

The Marty McGuire Scholarship*

The Bedford Audubon Society is pleased to announce the availability of scholarship funds to students in the school districts served by the organization. The funds may be used to either promote student study or to underwrite part of a student project that will enhance student awareness and commitment to field-oriented environmental studies. The scholarship funds of up to \$1,000.00 may be used for course registration, materials or other project-related expenses.

Eligible students must meet the first criterion and at least one of the remaining three:

- They are high school students ages 14-18 years of age, living within the Bedford Audubon chapter region (Northern Westchester and Eastern Putnam counties)
- They plan to study environmental sciences at the college level
- They are engaged or have been engaged in research in environmental studies
- They have participated in environmental and/or conservation community service activities.

Students must submit the attached application form, typed and double spaced, with all required supporting documents, to the address below, no later than April 15, 2010.

**Dr. Linda Rachele Burke
Science and Education Committee
Bedford Audubon Society
35 Todd Road,
Katonah, NY 10536**

Applicants will be notified by May 1, 2010 of the success of their application.

* This scholarship is named after Marty McGuire of Putnam County, NY, who died in a car accident in August of 2007. He was an active and enthusiastic young birder and naturalist filled with a love of nature.

The Marty McGuire Scholarship Application Form

DATE OF APPLICATION _____

NAME _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

ADDRESS

SCHOOL and SCHOOL DISTRICT

CURRENT GRADE IN SCHOOL _____

SCIENCE COURSE(S) IN WHICH CURRENTLY ENROLLED

_____, _____, _____

Parental Approval and Teacher Recommendation are REQUIRED.

Please have your parent or guardian and your authentic science research teacher, OR one of your science teachers (past or present) if you are not enrolled in an authentic science research course, attest to your qualifications by signing the completed application form where indicated on the reverse. You must also have the teacher write a letter of recommendation which must be submitted, in a sealed envelope with the teacher's signature across the flap, along with the application.

A written report or copy of the authentic science research paper will be required at the completion of the funding period. Reports will be published on the BAS website.

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Required Supporting Documents

- I. **Personal Statement.** Describe the nature and purpose of your course of study or research project. Be sure to demonstrate how the program or the research fits into your commitment to environmental sciences.

- II. **List of Previous Relevant Experience.** Please list in chronological order all coursework, research, conservation work, or community service that you have done.

- III. **Financial Details.** Please attach copies of the course catalog or price lists from vendors.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Parent or Guardian contact telephone number

Signature of Recommending Teacher

Teacher contact telephone number