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ROTORUA TRUST AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS
JWJ Lepper Memorial Apprenticeship
Waiariki Institute of Technology Whare Takiura
Dick and Diana Hubbard Foundation / Rotorua Trust Outward Bound

Two new scholarships were awarded at the annual awards ceremony for recipients of this year's JWJ Lepper Memorial Apprenticeship and Waiariki Institute of Technology Whare Takiura scholarships.

Rotorua Trust education spokesperson, Lyall Thurston said the Trust had made a significant investment in Hubbard Foods in 2009. "The two new scholarships recognise the very positive ongoing partnership between Rotorua Trust and Dick and Diana Hubbard, and provide an added incentive for applicants."

Local apprentice, Mark Costello, and Waiariki (Institute of Technology) student, Denny Hona, each received one of the new Dick and Diana Hubbard Foundation / Rotorua Trust Outward Bound scholarships to attend Outward Bound. Mr Costello, who has almost completed his four-year full-time heavy diesel mechanic apprenticeship with Gough, Gough and Hamer, said he can't wait to go on the course. "I'm really looking forward to doing this course and taking things out of it that I know will help me in the future. I feel very privileged to be given this opportunity and would like to thank the Trust and the Hubbard's for it." First awarded a JWJ Lepper Memorial Apprenticeship scholarship three years ago, Mr Costello said he bought tools at that time to improve his tool box, which is a crucial component of his chosen trade.

In presenting the awards, Mr Thurston said the Trust remained firmly committed to education having invested more than \$4.5 million in this area since 1996. "Once again the calibre of students was very high for all scholarships making it a very difficult decision for the selection panel. We would, however, welcome more applications from local apprentices. While the standard remained very high, numbers were down on previous years," he said.

In excess of \$50,000 has been awarded in scholarships to local apprentices, while students studying at Waiariki Institute of Technology have received more than \$180,000. Recipients of the JWJ Lepper Memorial Apprenticeship Scholarship receive \$1,000 each and the Waiariki Institute of Technology Whare Takiura Scholarship has an annual value of \$2,000. The value of each Outward Bound scholarship is approximately \$4,000, and includes travel to and from Outward Bound at Anakiwa in the Marlborough Sounds. Established in 1962, Outward Bound is New Zealand's leading organisation for showing people their full potential through outdoor challenge and adventure.

The 22 local people who received scholarships this year were:

2011 Waiariki Institute of Technology Whare Takiura Scholarship

Lisa Ainsley	<i>Bachelor of Computing, Communications & Technology</i>
Savannah Dorset	<i>Diploma of Teaching (Early Childhood)</i>
Annexe Kahika	<i>Bachelor of Applied Social Science</i>
Julie Millar	<i>Bachelor of Applied Management</i>
Conrad Ransfield	<i>Diploma in Forest Management</i>
Paula Sorenson	<i>Bachelor of Nursing</i>
Teresa Walker	<i>Bachelor of Applied Social Science</i>
Nikki Waterkamp	<i>Bachelor of Nursing</i>
Raymond Wharepapa	<i>Bachelor of Applied Social Science</i>
Tanya Williams	<i>Bachelor of Nursing</i>

2011 JWJ Lepper Memorial Apprentice Scholarship

Toni Austin	<i>Hairdressing</i> STRANZ HAIR DESIGN
Rhys Calcutt	<i>Mechanical Engineering</i> ROTORUA MITSUBISHI
Daniel Dufty	<i>Carpentry</i> POPE HOMES
Daniel Gibbs	<i>Heavy Diesel Engineering</i> AGRITURF
Simon Imlig	<i>Fitting & Machining</i> HAYES INTERNATIONAL
Steven Palmer	<i>Automotive Heavy Engineering</i> CLAAS HARVEST CENTRE BOP
Michael Rutten	<i>Mechanical Engineering</i> RED STAG TIMBER
Jason Ryan	<i>Auto Parts & Accessory Merchandising</i> AGRITURF
Samuel Sargison	<i>Fitter Welder</i> PATCHELL INDUSTRIES
Matthew Styles	<i>Electrical Engineering</i> IC ELECTRICAL

2011 Dick and Diana Hubbard / Rotorua Trust Outward Bound Scholarship

Mark Costello	<i>Heavy Diesel Mechanic</i>
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Denny Hona

Bachelor of Applied Management
Waiariki Institute of Technology

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(Seated left to right) Waiariki Institute of Technology Kaumatua Ken Kennedy and Head of Nursing, Helen Manoharan, Rotorua Trust Trustees Trevor Maxwell, Sandra Kai Fong, Grahame Hall (Chairman), Jo-Anne La Grouw, Lyall Thurston and John Snook, Waiariki Institute of Technology Deputy CEO, with recipients of the 2011 Waiariki Institute of Technology Whare Takiura Awards (standing rear)." *Photo Kerry Grant Photography*

2011 JWW Lepper

Apprentices awarded the 2011 JWW Lepper Memorial Apprentice Scholarships are joined by Trustees Sandra Kai Fong, Grahame Hall (Chairman) and Jo-Anne La Grouw (seated middle front row), Trevor Maxwell (standing left) and Lyall Thurston (standing right). *Photo Kerry Grant Photography*

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