



TROON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

2025

EDITION

Dear Troon Members,

For those who look for positive returns on their investments...look no further than the Troon Scholarship Foundation (TSF).

Investing in the TSF yields strong returns for us and future generations. Troon Scholars know that they have a responsibility not only to work towards their goals, but to create a safe, substantive future. Simply said...they need to make the world a better place. A place that is safer, healthier, smarter, brighter, richer, and secure.

Past Troon Scholars featured in this edition are taking their responsibility seriously. A former Troon valet is a recognized leader in the Air Force. Another is an attorney. A former bartender is in Homeland Security. One gave his life for his community. Others are developing leadership skills as teachers, investors, builders, healthcare providers, technology specialists, media creators. They know the future is in their hands.

As you read the backgrounds of the current Troon Scholars, think about their passion and ability to use their Scholarships to create a better world no matter what profession they are considering. Today's valets, bartenders, servers, maintenance workers, golf staff, fitness staff are our future professionals, innovators, and leaders.

An extension of the TSF is that entire families benefit as well. Troon employees who thought they could never afford college now have that opportunity. Families that cannot afford to send their children to college no longer have that concern. Double or triple that relief when siblings become Troon Scholars. Troon employees are also able to attend college alongside their children.

The TSF recognizes that not all students are created equal. Some prefer to enter a trade or non-traditional school. Some deal with social, mental health or learning issues. Investing in their education is just as important because someday they can connect with and encourage students like them to reach for their dreams.

We hope that this edition will encourage you to invest in the bright and promising futures of our Troon Scholars. We appreciate your generous donations and look forward to your participation in the TSF Fundraising Events Days and Annual John Kayler Memorial Golf Tournament, as well as other TSF events throughout the year.

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TROON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION MISSION

The mission of the Troon Scholarship Foundation is to provide scholarships and encourage educational opportunities to Troon Country Club employees, and their eligible children.

ABOUT TSF



In Memory of John Kayler



HISTORY

The Troon Scholarship Foundation was founded in memory of Troon employee, John Kayler, who was killed in a motorcycle accident in November 2002.

John was a promising young Troon Country Club employee with tremendous ambition and dedication for everything he set out to do. At the time, he was the Outside Services Manager and also a PGA Apprentice. Becoming a Class “A” PGA Professional was John’s dream.

Initially, the John Kayler Memorial Golf Tournament was created to celebrate John’s legacy by providing tuition assistance to Troon CC golf employees aspiring to become PGA Class A Professionals.

Today, the celebration of John and his love of golf continues through the expanded TSF Annual John Kayler Memorial Golf Tournament.

FUNDRAISING

Troon Scholarships are funded by Troon Members primarily through generous donations and participation in social events. Since the first TSF fundraising event 2002, TSF has raised more than \$3.5M to provide more than 477 scholarships.

For the 2025-2026 academic year, TSF must again raise \$400,000 to fund the scholarships, as well as continue growing the scholarship endowment fund to help meet unexpected needs. These funds are invested in a balanced portfolio approved by the TSF Board to generate income for future awards.

Donations are used solely to fund the Troon Scholarship Program.

PGA PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM

Completing the PGA Apprentice Program and becoming a Class “A” Member requires each apprentice to complete 3-5 years of dedicated work and study proving their golf abilities and business knowledge. TSF’s role is to fully support qualified employees as they pursue all three levels of PGA Professional status. Currently the cost is \$3,500 per level including travel expenses to attend educational checkpoints for this program.



QUALIFIED PROGRAMS

- Two-year accredited community colleges, trade schools, specialty schools
- Graduate and post-graduate programs
- 4-year accredited colleges or universities
- Professional Golf Management Program
- The Troon Scholarship Program does not support hobbies or avocations.



SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Maximum \$13,500 for college or university undergraduate and graduate schools
- Maximum \$13,500 for two-year accredited community colleges, trade schools, specialty schools
- Full cost of the PGA Professional Program
- Scholarships cover tuition and supplies to the maximum amount awarded

ELIGIBILITY

The Annual application and interview process begins each December. Scholarships are approved in January for the upcoming academic year.

