



News Release

2006 NU Foundation scholarship winners honored

BERLIN, Connecticut, May 26, 2006 –After a close competition among 141 high caliber applicants, five students were awarded the 5th annual Northeast Utilities (NU) Foundation scholarships, receiving \$5,000 per year for up to four years of college undergraduate study or until their baccalaureate degree requirements are completed. The program was established to honor the academic excellence of NU employees' children and to help fulfill NU's commitment to promote higher education. The scholarship winners being honored are:

- David Arsego, son of Paul Arsego, a Business Group Financial Manager in for NU in Berlin. David will attend Villanova and study engineering.
- Matthew Belgiovine, son of John Belgiovine, a regional account executive for NU affiliate Select Energy New York in Syracuse. Matthew will attend the University of Pennsylvania and study engineering.
- Madeline Keyes, daughter of Harold Keyes, the station manager at Public Service of New Hampshire's Merrimack Station in Bow. Madeline will attend Wheaton College and study biology.
- Kelly Considine, daughter of James T. Considine, a chief meter service mechanic for Connecticut Light & Power Co. in Torrington, Conn. Kelly will attend Sacred Heart University.
- Maria Vancini, daughter of Frank Vancini, a manager of operations support for Western Massachusetts Electric Co. in East Springfield, Mass. Maria will attend Clemson University to study pre-med.

Andrew Tan, son of Loon-Kar Tan, an Information Technology software engineer in Berlin, was originally selected to receive one of the five scholarships. However, Andrew has earned a full scholarship to attend the University of Connecticut and graciously declined the award, enabling another student and family to be selected. Andrew will study engineering. As a special gift, the Foundation presented Andrew with a laptop computer to use in college.

More about the 2007 NU Foundation scholars:

David Arsego was the captain of the varsity basketball team at Torrington [Conn.] High School where he also lettered in varsity track, cross country and soccer. And he still found time to be a student government representative during all four years of high school. He also volunteered for the Special Olympics and he served as volunteer and coach for the Torrington Parks and Recreation Department.

Matthew Belgiovine attended Bouton [N.Y.] High School where he is a high honors student and was recently named as his class salutatorian. He was also co-captain of the varsity soccer team and a

member of the school's two-time regional champion volleyball team. Matt has also recently participated in the Model United Nations program and he is a vice president of the National Honor Society and vice president of his senior class. He also earned a perfect score on the SAT twice. He is one of only 39 students in the country to earn a perfect score on the SAT this year.

Madeline Keyes was a varsity gymnast and a leader of the concert and marching bands during all four years that she attended Bow [N.H.] High School. She teaches the flute to younger students and is an active hiker and climber. She has successfully and safely climbed all 48 mountains in New Hampshire that are over 4,000 feet in height. She has also climbed two mountains in Utah that were both over 12,000 feet.

Kelly Considine attended Lewis Mills High School in Burlington, Conn., where she was a class officer, captain of the basketball and volleyball teams, and where she participated in track and field and the marching band. And she participated in each of these activities during all four years of high school. Kelly has also been a very active participant in the Capital Region Council of Government's Leadership Program. Kelly has regularly interacted with state and community leaders, and last summer, she spent a week on a leadership visit to Colorado.

Maria "Mia" Vancini was a secretary of the National Honor Society at Westfield [Mass.] High. She also participated in basketball, track and field, in the school's Key Club, and in numerous volunteer activities while also working a part-time job. She is heavily involved in supporting her community by volunteering to help the Red Cross with their blood drives; supporting the efforts of the local soup kitchen and organizing the annual bike race and fundraiser for the House of Hope, a cancer awareness organization.

Andrew Tan attended Rocky Hill [Conn.] High School where he was the team captain of both the indoor and outdoor track teams, the cross country team. He also played with the school marching band and jazz band for four years. Andrew also periodically plays the piano to entertain seniors at a local Senior Living Center in his community. Andrew has been a volunteer counselor at a Chinese Culture summer camp for the last four years, and serves as a teacher's aid in the community Chinese school where he graduated. He is also an enterprising young businessman, having started a web hosting service with his older brother and friends.

The Northeast Utilities Foundation was established in 1998 to support community initiatives in education, the environment, the arts, and health and human services. For additional information, please visit www.nu.com/aboutNU/foundation.asp.

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