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PRESS RELEASE

This is the second year a special group of SRU students will be awarded a Theta Chi (ΘΧ) Fraternity Resolute Man Book Scholarship. This scholarship honors Veterans and POW's who gave their life in the service of our country. The "Resolute Man" Book scholarship is given in memory of Veterans and POWs.

The Theta Chi Resolute Man Book Scholarship is based on five traits: The Student's University/Life Plan, Academic/Life Plan, Service/Humanitarian work, Leadership, and Overcoming Adversity.

We are proud of all who submitted and especially this year's winners. There were many strong candidates and difficult decisions, that speaks well to the quality of student that SRU is producing.

Ron Burke, SRU Theta Chi Chapter Advisory Board Scholarship Chair said, "Thank you most importantly to all of the SRU ΘΧ alumni brothers who were so generous with their contributions, especially alumni brothers Roy Pascal, David Rispoli and many others. They are the true heroes that developed this great Slippery Rock University Theta Chi legacy. Without funding, good ideas are just that."

The 2018 winners include:

Eric Lehman



Eric Lehman is a sophomore at Slippery Rock University, a charter member of ΘΧ and whose grandfather is a ΘΧ, with a dual major in Special Education and Early Education with a minor in Leadership. In his application he stated, "My dream when I complete my studies is to become an educator in elementary schools. I would like to change the lives of my students during their academic career. I would like to do so through academics and developing life skills that they will carry on for the rest of their lives."

"One of my greatest accomplishments in life has been getting accepted into Slippery Rock University. The school has opened countless opportunities as an undergraduate in a professional scene to me. The school has also made me a better all-around person from a social and academic standpoint."

"What I would like to say about this scholarship is thank you to everyone who made it possible. The history behind the scholarship and the people who have made it is what it is today, is something truly incredible."

*Change lives through teaching
academics and life skills . . .*

Caitlynn George



Caitlynn George is currently a sophomore at Slippery Rock University as an Exercise Science major.

In her application she stated, "My dream when I complete my studies is to become a physical therapist and change our world by helping veterans who were wounded overseas or at home. One of my greatest accomplishments in my life so far is not letting a pulmonary embolism stop me from doing what I love most, running."

"Although at times I feel like quitting I think back to the first race in high school I got to run blood clot free. Life gave me the reminder I needed: I am good enough and I can do whatever I put my mind to. I plan to become a Physical Therapist to help Veterans who are wounded."

*Become a Physical Therapist to help
wounded Veterans ...*

Donald Andrew Boley



Donald Andrew Boley is a freshman at Slippery Rock University, whose father is a ΘX , is a studying corporate security. In his application he stated, "My dream when I complete my studies is to become an officer in the Army and serve active duty. I look forward to having the opportunity to protect and serve the nation that I love."

"One of the greatest accomplishments in my life so far is being accepted into college and earning a National Army ROTC scholarship. The Army values an individual who is a scholar, athlete and leader. I had faced great barriers and pressures in high school with injuries, however I made it a priority to ensure that my teammates were successful both on and off the field."

"The Theta Chi Resolute Man Book Scholarship places value in similar ideals. It is a great privilege to be recognized in a scholarship honoring Veterans and POW's who gave their life in the service of our country. I am truly grateful for the sacrifices made by those who came before me and it is an honor to be recognized through this scholarship."

*Be an officer in the Army to serve
and protect the nation I love ...*

Kaycee Reesman



Kaycee Reesman is a freshman 2 at Slippery Rock University as Secondary Education Mathematics major. In her application she stated, “My dream when I complete my studies is to become a high school teacher and change our world by being a positive role model for the younger generations.

One of the greatest barriers that I have faced to become a teacher is, overcoming many, many obstacles that stood between me even being able to attend college. One of my greatest accomplishments in my life so far is, achieving my high school diploma and then continuing my education by going to college in order to achieve my dream career.”

“Thank you for this scholarship and to SRU for giving me the opportunity and helping to achieve my dream of becoming a high school teacher of excellence.”

“My goal is to be a positive role model and a high school math teacher of excellence.”

Become a positive role model and a math teacher of excellence ...

Broderick (Brody) McKenna



Broderick (Brody) McKenna is currently a senior at Slippery Rock University as a Management Information Systems, and Cyber security major and whose father is a ΘΧ.

In his application he stated, “My dream, when I complete my studies, is to become a Chief Information Security Officer or Information Security Manager for a technology company and change our world by making technology more locked down and making our digital information safer.”

“By far the greatest accomplishment of my life was the Spring 2018 semester as a whole. Last semester, I was fortunate enough to direct a wonderful cast in a cabaret performance for the Musical Theatre Society. I also stepped in as secretary and became a part of the founding member class that reinstalled the Zeta Alpha chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity at Slippery Rock University. I was able to have all those amazing experiences while attaining a 4.0 GPA.”

“All of the opportunities in the aforementioned response were only possible because of Slippery Rock University. My time here at SRU and my experience with Theta Chi Fraternity has given me memories that I will remain with me for the rest of my life. “

Cybersecurity major ΘΧ that has attained a 4.0 ...

The scholarship presentation ceremony will be a part of “Slippery Rock’s Salute to Service” weekend. The presentation will occur during the football game SRU vs. Mercy Hurst University on Saturday, September 29, 2018. The ceremony at the game will honor the service and sacrifice of Veterans and POWs, and the award winners. Each “Resolute Man Book Scholarship” winner will be presented on the field with a framed certificate of their accomplishment.