- Troon employees and their eligible children.
- The employee must work directly for the benefit of Troon Country Club.
- The employee must be employed for a minimum of six months and work at least 750 hours before becoming eligible to receive scholarship funding. Employees may be approved for scholarships after six months of service but will not receive funding until they have worked the required number of hours.
- Candidates must be sponsored by their manager or head golf professional.
- Scholarships are based on financial need and academic standing.
- Employees must perform their jobs at an acceptable level as determined by their supervisor.
- Candidates must be strongly committed, have in place a well thought out educational vision and complete their program in a timely manner.



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE RECOGNITION

Troon Scholars who complete 20 or more credit hours and achieve a minimum 3.5 GPA for the academic year are awarded a \$1000 Scholarship increase. Eleven Troon Scholars were honored for their Academic Excellence at the end of the 2023-2024 academic year.

Lauryn Adkins	32 credits	4.0 GPA
Zane Arrendale	29 credits	3.70 GPA
Daymond Fritsch	22 credits	3.77 GPA
Caleb Hackett	29 credits	3.87 GPA
Dylan Kelleher	18 credits	4.0 GPA
Carter Knoyle	32 credits	3.59 GPA
Connor Rafferty	31 credits	4.0 GPA
Victoria Rafferty	31 credits	3.87 GPA
Taylie Santiago	44 credits	3.76 GPA
Ava Taylor	32 credits	3.67 GPA
Garron Thom	27 credits	3.85 GPA



GET INVOLVED

The Troon Scholarship Foundation Fundraising Days and the new fall Troon Scholar Day Golf Invitational are designed to engage all Troon Members and educate about the mission and needs of the TSF in a fun-filled social environment.

TSF FUNDRAISING EVENT DAYS MARCH 4-26

What started in 2002 as the one-day John Kayler Memorial Golf Tournament which raised \$3,000 for PGA school tuition assistance for four Troon CC golf employees, has grown into the current multi-day event renamed the TSF Fundraising Event Days.

The March 10th Kayler Golf Tournament remains the cornerstone event followed by the Annual Party and Silent Auction. This year, throughout the month of March, another nine days of fundraising events including card games, bocce and pickleball are open to all Troon Members.

See more details on the back page of this edition.

For further event details and information on how to participate:

- See the January TSF mailing sent to all Troon Members
- Go to the Troon website or the Troon Member App
- Ask any TSF Board Member
- Contact Vicki Bobrow: vickibobrow@aol.com

TROON SCHOLAR DAY GOLF INVITATIONAL OCTOBER 6

Forget about the “dog days of summer.” Join Troon Members in September to kick-off the 2025-2026 academic year with a friendly round of golf to help Troon Scholars. It’s all pure fun. You will get to meet and learn about the current Troon Scholars. They will remind you what a challenge it was to juggle college classes with working to pay tuition. Your support is important to Troon Scholars. This is a good opportunity to help you decide how you will contribute to TSF throughout the year.

TSF RECEPTIONS

Throughout the year TSF hosts receptions for supporters and future supporters. These are casual social events to learn more about TSF and Troon Scholars. Contact a TSF Board Member if you or a friend would like to be included.

For TSF information and to make your additional TSF donation log-in to the new TSF website:
www.troonscholar.org

MARCH 4TH-7TH

GIN RUMMY

BRIDGE

CANASTA

MAHJONG

MEXICAN TRAIN

MARCH 10TH

THE KAYLER GOLF TOURNAMENT
ANNUAL PARTY & SILENT AUCTION

MARCH 14TH

BOCCE

MARCH 26TH

PICKLEBALL

**TSF EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL
TROON CC MEMBERS**



HOW TO DONATE

The Troon Scholarship Foundation is a 501(C) 3 corporation. Your monetary donations can be made at any time throughout the year via:

- Check payable to the Troon Scholarship Foundation
- Donation of stock is accepted through Merrill Lynch:
DTC Number 8862
8 Digit Client Account Number: 480-02331
Account Title: Troon Country Club Scholarship Foundation
- Direct your Donor Advised Fund to send your donation to:
Troon Scholarship Foundation
25000 North Windy Walk Dr
Scottsdale, AZ 85255
Tax ID 20-8691465

Email: troonscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com
- Make a year-end tax-free donation from your IRA as part of your year-end Required Minimum distribution. Consult your tax advisor.

Additionally, a number of active and resigned Troon Members have committed their refundable Club initiation fee (RMO) to the Troon Scholarship Foundation. To date, RMO pledges total approximately \$300,000.



