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VPCMA Annual Scholarship Recipients Announced

The VPCMA Scholarship Committee has announced the recipients of the 2023 scholarship program. Since establishment in 1992, the program has assisted more than 200 deserving students from across Virginia. The 2023 recipients are as follows: **Rachel Sevinsky**, student at University of Lynchburg DPT, daughter of Thomas Sevinsky of Holtzman Oil, Afton; **McKenzie Weddle**, student at Radford University, daughter of Audra Weddle of Xpress Markets, Riner; **Michael Wilkerson**, student at University of North Carolina, son of Bill Wilkerson of Liberty Petroleum, Mount Jackson; **Ethan Hayes**, student at Emory & Henry College, son of Jennifer Hayes of Wawa in Newport News; and **Zachary Bowles**, student at Old Dominion University, employee of Wawa, Virginia Beach. Congratulations to all!



Rachel Sevinsky



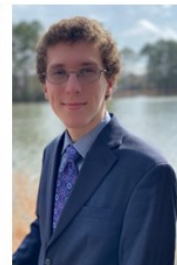
McKenzie Weddle



Michael Wilkerson



Ethan Hayes



Zachary Bowles

Don't Forget to Register for the VPCMA 75th Annual Meeting

September 24-26 - Rooms Still Available

Although our room block has been released, there are still rooms available at the Marriott Virginia Beach Oceanfront at a slightly higher rate, but they will go fast! Please make plans to join us in honoring many of the past leaders and award recipients as we celebrate the Association's golden anniversary on Sunday evening September 24. Monday will feature an address from Virginia Attorney General Jason Miyares, and a briefing from Federated Insurance. Tuesday will feature a program devoted entirely to the "Jobbers are Refiners" issue as we unpack some of the lessons learned from the 2023



General Assembly session and examine proactive steps we can take before January to address this threat. Please support your association by registering for the annual meeting today. **To view the full meeting program, [click here](#).**

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We depend on the EMA to provide us with important regulatory information emanating from federal agencies that can impede members' ability to compete and thrive in the challenging marketplace facing the industry in 2023. Additionally, EMA's staff are our voice in the halls of Congress, assuring that the concerns of independent petroleum marketers are heard by our congressmen and senators.

Political contributions are important because they allow EMA to serve you better. In addition to meeting requests from our Virginia delegation, the staff carefully targets congressmen and senators who are on key committees impacting petroleum related issues.

Federal requirements mandate that all contributions to the PAC are made with private funds. We hope that you will join your colleagues below in sending a **personal check for \$150.00** made out to "EMA PAC," and send to the office address, 7275 Glen Forest Drive, Suite 204, Richmond, Virginia 23226. Thank you to the following who have already contributed:

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