

George (Bud) Sinner Scholarship Recipients

The International Water Institute is excited to announce our inaugural scholarship recipients. Starting in 2020 by the Board of Directors, the George (Bud) Sinner Scholarship will provide support for River Watch students and for students from the Red River Basin interested in water and natural resources.

George (Bud) Sinner (1928-2018) was the International Water Institute's founder and inaugural chairperson. His leadership, vision and commitment to better prepare the next generation of watershed leaders and decision-makers is highlighted in these awards.

River Watch Scholarship

The River Watch Scholarship is available to seniors who have participated in the River Watch program for at least one year and have shown excellence in leadership through our programming. We are



pleased to award this scholarship to Sidney Olson from Red Lake County Central High School! Sidney has been in River Watch for three years and has helped her team grow in numbers and in their overall determination to deliver high-quality projects. As a team captain for the last two years, she led teams of three and twelve students to the top award at the 2019 and 2020 River Watch Forum. River Watch staff have had the opportunity to work with Sidney as she has taken part in all of the available activities offered. Sidney's work ethic and confidence in leadership are a great

combination and will suit her well as she pursues a degree in Education. Good luck Sidney and please keep in touch!

Water & Natural Resources Scholarship

The Water & Natural Resources Scholarship is available to seniors from any high school in the Red River Basin who are pursuing a career in Water Resources, Natural Resources, Environmental Science or

another closely related field of study. We are excited to award this scholarship to Ivy Daws from Larimore High School! Ivy will be pursuing a degree in Biology and is passionate about educating others. Her interest and dedication to science is a great start to a career in the Biology field. As a River Watch student herself, Ivy knows the value of water and watershed education as her team has focused on educating her community about the Turtle River Watershed.

We are excited to award this scholarship and look forward to hearing from Ivy over the next few years!



Larimore High School biology students (from left) Jacob Schempp, Ty Stromberg, Luke Tupa, Ivy Daws and Riley Cronin use dipnets to scoop up crayfish with teacher Lorrie Berthold this fall at Turtle River State Park. photo by Eric Hylden/Grand Forks Herald