TSF BY THE NUMBERS

Scholarships

\$3.5 million Scholarship dollars awarded since 2003

477 Scholarships awarded since inception

229 Scholars since inception

\$300,000 Scholarship dollars currently awarded for 2025-2026 academic year

23 Scholars currently awarded for 2025-2026 academic year

10 Additional scholarships anticipated to be awarded for 2025-2026

\$13,500 Maximum individual yearly scholarship awarded

Troon Membership Contributions

240 Troon families donated in 2024-2025

\$10,000+ Donated by each of 10 Troon Member Families

\$5,000+ Donated by each of 25 Troon Member Families

\$2,000+ Donated by each of 66 Troon Member Families

\$1,000+ Donated by each of 117 Troon Member Families

300 Troon Member Families uncommitted to making TSF donations

TSF Operations

10 TSF Board of Directors Members

0 Staff members

Note: unaudited 2024 numbers

NEW SCHOLARS



DARIN BARROWS

Darin is dedicated to achieving his goals. He works full-time in outside services at Troon CC in order to qualify for the Troon Scholarship Program, and he works a part-time fitness sales job. The remainder of his time is dedicated to his studies at Maricopa Community College where he is about to complete requirements for his associate of arts degree. His next step will be to continue at MCC in a new program that allows students to earn a fully accredited bachelor's degree through the school. The advantage being a much lower overall tuition cost.

Darin acknowledges the advantages of having a Troon Scholarship from reducing his financial burden to allowing him to take additional classes to graduate sooner. He thanks Troon Members for your help.



BLAIR ELLIOT

Blair is completing her senior year at BASIS Scottsdale a charter high school and has been accepted to begin ASU in the fall. She plans to major in biological science as she begins her path to becoming a psychiatrist.

Blair followed her brother, Troon Scholar Drake Elliot to Troon CC where she works as a hostess. She realizes that a Troon Scholarship will help lessen the financial burden on her family, allow her more time to focus on her studies, and to enable her to save money for medical school.



ALEX IDE

Rambunctious and curious describe Alex's much younger self. He liked to take chances. He took things apart and figured out how to reassemble them. He worked on his grandmother's horse farm. All of that led him to focus on a career goal based on his passion for mechanics. He enrolled in The Aviation Institute of Maintenance in Tempe.

A friend recruited Alex to work at Troon CC as a valet. Learning about the Troon Scholarship helped him realize that he could pursue his dream and focus on academics rather than finances. He thanks all Troon Members who take part in helping fund the TSF.

CONTINUING SCHOLARS



KLOE ADKINS

Kloe balances being a full-time student with her full-time job as a Troon CC server and bartender.

On her way to becoming a registered nurse, Kloe is in a concurrent enrollment program. The concurrent program involves being an in-person student in the nursing program at Glendale Community College, as well as taking classes through Northern Arizona University to earn her bachelor's degree.

Kloe is grateful to be working at Troon along with her twin sister Lauryn. She appreciates the support she receives from the Troon Membership and her Troon Scholarship.



LAURYN ADKINS

Lauryn will graduate from Grand Canyon University in spring 2025 with a degree in business management. Following graduation, she will continue in GCU's MBA program where her emphasis will be on business analytics.

Lauryn plans to continue working at Troon CC throughout graduate school because she feels the support of Troon Members and being a Troon Scholar have been key to her success. Lauryn has also been recognized by the Troon Scholarship Foundation for her Academic Excellence.

As a 4-year Troon CC employee, Lauryn has worked in a variety of departments and recruited her twin sister Kloe to join her at Troon CC.



JOSH DELANGE

As the first person in his family to attend college, Josh made the commitment to move to Arizona to attend Grand Canyon University. Currently a GCU sophomore, Josh is studying business as part of his career plan to work within the sports industry.

Josh says that working at Troon CC has taught him life lessons. He is thankful for his Troon Scholarship because it will help him achieve his dream with less financial stress.



DRAKE ELLIOT

Drake is a sophomore at Barrett, The Honors College at ASU, majoring in Computer Science. He continues to be fully committed to focusing on Artificial Intelligence and all the possibilities it brings for technological advancement.

