Member News

2018 Scholarship Recipients Recognized

by Ken Benoit, CGCS

he 2018 Scholarship Awards Ceremony was held on August 7 as part of the sixth Annual Scholarship & Parent/Child Tournament at Mosholu Golf Course, one of America's premier First Tee golf courses located in Bronx, NY.

Dave Moffett, who is in his seventh season as Mosholu's superintendent, had the course in great shape. And the nine-hole, 2,300vard par-32 course proved, once again, to be the perfect setting for kids and adults of all golfing abilities.

Thirty-five participants (parent/child teams) played in a nine-hole shotgun, twoman scramble, which was free to members and, by all accounts, a great success. The winners in this year's tournament were Peter and Michael Grace of H. Smith Richardson Golf Course. The two generously donated their winnings back to the Met Scholarship Fund! After golf, the golfers and guests enjoyed an outdoor dinner while scholarship winners were presented with their awards in an informal ceremony.

The Scholarship Award Winners

In addition to maintaining stellar GPAs, these students are all very involved in their communities and in numerous extracurricular activities. I am truly awed and inspired by the depth of talent possessed by the children who applied for a MetGCSA scholarship this year. The Scholarship Committee and board are very pleased to recognize these deserving applicants with scholarship awards.

Please join me in congratulating this year's scholarship recipients—and their proud parents:

Chris Bresnahan, son of Tami and John Bresnahan of Syngenta, is attending the University of Vermont and pursuing a degree in Environmental Science.

Julia Cook, daughter of Lisa and Mike Cook of The Care of Trees, is attending University of Scranton and pursuing a bachelor's of arts.

Lexus Marie Disbrow, daughter of Paula and Tom Weinert of Plant Food Company, is attending Lehigh Carbon Community College where she is majoring in Social Work.



At the Mosholu Parent/Child Tournament, 8 of the 16 MetGCSA scholarship winners received their well-deserved awards. From left to right: Bill Jones and his daughters, Amanda and Trish; Matt Severino with his son, Matt Jr.; Frank and Diane Muggeo with their daughter, Isabella; Peter Grace and his son, Michael; Jim Weiland and his sons, Zachary and Nicholas; Jon Jennings and his son, Ted.

Payton Dorsch, daughter of Misty and Rob Dorsch of Richter Park Golf Course, is attending University of Delaware and pursuing a degree in Social Work.

Skylar Dorsch, daughter of Misty and Rob Dorsch of Richter Park, is attending Arizona State University and pursuing a degree in Communications.

Margaret Drohen, daughter of Donalee and Andy Drohen of Koch Agronomic Services, is attending University of Massachusetts and studying Biology.

Nicholas Girardi, son of Christine and Tony Girardi of Rockrimmon Country Club, is attending University of Wisconsin and studying Biochemistry.

Michael Grace, son of Peter Grace of H. Smith Richardson Golf Course, is attending Merrimack College and pursuing a double major in Business Management and Sports

Ted Jennings, son of Susan and Jon Jennings of Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, is attending University of Minnesota Twin Cities and pursuing a Biomedical Engineering degree.

Amanda Jones, daughter of Patricia and Bill Jones of Friar's Head, is attending Long Island University and studying Theatre.

Isabella Muggeo, daughter of Diane and Frank Muggeo of Palisades Fuel, is attending Fordham University and pursuing a degree in Business.

Mike Muggeo, son of Diane and Frank Muggeo of Palisades Fuel, is attending Saint Joseph's University and pursuing a degree in Sports Marketing.

Matthew Severino, son of Kristin and Matt Severino of Scarsdale Golf Club, is attending the University of Connecticut and majoring in Civil Engineering for Manufacturing.

Mary Sylvester, daughter of Julie and Dave Sylvester of Bayer U.S., is attending University of West Florida and pursuing a Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Instruction/ Curriculum and Assessment.

Nick Weiland, son of Shannon Mulligan and Jim Weiland of Connecticut Golf Club, is attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute and pursuing a degree in Biomedical Engineering.

Zachary Weiland, son of Shannon Mulligan and Jim Weiland of Connecticut Golf Club, is attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute and pursuing a degree in Chemical Engineering with an environmental concentration.

In addition to congratulating our 16 scholarship recipients, I'd like to recognize those past boards who had the foresight to initiate our Scholarship Fund, which has enabled us to assist in the ever-increasing college costs thanks to our Annual Bill Caputi Scholarship Raffle, the 50/50s at our monthly meetings, and last but not least, a portion of our dues. Finally, a special thank you needs to go out to the entire Scholarship Committee for their hard work in reviewing and awarding each scholarship.

Please remember to support our scholarship raffle. It is the major income-generator for our Scholarship Fund!

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