

*2018
FTBA
Scholarship
Winners*



2018 BOB BURLESON PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

RYAN
taylor

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
PARENTS: BILL + DENISE TAYLOR
FROM: TAMPA, FL
CATERPILLAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP.



I am so honored to be the recipient of the FTBA scholarship! With this scholarship, I may venture even deeper into my educational career, and accomplish my ultimate goal of obtaining my Masters in Business. College comes at a hefty price, and this generous scholarship helps to greatly cut into that burden. Receiving this scholarship has further humbled me, and made me even more appreciative of the characteristics I have been blessed with. I could never have accomplished all of this on my own- my family deserves a massive amount of recognition.

2018 BONN-J CONTRACTING, INC. SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

SOLEIL
lobato

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: IVAN VERJANO + MIRTA RODRIGUEZ
FROM: HIALEAH GARDENS, FL
KELLY TRACTOR COMPANY



The Florida Transportation Builders Association scholarship means opportunity. It means I was given a chance to further my education at one of the greatest agriculture schools in the country. I will be attending the University of Florida in the fall, and this very generous award is giving me the chance to go to follow my dreams and become an Agriculture Lobbyist.



2018 PHILIP BUENAVENTURA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

HAILEY
andrews

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
PARENTS: DAN + DANA ANDREWS
FROM: OVIEDO, FL
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES, INC.



Growing up with Ulcerative Colitis has shown me the world of medicine from an early age. Since I was nine years old, I knew working in the medical field was something I was meant to do. With the help of the FTBA, supportive parents, and hard work, I will be able to pursue my dream and continue my education at The University of South Florida. The FTBA has shown me that hard work really does pay off. Their endless support and wonderful scholarship opportunity are truly amazing, and I am so grateful to have been this year's recipient of the Philip Buenaventura Memorial Scholarship. Being selected for this scholarship is such an honor and will help to not only fund my future but encourage me to focus on my degree rather than the expenses of college.

2018 SKANSKA USA CIVIL SOUTHEAST SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

SCOUT
jasper

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: JASON + HEIDI JASPER
FROM: OCALA, FL
GRANITE CONSTRUCTION CO.



I am honored to receive the Skanska USA Civil Southeast Scholarship. Not only will it help fund my education, but I am also inspired by the FTBA's confidence in me. I know that the good people at FTBA will follow me throughout my college career and I will strive to exceed their expectations. When I receive my degree in Materials and Science Engineering from the University of Florida, I know I will be grateful to have had FTBA with me along my journey.



2018 ROBERT NOLEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

NAOMI
dejeu

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: DANIEL + ILENUTA DEJEU
FROM: DAVIE, FL
ION ELECTRIC, LLC.



I am honored and thankful to be the recipient of the Robert Nolen Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is the reason I am able to attend the University of Florida for the next four years without taking up a job, loans, or the stress of financing college. I will be able to spend more time focusing on my studies, exploring my passions, and giving back to the community. Moreover, this scholarship is proof of all my academic hard work and personal growth. I will continue to succeed, reach my goals, and make all the people in my life proud. I am forever grateful for the FTBA organization and committee for believing in me and giving me such an amazing opportunity to pursue my dream to help others.

2018 PAUL TURNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

RAYMOND
pace jr.

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: RAYMOND + KAREN PACE
FROM: CALLAHAN, FL
J.B. COXWELL CONTRACTING, INC.



Throughout my high school years, I always strived to do my best in every aspect of life. I knew that every minute spent studying for school and serving others would pay off in the end. This scholarship shows me that hard work truly does pay off. It will help me to not place much of a financial burden on my parents while I am in college, and will hopefully allow me to graduate debt-free or even with money to save for graduate school. I want to thank the Florida Transportation Builders Association for this amazing opportunity, and JB Coxwell Contracting, Inc. for their membership. I know that this scholarship is an investment in my life, and while at the University of Florida I will do my best to represent the FTBA in a positive manner.



2018 BOB'S BARRICADES/DON HUMPHREY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

MACY
goldberg

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: KEN + JODI GOLDBERG
FROM: BOCA RATON, FL
ALL COUNTY PAVING



I am so incredibly excited and grateful to be chosen as a recipient of the 2018 FTBA Scholarship. Receiving this scholarship will allow a window of opportunities to open. My whole life has revolved around sports, from the age of two with Mommy and Me gymnastics, to my senior year of high school with varsity cheer and volleyball. This has had a huge impact on my life; it has influenced my career choice and my lifestyle in general. As I advance through my educational journey to become a sports physical therapist, I'll know the FTBA has helped me along the way. This scholarship will help relieve some of the financial stress that comes along with college, allowing me to put all of my focus on my education and goals.

