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Future Entrepreneur Is A Picture Of Success

(NAPSA)—Someone who could be one of America's next great business success stories has recently gotten a big boost on the ladder.

Whitney Boyce has been selected as the 2005 recipient of the Future Entrepreneur Award. The Utopia, Texas, native will receive a \$12,000 scholarship for the 2005-2006 school year and is eligible for \$4,000 scholarship renewals the following three years.

Boyce is a recent graduate of Utopia High School, where she graduated first in her class. Her passion for photography and the scenery around her hometown led Boyce to start her own business, Paradise Prints, in 2003. Not knowing much about photography, Boyce started from scratch, teaching herself how to properly capture her subjects and manipulate the camera.

Her work is now being sold in a local gift shop in Utopia and includes framed photos, pillows and note cards. She has seen tremendous success in the tourist town and intends to expand her market and her subjects over the next five years.

Boyce will attend Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas, this fall. She was one of only 10 students accepted into the Texas Tech Undergraduate Medical School Initiative program for the upcoming year. This will allow her to pursue a combined degree in medicine and business.

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NASE President Robert Hughes presents a scholarship check to Whitney Boyce and her parents.

Award, presented annually by the National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE), is the largest scholarship of its kind in the U.S. This unique opportunity is awarded each spring to a single ambitious and driven individual who demonstrates the characteristics of a future microbusiness owner.

In addition to the Future Entrepreneur scholarship, the NASE also awarded scholarships of \$4,000 each to 20 other students across the country.

The NASE is the nation's leading resource for the self-employed and microbusinesses, bringing a broad range of benefits to help entrepreneurs succeed and to drive the continued growth of this vital segment of the American economy.

To learn more about the Future Entrepreneur Award and the NASE, visit www.NASE.org or call NASE Member Services at 1-800-232-6273.