2011 HRCCA Scholarship Winner – Jing Guo



The 2011 HRCCA Scholarship awardee is Jing Guo of Aldershot High School in Burlington. This year the award is given in memory of Mrs Lily Chan. "Jing is a very rare student who excels in all aspects of her life. She has the internal drive and fortitude to maintain extremely high personal standards" said one of her referees. Her leadership roles included creating a Global Awareness committee within the Student council to promote multiculturalism with an emphasis on Chinese culture, fundraising efforts, designing and coordinating a student voice forum, and leader of Link crew.

She has spent many hours volunteering for the Elder Life Program and emergency department at Joseph Brant Hospital, as well as charitable organizations such as Canadian Diabetic Association and Kidney foundation. She has also worked at restaurants to help her mother. Jing will be attending McMaster University in the Fall, majoring in Life Sciences.

Through the generosity of the Chan family a special one time award in memory of Mrs Lily Chan was also made by the HRCCA to Mr Ilish Chan of E. C. Drury High School in Milton. Ilish has been helping Chinese students learn English at the Milton Baptist church where he promotes Chinese culture. In addition, he is a 5-year veteran goalie in the Toronto Power Wheelchair hockey league which is a multi-cultural team. According to one of his referees Ilish has a maturity beyond his years. He leads by example, never shows frustration, is well respected by his peers and teachers for his positive outlook and enthusiasm for life, in spite of his disability. He has earned 97% in many subjects during his studies. Ilish will be attending the University of Guelph in the Fall to study Geography.