Bill Nelson Scholarship Endowment Announces 2011 Recipients

The Bill Nelson Scholarship Endowment has awarded four scholarships, each in the amount of $2,500. The recipients for this year’s award are: Jillian Andrews of Mesa, Arizona; Elizabeth Childers of Plymouth, OH; Garett Hull of Springfield, MO and Tyler Nelson of Reidsville, GA.

Jillian Andrews is currently pursuing her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Creative Writing with minors in Spanish and Political Science at University of Arizona. She is expected to graduate in May 2012. After graduation, Jillian is planning on joining the Peace Corps in order to contribute to the education of children in a third world country. Jillian plans on pursuing a Masters of Fine Arts Degree during and following her tour overseas. Jillian is a second time recipient of the Bill Nelson Scholarship Endowment. Ms. Andrews’ father, Jeff, is employed by Desert Extrusion Corporation.

Elizabeth Childers is a first year student at Ohio Wesleyan University pursuing her degree in Journalism and English with a concentration in Creative Writing and a minor in Humanities and Classics. She is expected to graduate in May 2013. After graduation, Elizabeth intends to enter graduate school to work towards her Masters in English; she is also considering different legal programs. Ms. Childers’ mother, Lillian, is employed by MTD Products Inc.

Garett Hull is graduating from Kickapoo High School this year and has received a scholarship to attend the University of Missouri Columbia, majoring in Biological Engineering with the option of later attending medical school. Garett participated on the Varsity Track & Cross Country teams and was a member of the National Honor Society. Mr. Hull’s father, Matt, is employed by Carlisle Power Transmissions.

Tyler Martin is graduating from Tattnall County High School as an Honors Graduate in excellence. He was ranked fourth in his class. He was a recipient of the Georgia Certificate of Merit. Tyler was a member of the Cross Country team and received the school Cross Country Running Academic Award. After graduation, Tyler will be attending Georgia Southern University where he will major in Engineering. Mr. Martin’s father, Don, is employed by Rotary Corporation.

The Bill Nelson Scholarship Endowment is an educational charity designed to advance the academic pursuits of employees and the children of employees who work for member companies of the Outdoor Power Equipment Aftermarket Association. The Endowment is governed by five Trustees who annually review applications and make awards: Chip Armstrong, American Lubricating Co.; David Errick, D.E. Errick; Bob Phillips, Desert Extrusion; Ed Nelson, Rotary Corporation; and Bob Wehmueller, Sierra International Inc.