



## The Association Honors Outstanding Students

The Association of Former Students annually honors outstanding students from Texas A&M University through the Gathright Scholar Award and Buck Weirus Spirit Awards.

Established in April 1973, the Thomas S. Gathright Scholar Academic Excellence Award is presented by The Association of Former Students in conjunction with Texas A&M's Student Government Association. Named in honor of Texas A&M's first president, the award recognizes sophomores, juniors and seniors with the best academic records in each of the Texas A&M colleges. It is the most prestigious award granted for academic performance.

The Buck Weirus Spirit Award honors up to 55 students who enthusiastically demonstrate high involvement, create positive experiences throughout the Aggie community, impact student life at Texas A&M and enhance the Aggie Spirit through participation in student organizations, Aggie traditions and University events. The award is named for the late Richard "Buck" Weirus '42, Executive Director Emeritus of The Association of Former Students.



### 2008 Buck Weirus Group Photo (TOP PHOTO)

First row (left to right): Dr. Dean Bresciani, Texas A&M President Dr. Elsa Murano, Amanda Snyder '09, Amanda Haby '08, Amanda Flores '08, Ruth Mullins '04, Lauralee Young '09, Ashlie Sears '08, Marlene Wyatt '11, Vanessa Delgado '09, Michelle Berry '08, Emily Heaton '09, Renee Kashawlic '08, Association of Former Students President General Hal M. Hornburg (USAF Ret) '68, Association of Former Students Executive Director Porter S. Garner, III '79, Dr. William B. Stackman. Second row (left to right): Mustafa Kathawala '08, Blayne Thompson '10, Erica Freno '10, Michael Spiers '10, Shae Krause '09, Chris Katerinakis '09, Ruthie Williams '08, Will Robert '08, Thomas Palmer '11, Daniel Dooley '07, Blaze Currie '08, Carissa Wilhelm '08. Third row (left to right): Thomas Conner '08, Jared Sexton '11, Nick Petree '09, Garrett Cathey '11, John Modica '08, Cait Jones '08, Nathan Torno '10, Tyler Koch '07, Jeff Brannigan '08, Collin Stewart '09, Bruce Brown '10, Bryan Greene '10. Fourth row (left to right): Jomar Sharp '08, Greg Fink '08, Konrad Johnson '11, Todd Hunter, Jr. '08, Logan Nichols '10, Joey Reed '09, Steven Levingston '08, Zachary Cook '08, Roger Farr (accepted on behalf of Peter Farr '09), Brian Duke '08. \* Not Pictured: Conner Prochaska '07.

### 2008 Gathright Award recipients (BOTTOM PHOTO)

First row (left to right): Association of Former Students Executive Director Porter S. Garner, III '79, Association of Former Students President General Hal M. Hornburg (USAF Ret) '68, Alicia D'Ann Lay '08, Anjali Kohli '09, Maria Elizabeth Garnett '10, Kristi Lynn Burgess '08, Amanda Jeannelle Frank '10, Kristina Yancey '09, Anthony Eugene Listi '09, Amanda Leigh Molsberry '10, Texas A&M University President Dr. Elsa Murano, Dr. Jerry R. Strawser. Second row (left to right): Ramiro Fernandez '09, Brad Reinhart '10, Lisa Christine McCleary '08, Michael Lloyd Arquisola '10, Derek Johnson '10, Daniella Leonard '10, Kelly Marie Martinez '08, Sarah Ashley Glenn '08, Matthew Neuman '09, Dr. J. Martyn Gunn. Third row (left to right): Kohl Alan Kemnitz '10, Amanda Catherine Moehnke '09, Mary Frances Kunst '10, Crosby William Scofield '09, Zachary Dean Adian '09, Joseph Stephen Zerr '08, Laura Erin Adian '09, Christopher Martin Ritchie '09. \* Not Pictured: Rachel Elizabeth Reupke '09, Harmony Faith Turk '08.