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## NEWS RELEASE

### ANSCHUTZ WINS SPOT ON U.S. JUNIOR WORLD ARCHERY TEAM

Fifteen-year-old Erika Anschutz of Grand Island, Nebraska competed in the U.S. Junior World Archery Team Trials held at the Deseret Peaks Recreation Complex near Tooele, Utah during June 4-6, and won a prestigious spot on the U.S. Junior World Archery Team. As a member of the elite U.S. Team, Erika will represent the U.S. in both individual and team competitions against other top young women (age 18 and under) from around the globe at the VIII Junior World Outdoor Target Archery Championships in Lilleshall, Great Britain on July 18-24, 2004.

The U.S. Junior World Team is comprised of thirty-two young men and women archers from across the nation who are divided into eight, four person teams based on their gender, age (age groups 17-18 and 16 and under), and type of bow used (recurve or compound). Erika, who is the youngest member of the junior women's compound bow team, will be joined by Tiffany Reeves (Helena, Montana), Cassandra Raffaelii (Bartonville, Texas), and Jessica Mattson (Canton, Michigan). The U.S. Team, which is sponsored by the National Archery Association (NAA), will be led by a veteran staff of six coaches, experienced in international archery competition.

This is the third U.S. World Archery Team that Erika has qualified for in as many years. During August 2002, she traveled with the U.S. Team to Nymburk, Czech Republic for the VII Junior World Outdoor Target Archery Championships and established a new world record score while winning the gold medal in the individual compound bow competition for cadet women (age 16 and under). Less than one year later, Erika was the youngest member of the U.S. Team that went to Nimes, France during March 2003 for the VII World Indoor Archery Championship. While in France, she competed in the junior women (age 18 and under) compound bow division and won her second and third world titles with first and second place finishes in the team and individual competitions, respectively.

For detailed information about Erika's results at the recent U.S. Junior World Archery Team Trials competition and to learn more about the U.S. Junior World Archery Team, please visit the NAA's website at <http://www.usarchery.org/>. Additional information about the upcoming VIII Junior World Outdoor Target Archery Championships may also be obtained by visiting <http://www.jotawc2004.info/>.

Erika will be a sophomore at Grand Island Senior High School this coming school year. In addition to archery, she enjoys listening to music, watching movies, and spending time with her family and friends. Erika is the daughter of Steve and Jurita Anschutz. Steve is employed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Grand Island, while Jurita owns and operates a home-based health and wellness business.