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Six to Receive Water Ski Foundation Scholarships

POLK CITY, Fla. - The American Water Ski Educational Foundation (AWSEF) Scholarship and Financial Aid Committee has announced the awarding of five college scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 each and a sixth for \$3,000, the Barbara Bolding/Jim Grew scholarship.

Jamie Leanne Grant (Rogers, AR) is the recipient of the Barbara Bolding/Jim Grew Scholarship. She is a junior at the University of Arkansas majoring in biology. Her career objective after obtaining a Masters is to become a Physician Assistant. She has served as both captain and president of and has skied for the University of Arkansas Water Ski Team. Grant also qualified to ski in the South Central Regional Tournament last year. She has volunteered for the past five years helping to set up tournaments with the Cedar Creek Ski Park.

The *Correct Craft Scholarship* is awarded to **John Roberts (Rochelle, IL)** for the second time. A senior at Northern Illinois University majoring in mechanical engineering, his career objective after obtaining a Masters or Ph.D., is to work as a professional engineer. Roberts reestablished the NIU water ski team, organized all team events and served as president in 2007-2009. He has competed in local, state and regional water ski tournaments since the age of eight.

Mark Cassidy (New Lenox, IL) is the recipient of the *Tim Olson Memorial Scholarship*, a senior at the University of Illinois, majoring in mechanical engineering and aspiring to obtain a position at a business-consulting firm. He has served as President of the Illini Water Ski Team that qualified for the Division 1 Collegiate Nationals for the first time in 2008. Cassidy spends most of his involvement in water skiing organizing and growing the club membership. His skiing has been limited for the past four years due to two femur fractures. His goal has been to become competitive again while overcoming the fear of re-injuring his leg.

The *MasterCraft Scholarship* is awarded to **Madalyn Baldwin (Shakopee, MN)**, a sophomore majoring in education and psychology. She serves as program director for the Shockwaves Jr. Development Program/Team and is a rated judge for all three events as well as registrar for the Minnesota State Water Ski Tournament. Baldwin is a member of the University of Iowa where she was elected female captain and selected to compete at the region's All Star Tournament.

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Luke Wintter (Walnut Creek, CA), a senior attending University of California Santa Barbara and majoring in Psychology & Business Economics is the recipient of "Big Al Wagner" Western Region Scholarship. His first goal upon graduation is to open a water ski school with his brother. He is a competitor at the regional and national level in the American Water Ski Association and also serves on committees for the National Collegiate Water Ski Association. He volunteers by coaching local junior development clinics for both the Arvin Area Tournament and the Desert Area Tournament Associations.

The Jennifer Odom/David Kammerer Memorial Scholarship is awarded to **Andrew P. Martin (Eaton, OH)** who has received this scholarship for the second time. Martin is a senior majoring in Computer Science and DMA-Animation. His career objective is to establish a computer animation production studio and produce feature-length films. He competes at the regional and national level in barefoot competition. For the last three years, he has served both the Midwest Regional and National Barefoot Championships as chief video manager.

The AWSEF scholarship programs are supported by contributions from individuals, corporations and families that have set up an endowment fund for a scholarship in memory of a loved one. For more information on how to fund a scholarship, contact the AWSEF.

The AWSEF, parent organization of the Water Ski Hall of Fame and Museum, was founded in 1968 as a non-profit foundation dedicated to the preservation of the traditions of one of America's most popular family recreational activities and to the encouragement of and education in the safe enjoyment of water skiing.

Applicants must be a United States citizen, full-time students at a two- or four-year accredited college incoming sophomore through senior level and an active member of USA Water Ski.

Persons interested in applying for an AWSEF scholarship should contact AWSEF Scholarship, 1251 Holy Cow Road, Polk City, FL 33868-8200. After Sept. 1, applications can be downloaded from www.waterskihalloffame.com. Click on the "scholarship" link to get a copy of the application.