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2012 Ferguson Scholar

JEDEDIAH PETRIE

University of Wisconsin - Fox Valley

Class of 2014

Jedediah Petrie received his Associate Degree at the University of Wisconsin – Fox Valley graduating High Honors with a 3.80 GPA. He is majoring in Biological Chemistry and will be transferring to University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point this fall. Jed graduated Summa Cum Laude from his high school in Brillion, Wisconsin in 2010 and was a Ferguson Scholarship Semi-finalist in 2011.

Jed's commitment to serving the community dates back as far as 1998 when he joined the Boy Scouts of America. Now, as an Eagle Scout, Jed has devoted an average of ten hours a week to the Boy Scouts for more than a dozen years. With the Boy Scouts Jed serves as a Volunteer Counselor for Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venture Scout activities for thirty hours a year. He is also starting his seventh summer as staff at Gardner Dam Boy Scout Camp as Archery Director.

Jed is actively involved in the UW Fox Chemistry Club and has organized events and sought out opportunities within the local American Chemical Society Chapter. He has assisted with outreach activities with local schools and Scout Troops. Jed's professor calls his level of volunteerism "impressive" given his credit load. Jed was selected as a "Spotlight Student" for his scientific projects. In March, his research on reflux effects of chemical microwave unit was recognized by the "Posters in the Rotunda", a celebration of the excellent undergraduate research that takes place at UW and across the state.

In addition to academics, Jed participates in the Chemistry Club, the Wrestling Club, and is a volunteer Middle School Football Coach. He actively volunteers at his church and has been singing with area choirs since 2003. He is also a volunteer platelet donor at the Community Blood Center. In high school, he was involved in a variety of extra-curricular activities. He played Football, Wrestled and threw Shot Put and Discus for Track and Field. He was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the National Honor Society, and the Spanish, Math, Science, and Drama clubs. Jed was Team Captain for Wrestling on Conference Champion Football and Track and Field teams. He has received numerous awards and recognitions. Some of them include: Olympian Conference Senior Scholar Athlete, Crossface Magazine Scholar Athlete, American Legion Americanism and Government Award, Eagle Scout Award with 5 Palms and the UW-Fox Foundation Scholar Award. Jed has been the featured student in the UW-Fox Foundation's annual report, in the Student Spotlight on the UW-Fox website, and the "Spotlight" portion of the Appleton Post Crescent.

Jedediah's very proud parents are Ted and Brigitte Petrie of Brillion, Wisconsin. Ted is a Quality Analyst at Branch # 2100.

Best of luck at University of Wisconsin – Steven's Point

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