While Drake fully immerses himself in the challenges of his courses and works on the Troon CC golf staff; he also explores how AI blends with his interest in music. His goal is to "officially become a one-man band."

Drake is thankful for his Troon Scholarship because it allows him to attend ASU without incurring student debt. He recruited his sister Blair to join the Troon staff and become a Troon Scholar. The Elliott family appreciates the double benefits of having two Troon Scholars in the family.

CONTINUING SCHOLARS



DAYMOND FRITCH

Daymond is a Troon Scholar, full-time Troon CC employee since 2019, husband, and dad. Now as a junior at ASU, he is on his way to completing his bachelor's degree in landscape architecture. His professional goal is to design golf courses.

This year Daymond will experience a different scope of golf course management. In February he will travel with his wife and young daughter to Brisbane, Australia for a semester abroad through his ASU program. Daymond is looking forward to learning how Landscape Architecture is taught and applied in a different part of the world.

Daymond is thankful for his Troon Scholarship, "It has changed my life in a positive way." He is grateful for exposure to new opportunities. He has also been recognized for his academic excellence for maintaining a 3.5+ GPA.



JARRED GARCIA

Jarred has worked at Troon CC since 2016. During this period, he has taken on a variety of jobs at the Club while taking college courses to earn a degree in business.

Currently, Jarred applies his business knowledge in his position as a Troon CC hospitality manager. His plan is to use his business knowledge and firsthand experience to grow within the Troon Management system.



BROCK GIBSON

Brock is unique to the Troon Scholarship program because he is currently a senior at Cactus Shadows High School and attends Scottsdale Community College in the Scottsdale School of Film+Theater. After graduating high school he plans to continue in the SCC film program to earn a certificate in Motion Picture Production.

The creative arts have always been of interest to Brock. He has explored animation through his drawing skills and now is developing his interest in film making as a director through the Film+Theater program. He has already developed a short film and a Public Service Announcement where he had complete creative control. His work has received positive feedback from his instructors.

Brock's TSF Scholarship highlights an important dimension of the Program because he is on the autism spectrum. He is able to advance in his career aspirations and attain his goal to inspire others through his work in film. Via Gibson, Director of Health and Wellness, is Brock's very proud mother.



LORELAI HAMPSON

Lorelai began working at Troon CC in 2022 while exploring college and career possibilities. She acknowledged her passion for writing and journalism and now is a student at the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at ASU.

Lorelai appreciates the support from Troon CC Members that comes with being a Troon Scholar. Also, she is thankful that her Troon Scholarship allows her to attend college without a financial burden.

CONTINUING SCHOLARS



CARTER KNOYLE

Carter is a marketing and advertising major at Grand Canyon University. While exploring areas of specific interest he enjoyed his summer internship with a marketing team at a financial institution. He continues to look for new opportunities.

Carter enjoys being a Troon CC bartender because it allows him to meet Troon Members and learn from their experiences and advice. He thanks Troon Members for their interest and support for the Troon Scholarship program.

Family is also important to Carter. After moving multiple times with his family within the US and to England, he is happy to be working at Troon with his cousins Kloe and Lauryn Adkins, also Troon Scholars.



TANNER LATTIE

After a few starts and stops in his college career, Tanner feels he has found his niche at ASU. While he is still catching up with required courses Tanner is progressing towards earning an engineering degree in design.

Tanner works in Troon food service. He is grateful for his Troon Scholarship and the renewed opportunity to return to school and follow his career dreams.



AVA MACDONALD

Ava is a freshman at the University of Arizona. She has fully embraced all that college offers academically and socially. After her first semester at UofA she earned a 4.0 GPA and joined a sorority where she participates in the sorority's philanthropic projects.

Before declaring a major, Ava is exploring multiple areas within the retail and consumer sciences. She is thankful that her Troon Scholarship allows her financial freedom to search and learn.

Ava's father is Troon CC Director of Food and Beverage, Rob Macdonald. And, she is sister to Matthew and Michael Macdonald, both Troon Scholars. The Macdonald family fully appreciates the financial implications of Troon Scholarships for their entire family.



MICHAEL MACDONALD

Michael is a student at the UA-Eller College of Management, a business school of the University of Arizona. Finance is his major. He would like to work in the area of wealth management related to the sports industry.

