## **Fox Valley Dog Training Club Press Release**

## **Scholarships Awarded to Local Students**

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**Fox Valley Dog Training Club** is pleased to announce that we have awarded our **Memorial Scholarship** and our **Community Scholarship** for Fall 2013 to two ambitious, deserving local students.

The **FVDTC Memorial Scholarship** rewards dedicated service to Fox Valley Dog Training Club and is for students with home residences in Kane County, Illinois, pursuing any course of study. The scholarship honors the memory of dedicated member volunteers who have passed away. This year's recipient is Erin Lewis. Erin is a 2013 graduate of West Aurora High School, who will be attending Iowa State University, majoring in Animal Science with a pre-veterinary emphasis. She has volunteered for our club at our Agility and Obedience Trials, and helped us with equipment setup, takedown and maintenance. Erin also shows at trials and has already begun winning titles. We'll miss her smiling face when she heads off to college this fall and wish her the best.

The goal of the **FVDTC Community Scholarship** is to support dedicated interest and an active role in the welfare of animals, and is awarded to students with primary residences in Kane County, Illinois seeking animal-centered careers. Jillian Demus is a 2013 graduate of St. Charles North High School, who will be attending University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, College of Natural Resources, majoring in Wildlife Ecology. Her experience persistently pursing work at a local veterinary office and volunteering at Anderson Animal Shelter, we are sure will take her far. Passionate about the outdoors and the preservation of endangered species, almost more at home with animals in their natural habitat, Jillian is eager to pursue internships offered through UW - Stevens Point, and a career where she can directly impact the wellness of wildlife.

**Fox Valley Dog Training Club** could not be more proud of *all* of our applicants and feel great hope for the future of animals in our society with such dedicated young minds on the task. Congratulations, one and all!

Fox Valley Dog Training Club will again offer the **Community Scholarship** and the serviceoriented **Memorial Scholarship**, for which students should start participating *now*, in Fall of 2014. Visit <u>FVDTC.org</u> for requirements and applications.