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**Concord Rotary awards $24,000 in scholarships**

The Rotary Club of Concord Scholarship Fund, an affiliate of The Scholarship Fund of Concord and Carlisle, awarded $24,000 in scholarships to students in 2016.

The success of the 2015 Thomas R. Huckins Memorial Golf Tournament enabled Rotary to award scholarships to four graduating Concord Carlisle High School students and four college students who are receiving Rotary scholarships to continue their education.

The winner of the Rotary Club of Concord’s Richard L. Hale Scholarship, Briana Cohen, spoke at a Sunrise meeting of the Rotary as she recounted her experiences as a student in the CCHS Rivers and Revolutions program and an intern at the Concord Journal. At CCHS, she wrote a food column for the school paper and sang in the chorus. Her volunteer experience includes teaching English to primary and secondary students in Tanzania and helping at the House of Hope in Needham and Open Table in Concord. She works at Sally Ann’s Bakery and plans to use her love of baking to start a business, “Cookies for Humanity” to raise funds for charitable organizations. In addition to the Rotary scholarship, she received the Ruth Bullerwell Scholarship and the Dr. Barbara Schips Miller Scholarship. Cohen plans to study psychology, sociology and philosophy at Northeastern University.

Benjamin “Ben” Friedman also spoke at a recent Sunrise Rotary meeting. He was awarded the newly established Interact Scholarship. At CCHS, he was a member of the Interact Club, a Rotary-sponsored organization of high school students that subscribes to Rotary principles, focusing on service to others. As an Interacter, he raised over $600 for an Ecuadorian nonprofit, Project Equal Opportunities Intag. The nonprofit provides school busing for kids in the rural community of Intag and his funds provided three months of busing. He will attend UMass in the fall, where he will major in biology with a focus on medical school. He will be taking a student-run EMT program at UMass and plans to get licensed as a skydiver. He currently works at the Carlisle Kids House.

Jovan Grant, of Hyde Park, won the Eaton Memorial Scholarship. Grant will attend Merrimack College where he plans to enroll in the business and finance program. He was DCL all-star on the football and basketball teams. He has been a community volunteer for the NAACP in Boston and traveled to Flint Michigan to assist a local church distribute clean water after the recent incidence of lead-contaminated water in that city. He also received the Anthony Halls-Keenan Smith Scholarship and a Lions Club Scholarship.

Charlotte Myers received the Huckins Memorial Scholarship. She plans to study criminal justice at Rochester Institute of Technology with the goal of working in law enforcement. She is a basketball player with four years on the varsity and experience helping coach town youth teams. She received additional scholarships from the Scholarship Fund of Concord and Carlisle, the George F. Flavin Scholarship, the Ruth B. Helsher Scholarship and the Casper C. Jenney and Eleanor M. Jenney Memorial Scholarship.

Four college students received repeat Rotary scholarships. Jack Struck, now a senior studying international relations at American University, received his fourth consecutive Rotary Scholarship. Rose Paleologos, also a senior, received her fourth consecutive Rotary Scholarship. She studies at Emerson College. Sarah Hutchinson will use her third Rotary scholarship to continue her work as a junior at Suffolk University, concentrating in French and international relations. Alexandra Goulet, a second year Rotary Scholarship winner, will continue her studies in journalism as a sophomore at Emerson College.

Major sponsors include Emerson Hospital, Hammond Residential Realty and Newbury Court, who support Rotary’s 2016 Thomas R. Huckins Memorial Golf Tournamen. According to the Scholarship Fund of Concord and Carlisle, area scholarship applicants annually demonstrate unmet needs of nearly $1 million.

Participants may sponsor a tee or green for $250. Businesses may be major sponsors. Interested parties may send a personal gift made out to the Concord Rotary Charitable Endowment Inc. and mail it to Rotary Club of Concord c/o Phyllis Maurer, P.O. Box 354, Concord MA 01742.

Golfers are invited to play in Rotary’s 28th annual golf event on August 22 to benefit the Scholarship Fund. Held at the historic Concord Country Club, the shotgun start is at 1 p.m. preceded by registration and lunch from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Cocktails and dinner are at 6:30 p.m. The fee of $250 includes 18 holes of golf, putting green warm-up, golf cart, lunch, clubhouse reception and dinner, tournament gifts and refreshments. Prizes and on-site silent and live auctions will be offered. To register: 978-369-3872; 508-254-7900; [rotaryclubofconcord.org](http://rotaryclubofconcord.org/).