Michael prides himself on being hardworking and determined. He is able to balance his love of sports, interest in business, friendships, and family relations to enjoy life and explore his future. In spring 2025, Michael will study in Barcelona to enhance his life experiences.

Troon Scholarships have been awarded to Michael as well as his siblings Ava and Matthew. Troon CC Food and Beverage Manager, Rob Macdonald is their father. The entire Macdonald family is thankful to Troon Members for their support of the TSF Scholarship Program.

CONTINUING SCHOLARS



CONNOR RAFFERTY

Connor is a sophomore at Northern Arizona University where he studies business information systems. His challenging coursework broadens his understanding of the world and encourages him to learn new skills which will help him apply technology to real-world problem solving. As a freshman he earned a 4.0 GPA

Connor appreciates the support that he gets from his Troon Scholarship both for the belief that he will be successful and the relief of having financial assistance. Troon Golf Director, Tim Rafferty is Connor's father. His twin sister Victoria is also a Troon Scholar.



VICTORIA RAFFERTY

Victoria is a sophomore at Northern Arizona University where she majors in marketing with an advertising minor. She maintains a 4.0 GPA.

Victoria is excited that she has grown from her college experiences, courses and meeting new people. In an effort to challenge herself and have more fun Victoria has added classes in rock climbing and media consumption to her basic classes of macroeconomics, accounting, astronomy, and advertising.

Victoria refers to her Troon Scholarship as a privilege. She is mindful that her Troon Scholarship allows her to focus on creating her future. She also feels that her success will honor her parents' years of service to the Troon Scholarship Program. Tim Rafferty, Troon Director of Golf, is Victoria's father. Her twin brother Connor is also a Troon Scholar.



MICHELLE SOLOMON

Michelle is Director of Communications at Troon CC. Michelle continues to study graphic design for both personal growth and to apply new theories and applications to projects and marketing efforts at Troon CC. This enables her to take on projects that Troon CC may otherwise seek from outside resources.

As she learns about new aspects of social media marketing, video, photography, editing, website design, and general marketing, Michelle finds her classes to be invigorating and exhilarating. "The knowledge that I receive translates to my projects and performance for Troon. My work is elevated and thoughtfully executed." Michelle is thankful for her Troon Scholarship because it allows her to study what she enjoys. Her daughter, Emma Solomon graduated from ASU in 2022 as a Troon Scholar.



PAYTON STAM

Payton travels cross-country to live her dream as a student at University of Alabama. As a freshman she has been accepted in the honors program, and she has immersed herself in campus life. She is a member of Delta Sigma Pi professional fraternity. She also contributes her time to the community service and philanthropic projects of Phi Mu, her social sorority.

"My major in General Business and minor in Hospitality Management are providing me with a solid foundation in business and service, which I believe will be key to my future success." Payton recognizes that her Troon Scholarship helps minimize her student loan debt and helps to keep her focused on her goals. She is thankful for the honor and is committed to continuing to work at Troon during school breaks.

CONTINUING SCHOLARS



GABI SZMIT

Gabi is an ASU sophomore majoring in integrative health with plans to apply to the ASU nursing program in her junior year. Specifically, she would like to become an aesthetic nurse. She continues to be committed to achieving her goal of becoming a nurse.

Gabi is proud of her Polish heritage. She speaks fluent Polish, is first generation in her family to be born in the United States and is a first-generation college student.

Gabi became a Troon CC employee in June 2023 to help finance the cost of her education. She appreciates that her Troon Scholarship will help her achieve her dreams and make her family proud.



ONALEE WALLIS

Onalee divides her time between Marquette, Michigan where she attends Northern Michigan University and Scottsdale where she works in outside services at Troon CC. Currently, she is exploring a career in Marketing. She feels that the diversity of the NMU marketing department allows her to study marketing techniques, management skills and communication to help her find her path.

Onalee is thankful for her Troon Scholarship because it enables her to concentrate on her studies without the concern of paying tuition.



ELLIE WEBER

Ellie will realize her dream to become a professional hair stylist when she completes the Penrose Academy cosmetology program in September 2025.

The program teaches the styling skills and techniques clients often take for granted. It also teaches business applications and the latest technology necessary to run a successful business. Ellie also works at an area hair salon where she gets valuable on-the-job experience.

Ellie is grateful for her Troon Scholarship because it allows her to pursue her passion and launch a fulfilling career. Troon Controller, Janelle Prater is Ellie's mother.



