The Carville M. Akehurst Memorial Scholarship

The Carville M. Akehurst Memorial Scholarship was established in 2002 by the Mid-Atlantic Nursery Trade Show, Inc. (MANTS®) to memorialize Mr. Akehurst who served the horticultural industry as one of the founders of MANTS. In addition to his thirty plus years as Executive Vice-President of MANTS, through the years Mr. Akehurst served as Executive Secretary of the Maryland Nursery and Landscape Association, the Maryland Nurserymen’s Horticulture Research Foundation, Maryland Christmas Tree Growers, American Conifer Society, and Maryland Greenhouse Growers’ Association.

MANTS, which is co-sponsored by the state nursery and landscape associations of Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia, has established this scholarship with the Horticultural Research Institute (HRI) with the belief that the strength and future success of the horticulture industry lies in the solid education of today’s students. Moreover, this scholarship reflects Mr. Akehurst’s firm belief that education begets one the opportunity to achieve. Through this scholarship, MANTS will provide qualified student applicants, who are residents of one of our co-sponsoring states, a scholarship opportunity that will help ensure the continuity of the nursery and landscape profession.

[Link to the Carville M. Akehurst Memorial Scholarship Application]

Akehurst Memorial Scholarship Recipients

2019
Nicholas Dzurenda
Blacksburg, Virginia
Virginia Tech

2018
Isabell Emanuel
Bel Air, Maryland
Ohio State University

2017
Dustin Trychta
Morgantown, West Virginia
West Virginia University

2016
Mark Dennis
Catonsville, MD
University of Maryland, College Park

2015
Timothy Jang
Gainesville, VA
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
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<td>Middletown, Virginia</td>
<td>Virginia Tech</td>
<td>Allison Cyrus</td>
<td>Appomattox, Virginia</td>
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