

FRA Education Foundation Announces 2023 Scholarship Recipients

THE FRA EDUCATION FOUNDATION proudly announces its scholarship recipients for 2023. Funded through private donations, corporate sponsorships, and established trusts, the Foundation will present \$85,000 in scholarships to 22 deserving students who are pursuing their dreams of a college degree in the 2023-2024 academic year.

Scholarship recipients are selected based on need, academic proficiency and character. Established in 2009, the FRA Education Foundation works to advance FRA's longstanding tradition of helping students reach their educational and professional goals.

"Our scholarship program continues to be a great source of pride for the Foundation and we're especially proud of this year's award recipients," says Joe Barnes, President of the Foundation's Board of Directors and FRA National Executive Director Emeritus. Since 2000, we've disbursed nearly \$2.3 million in awards and we're grateful for the great support from FRA, many FRA branches and shipmates, and other contributors who make these awards possible."

All current and former members of the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, their spouses and dependent children are eligible to apply for Foundation scholarships. Members of the FRA, their spouses, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren qualify for a broader range of awards, several of which are funded through member legacy donations.

Although applicants don't require a connection to FRA to apply for Foundation awards, it is important to note that 14 of the 22 recipients are, or are related to, FRA Shipmates. "Our scholarship program is a high interest issue to prospective members. Shipmates should mention these scholarship opportunities when interacting with Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel," suggests Barnes.

Applications for FRA's 2024-2025 scholarships will be available at www.fra.org/foundation after September 1, 2023.

THE RECIPIENTS OF FRA EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS FOR 2023

Glenn F. Glezen Scholarship (\$5,000)

(1) Brittaney I. Key, Victorville, Calif., Daughter of Shipmate Jason Key, Member, Branch 70

Robert W. Nolan Scholarship (\$5,000)

(2) Meghan M. O'Brien, Raleigh, N.C., Granddaughter of Shipmate John Hosang (Deceased), Member-at-Large

Joseph R. Baranski Scholarship (\$5,000)

(3) Shipmate Valerie S. Welk, Sacramento, Calif, Member, Branch 8

FRA Education Foundation Awards (\$5,000 each)

(4) Amanda M. Korn, Hatboro, Penn., Granddaughter of Shipmate Richard E. Murphy, Member, Branch 146

(5) Shailynn M. Williams, Gales Ferry, Ct., Granddaughter of Shipmate Joyce M. Harris, Member, Branch 20

(6) Zoe K. Rollins, Loveland, Colo., Granddaughter of Shipmate James Traynor (Deceased), Member-at-Large

(7) Nikolaos D. Krontiris, Wallingford, Penn., Grandson of Shipmate Milo Leonardis (Deceased), Branch 1

(8) Zachary D. Coogle, Georgetown, Kentucky, Grandson of Shipmate Collier Everett (Deceased), Member, Branch 57

FRA Education Foundation Awards (\$2,500 each)

(9) Marina R. Berardi, Venice, Fla., Granddaughter of Robert C. Higgins, Jr., Non-FRA Member

(10) Blake A. Harris, Kansas City, Mo., Son of Kurtis B. Harris, Non-FRA Member

(11) Star Libran, Haslet, Texas, Daughter of Edgar de Jesus Libran, Non-FRA Member

(12) Reed S. Sanders, Bremerton, Wash., Son of Vincent Paul Sanders, Non-FRA Member

Robert M. Treadwell Annual Scholarship (\$5,000)

(13) Audrey E. Levy, Decatur, Ga., Step-Granddaughter of Shipmate James M. Botto, Member, Branch 24

The Donald Bruce Pringle Family Scholarship (\$5,000)

(14) Emma N. McIntyre, Yorktown, Va., Granddaughter of Shipmate C. Wesley McIntyre, Jr., Member, Branch 172

MCPO Ken E. Blair Scholarship (\$5,000)

(15) Emily E. Nitz, Olathe, Kansas, Daughter of Shipmate Eli R. Nitz, Member-at-Large

James C. Bowen Memorial Scholarship (\$2,500 each)

(16) Alexander J. Stockton, Moore, Ok., Son of Harold E. Stockton, III, Non-FRA Member

(17) Rebecca L. Cox, Atlanta, Ga., Daughter of Robert R. Cox, Non-FRA Member

Angelo and Mildred Nunez Scholarship (\$5,000 each)

(18) Eve A. Coleman, Linthicum Heights, Md., Daughter of Shipmate David Coleman, Member, Branch 212

(19) Mariposa E. Estrada, Virginia Beach, Va., Daughter of Shipmate Melissa K. Matranga, Member, Branch 166

Navy Department Branch 181 Scholarship (\$2,000)

(20) Ramona D. Bacon, Cedar Hill, Texas, Spouse of Troy P. Bacon, Non-FRA Member

Col. Hazel Elizabeth Benn, USMC, Scholarship (\$2,000)

(21) Cooper M. Rawson, Ashburn, Va., Son of Shipmate Joseph D. Rawson, Member-at-Large

Rosemary Posekany Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

(22) Lee Sangmin, Irvine, Calif., Non-FRA Member