



Scholarships Committee



David Michel
Chairman

2017 Scholarship Winners Announced

RISAA Member Scholarship

Awarded to any good-standing member of the Rhode Island Saltwater Anglers Association, or their immediate family, specifically, their children or stepchildren, grandchildren, brother or sister, or stepbrother or stepsister, who is currently a high school senior and will attend ANY college or university within one year. All are \$500 awards.



**ALYVIA
AGUIAR**

is the granddaughter of member Ronald Brown. She is a member of the National and World Honor Society. Alyvia is a graduate of Coventry High School and will be attending Quinnipiac University where she has been accepted into their accelerated nursing program. Her goal is to become a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner.



**MATTHEW
MARDO**

is the son of member Edward Mardo. Matt is a graduate of Lincoln High School where he was both an athlete and scholar. His scholastic achievements are impressive and too numerous to list. He will be attending Harvard University in the fall where he will begin his quest to earn a doctorate in neuroscience.



**MAX
MICHEL**

is the son of member David Michel. Max attended RISAA meetings as a 6 yr old Junior Member which kindled his passion for water, fishing and boating. He was a 4 yr. letter winner in lacrosse at the Wheeler School. He plans to earn his PhD in neuroscience at Brandeis University where he will attend this fall.



**MARISSA
MITOLA**

is the daughter of member Vincent Mitola. She is a graduate of LaSalle Academy where she was a member of their Gifted Scholars Program and National Honor Society. She will be attending Assumption College in pursuit of her J.D. and intends to become a public defender and child advocate.



**SHANNON
O'CONNOR**

is the granddaughter of member Paul Brousseau. Her academic, artistic and sports achievements were many at Mount St. Charles Academy. Her future academic interests range from bioinformatics to global studies which she will undertake at University of Vermont in the fall.



**FRANK
RICCI, Jr.**

Frank is the son of member Frank Ricci and is a graduate of Bishop Hendricken H.S. He has built houses while on a mission to Peru, and earned a pilots' license before he could drive! He is attending Bryant University in the fall where he will pursue a career in business.



**JANE
SOUSA**

is the granddaughter of member Alfred Amaral. She graduated from Coventry H.S. where she was a recipient of the Rhode Island and National Honor Societies. A gifted vocalist, poet and author, Jane plans to study Creative Writing at Stonehill College in the fall.



**NOAH
TELLIER**

is the grandson of member Roger Tellier. He is a scholar, an athlete, a musician and is passionate about environmental conservation. Noah will be attending Providence College in the fall pursuing a degree in international business.