



New Smyrna Beach Community and Alumni Providing Scholarships

Summer 2016 Newsletter

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The Board of directors of CAPS, along with help from the American Legion and Fraternal Order of Police hosted a spaghetti dinner on May 23rd in honor of the 2016 CAPS scholarship recipients. Thirteen of the seventeen recipients were able to attend and are pictured below. New Smyrna's Mayor Hathaway was also in attendance at the dinner and gave a short speech.



Back row, LtoR: Zachary Halpin, Hunter Manson, Quinn Slizyk, Elena De-Marco, Jacken Holland, Cassidy Blank, Alexa Felix

Front Row, LtoR: Jessica May, Cathryn Holley, Emily Thatch, Megan Collins, Jordan Toth, Devon Robinson

Message From Your Chairman



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Hello! WOW, what an amazing end of the school year and summer CAPS has had!

I would like to formally introduce myself as the new chairperson of NSB CAPS. I have assumed this new leadership role with the understanding of what amount of time and commitment is required to continue to make this great organization successful. For the 2015-2016 school year, CAPS awarded over \$51,000 in college scholarships. It is our continued mission to raise more money each year so that we can ADD more recipients as the years continue on.

With that, this effort must continue on into the coming 2016-2017 school year. Our annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser is set for February 4, 2017. We are always looking for volunteers, donations, and people to spread the word about CAPS.

Please continue to support our efforts this coming year. Visit us on Facebook and Instagram and share your thoughts! Also, visit our website NSBCAPS.com. Our website will be updated shortly as we have added board members who are bright, young, and successful.

Again, I am looking forward to a prosperous year. Thank you for your continued support and I am willing to bet, you will be seeing much more of us this year!

Carissa Peterson

Are You Planning A Class Reunion?

We can help you spread the word. Just send us the what, when, where, and who to contact to our editor at salron5@att.net and we'll be sure to get it in the next publication. Deadlines for our three-times-a-year CAPS Newsletter are as follows: April 1st for May 1st mailing, August 1st for September 1st mailing, December 1st for January 1st mailing. Have you recently had a reunion and want to share the great time you had together? Just use the same deadlines and email address above and send pictures (make sure to identify the people), and a brief account of the event.

In Passing

Chitwood, Vikki ('68) died March 20, 2016. Born in El Paso, Texas, she graduated from Daytona Beach Community College with a degree in nursing. She was an RN at Lucerne Hospital in Orlando and also an RN at Same Day Surgery Center in Orlando before retiring due to illness. Receiving a heart transplant 18 years ago, Vikki was one of the longest living heart transplant patients in Florida.

Clements, Gail Hogsten ('69) died April 16, 2015 in Ocala, FL. A graduate of the Univ. of Florida in 2014, she retired from the United States Postal Service after 32 years of service. Gail is survived by a son, James; daughter, Laura; and two grandchildren.

Dickerson, Bryon ('80) died April 27, 2016 in Suwanee, FL from a tragic accident. He worked at the Volusia County School Board Maintenance as a welder/fabricator for 32 years. He is survived by his son, Bryon; daughter, Alyssa; and grandson, Brendan.

Goodrich, Judith Ann Schafer ('58) died July 5, 2016 at her home in Oak Hill, FL. Coming to the area as a child from Indianapolis, Indiana, Judy was a retired registrar at Bert Fish Medical Center and co-owner and operator of Goodrich Seafood Restaurant. Survivors include her husband of 59 years, Cecil; two sons, Tim and Marty; two daughters, Tammy and Elizabeth; 11 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

Hawn, Eugene B. ('52) died June 7, 2016 in Port Republic, NJ. Gene served four years in the US Air Force, graduated from Glassboro State College and taught in Southern Regional High School in Manahawkin, NJ for 28 years. After retirement, he spent 20 winters in his home in NSB enjoying

his favorite sports, fishing and golfing. Gene is survived by his wife, Barbara; two daughters, Sherrie and Sandy; son, Gene Fred; and 5 grandchildren.

