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Press release

## Friends of the Tay Watershed award 2011 Water Guardian Scholarships.

The Friends of the Tay Watershed are pleased to announce the winners of the 2011 Water Guardian Scholarships.

Augusta Lipscombe of Jasper, graduated from St. John Catholic High School and is now pursuing her studies in Marine Biology at the University of Guelph.

Eli Crapper of Westport completed his studies at PDCI and is now enrolled in the Health Sciences program at McMaster University. Both candidates successfully completed their first terms.

The award is based on academic merit and a demonstrated passion for, and understanding of, water.

“I believe that with knowledge, understanding, and motivation we can start counteracting our negative impact on our water bodies.” said Augusta in her winning essay.

“I have always felt terrible and almost guilty about how so many countries starve for water while we waste it frivolously.” wrote Eli in his submission.

This is the first year of the Water Guardian Scholarship and the Friends hope to make it an annual event. This year, the Scholarship is made possible through the generous contributions of the Royal Bank Blue Water Fund, the Tay Legal Defence Fund legacy and the work of our dedicated volunteers.

On presenting each student with a \$500 cheque, Friends of the Tay scholarship coordinator, Christopher Stone said, “We are filled with hope in seeing young people like Augusta and Eli so engaged in water issues and understanding.”

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