TWO RMC STUDENTS AWARDED MAS RESEARCH GRANTS

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BILLINGS – Two Rocky Mountain College students were granted research awards from the Montana Academy of Sciences at the 2013 MAS Annual Meeting.

Kayla Baisch, junior biology major, of Colstrip, Mont., was awarded a research grant for her work studying cell-cell signaling in fruit flies.

Britney Cheff, senior biology major, of Charlo, Mont., was honored with an Outstanding Undergraduate Research Presentation Award for her talk summarizing her two-year study about molecular signaling events during fruit fly development.

Both students work with Dr. Phil Jensen, RMC assistant professor, biology.

The Montana Academy of Sciences aims to promote scientific research and the public understanding of science statewide.

Seven other RMC students -- all biology majors -- attended the meeting held April 12 – 13 at Montana Tech. They included Amy Bump, of Dillon, Mont.; Jordyn Eastlick, of Havre, Mont.; James Miller, of Chinook, Mont.; Melinda Obritschkewitsch, of Billings, Mont; Gereint Sis, of Grand Junction, Colo.; Anne Wylie, of Woodstock, Ill.; and Brennan Zotovich, of Billings, Mont.

RMC faculty who attended the meeting included Jensen, Mark Osterlundm associate professor, biology, and Kayhan Ostovar, assistant professor, biology and environmental science

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