Hutchinson, Dorothy Williams ('42) died March 27, 2016. Born and raised in Oak Hill, she was very active in her community and is survived by her daughters, Brenda and Pam; three sons, Albert, Johnny and Joel; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Isaac Jr., Lucius (Chisholm High School, 1955) died April 11, 2016. Retiring as a chef for the US Navy after 21 years, Lucius was awarded the Naval Achievement Medal during the Vietnam war. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, four daughters: Demetricia, Auyonda, Vanessa and Linda; 5 sons, Anthony, Darryl, Tim, Donnie and Johnny; 23 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

King, Raymond Edward ('94) had been currently living in Wilton Manor, Florida, died June 10, 2016 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. He is survived by sisters, Bonnie and Cheryl and brother, Bernie.

Lopez, Richard Elmo ('57) died July 18, 2016 in West Palm Beach, Florida. After graduating from the University of Florida, Richard worked as a private investigator with the Florida Highway Patrol and an educator at Florida Atlantic University. He is survived by daughter, Angela; son Burton; and two grandchildren.

Matusick, Marjorie Langham ('45) died April 2, 2016. Retired from the Volusia County School District, she is survived by her son, Robert; daughters, Marjorie and Robin, and a great-grandson.

Meyer, Norman ('78) died March 26, 2016. Born in Elgin, IL, he moved to this area with his family in 1945 and was a commercial fisherman and crabber, known as the "Gold Digger" because he could always find the Pompano and bring the biggest load to the Goodrich Fish House. Survivors include his wife, Mattie; sons, Norman Jr., Tony and Frank, daughters, Penny, Peggy and Nichol; 22 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Ovca, Eleanor Henshaw ('40) died April 4, 2016. Graduated from Florida State College for Women (now FSU), she taught at Bay High School in Panama City for 35 years.

Swindell, Claude E. ('53) died July 14, 2016 in Orlando, FL. Claude was a retired United States Air Force MSgt. and was a 100% disabled veteran who spent the final years of his life in a military veteran's home. He and Betty Hamilton ('54) were married for sixty two years and she survives him along with their two children, Chip and Susan; six grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren.

Traverso, Mary Darcy ('63) died April, 2016. Mary was a resident of Santa Rosa, California. Word of her passing was received from her sister, Patrica Darcy Weed.

Wilson, James Dennis ('75) died May 5, 2016 in Humboldt, TN. James did lights and sound for Waylon Jennings, Wynonna Judd, David Ball, Tiffany, Elton John and many others. He is survived by his wife, Susan; daughters, Jennifer, Vanessa and Sarah; son, Keaton; and 4 grandchildren.

2016 NSB CAPS Scholarship Recipients

New Smyrna Beach Community and Alumni Providing Scholarships is proud to present the following young New Smyrna Beach High School graduates who received a total of \$51,000 from your organization this spring. Since our inception in 1995, we (you) have granted a total of 398 educational scholarships totaling over \$700,000.

Emily Claire Abazia

With a lofty goal of becoming an aerospace engineer, Emily was the recipient of ridicule from instructors and peers alike because she was also a four year member of the high school Showdolls Dance Team. Also a member of the Key Club, National Honors Society, Captain of the Academic Team and President of the French Club, she also was active in community activities and maintained a 4.0 GPA. Emily has been accepted to Embry Riddle Aeronautical University and will continue to pursue her goal.

Cassidy Megan Blank

As a four year member of the Medical Academy at NSBHS, Cassidy has also shadowed at Bert Fish Medical Center on her way to a future career in the medical field. With a 3.5 GPA, she was also on the honor roll, was on the weightlifting team, a member of the Silver Sands Bridle Club, a teacher aid and still held a full time job at Panera Bread in their Extension of Management program. Cassidy will attend Daytona State College in the fall.

Breon Prince Clark

NSBCAPS Founders' Scholarship

Breon was the team captain of the defending NSBHS weightlifting state champions as well as the public relations officer of the National Honors Society. He was also a four year football player, 2016 Outstanding Senior Award recipient and Coronado United Methodist Church Scholar. Graduating with a 4.1 GPA he will attend Univ. of Central Florida with a major in Sociology and a career choice of Occupational Therapist.

