

BAR HARBOR BANK & TRUST AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS TO LOCAL STUDENTS STARTING COLLEGE

Bar Harbor, Maine – For many years Bar Harbor Bank & Trust has awarded scholarships to local high school graduating seniors to help offset the cost of attending college. Annually the Bank awards \$8,500 in scholarships, sixteen awards of \$500 each, to graduates from Eastport to Deer Isle.

Each spring the scholarship committees of designated high schools are asked to nominate students to receive the Bar Harbor Bank & Trust awards. The funds are paid directly to the college or university, after the scholarship recipient successfully completes the first semester and enrolls for the second semester. “Bar Harbor Bank & Trust is pleased to support higher education by awarding these scholarships to graduating seniors. Please join us in congratulating these fine young people and encouraging them in their pursuit of a college degree,” said Curtis Simard, President of Bar Harbor Bank & Trust.



Tate Dolley

The Bankers and Business scholarship was established to support higher education for students pursuing a banking or business related degree. To qualify, students must have enhanced their education through participation in extracurricular activities, proven to be strong citizens at school and in the community, and encouraged others to be involved. Bar Harbor Bank & Trust Bankers and Business scholarship award recipients for 2016 include:

Sabrina Damon of Stonington, a graduate of Deer Isle-Stonington High School, plans to attend Empire Beauty School.

Bruce St. Peter of Ellsworth, a graduate of Ellsworth High School, plans to attend Husson University.

Allyson Snow of Blue Hill, a graduate of George Stevens Academy, plans to attend Husson University.

Dana McKechnie of Jonesport, a graduate of Jonesport-Beals High School, will attend the University of Maine at Machias.

Seth Doherty of Lubec plans to attend Husson University.

Tate Dolley of Whiting, a graduate of Machias Memorial High School, will attend Husson University.

Quinn Isaacs of Mt. Desert, a graduate of Mt. Desert Island High School, plans to attend the University of Maine.

Susi Vazquez-Lara of Milbridge, a graduate of Narraguagus High School, will attend Husson University.

Michaela Byers of Sullivan, a graduate of Sumner Memorial High School, plans to attend the University of New England.

Kerriann Farris of Cutler, a graduate of Washington Academy, plans to attend University of Maine at Machias.



Susi Vazquez-Lara



Michaela Byers

Over the years Bar Harbor Bank & Trust has established other scholarships in memory of long-term Bank employees and directors. Horace E. Bucklin was a prominent Northeast Harbor contractor who was involved in several Bank branch construction projects. He was elected as a Bar Harbor Bank & Trust director in 1941 and served later as Chairman of the Board from 1980 to 1983. In honor of Mr. Bucklin's long tenure with the Bank, a scholarship was established in his memory. Bryce Dimauro of Bar Harbor, a graduate of Mount Desert Island High School, was awarded the Horace E. Bucklin scholarship for 2016. Bryce plans to attend Eastern Maine Community College.

Carroll C. Brown was appointed to the Bar Harbor Bank & Trust board of directors in 1938 and in the 1970s Mr. Brown was the first to fill the newly revived post of Chairman of the Board. During his long tenure, Mr. Brown was the administrator of seven Bar Harbor Bank & Trust presidents. Courtland Wallick of Bar Harbor, a graduate of Mount Desert Island High School was awarded the Carroll C. Brown scholarship for 2016. Courtland plans to attend University of Maine - Augusta.

Albert H. Cunningham was one of Bar Harbor Bank & Trust's most dedicated staff. Starting in 1929, Mr. Cunningham remained involved in the Bank for 51 years, serving as director, treasurer, vice president and chairman. Mr. Cunningham was an endless supporter of education, especially within the Mount Desert Island School District. Peter Philbrook of Northeast Harbor, a graduate of Mount Desert Island High School was awarded the Albert H. Cunningham scholarship for 2016. Peter plans to attend Westmont College.

Robert H. Avery joined Bar Harbor Bank & Trust in 1953. During his 43 years of service, Mr. Avery held nearly every job in the Bank from the mailroom to the boardroom, serving on the board of directors. He was Bank president from 1971-1986. Mr. Avery, a student of banking and the economy, inspired both his co-workers and the Bank to even greater achievements. In memoriam the Board of Director's established a scholarship in his name to be awarded annually to a high school graduate who is a Lubec resident. Stephanie Wright of Lubec was awarded the Robert H. Avery scholarship for 2016. Stephanie plans to attend Washington County Community College.

Roger L. Willey was a long time director of Bar Harbor Bank & Trust. He was a businessperson, owning a successful retail-clothing store in Ellsworth. In Mr. Willey's memory the Bank established this scholarship. Charles Libby of Hancock, a graduate of Ellsworth High School was awarded the Roger L. Willey scholarship for 2016. Charles plans to attend Husson University. Bar Harbor Bank & Trust is a true community bank with more than \$1.5 billion in assets. Founded in 1887, the Bank offers a full range of financial services for individuals, businesses, and non-profit organizations throughout Maine with 14 branch locations, from Topsham to Lubec. Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, Member FDIC, is a subsidiary of Bar Harbor Bankshares (NYSE MKT:BHB) and was named one of the 2016 Top 200 Publicly Traded Community Banks in the nation by *American Banker* magazine. For more information call 1-888-853-7100 or go to www.bhbt.com.

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