Carver County Pheasants Forever

Tom Lehtinen Memorial Scholarship Application

Background:

Tom Lehtinen was a founding member of the Carver County Pheasants Forever Chapter. He served on the projects committee for several years and annually on the banquet committee. He sincerely believed in the mission of Pheasants Forever and was a life member of the organization. He improved the habitat on his own land for pheasants and other wildlife by establishing a woody cover tree planting, a wildlife food plot, grass nesting cover, and a wetland restoration. In the early years, he served on the education committee and helped this chapter gain recognition in the community. At one time, he was a high school teacher himself and believed in educating the hunter and general public on what Pheasants Forever was all about.   As a hunter, he was responsible and respectful of the resource and believed hunters should be educated in the same. This scholarship was started to honor Tom's commitment to education. The scholarship award is for $500, which is annually given to a graduating Carver County high school student after successfully completing their first semester of college.

Application Information:

1) The scholarship is open to a graduating high school student from Carver County seeking a college degree in a natural resources related field (e.g., wildlife biology, soil conservation, etc.)
2) Applicant must include an essay (2 pages maximum) on why they would like to pursue a career in a natural resources related field.
3) Application must include a letter of support from a teacher or counselor
4) Applicant information, essay, and letter of support must be submitted by April 15 to be considered for the scholarship
5) Mail application to: Tom Lehtinen Scholarship Committee, c/o Tom Cooper, 916 Sparrow Road, Waconia, MN 55387 or email to tom_cooper@fws.gov.

Applicant's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address:_____

Telephone Number: _____   Email: _____

High School: _____   Grade Point Average: _____

College (if known): _____   Degree Program: _____