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NMCC Foundation Receives Donation to Fully Endow a Scholarship at the College

Aroostook County - The Northern Maine Community College Foundation recently received a gift from the Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament Charitable Foundation. The \$12,500 gift, added to their previous gift, brings the scholarship to the \$20,000 level. This scholarship will be used to assist students at Northern Maine Community College.

The Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament is an annual three-day fishing event held at the Spring Point Marina in South Portland Maine. The 9th annual tournament was held from August 3-5, 2006. The participants vie for one or more of the five largest fish and a share of the \$12,500 in prize money, and a grand prize of \$25,000 for a registered boat that sets a new Maine State record in the Rod and Reel Category.

Over the past seven years, the Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament has made charitable contributions exceeding \$175,000. In 2005, SITT made a commitment to endow a scholarship in order to assist students in Northern Maine achieve their educational goals.

“We are very thankful to the Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament Charitable Foundation for their commitment to assisting students in Northern Maine,” said Tim Crowley, NMCC president, who recently accepted the donation on behalf of the NMCC Foundation. “We feel fortunate to have an organization based in southern Maine identifying the important work that Northern Maine Community College does.”

Students will be able to apply for the Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament scholarship the next academic year, when enough interest has been generated to award the scholarship. “Because this is an endowed fund, only the interest is awarded annually, making this a gift that will benefit NMCC students in perpetuity,” said Crowley.

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