ALLIE WOJICK

In December 2024, Allie graduated from Montana State University of Billings with her bachelor's degree in business management. Though Allie lives full time in Arizona and has worked at Troon CC since 2022, she was an on-line student at Montana State University of Billings.

Following graduation Allie enrolled in esthetician school at Avalon Institute in Phoenix. She plans to combine her business knowledge and esthetics training to one day open her own salon. Allie appreciates that her Troon Scholarship has enabled her to achieve her goal and has helped to reduce her family's financial burden.

RECENT GRADUATES



CALEB HACKETT
May 2025, ASU



LAURYN ADKINS
May 2025, GCU



DYLAN KELLEHER
December 2024, ASU
Master's Program



TAYLIE SANTIAGO
May 2025, GCU



GRANT KREITL
May 2025, ASU



AVA TAYLOR
December 2024, GCU



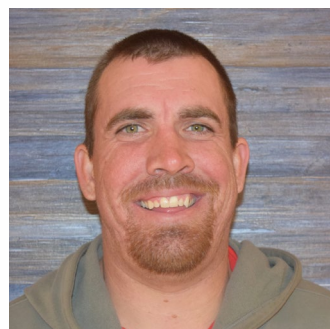
GARRON THOM
December 2024, ASU



ALLIE WOJCIK
December 2024, Montana
State University



AIDEN COWIE
May 2025, U of A



MAX BJORKLUND
December 2024, Penn
State University



PAST SCHOLARS



ZANE ARRENDALE

Graduated in 2024 Magna Cum Laude from the ASU Fulton School of Engineering. Currently, he is a sales engineer representing a variety of electrical equipment companies to Arizona utilities. He appreciates his Troon Scholarship because he was able to focus on his education without worrying about the cost. That focus enabled him to graduate with a 3.7 GPA, start a student chapter partnering with the National Electrical Contractor Association, and be awarded the Leadership and Service Award by ASU.



MAX BJORKLUND

In December 2024, Max completed the certification requirements for the Penn State University Turf Management Program while working as a Troon greenskeeper. During his recent internship at The Highlands Golf Course in Harbor Springs, Michigan he was recruited to join their team. With his Troon experience and his Troon Scholarship Max developed the knowledge, skill set and work ethic to set him apart from other interns.



LEXI CADDELL

Lexi was a 4-year Troon Scholar. She graduated from ASU in May 2023. Her Troon Scholarship allowed Lexi to explore a variety of medical-related career options while at ASU. It also helped relieve a financial burden for her and her family. Following graduation, Lexi enrolled in Palmer College of Chiropractic in Florida where she has completed her first year.



DYLAN CORKILL

Graduated from GCU in 2024. Since graduation he is now in training at a California police academy. His career dream was to be in law enforcement. He feels his Troon Scholarship enabled him to finish college and go on to the police academy.



MICHAEL CADDELL

Mike was a 4-year Troon Scholar. While attending ASU where he was in the Air Force ROTC program, he also worked as a Troon valet. After graduation Mike began his career in the Air Force. His engineering knowledge and skills have earned him multiple promotions. In November 2024 he was promoted to Captain (O-3) and won the 2024 Annual Junior Military Engineer Award in his Division. In his position as Lead Test Engineer, he has worked on multiple programs. His current position with the Air Force has taken him and his wife to Utah. He married his college girlfriend in 2024 and now they are “beyond thrilled” to be expecting their first child in June. Mike thanks Troon Members for his Troon Scholarship saying that being without student debt gave him financial freedom and peace of mind to focus on his education, military career, and has enabled him to be financially secure at a young age.

PAST SCHOLARS



EDDIE DUENAS

Graduated from GCU in 2024 with a degree in finance and economics. After graduation he joined Charles Schwab as a stockbroker and has passed his Series 7 and Series 63 tests. He feels that his Troon Scholarship gave him the opportunity to focus and gain the necessary knowledge to start his career with a well-known company.



CHRIS HABIB

Graduated from ASU in 2021 with a bachelor's in business law. He currently works in the biomedical engineering industry specializing in atrial fibrillation solutions. His Troon Scholarship helped him avoid student debt enabling him to focus on academics.



