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NUASF/E.E. Mecklenburg Scholarships 2010

Four area students were chosen as recipients of the New Ulm Area Sport Fishermen (NUASF) E.E. Mecklenburg Environmental Scholarship for 2010.

First, a brief history: Earl Mecklenburg was the father of longtime club member, Dave Mecklenburg. To honor Earl's memory, in the fall of 2000, Dave's family created the scholarship for graduating high school students planning on pursuing a career in the environmental field. Since the NUASF club is involved in many activities supporting environmental causes, the Mecklenburg family asked the club if they would like to be co-sponsors of the scholarship. So, that same year, the NUASF club came on board.

This year the committee awarded two \$500 and two \$250 scholarships.

The first \$500 recipient is Corey Hillesheim, a graduate from Cathedral

High School. Corey's parents are Tony and Deb Hillesheim. They live on a farm just outside of New Ulm. Corey works at Carls Corner in Essig and is the youngest child in the family. Corey



Cory Hillesheim

jokes that due to having three sisters, he spent as much time outside in the woods as he could. He grew up hunting and fish-

ing with his dad and says that his dad taught him how to respect nature. Corey plans on attending Bemidji State University to pursue a degree in wildlife management.

Christina Stueber is the other recipient of a \$500 scholarship. She graduated from New Ulm Senior High School and is

the daughter of Ted and Kathy Stueber. In addition to an older brother and sister, Christina also has an identical twin sister. An honor student, Christina managed to maintain two jobs



Christina Stueber

while going to school. During her junior year of high school, she took a Field Biology course that she says contributed to her love of aquatic ecosystems. Christina will be a student at Minnesota State University-Mankato this fall in the Environmental Science program.

\$250 was awarded to Andrew Maidl, the son of Joe and Deb Maidl. Andrew grew up on a farm by Lafayette, Minnesota, and is a graduate of New Ulm Senior High School. During his high school life, Andrew was very involved in 4-H, FFA, Boy Scouts, and sports, as well as many other programs and activities in which he excelled. He was the Officer at

Large his sophomore year and President of FFA his junior and senior years. He was

also Secretary and Treasurer of the Bernadotte 4-H Club his junior year. As a farmer, Andrew understands the importance of taking care of the environment. He plans to attend North Dakota



Andrew Maidl

State University to study Agribusiness and Crop/Weed Sciences.

The other \$250 scholarship winner is Gabriela Andersen. She is a graduate of New Ulm Senior High School and is the daughter of Kurt and Marjorie Andersen.

Gabriela grew up in the Central American country of Costa Rica, where she says her interest in biology and science began. Her parents took the family on trips to all parts of the country. She has



Gabriela Anderson

vivid memories of the warm beaches, the mountainsides, and the jungles, where she saw snakes, spiders, macaws, and howler monkeys. Gabriela would like to study biology, so that she can learn how to use our natural resources in a way that won't damage wildlife or destroy the forests. She will be attending Minnesota State University-Mankato in the Biology program. The Scholarship Committee wishes to congratulate these fine young students and offer best wishes for their future education and environmental pursuits.

As always, the Mecklenburg family would like to give a special thanks to the

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From the President

By Jason Kuester

Mark your calendar for July 14th. This will be the day for the kids fishing contest at Riverside Park. This event takes a lot of volunteers and we would appreciate as much help as possible. Most of the prizes for this event are picked up. I would like to thank all of our volunteers for their hard work putting this event together. Our main goal is to make this a fun event for the kids. At the next meeting, there will be a sign up sheet to help organize what needs to be done on the day of the event. This will help everyone plan for the event.

Pork chops will be available for your enjoyment at the next meeting; the meal will be served at 6:30pm before the meeting. Please thank Elmer Epke for providing the pork chops and grilling them for us on his big grill. Elmer wants all of the donations from this meal will go to our club. Please bring a dish to pass.

