

Press Release

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Friends of the Tay Watershed Award two \$1,000 Bursaries

The Friends of the Tay Watershed recently awarded two \$1,000 Water Guardian Bursaries to high school students who reside in the Tay Watershed.

Clara Misener and Orria Nielsen, students at Perth and District Collegiate Institute, were the much deserved winners of the Bursaries.

Clara is planning on studying Bioengineering and Life/Biomedical Sciences at McGill. While attending PDCI, Clara was a member of the Youth Climate Circle, Climate Network Lanark Youth Climate Action Group as well as the David Suzuki Foundation's Butterfly Way Project.

Orria will be attending Trent University to study Archeology. She's also a volunteer with the Youth Climate Circle, Butterfly Way Project, Guatemala Stove Project, local music festivals and summer camps.

Through their university years, both Clara and Orria will continue to be advocates for the environment, water sustainability and for indigenous practices protecting our ecosystem.

The Friends of the Tay Watershed congratulate Clara and Orria and wish them much success in their studies, future careers, and continued interest in the environment.

Every year, since 2011, the Friends of the Tay Watershed have extended an invitation to students at local high schools, and, recently, university students who attended a local high school, to submit applications for this Bursary. Candidates wishing to apply should watch for notices from the Association's web site, taywatershed.ca or next February in local papers and high schools for application requirements.

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Friends of the Tay Watershed Board members Carol Dillon, left, and Judy Buehler, right, and President, Glenn Tunnock, centre, present \$1,000 Water Guardian Bursaries to Orria Nielsen, second from left and Clara Misener, second from right, of Perth and District Collegiate Institute.

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