Megan Elizabeth Collins

A member of the Marine Science Honors class at NSBHS, Megan's goal is to be a Marine Biologist to "benefit the world in a way that can help pollution problems in our oceans, protect marine wildlife, and discover the world around us." She was a member of AVID and a four year member of both Future Farmers of America and the honor roll. She worked at McDonalds and volunteered at Marine Discovery Center and CAPS annual spaghetti dinner fund raiser. She maintained a 3.7 GPA.

Elena Claire De Marco

Valedictorian – Margie Sheldon Memorial Scholarship

Not only has Elena graduated at the top of her high school class with a 4.5 GPA, she has also graduated with an AA degree from Daytona State on her way to the college of her choice since fourth grade, Flagler College, where she will major in Public History/Museum Sciences. She chose this field of endeavor after attending a lecture by one of NSB-CAPS Cuda Achievers: Rebecca McGinnis who is employed by Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

Alexa Nacole Felix

Lane Family Scholarship

Alexa never knew either of her parents. Her mother died when she was one year old and her father left at the same time, dying in 2008 without Alexa ever meeting him. She was raised by her grandparents with limited means, but they instilled in her the love and desire her mother had for her to go to college some day. Alexa "has a passion for helping others," as stated by her AVID teacher, has maintained a 3.67GPA while bal-

ancing five high school classes and three college courses. She will attend Santa Fe College in the fall pursuing a career in dentistry.

Zachary James Halpin

With a 4.2 GPA, Zachary has completed his high school career with the same drive he exhibited in elementary school. Even then he watched science shows while his peers were watching cartoons or playing video games. "I want my legacy to be one that helps others who cannot help themselves," he says. He has participated in Cross County, Track and Field, the National Honor Society, and worked part time. He will now pursue an engineering degree at the University of Florida.

Jacken Joseph Holland

Vernon & Mary Lee Altman Scholarship
Abandoned on a Port au Prince, Haiti street at the age of one year, Jacken was in an orphanage until four, and then adopted by a couple from the U.S. Maintaining a 3.7 GPA, he has also been active in the marching and concert band, track/cross-country, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and worked part time. He has been accepted at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, will study biomedical engineering with the goal of someday returning to Haiti to help his people elevate their quality of life.

Cathryn Grace Holley

Fannie Cleland Memorial Scholarship
Not only has Cathryn completed her high school courses with a 3.9 GPA, she almost completed her AA at Daytona State College. She was chosen to be a part of Tomorrow's Leaders sponsored

by the Chamber of Commerce as well as selected to participate in a Girls' State Conference at FSU for 9 days. Active in Student Government, National Honor Society and the Medical Academy, she was named an Outstanding Senior. Cathryn will attend University of North Florida in the fall with an ultimate goal of becoming a Pediatric Oncologist.

Hunter James Manson

Col. Jack & Grayce Kenemer Barck Memorial Scholarship

Certified as an Emergency Medical Responder and an Open Water Lifeguard, Hunter says, "saving lives has been the center of my interest and will be my focus for my future career goals." Participating in the National Honor Society, Varsity Soccer and Cross Country, Health Occupation Students of America, and Steering Committee, Hunter has also worked part time and gone on mission trips to help the less fortunate while maintaining a 3.9 GPA. He will attend Univ. of South Florida to study Genetic Engineering.

Jessica Kaitlyn May

One of Jessica's AP teachers says, "I cannot think of a more needy or deserving student than Jessica for your scholarship." Jessica not only maintained a 3.6 GPA, she worked 20-30 hours a week managing a pizzeria while carrying a full course load of college level AP classes. With a love of journalism, she became editor-in-chief of her yearbook staff, mentored at a Boys & Girls Club and volunteered at the Marine Discovery Center. She will finish her AA at Daytona State College and transfer to obtain her bachelors in journalism or education.

Devon Jeffrey Robinson

Kaye Walker Scholarship

"Despite my extreme allergies, despite being labeled developmentally delayed, despite every hardship our family has

endured, I am determined to continue on this path of excelling and achieving greatness." Such is the attitude and goal orientation of this young scholar who completed his AA degree at the same time he graduated from high school. Suffering with celiac disease as well as severe food allergies all of his life, Devon then watched his mother endure and recover from breast cancer. Together, they co-authored a book about overcoming. With a GPA of 4.1, Devon will enter University of Central Florida to study medicine.