It's defiantly summer like weather again and that means the grounds at the club will need to be mowed and trimmed. We are going to have a sign up sheet for mowing, please help us by signing up.

Summer is here and what a great time to bring our friends and family to the New Ulm Area Sport Fisherman Club. We are always looking for new members to join. If you know of someone bring them along and show them how much fun we have at our club. As always, bring a friend and each of you will receive a free refreshment of your choice!

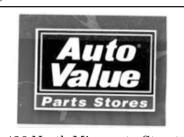
Hope to see you at the next meeting!!

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NUASF club for its continued generosity. In addition to the \$5 that members donated along with their membership renewal, this year the club matched the family donation of \$500. We would again like to thank Dick Petermann for sponsoring a fishing contest every year at his place and donating the proceeds to the scholarship. Also, the family of Willmar Studtmann held their second annual Willmar Studtmann Memorial Ice Fishing Contest and the family matched the money received from the entry fees and donated the total amount to the scholarship fund.

It is because of these donations, large or small, that the fund continues to grow and has allowed the scholarship committee to award a total of \$11,000 to area students since it's formation.

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MEETING NOTES from May 27th

*Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were approved unanimously by members present.

*Membership Update—Members present: 40+; membership stands at 202, with 31 due; Mike Buechner continues to lead drive with 4 new members signed up.

*Area Lakes and Rivers Report—Wisconsin's Yellow River and Yellow Lake were good; High Banks had some 56 boats with only two catches witnessed; freshwater inlets and creeks on the Minnesota River reported good; Northerns were "wild" on Red Lake with 36 caught; Clear Lake Gibbon "hot" for Bullheads; limits were caught on Winni; on Lake of the Woods, in 3-1/2 days, 380 walleyes, some perch, and big sturgeon; crappies at Geiger's on Lake Hanska and walleyes at night; Clear Lake reported "very green" with some small crappies caught.

*Clubhouse and Grounds Update: Mowers are working well, as are members who mow; thanks to Don Borstad and Wayne Forbrook for mowing. Jim Hulke sold the old mower for \$75.00. Clubhouse will need a coat of paint sometime this summer.

*Scholarships have been awarded to students Corey Hillesheim, Christina Stueber, Gabriela Andersen, and Andrew Maidl. Congratulations!

*Measurements are being made for NUASF sponsorship signage on the front and back of the equipment box on the DNR canoe trailer.

*Brown County Park Board has requested that a couple of NUASF members attend the Mound Creek dock photo-shoot.

*The Stoney Award was presented to Tony Miller. Congratulations and a hearty "thank you," Tony!

*Kids' Fishing Contest, July 14th: posters are available to hand out; prize collection is going well; MinnAqua (Minnesota's Angling and Aquatic Education Program) will be present at the contest; Jim Hulke has been talking with Environmental Services, hoping that they may still help support this important NUASF event.

*River Region Project: Ron Bolduan was unable to attend this meeting and will make a presentation at the next general meeting.

*Laurel Gamm, representing the Putting Green and its associated projects along the river, asked NUASF for monetary donations to help sustain the organization as it makes short-term capital improvements. It was decided that monetary support would be given this year for sure, and that like-amounts would be provided for the next two years, contingent on how well NUASF feels the money has been spent.

*Rapala Giveaway: giving our club members a 30% discount on up to \$2000.00 in purchases. Use the code provided when placing an order.

*Old club boat is at Jim Hulke's if you want to use it—chain and padlock are missing. *Ant problem—need to spray or fumigate.

*Let's Go Fishing—Sleepy Eye is expanding service to more groups and are looking for volunteer help.

*MinnAqua Take-a-Kid-Fishing: See Jeff Nielson if you can help out on June 12th, 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon, at Riverside Park.

*Food for next meeting: Elmer Epke will be cookin' up some Schweinfleisch! Please bring a side-dish to pass, if you can. DINNER WILL BE SERVED BEFORE THE MEETING! DINNER AT 6:30 PM SHARP! C'mon out to the clubhouse!

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