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Sport Manitoba Presents Milt Stegall and Manitoba Foundation for Sports Scholarships

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WINNIPEG, Manitoba – Today Sport Manitoba presented the Milt Stegall and Manitoba Foundation for Sport Scholarships to 18 students totaling \$13,500 for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Manitoba Foundation for Sports Scholarships

The Manitoba Foundation for Sports Scholarship Program supports young athletes of Sport Manitoba partners who participate in amateur sport while pursuing a post-secondary education on a full time basis. The emphasis of the Manitoba Foundation for Sports Scholarships is placed on athletes who have competed at the provincial level or higher in the previous year and who have maintained a high level of academic standing.

Applicants must also demonstrate a commitment to amateur sport through their involvement in coaching, officiating and volunteer activities. Preference is given to students continuing their post-secondary studies in Manitoba.

The Manitoba Foundation for Sports through Sport Manitoba presented 18 student athletes with scholarships for the 2011/2012 academic year. Twelve student athletes entering the first year of a post-secondary program received \$500 scholarships. Six student athletes entering the second or subsequent year of a post-secondary program received \$1,000 scholarships. **Please see the attachment for a listing and full biographies.**

Milt Stegall Scholarships

In August 2007, former Winnipeg Blue Bomber receiver Milt Stegall became the Canadian Football League's all-time leader for touchdowns. To recognize his accomplishment, the Province of Manitoba in partnership with Sport Manitoba and the Manitoba Foundation for Sports, created a scholarship in his name.

The scholarship awards the top graduating high school student entering a post-secondary institution (\$1000) and the top student in their second or subsequent year in a post-secondary institution (\$2000). Recipients of this year's two Stegall scholarships have been selected from today's foundation scholarship recipients. Milt Stegall was present today to offer congratulations to the recipients and award the scholarships in his name.

This year's high school recipient is *Melanie Edel* from Morris. The university recipient is *Cody Hunter* from Winnipeg. **Their biographies are attached.**

Sport Manitoba is a not for profit organization and the lead planning, programming and funding agency for the development of amateur sport in Manitoba. Sport Manitoba partners with over 100 organizations to deliver sport in our province and is responsible for programs including the Power Smart Manitoba Games, Coaching Manitoba, Team Manitoba, Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame & Museum and KidSport.

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