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Amy Peyton is the first recipient of the Jim and Connie Mohn Scholarship. Peyton is a senior in agricultural business, economics and public service and administration in agriculture from Sac City. She will use the gift to fund her study abroad experience to Rome on the Dean’s Global Agriculture and Food Leadership program where she will work on a team project with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

Jim (’75 agricultural education, animal science) and Connie Mohn from Cherokee, created the scholarship to support students in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences as they prepare for and complete a study abroad experience. The couple set up the scholarship with a deferred gift, but chose to activate the account immediately by making annual cash gifts. “We hope these scholarships will help retain students by providing an opportunity to study abroad, and help students obtain a degree,” Jim Mohn says. “We’re looking forward to meeting the recipients and seeing the impact of our gift.”

IN HER OWN WORDS: AMY PEYTON SHARES IMPACT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Amy Peyton is featured in an ISU Foundation video describing her experiences at Iowa State. Peyton says receiving a privately-funded scholarship has allowed her to become involved on campus and make a difference by volunteering in elementary schools through her sorority. Watch the video at www.ag.iastate.edu/stories.

Curtiss Renovation To Give Ambassadors Room To Grow

The Student Ag Ambassadors are making do in their current office space—a former closet in Curtiss Hall. Thankfully, a new workspace is in store as part of the renovation of Curtiss Hall. It’s one of many ways the renovation will benefit students. Plans include a student commons, meeting rooms for group work and interviews and a ground-level wing devoted to student services. The Ag Ambassadors help recruit in many ways, including campus tours and visits, off-campus events and shadow days, during which they host high schoolers for a two-day stay. Their new digs will give them room to grow and reach even more potential students. Find renovation details and learn how you can support the effort at: www.ag.iastate.edu/curtiss.

Entrepreneurial Scholarships: A Sure Return On Investment

The college awards nearly $12,000 annually in entrepreneurial scholarships funded by private donors. The family of Leonard Hermanson (’25 dairy science) recently set up a scholarship program to support the top three student teams in the Entrepreneurship in Agriculture course. One of the Agricultural Entrepreneurship Initiative’s prestigious scholarships honors emeritus professor Robert Jolly who was the first director of the initiative (see story page nine). Ryan Pellett (’91 agricultural business) and his wife Susan endowed a scholarship for students with an aptitude and involvement in entrepreneurship. Carly Cummings, a junior in agricultural business minoring in international agriculture and entrepreneurial studies, received the most recent Pellet Family Scholarship.