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Senior Bailey Yliniemi Volunteers 1,484 Hours

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The Student Volunteer of the Year for 2016-17 is Bailey Yliniemi. Last summer, she volunteered at the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge in Kodiak, Alaska, working on the Kittlitz's Murrelet where she volunteered 1,140 hours. She is the president of the Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society through which she has banded ducks, bud capped trees, surveyed owls and goshawks, cut brush, and planted trees. She is an active member of the NatR Club and Golden Ducks Chapter of Ducks Unlimited.



She is a team mission member of Hope for the First Nations, serving the White Earth Ojibwe Tribe for more than 12 years. Involved for 6 years, she is the youngest board member of Ruby's Pantry, an organization that works with local communities to provide monthly food distributions. She is also actively involved with her local VFW Post through an organization called BentProp that actively searches for remains of WWII soldiers from the Region of Palau. She designed a t-shirt that has currently raised about \$5,000 to help with these efforts. Her newest venture is photographing and documenting the unique stories of service to our country of local VFW Post members.

In the past year, she has volunteered 1,484 hours. Using a 40-hour work week, that is 37 WEEKS of volunteering!

In the photo, left to right, are Bailey Yliniemi with Lisa Loegering who presented the Volunteer of the Year Award.

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