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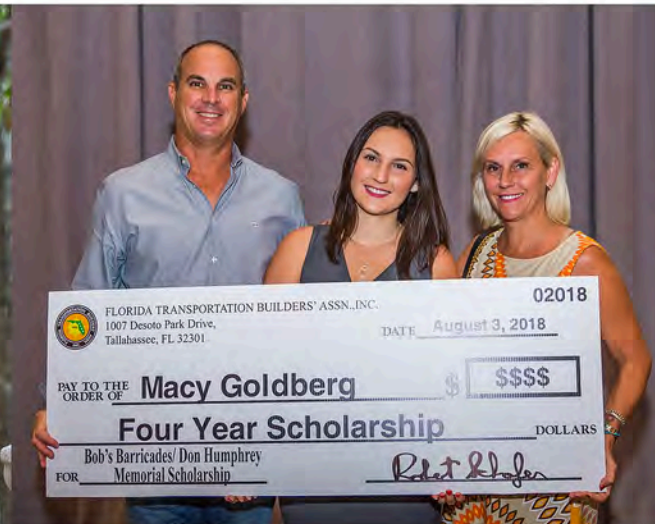
MASON
gilmet

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
PARENTS: Lyle + Aimee Gilmet
FROM: EUSTIS, FL
HARRIS REBAR



The FTBA scholarship means a lot to me for many reasons. One is that I know I will have the backing of many leaders from all across Florida as I make my way through college. Another is the ease the scholarship has brought in my life. I won't have to stress about student loans, which have become obnoxiously high in recent years, after I leave my university. Finally, it shows how my hard work in school is beginning to pay off, and the amazing people on the committee recognized that. There's joy in knowing that people have seen not only what you have done, but the potential you may possess, and their scholarship gave me the drive to do more because they see something in me.

I would like to thank the committee for their investment in me and my future. They were wonderful people, and even though I was nervous going into my interview with them, they were happy people and made talking in front of the group a whole lot easier. They have been an absolute blessing in my life, thank you again and again.



2018 FTBA SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

DEVON
jernigan

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: RUSTY + SHARON JERNIGAN
FROM: MARIANNA, FL
ANDERSON COLOMBIA CO., INC.



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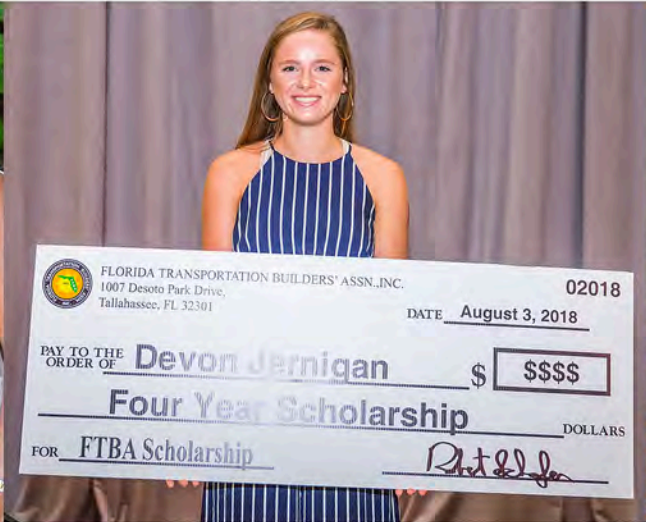
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PATRICK
haynes

ATTENDING: FLORIDA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
PARENTS: JACK HAYNES + KAREN BETHANCOURT-HAYNES
FROM: FLEMING ISLAND, FL
RS & H, INC.



I have always been absolutely fascinated with the idea of going to space. When I was 8 years old, I would go with my family to Cape Canaveral to watch Space Shuttle launches. This captured my attention and inspired a wonder within me that is still here today. In high school, I have taken higher-level math and science classes and I am beginning to understand the principles that allow rockets to work and all the math that goes into designing a proper trajectory for the space craft. Knowing all this does not make it any less spectacular than when I saw it for the first time as an eight-year old child. One day I want to be part of a team of engineers that will design something to further humanities reach into space and this is what motivates me. I am extremely thankful to have been chosen to receive this FTBA scholarship and I am excited to have the opportunity it gives me to help pay the cost to go to a great engineering college like Florida Institute of Technology to study aerospace engineering.



2018 FTBA SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

JADE
hecker

ATTENDING: UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
PARENTS: MATTHEW + JESSICA HECKER
FROM: OVEIDO, FL
GLF CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION



Born and raised a baby gator, I am beyond excited to call the University of Florida my home in the fall. I look forward to following the legacy of my parents and my family as I become a Florida Gator. I am so thankful and blessed to receive this scholarship as it ensures that I will be able to complete my education by reducing the stress of financial worry. I am forever grateful to the FTBA and all of their benefactors for selecting me for a scholarship and investing in my future. After pursuing a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, I hope to continue onto law school to become a corporate lawyer. I want to thank FTBA for showing me that hard work and determination actually pay off.

2018 FTBA SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

BAILEY
miller

ATTENDING: FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
PARENTS: TOM + MILLIE MILLER
FROM: MARIANNA, FL
ANDERSON COLOMBIA CO., INC.

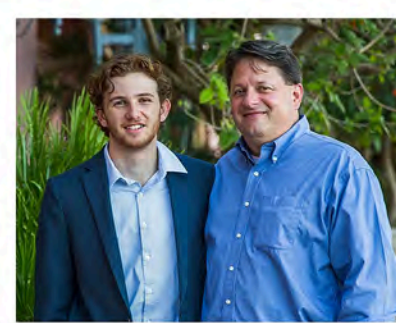


First of all I just want to thank you and everyone involved that has given me this amazing opportunity with this 4 year scholarship. This scholarship means the world to me, it gives me a chance to fulfill my dreams to become a criminal forensic investigator. To be able to start college right away and to make a difference and life for my daughter and myself is an opportunity I would of never had. I will never be able to put into words exactly how much I appreciate this opportunity and I will work as hard as I can, and I will never give up until I reach my goal of graduating college and becoming a criminal forensic investigator! I can do this and you all helped make this possible and I thank you all so very much!



THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2018

SCHOLARSHIP dinner



SCHOLARSHIP DINNER, THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2018

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2018

AWARDS breakfast





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