Ashton Brooke Sigler

Ruth Dixon Memorial Scholarship

Recognized as NSBHS Outstanding Senior; a nominee for the National Assoc. of Intercollegiate Athletes (golf); chosen for Outstanding Lobbyist Award for Senate at Girls State in Tallahassee; and president of the Student Government Association, Ashton is headed for a career in politics. She maintained a 3.9 GPA while holding a part-time job during her junior and senior years in high school and will continue to work as she studies Political Science in Univ. of South Florida on her way to law school.

Quinn Christopher Slizyk

With a twin sister and himself both entering college this year, and a member of a single parent household, Quinn expressed "Without this scholarship, it would have been difficult for me to pay my way through school these next four years." He has maintained a 3.71 GPA while being a multi-sport athlete playing both varsity football and varsity track and field all four years of high school. Quinn collected over 500 volunteer hours working as an athletic intern for NSBHS and also at local radio station WSBB as well as at CAPS annual spaghetti dinner. He has been accepted at Jacksonville University.

Emily Huyen Thach

Salutatorian

Emily quotes the Hippocratic oath and then, by taking her own oath - "to discover the truth, to take care of others, and to change the world by becoming a medical doctor" - she has set her course. She was president of the National Honor Society, co-captain of the girl's varsity tennis team, and participated in the Tomorrow's Leaders Program of Volusia County. She has done mission work in Costa Rica with her church and tutored other students while maintaining a 4.4 GPA. This fall she will enter Univ. of Florida majoring in Biochemistry.

Jordan Scott Toth

Not many young people have a deep interest since childhood in all things historical like Jordan has. Even at age 4 the story of the sinking of Titanic fascinated him. Since then he has found himself engrossed with such study as the history of communism, war and peace; even a strange conflict in Australia. Working with his dad in the family business of carpet and upholstery cleaning, as well as staying busy in school and church activities, Jordan will continue his study in history at Stetson University in the fall.

Delaney Ann Tripp

Delaney quotes author, Ray Bradbury: "Do what you love, and love what you do." During her high school career, she has been on the cross country as well as the track and field teams, was co-founder of the NSB chapter of the Surf Rider's Foundation, volunteered in community events, played and wrote her own music for guitar, received honorable mention for two pieces of art in the 2016 Northeast Florida Scholastic Art Awards Show, and held down a part time job. She also took college courses at Daytona State and will enter FSU with a 4.2 GPA to study Entrepreneurship and/or Interior Design.

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Where Are They Now?

Hello NSB CAPS:

My name is Erica Kochis and I am a 2014 New Smyrna Beach High School graduate. I'm also a third generation graduate from NSBHS and I'm honored and proud of that fact! I became a recipient of a CAPS scholarship at Honor's Night in 2014. The scholarship has been a true blessing to my educational endeavors on campus at Florida State University. I am now in my junior year studying psychology and family child sciences holding a 3.9 GPA. Your generous scholarship gave me the opportunity to pursue activities in several clubs, organizations and my overall favorite - a team member on the Seminole Dance Force (SDF) competition team. This is my third year on the SDF team and I am currently SDF's Co-Captain, making myself the first junior to ever be elected into that position. I'm also a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, a member of the Dance Project organization, completing a year in a "freshman interest group" and I am hoping to soon be a leader of one of these groups in my senior year. Last year I gained employment as a dance instructor for "Dancing Little Stars" in Tallahassee. I get to teach preschoolers dance techniques and choreograph routines for their recital. I'm looking forward to my dance team's pursuit in the National Dance Alliance college level national competition and all the involvement we have on FSU's campus. I am also thrilled to continue to further my education on campus at FSU and begin looking into graduate school opportunities. Pursuing my interests would not have been possible without the financial assistance from CAPS. I'm the second member of my family to attend FSU in the last four years, so your assistance has been greatly appreciated by me and my family. I hope to continue to make my NSB family, friends, high school and CAPS proud of my efforts. I want you to know, it really does take the efforts of many to encourage and support young adults as they pursue their dreams. Thank you for the scholarship and thank you for believing in me.

Fondly,
Erica Kochis





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