News & Views from owwa

8 To Receive OWWA Scholarships

OWWA is excited to announce that eight students will receive financial support of \$825 each from the 2008 Scholarship Fund.

The fund generated a very strong \$6,600 this year. A special thanks to Reynolds, Inc. The firm made a contribution to the fund this week to allow us to "round up" the award to a higher dollar amount for each student.

The following will receive support:

Jeffrey Burgess of Dover will attend the University of South Florida where he will study either veterinary medicine or marine biology. Jeffrey worked for the family business the past two summers. (Robert and Stephanie Burgess of Burgess Drilling, Inc.)

Kelsie Dillan of Enon Valley, PA, continues her studies at Slippery Rock University. She plans to become an elementary teacher and also will have a minor in special education. Kelsie has worked with the family business since 2001. (Todd and Kathy Dillan of Dillan Well Drilling, Inc.)

Landen Herr of Middlefield is currently enrolled in the freshman business management program at Kent State University. Landen has worked during summers in the family business. (*Kyle Herr of Max Herr Well & Pump Service, LLC*)





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Walter Domer, Jr, Pres.

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David Hoffman of New Philadelphia is a junior majoring in civil engineering with a concentration in transportation at North Carolina State University. For the past two summers he was worked with ODOT in New Philly. (*Barbara Burgess, Burgess Drilling, Inc.*)

Taylor Hazlett of Millersburg will attend Malone College where she expects to major in English or journalism. She spent her last two summers working in a local greenhouse. (*Toby Hazlett, Donamarc Water Systems*)

Aubrey Kimball of Genoa is studying at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City and has a public relations internship with Nike Communications. (*Curt and Debbie Kimball, Kimball Well Drilling*)

Regis Stockert of Strasburg has been a post-secondary student at Kent State University, Tuscarawas Branch, for the past two years. He plans to attend the University of Akron and study mechanical engineering. Regis has worked in the family business for the past three summers. (*Reginald and Deborah Stockert, R. G. Stockert Drilling*)

Brendan Walker of Harrison has been accepted at the University of Cincinnati's engineering program. He has worked summers at Global Drilling Suppliers. (*Brian and Donna Walker, Global Drilling Suppliers*)

Great Lakes Compact

The OWWA Board of Trustees will have discussion about the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact when it meets later this month. OWWA wants to be sure that the Ohio legislation does not disrupt private water rights.

Legislation to ratify the compact has already been passed in Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana and New York. Ratification legislation has been passed by the Ohio House, but not the Senate. It also has passed one chamber of the legislature in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Those who accept their communications by e mail have received several timely items about this issue. Things move too quickly to keep you posted by snail mail. If you are not already getting items from us by e mail it might be time to reconsider.)

Fantastic Support in 2008

Thanks to all for your fantastic support of the scholarship fund this year. We raised an amazing total of \$6,600.

Below is a complete list of donors:

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Much of the money was contributed as an "add on" to dues, as part of convention registrations by exhibitors or as memorial contributions. Funds also were raised from the Silent Auction and various 50/50 raffles.

For example Tom Bell of Bell Well Drilling and Dave Yeager of Yeager Well Drilling and Pumps won the 50/50 drawings and donated back all of their winnings.

Similarly, Walter Domer Jr., Dave Yeager and Jim Watson each donated back the money they won as door prizes during the contractor education day.

Many others contributed items to the Silent Auction which increased the assets of the fund.

Thanks to Boes Well Drilling who recently made the first contribution to next year's scholarship fund!

Rodney Hawks Passes Away

ASHLAND - Rodney W. Hawks, 70, of Ashland, died Wednesday, April 23, 2008, at his residence. Rodney retired as the manager of the Johnston Supply branch in Ashland in 2002.

Rodney was born July 21, 1937, in Ashland County, to Odis and Maybelle (Puster) Hawks. On June 30, 1957, he married the love of his life, Catherine M. Barnthouse. They shared 50 years together.

He served six years in the Army Reserves. He always enjoyed golfing and most recently mowing at Mohican Hills Golf Course, as well as delivering pumps for Champion Pump with Cathy and little dog, Mitzi.

He was a member of Park Street Brethren Church and the Christian Heirs Sunday School Class.

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Deb Hawks, and a daughter and son-in-law, Lori and Andy McQuate, all of Ashland. He also is survived by grandchildren, Angela and Tyler Smith of Ashland, Adam Hawks of Kentucky, Ashley McQuate, Aaron Hawks and Elyse McQuate, all of Ashland.

Also surviving are two brothers and a sister-in-law, Eddie and Marilyn Hawks of Ashland, Wayne Hawks of Hayesville, and a sister and brother-in-law, Nancy and Jim Nebergall of Hayesville.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Ohio Buckeye Chapter, 6155 Rockside Road, Suite 202, Independence, OH 44131.