Mechanical Contractors Association 19th Annual Student Scholarship Awards Exceeds \$364,000.00



(Photo: Many of the 2013 MCAH scholarship recipients proudly pose with MCAH President Lorraine Waller (far left), and Education Committee Chairman Mike DiLallo (far right).

SOUTHERN ONTARIO – The results are in as the 19th Annual Mechanical Contractors Association of Hamilton (MCAH) Scholarship Awards Ceremony, serving local area unionized contractor employer member companies in Hamilton, Halton, Haldimand, Brant, and Norfolk Counties was held earlier this month.

Twenty \$1,000.00 scholarships were awarded to extraordinary students, children of salaried employees of local area contractor employers. Recipients are students either entering or currently enrolled in universities or colleges across Canada who maintained an exceptional grade average, established an outstanding commitment to their community through volunteerism, leadership development and demonstrated superior interest in the mechanical contracting industry or their chosen field of study. The MCA Hamilton McMaster Student Chapter \$1,000 Scholarship was also awarded at this ceremony.

"Every year the recipient judging is difficult to say the least with the receipt of so many accomplished applicants. The level of proficiency and achievement reached by our recipients brings another year of top caliber students as demonstrated, both in their academic and community involvement."

MCAH President Lorraine Waller

"I speak on behalf of all the MCAH board of directors when I say that this is an event we look forward to each summer as it gives the MCAH great pride in contributing to your futures and our member company employees in the form of these scholarships. You are progressive, optimistic thinkers, who know how to challenge yourselves and have the results to prove it. These awards are yet another testament to your discipline and determination," MCAH President Lorraine Waller shares.

Each year the Scholarship Selection Committee has the difficult task of selecting only 20 outstanding students to receive this prestigious scholarship award. In addition, one special scholarship is also awarded on the behalf of our MCAH McMaster Student Chapter. This year's Scholarship Selection Committee stepping up to the challenge included; Director/Education Committee Chairman Mike DiLallo, MCAH Director/Immediate Past President Paul Shewfelt, Honourary Life Member Ron Marcotte, Education Committee Representative Robert Frasca, MCAH Director Anthony DeChellis, MCAH Director Henry Hildebrandt and Education Committee Representative Rocco DiGiovanni.

Since the program's inception in 1995, managed by the MCAH Education Committee, contractor employer membership dues have funded over \$364,000.00 in awarded scholarships. Congratulations to this year's recipients!

| 2013 Scholarship Recipient | College or University | MCAH Member Company |
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| Tayler Paige Cimek | Brock University | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| Jacqueline Delconte | Sheridan College | Kvaerner North American Construction Ltd. |
| Ryan Gibson | University of Waterloo | Aecon Industrial |
| Kailee Hopkins | Nippissing University | Black & McDonald Ltd. |
| Maxwell Howard | Cambrian College | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| Jacob Hubbs | University of Waterloo | Songer Canada |
| Marian Ibrahim | Massachusetts College of Pharmacy | Kvaerner North American Construction Ltd. |
| Connor Irwin | University of Ontario Institute of Technology | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| Carly Jardine | Guelph University | Aecon Industrial |
| Dylan Johnston | Brock University | Alberici Constructors Ltd. |
| Kelly Kolapak | University of Western Ontario | Lockerbie Hole Eastern Inc. |
| Sarah Marion | Queens University | Alberici Constructors Ltd. |
| Jennifer Mertz | University of Guelph | Alberici Constructors Ltd. |
| Christopher Saliba | Queens University | Aecon Industrial |
| Alana Sharpe | Fanshawe College | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| David Sharpe | Fanshawe College | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| Alexis Westerhof | Mohawk College | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| Courtney Westerhof | Sheridan College | E.S. Fox Ltd. |
| Qiwei Yang | University of Toronto | Aecon Industrial |
| Emily Zawadzki | University of Waterloo | Trade Mark Industrial Inc. |
| Nicole Stoangi | McMaster University | MCAH McMaster Student Chapter |

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