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The Peary Wilemon-National Cotton Ginners’ Scholarship Foundation was established with the following goals:

- Encourage young people to join the cotton ginning industry, while equipping them for service through gin-related college studies and graduate research programs.
- Through the use of scholarship funding, establish a partnership with universities that will direct their teaching resources and research efforts toward gin industry priorities.
- Through systematic planning to define current and long-term priorities, engage the scholarship recipients, both student and university, to address specific industry needs.
- Honor the dedicated industry service of Peary Wilemon, who was the mainstay at National Cotton Ginners Association for over 25 years.

Accordingly, we are pleased to announce the availability of scholarships from our Foundation for juniors, seniors, and graduate students in agricultural engineering or related studies. We would appreciate your publicizing this scholarship opportunity to interested and qualified students. Information, including a downloadable application form, is also available on the NCGA website, http://ncga.cotton.org by clicking on the Peary Wilemon tab in the left hand column.

Completed scholarship applications and associated required information should be forwarded to me at the address below by December 18, 2009 for scholarships to be awarded in the 2010 Spring term.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

W. Harrison Ashley
Executive Vice President
National Cotton Ginners’ Association