



The John and Margaret Maxwell Environmental Conservation Scholarship

Awarded by Friends of Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge

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Applicant Name: _____

Address: _____

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Up to three scholarships of at least \$1000 will be awarded to the institute of higher education attended by seniors at Sequim High School who are interested in Conservation, Protection, and Restoration of the natural environment. The award is in commemoration of the significant efforts of John and Margaret Maxwell, former Presidents of the Friends of Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge (FODNWR).

Please submit a typed response to **any 3** of the following questions by **April 15, 2023**. You may remit your application to FODNWR@GMAIL.COM. Your application will be reviewed by a staff member of Washington Maritime National Wildlife Refuge Complex and members of the Board of the FODNWR.

The winner will be contacted by mail by May 1, 2023.

QUESTIONS:

- 1) Climate change is endangering our planet. Our public lands and the flora and fauna that they support and protect are under threat. "Solving" the problem is a huge global responsibility. Some efforts to help with this solution might include planting native trees and shrubs, eating locally sourced food to lessen your carbon footprint or ride a bike to work. In what ways do you currently lessen your impact on climate change and what will you do in the future to contribute to the global solution?



- 2) The Friends of Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge (FODNWR) support volunteers to be “Weed Warriors”. These volunteers remove invasive species and restore native plants on multiple refuges within the Complex. Why you think this is important for the Conservation and Restoration of refuge lands?

- 3) One definition of conservation is the preservation and repair of damage to the natural environment or to wildlife habitat. One example is the removal of the dams on the Elwha River to allow salmon access to their traditional spawning grounds. What other examples can you give of how we can repair harmful human intervention in the natural world, or prevent future interference or damage?

- 4) The FODNWR also supports the protection of lands and habitats outside the Complex boundaries by speaking with local communities and writing to Congress regarding issues that may negatively impact the environment (e.g., non-native fish pens, building houses on highly erosive bluffs). How do you see yourself gaining awareness of issues that impact our local environment and in what ways will you help express the public’s concerns for such issues in the future?

- 5) Please describe any specific interests or passions that you plan to pursue regarding the conservation and protection of the environment.

Submit your application for this award to FODNWR at fodnwr@gmail.com by **April 15, 2023**.
Be sure to include your contact information.

Thank you and good luck.