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The Association Honors Outstanding Students

The Association of Former Students annually honors outstanding students from Texas A&M University through the Gathright Scholar Awards and Buck Weirus Spirit Awards. Established in April 1973, the Thomas S. Gathright Scholar Academic Excellence Award is presented by The Association 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*, who led The Association of Former Students from 1964 to 1980.



The 2012 Thomas S. Gathright Scholar Academic Excellence Award recipients and presenters. Left to right, first row: The Association of Former Students President and CEO Porter S. Garner III '79, Caitlin Ammouri Conner '14, Bethany Christine Dykes '12, Kaitlin Michelle O'Donnell '12, Lindsey Nichole Jordan '14, Hayley Michelle Pruett '14, Caitlyn Alyssa Winter '13, Texas A&M University President Dr. R. Bowen Loftin '71; second row: Andrea Mie Schlottman '11, Rachel Ann Bowdoin '12, Robert William Bordovsky '14, Sara Eileen Watson '12, Pollyanna Emraleee Halling '13, Cynthia Simeonva Tiendafilova '11, Benjamin Jacob Baum '13, Riyan Ariwibowo '14; third row: Henry Harrity '13, Laura K. Murphy '12, Kenley W. Reed '13, Timothy N. Dunn '13, Cardine Beverly Berg '14, Timothy Daniel Woodbury '11, Joshua Drew Laster '14, Brian Keith Sowell '14, Cody Allen Henry '14, and Nicholas Andrew Bezner '13. Not pictured are Jacqueline Margaret Prescott '13, Fatimah Mohammad Al Ismail '12, Eesha Saleem Farooqi '13, and Texas A&M-Qatar recipients Moiz A. Bohra '14, Mohammad S. AlShammasi '13 and Karim R. Ibrik '12.



The 2012 Buck Weirus Spirit Award recipients and presenters. Left to right, first row: Texas A&M Department of Student Activities Associate Director Rusty Thompson '85, The Association of Former Students President and CEO Porter S. Garner III '79, Brenda Guillen '14, Ilene Berrios '12, Caroline Janssen '14, Amy Aldrich '11, Karina Ogunlana '13, Kaitlyn Taylor '12, Andrea Brenckman '13, McIlie Lastovica '14, Paula Lorente '05, Texas A&M University President Dr. R. Bowen Loftin '71; second row: Nicole Heath '13, Ulises Robles '15, Hayley Rogers '15, Diganto Choudhury '12, Emily Sterling '12, Michael Dror '14, Tanner Wilson '12, Patrick Ivey '12, Steven Spriggs '13, Raisha Smith '13, Shahrum Iqbal '12, Texas A&M Vice President for Student Affairs Lt. Gen. Joe Weber '72; third row: Jon Albrecht '12, Drew Nelson '13, Bradford Stricklin '15, Marquis Alexander '13, Maximilian Leutermann '12, Andrew Ligon '15, Avverosuoghene Omughelli '13, Joshua Bennett '12, James Havlock '13, Joseph Pluhar '09, Holly Gibbs '06, Mario Garza '12, Clayton Kruger '12; fourth row: Thomas Joseph '14, Seth Toups '14, John Claybrook '13, Joshua Light '13, Micah Scott '13, Thomas Harwell '11, Mark Jessup '12, Kasey Kram '15, William Quillen '11, Jeffrey Pickering '12, Eric Blackman '13, Brandon Rutledge '12, Austin Walker '12, and Zachary Robinson '12. Not pictured are Ratnaprabha Chittoori '12, Omar Ghannoum '14, Hung Nguyen '13, Alexandra Pruett '13, Crystal Usher '12 and Kyle Womack '11. Texas A&M-Qatar recipient Dillan Raymond Roshan '12.