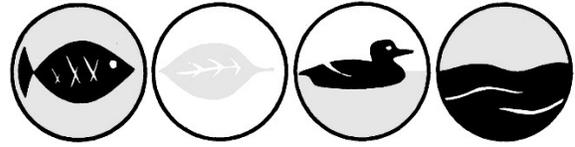


# N.I.C.C.

## June 2016 Newsletter



Meet Emma Barlow, 2016 winner of the Northern Illinois Conservation Clubs \$1000 Scholarship Award. Emma is a student from Lakes Community High School.

Because of her love for nature, she will be going to Southern Illinois University in the fall to get her Bachelor's degree in Forestry. She is interested in forestry because of her desire to be able to physically help the environment by planting new trees, killing invasive species and protecting animals.

With her degree she will be pushing for more national and state parks to be put in place, along with the idea of having a community garden. She has seen small towns where people have planted a large community fenced off garden where the community take turns caring for it until it is ready for harvest.

When she receives her degree in Forestry, Emma wants to help the environment and educate people on the importance of going green to save the planet. She also wants to show how just one person can make a difference by just planting a garden, volunteering for adopt-a-highway, buying locally and eating free range meat

This summer Emma is hoping to get a position in habitat rehabilitation and wildlife management at the Lake County Forest Preserve. These specific fields are the reason she is going to Southern Illinois University. While she is at Southern she hopes to get a job at Shawnee National Forest to not only learn from classes, but have on the job training. After Southern, she will move to Colorado to work at one of the many national forests surrounding Denver.

*Congratulations Emma*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

June 13 Board/General Meeting & Elections-----7 pm  
July 11 Board/General Meeting -----7 pm

## ELECTIONS

Elections will be held on **June 11** at the combined Board/General meeting at 7 pm.

## WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED

NICC received a call from Bass Pro Shops in Gurnee asking if anyone from our organization would be interested in helping out with any of their kids fishing events this summer. The events start June 11 and run through the end of July. They are weekend events that introduce kids to fishing. If anyone is interested please let me know and I will let BPS know. Help can come as one day, the weekend, or multiple weekends - whatever you feel like volunteering.

## CANS FOR CONSERVATION

Remember to save your aluminum cans for our Cans for Conservation bin. Cans are to be put into tightly secured plastic bags. Please do not put smaller plastic bags of cans into a larger bag. You will find the bin next to the barn. Place the bags into the containers making sure the door is locked so the woodland critters can't get in. When enough cans are collected, they will be taken to the recycle center.

