The Putnam Highlands Audubon Society, the local Chapter of the National Audubon Society is once again announcing its sponsorship of a specialized scholarship available for a graduating high school student through its Marty McGuire Audubon Scholarship program. This scholarship is limited to students from the western Putnam and southwestern Dutchess counties.

The scholarship is awarded on a need-blind basis in our service area, which include Beacon 12508, Castle Point 12511, Chelsea 12512, Cold Spring 10516, Fishkill 12524, Garrison 10524, Glenham 12527, Hughsonville 12537, Lake Peekskill 10537, New Hamburg 12590, Putnam Valley 10579 and Wappingers Falls 12590. Students must be legal residents, or if already in college, recent legal resident in one of the above zip codes. Students who by accident of postal boundaries legally reside in one of the above places but receive mail via a different zip code are encouraged to apply and note the circumstances.

An award will be made to a matriculating or current full-time undergraduate student with a demonstrated interest in field biology, botany, herpetology, ichthyology or similar environmental fields. Preference will be given to students entering their freshman year so they may receive support for their entire undergrad career, as long as they meet certain simple renewal criteria each year.

The scholarship honors the late Marty McGuire and enclosed is some information about Marty. He was an avid birder and naturalist who had a deep respect and interest in the natural world.

We hope you will encourage your students to apply for the scholarship, including those under the academic radar screen. The award is made through a permanently restricted endowment fund. The award last year exceeded $1500.00.

More information is available on our website www.putnamhighlandsaudubon.org. You may also call 845.424.3155 with any questions.

With best regards,

Zshawn Sullivan
Treasurer Marty McGuire Audubon Scholarship
Putnam Highlands Audubon Society

Marty McGuire Audubon Scholarship 2018

Complete this application, use «save as» so that your last name appears in the document title, and then attach the saved document to an email sent to: mmas@putnamhighlandsaudubon.org. Application deadline: March 15

Name:

Street Address:

Town: State: Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Are you currently matriculated at an accredited college or university?

___ Yes. If yes, where:

___ No

Have you been accepted at an accredited college or university?

___ Yes. If yes, where:

___ No. If no, where have you applied?

Current or intended major:

List two references (the first must be a current or former teacher or professor; the second should be a community member, mentor, or employer who is not a family member):

Reference 1.

Name:

School/College:

Phone:

Email:
Reference 2.

Name:

Affiliation:

Phone:

Email:

Remember to paste a brief statement (750 words maximum) explaining your relevant interests, experiences, and reasons why you should be selected.

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