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**CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION NEWS:**  
**ACCNJ Awards \$50,000 in Scholarships to College Students**

EDISON, NJ – At its Annual June Membership Meeting at Hilton Gardens Inn, Edison, Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey (ACCNJ) awarded scholarships totaling \$50,000 to eight students through the Association's scholarship programs. In addition, two other students each received an award through the Floor Covering Institute of New Jersey's 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarships.

The **ACCNJ Foundation Scholarships** are available to high school graduates of eligible ACCNJ members, with the award based on character, academic performance, extracurricular activities and community service.

- John Sauerland, a graduate of Mountain Lakes High School, who will attend Boston College this fall.
- Eric Taleghani, a graduate of Peninsula Catholic High School in Newport News, VA, who will attend the University of Virginia this fall.
- Thomas vanVeldhuisen from Northern Burlington County Regional High School, who is enrolled at Embry-Riddle.
- Laura Romanski, who graduated from Hanover Park High School and will enter Penn State University in the fall.
- Anna Colonna, a graduate of Red Bank Catholic High School, who will attend Boston College.
- Michael Pais, a graduate of Morris County School of Technology, who is enrolled at Hofstra University.

The **John F. Donohoe Scholarship** was established to encourage students currently enrolled in a civil engineering program who seek careers in heavy construction contracting. Two students received the scholarship this year:

- Nadia Tolli, a graduate of The Ursuline School in New Rochelle, NY, who is entering her senior year at Manhattan College.
- Leon E. Collins III, a graduate of Cinnaminson High School, who is entering his junior year at The College of New Jersey.

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Floor Covering Institute of New Jersey, an affiliate of ACCNJ, presents its annual scholarship to a high school graduate of an eligible FCINJ member, with the award based on character, academic performance, extracurricular activities and community service. This year, because of the high caliber of applicants, two scholars were chosen to receive the award:

- Melissa Hand, a graduate of Somerville High School, who will enter the University of Delaware in the fall.
- Katherine Lund, a graduate of Atlantic City High School, who is enrolled at East Carolina University.

**About ACCNJ**

ACCNJ represents union general building contractors, construction managers, and heavy, highway, site development and utility contractors in New Jersey. Members are responsible for billions of dollars in commercial, industrial, heavy, highway, utility and institutional construction projects annually and employ tens of thousands of skilled union craftworkers statewide. The Association is committed to raising the standards of construction in New Jersey through quality, integrity, skill and responsibility.

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