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Kiwanis Club of Roanoke Announces its Inaugural Environmental Scholarship Award of \$5,000 to Emma Land of Roanoke -

The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke is pleased to announce that Emma S. Land of Roanoke has been chosen to receive the club's first environmental scholarship for area college students majoring in an environment-related field. The \$5,000 award will be presented to Ms. Land at the June 14 meeting of the club in Charter Hall in Roanoke's Market Building by club President Ben Spiker.

Ms. Land, a Raleigh Court neighborhood resident, attended Patrick Henry High School in Roanoke and graduated this May from Roanoke College with a B.S. degree in Environmental Studies. The Kiwanis scholarship will help her pursue an M.S. in Forestry and Natural Resources at the University of Georgia beginning fall 2023.

Ms. Land is extremely hard-working and dedicated – she worked almost full time to fund her college education, attended college full-time, and volunteered. She volunteers on stewardship efforts throughout the Roanoke Valley including as a Trail Maintainer for both the Roanoke Appalachian Trail Club and the Nature Conservancy. As a Virginia Master Naturalist, she has assisted with stream monitoring, leading guided hikes, and invasive species removal.

The \$5,000 Roanoke Kiwanis environmental scholarship was open to all Roanoke students currently attending one of four designated local colleges or universities and majoring in an environment-related degree; Virginia Tech, Hollins University, Roanoke College, or Ferrum College. An applicant had to be a graduate of a City or County of Roanoke public or private high school and currently enrolled in college. The award criteria focused on financial need, academics, experience in environmental protection or natural resources management, and goals after graduation.



About the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke

The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke is a community service organization in the Roanoke Valley of Virginia that serves the needs of children, the older adults, and the environment. Our Club provides funds and sweat equity to over 25 charitable organizations, Key Clubs at area high schools, and the Phoenix Star AKtion Club for adults with special needs. At the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke you can fulfill your desire to serve the community and build friendships that will last a lifetime. All are welcome to join or participate in programs. The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke is one of the largest and most active of the 15,000 worldwide Kiwanis clubs. It meets in Charter Hall on the third floor of the Roanoke City Market Building and guests are welcome at its midday Wednesday meetings. The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke has been serving the Roanoke community for over 100 years.

The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke meets each Wednesday from 12:30-1:30PM.

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