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## **FLORIDA SWIMMING POOL ASSOCIATION AWARDS MORE THAN \$18,000 IN MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS TO FLORIDA STUDENTS**

(SARASOTA, Fla.) Aug. 20, 2013 – More than \$18,000 in merit scholarships was awarded in August to 18 college students by the Florida Swimming Pool Association. For more than 20 years, FSPA has presented scholarships to dependents of its members and employees to help offset the cost of a college education.

Scholarships are awarded based on each student's academic accomplishments, extracurricular activities, contributions to the community and a research paper focusing on a pool industry related topic. "We are extremely proud that FSPA's members have continued to underwrite this program," said FSPA Executive Director Wendy Parker Barsell. "FSPA's Scholarship Program is just one of the many benefits this association offers its members, their employees and families."

FSPA is a trade association for the Florida swimming pool and spa industry, and serves as the educator, promoter and information bank for 16 chapters with more than 550 members statewide. FSPA provides members with guidelines governing business and construction practices, conducts approved continuing education classes for Florida licensees, sponsors one of the largest regional trade shows for the industry and requires its members to adhere to a code of ethics. FSPA members include swimming pool and spa builders, service companies, retail stores, manufacturers, distributors and firms allied with the aquatics industry. For more information, call 941-952-9293, 800-548-6774 or visit [www.FloridaPoolPro.com](http://www.FloridaPoolPro.com).

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