

Shawano Area Community Foundation Drew A. Hegner Memorial Staff Scholarship

Background:

The Drew A. Hegner Memorial Staff Scholarship was created by Michael Halron in 1999 to recognize those who have demonstrated the spirit of Gardner Dam Camp and scouting, and have unselfishly shared their experience, time, and skills to make the summer a positive experience for the scouts, scouters, and staff members with whom they've worked.

The scholarship fund, originally named the Gardner Dam Staff Scholarship, was renamed the Drew A. Hegner Memorial Staff Scholarship, after the tragic loss of devoted scouter and staff member, Drew Hegner, in 2005.

Drew Anders Hegner, the son of Linda and George Hegner, was born September 7, 1979 in Appleton, WI and raised in Black Creek, WI. He was very active in school and attained his Eagle Scout award in 1997. Drew's favorite scout camp was Gardner Dam, and he attended many campouts there during his scouting career and was the camp's Waterfront Director. He was a lifeguard for several years at the Appleton pool, loved whitewater kayaking on the Wolf River and was certified in scuba diving in Guam. After graduating UW-Milwaukee, Drew joined the Air Force and transitioned into the Air National Guard 128th Air Refueling Wing in Milwaukee.

Drew loved being a boom operator and navigated his way around the world with his unit when deployed. He had received his VFR pilot's license with the hope of becoming a tanker pilot. Drew also enjoyed golfing, fishing, sailing, biking, reading, and backing the Green Bay Packers. He was very personable, made friends easily, and was a trusted and respected leader.

Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Gardner Dam Camp staff members
- Attend or will be attending a private or public college, university or technical school in the fall semester immediately following their summer employment at Camp Gardner Dam as a full-time student
- Scholastic achievement
- Motivation to serve and to succeed

Award Amount:

One \$2,000 non-renewable scholarship for tuition expenses, payable for the spring semester.

Selection:

Recipients will be recommended each fall by the Drew Hegner Scholarship Selection Committee and the Community Foundation.

Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and Scholarship Verification Form through the [Scholarship Portal](https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar) (<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar>). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents *as instructed* in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list **with** credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

Loss of Eligibility:

Failure to register as a full-time student at an accredited 2- or 4-year college, university or technical school for the spring semester.

Further Information:

- Camp Director at Gardner Dam Scout Camp
- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
 - Website www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/
 - Email scholarships@cffoxvalley.org
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