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Media Release

Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture increases support for scholarships

With the cost of attaining post-secondary education increasing, Federation Members endorsed an increase for scholarship support.

Bible Hill, NS – Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture will be enhancing their financial contribution for scholarships for students in Agriculture programs at Dalhousie Faculty of Agriculture.

Each year the Federation will award two scholarships valued at \$1000 each to students with a connection to the Federation and who demonstrate an interest in farming. The third scholarship, “Ira L. Rhodenizer Memorial Scholarship” will remain with the same criteria with a value increase to \$1000.

Federation Members expressed an interest in increasing support for scholarships already in place for Dalhousie Faculty of Agriculture students. “We are excited to be able to double the Scholarship awards that we give to the aspiring young farmers of this province,” says Chris van den Heuvel, President of Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture. “These students are a key part to the future of Agriculture and we want to support and reward all their hard work to move the industry forward in the future”

The scholarships will be awarded as part of the Dalhousie Faculty of Agriculture’s fall scholarship campaign.

“It is only through community and industry partnerships such as our long standing relationship with the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture that we are able to continue to offer financial support to exceptional students who go on to make successful contributions to the agricultural industry,” said Dean, David Gray, Dalhousie University Faculty of Agriculture. “We are so pleased that the members of the NSFA have the foresight to continue to invest in the future of our industry by investing in our students.”

The change to scholarships will be effective for Fall 2015.

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