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- TO: State and Regional Gin Associations
- FROM: National Cotton Ginners' Association Peary Wilemon Scholarship Foundation

SUBJECT: Increasing Fund

Over the last several years, the Peary Wilemon Scholarship Foundation has presented **89** scholarships to students who are either interested in ginning or in an agricultural curriculum.

The Peary Wilemon-National Cotton Ginners' Scholarship Foundation has 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 research needs.
- Honor the dedicated industry service of Peary Wilemon, who was the mainstay at National Cotton Ginners Association for over 25 years.

In an effort to increase funds available for scholarships, the National Ginners would like your help in raising additional funds for the Peary Wilemon Foundation, and the National Ginners ask that you publicize this request. Jack Deloney graciously made available signed "Down at the Ginyard" prints for those individuals who contribute a minimum of \$500 to the Foundation.

Additional information, including an application for the scholarship, can be found at http://www.cotton.org/ncga/scholarship/index.cfm.

For those who wish to make a contribution, please send your check to the Peary Wilemon Foundation, P.O. Box 2995, Cordova, TN 38088-2995. Please remember that a minimum donation of \$500 is required to receive a Jack Deloney print.