LIAM FOEDISH

Liam was a Troon Scholar all four years of undergrad at ASU. He went on to earn a full scholarship to Penn State Law. He graduated in 2024, then returned to AZ where he passed the AZ bar exam. Liam now works as a prosecutor for the Maricopa County Attorney's Office. He is thankful for his Troon Scholarship because he graduated from ASU completely debt free. That allowed him to take time to prepare and apply to law schools. His freedom to focus was rewarded with a full tuition merit scholarship to law school. He thanks the TSF Scholarship program and all Troon Members for their support.



DYLAN KELLEHER

Dylan was a 6-year Troon Scholar. He earned both his bachelor's degree and master's degree from ASU. In January Dylan began the Special Agent training program in Emergency Management and Homeland Security which he will complete at the end of 2025. As a new fully trained Special Agent he will conduct investigations in counterfeiting and large event threats. Dylan appreciates the support he received from Troon Members and especially that his Troon Scholarship enabled him to pursue the education necessary to set him apart from other candidates.



MATTHEW MACDONALD

Graduated from Northern Arizona University in 2024 with a degree in finance. He recently joined Morgan Stanley as a Financial Services Representative. He gives back to his community by coaching the Cactus Shadows High School freshman football team. Because of his Troon Scholarship, Matthew was able to focus on studies without worrying about tuition costs.

BEKAH GENTRY

Graduated from GCU December 2024 with a bachelor's degree in forensic psychology. She works with Angels on Patrol, a non-profit organization working with law enforcement to assist community members in crisis. Her work with domestic violence victims has been important to her own life journey. "The Troon Scholarship was a vital steppingstone in my journey. It has helped me get to where I am today by using my experiences to make a difference for those who need it most." Bekah is grateful to Troon Members and TSF for investing in her future.

PAST SCHOLARS



PAYTON PETERSON

Payton graduated from ASU in 2023. Utah is his new home as a first-year dental student at Roseman University College of Dental Medicine in Utah, and where he was married in 2024. He thanks TSF and Troon Members for believing in him and supporting him. "Your investment in my education continues to inspire me to work hard and make a positive impact in my field."



EMMA SOLOMON

Emma was a 4-year Troon Scholar. She graduated from ASU in 2022 with a bachelor's degree in conservation biology and ecology. Emma is a zoological care specialist at the Fresno Chaffee Zoo working with birds, macropods, and sloths. Without a Troon Scholarship, Emma could not have afforded to attend ASU. Her ASU education then gave her credentials necessary to work in such a highly rated facility.



GRANT THOM

Graduated from ASU in 2022 with a bachelor's degree in marketing, then went on to medical sales college. He has advanced through the medical device sales field and now is a territory manager working directly with surgeons to help patients. With his Troon Scholarship he was able to further his education.



TAWNY TOWN

Graduated from ASU in 2021 with a bachelor's degree in communication. She is now working on her master's degree in special education while teaching middle school special education in Pennsylvania. She is thankful for her Troon Scholarship because it allowed her to explore opportunities and discover her desire to learn and teach.

★ IN MEMORY ★

ZANE COOLIDGE



In September, the Troon Family and the City of Phoenix Police Department lost a dedicated member when Officer Zane Coolidge was killed in the line of duty.

Zane was a member of the Troon Food and Beverage team from 2013-2016 and was awarded a Troon Scholarship for the 2015-2016 academic year. His 2015 Scholarship application letter expressed his desire to serve his community and his understanding of the value of a Troon Scholarship towards earning his bachelor's degree from NAU.

"It was around my junior year that I found my true calling, a career I could be proud of, where I could help people and make a true impact on my community. A law enforcement officer... Obtaining a Troon Scholarship is important to me because the price of tuition increases year by year and the price will surely become larger once I begin to go to a university. The Troon Scholarship will help to keep me debt free in an indebted society and will take a huge weight off of my mother's back financially."

Zane earned a bachelor's degree in the Administration of Justice from NAU and went on to join the City of Phoenix Police Department. He is survived by his wife, Kristin, and their young daughter.



TROON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION | 2025 Events

JOIN US AT THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENTS

MARCH 10TH

**John Kayler Memorial Golf Tournament
Annual Cocktail Party and Silent Auction**



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**BRIDGE
& MEXICAN TRAIN**

March 7th



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March 14th



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March 26th

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