miller**  
McGriff Ins.Services  
Ridgeland, MS

**Mitchell Warren**  
Dobbs Peterbilt  
Pearl, MS



# CENTURY CLUB

Shortly after the Foundation was created, the prestigious Century Club was established to recognize those donors who made a one-time significant contribution to support the activities of the Foundation. Since then, over 98 MTA members have joined the Century Club.

If you would like to be a part of this group, the request is to make an \$8,000 contribution to the Foundation. It can either be a lump sum donation or spread out over a 4-year period. Those new members will be given special recognition at our Annual Convention in June. **If you are interested, please contact Hal or Mary John at 601-354-0616.**



2024 Century Club at Annual Convention

## 2024 CENTURY CLUB INDUCTEES

**Angie Kenney**

Mid South Transportation

**Katherine Kenney**

Mid South Transportation





# MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS

The MTA Foundation was organized in 1989 and has evolved into one of the most ingenious Foundations of its kind. The Century Club was organized in 1999 and there are currently 98 members of this prestigious organization.

## CLASS OF 1999

### Mike McLarty

Cotton Plant Transport, New Albany

### Jim Clunan

Ergon Trucking, Jackson

### Dean Cotten

Mississippi Trucking Association  
Jackson

### John Fayard, Jr.

J. Fayard Jr. Moving & Warehousing  
Gulfport

### John Fayard, Sr.

J. Fayard Jr. Moving & Warehousing  
Gulfport

### Dan Holliday

Carr, Riggs, & Ingram, Ridgeland

### Jackson Holmes

Holmes Company of Jackson, Richland

### Rick Kale

Total Transportation of MS, Richland

### G. O. Kerr

Shipper's Express, Jackson

### Larry Kerr

Shipper's Express, Jackson

### Jack Liles

KLLM, Inc., Jackson

### Bernard Tucker

L.E. Tucker & Son, Pearl

### Billy Milican

Royal Trucking Company, West Point

### Michael Massengill

Big M Transportation, Hickory Flat

### Hal Miller, III

Miller Transporters, Jackson

### Hal Miller, Jr

Butler, Snow, Jackson

### J.A. Miller

Miller Transporters, Jackson

### Scott Miller

Miller Transporters, Jackson

### John Hunter Nance

Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush  
Ridgeland

### Mark Pace

Insurance Solutions Group, Jackson

### Barry Powell

Powell Transportation, Hattiesburg

### Jimmy Roberson

CMT, Inc., Tupelo

### Jackie Rogers

Mississippi Fast Freight, Pearl

### Cowboy Threlkeld

LMT Trucking, Batesville

### Charles Warne

Hewitt, Coleman & Associates  
Greenville, SC

### Bill Watkins

Rapid Delivery Services, Jackson

## CLASS OF 2000

### Clifton Van Cleave

Buffalo Wood, Centerville

### John Goodman

H & L Cartage, Pearl

### Jerry Culwell

CTC, Inc., Louisville

## CLASS OF 2001

### Lyndia Phillips

Mississippi Fast Freight, Pearl

## CLASS OF 2002

### J.Fayard Moving & Warehousing

Gulfport  
(Endowment)

