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## DMV: No Changes to Motor Fuel Tax Rates for Second Half of 2017

2013 legislation passed by the General Assembly mandates the Department of Motor Vehicles to review average wholesale gasoline prices every six months to determine tax rates for the next six months. This process has just concluded and we have learned that DMV Commissioner Rick Holcomb has found that gasoline and diesel taxes will remain unchanged until at least December 31, 2017. Under the law, state gas and diesel taxes are tied to a percentage of the wholesale price of unleaded regular on February 20, 2013 (\$3.19.) Because the commissioner determined that the average wholesale price did not exceed this threshold, gasoline taxes will remain at 16.2 cents per gallon, with diesel taxes at 20.2 cents per gallon until at least July 1, 2017. The regional 2.1 percent tax in Northern Virginia and Hampton Roads also will remain unchanged. For a copy of the DMV list of fuel tax rates, [click here](#).

## 2017 Scholarship Recipients Announced

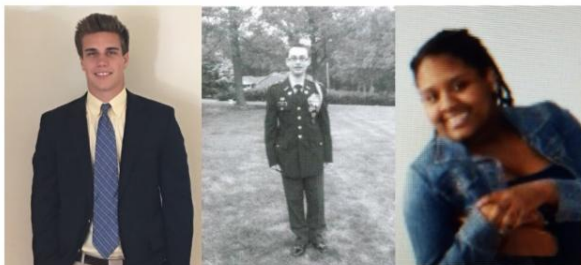


Connor Burgess

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Ryan McDowell

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Bailey Hardy

Henry Field

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The VPCGA Scholarship Committee has announced four recipients of the 2017 S. Frank Straus Scholarships. Since it was established in 1992, this fund has distributed funds to more than 200 deserving students from across Virginia. The 2017 recipients are:

**Connor Burgess**, incoming student at Virginia Tech, son of Todd Burgess of Quik-E Food Stores; **Andrianna Daniels**, incoming student at UMD-College Park, daughter of Frank Daniels of PAPCO; **Ryan McDowell**, student at University of Virginia, son of Stephen McDowell of Abercrombie Oil; **ShaQuita Smith**, incoming student at Old Dominion University, daughter of LaTasha Smith of Woodfin; **Bailey Hardy**, student at Bridgewater College, son of Chip Hardy of Woodfin; **Henry Field**, student at Averett University, son of Monique Field of Davenport Energy; and **Safra Waugh**, incoming student at Radford University, daughter of Abeba Waugh of Woodfin. Congratulations to all!

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## **Save the Date!**

The 69th Annual Meeting will be held September 24-26, 2017 at the Omni Homestead Resort! Look for details and registration July 1!