



Dear Community Supporter,

Thank you so much for considering a donation to the Garden Club of Inverness. We are seeking community support for the Garden Club's annual fundraiser. Your support helps us provide scholarships to area students looking to pursue degrees in environmental studies and other similar fields. Since 2001, the Garden Club of Inverness has **granted over \$140,500 in scholarships** to high school graduating seniors and undergraduate students.

Every donation made goes directly towards the scholarship fundraiser and every donation is helpful! Thank you for considering this opportunity. We genuinely appreciate your generosity and community spirit.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact me directly at judithellenray@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Judith Ray, President

Garden Club of Inverness

Garden Club of Inverness awards three scholarships

Submitted by Mary Ann Laforet

The Garden Club of Inverness met at Makray Golf Club for its annual spring luncheon May 21. Three, \$3,500 scholarships were awarded to students pursuing education related to the environment and ecology.

Three outstanding students received the awards: Christopher Marzigliano, who attends Michigan Technological University; Syesha Sakhuja, who will attend University of Illinois; and Divya Saikumar, who attends Rice University.

Only Syesha Sakhuja was available to be present to

receive the scholarship, as the other two had already begun internships for the summer.

Myra Buettner, Scholarship Committee chair, reviewed the applications received from students in High School District 211 and Barrington High School with four other club members. Scholarships are funded through the annual Holiday Luncheon fundraiser at Medinah Country Club.

This year's event theme "I wonder what life would be like if we weren't so fabulous!" was hosted by club members Joyce Axe and clubofinverness.com.

Kathy Rein. Both will be retiring from this role after eight years as hospitality chairs.

Beautiful centerpieces were arranged by club members and each table centerpiece also boasted a red hat, which one lucky guest could win.

The club meets at the All Saints Lutheran Church, 630 South Quentin, Palatine, at 9:30 a.m. on the third Thursday of the month, August through April. Each meeting has a club business meeting followed by a guest speaker.

For details, visit gardenclubofinverness.com.



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President of the Garden Club of Inverness Judi Ray; Mrs. Marzigliano, mother of Christopher; Scholarship Committee chair Myra Buettner; Syesha Sakhuja; and Mr. Saikumar, father of Divya.