## CLASS OF 2003

### James Bell

Bell and Sons Trucking Company,  
Aberdeen

### Steven Evans

Charles Evans Trucking Company  
Wiggins

### Edwin Johnson

Jowin Express, Columbia

### John Minninger

JFF Transportation, Clinton

## CLASS OF 2004

### Todd Bates

J & B Services, Tupelo

### Gage Gibbs

Barksdale Bonding & Insurance  
Jackson

### Allen Fielder

Truck Trailer & Equipment, Pearl

### Nancy Sawyer

Holmes Company, Richland

## CLASS OF 2005

### Tom Duff

Southern Tire Mart, Jackson

### Lonnie Cook

Empire Truck Sales, Jackson

### Steve Morgan

Morgan Van Lines, Booneville

### Scott Swanson

Empire Truck Sales, Jackson

## CLASS OF 2006

### Jeff Carter

Cadence Insurance, Hattiesburg

### Martin Holmes

Holmes Company, Richland

### Steve Stokes

Cotton Plant Transport, New Albany

### David Allen Lence

Diesel Exoress, Hickory Flat

### Percy Thornton

Southern States Utility Trailer Sales  
Jackson

# MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS

## CLASS OF 2007

**Frank Smith**  
Smith Shellnut Wilson, Ridgeland

**Bill Grothe**  
KLLM Transport Services, Jackson

**Jerry Armatis**  
CCMSI, Metairie, LA

**Mose Weary**  
M & P Trucking, Collins

## CLASS OF 2009

**Julius Miller**  
Forest Products Transport, Columbia

**Mike Thornton**  
Southern States Utility Trailer Sales  
Jackson

## CLASS OF 2011

**Jim Richards**  
KLLM Transport Services, Jackson

**Patrick McCabe**  
Evergreen Industries, Liberty

**Payton Lockey**  
Vacuum Truck Rentals, Richland

**John Stomps**  
Total Transportation, Richland

## CLASS OF 2015

**David Hall**  
Wilson Elser, Birmingham

**Craig Savell**  
Total Transportation, Richland

**Courtney Powell Terrell**  
Powell Transportation, Columbia

**Steve Kennedy**  
Wilson Elser, Jackson

**Casey Powell**  
Powell Transportation, Columbia

## CLASS OF 2016

**Brax Clark**  
Rocking C Truck Lines, Gulfport

**Dustin Koehl**  
Total Transportation, Richland

**Russ Maroney**  
Ergon Trucking, Jackson

## CLASS OF 2017

**Jessica Williams Downs**  
Jackson Truck & Trailer, Jackson

**Tripp Fayard**  
J. Fayard Moving and Warehousing  
Gulfport

**Don Morrison**  
Perry, Phillips, Crockett and Morrison  
Jackson  
(Posthumously)

**Sonny Williams**  
Jackson Truck & Trailer, Jackson

## CLASS OF 2018

**Douglas Hindman**  
Gulf Relay, Clinton

**Stephen Puryear**  
Mississippi State University, Canton

## CLASS OF 2019

**Brian Austin**  
TAG Truck Center, Tupelo

**Bobby Barlow**  
Ergon Trucking, Jackson

**Will Bruser**  
Truckworx, Birmingham

**Wes Davis**  
Big M Transportation, Blue Mountain

**Greg McLemore**  
AmFed, Ridgeland

**Ty Powell**  
Powell Transportation, Columbia

## CLASS OF 2020

**Trey Waterloo**  
Capital City Trucking, Richland

## CLASS OF 2021

**Scott Auslund**  
Gulf Relay, Clinton

**Sammy Bryant**  
McDonald Trucking, Pelahatchie

**Lisa Massengill**  
Big M Transportation, Blue Mountain

**Whitney M. Stokes**  
Big M Transportation, Blue Mountain

**Chris Stomps**  
Total Transportation, Richland

**Chris Wood**  
KLLM, Jackson

## CLASS OF 2022

**Cora Beth Hartfield**  
MS Truck, Food & Fuel SIF, Jackson

**Stormie Janzen**  
Total Transportation, Richland

**Taylor Massengill**  
Big M Transportation, Blue Mountain

**Les Merritt**  
Ergon Trucking, Jackson

**Kennedy Miller**  
McGriff Insurance Services  
Ridgeland

## CLASS OF 2023

**Brad Coley**  
Bud Coley Trucking, Tupelo

**Carter Holmes**  
Holmes Company  
Richland

**Michelle Newsom Manor**  
Jim Newsom Trucking  
Glen Allan

**Stan Roberts**  
Capital Transport  
Jackson

**Spencer Thornton**  
Southern States Utility Trailer Sales  
Jackson

**Craig Waddle**  
Waddle Trucking, Belden

## CLASS OF 2024

**Angie Kenney**  
Mid South Transportation, Tupelo

**Katherine Kenney**  
Mid South Transportation, Tupelo



# JOIN US FOR THE 2024 MTAF SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS







[\*\*CLICK HERE TO REGISTER\*\*](#)

PROVIDENCE HILL FARM  
2600 Carsley Road .Jackson, MS  
Thursday, November 7, 2024

MISSISSIPPI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION  
SKEET FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Registration and Lunch 11:30 am  
Shotgun Start 1pm  
Cocktails & Appetizers served after Tournament