



## ***The Women's Rochester District Golf Association***

### ***JEAN TRAINOR JUNIOR GIRLS' Scholarship Awards***

#### **Our 2009 WRDGA Scholarship Recipients**

The Rochester area is rich with very talented young women golfers. It gives us great pleasure to present the *2009 Jean Trainor Junior Scholarship* awards to five accomplished young women in the fields of golf, academics, and community service. Each recipient will be receiving an award of \$300.

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**Elizabeth Blyth** In 2003 Lizzie wrote a lovely note thanking the WRDGA for the opportunity to play in her first Junior tournament at Victor Hills. She was the only player in the Junior Junior division, and won! Here she is again as a co-recipient of the Jean Trainor Scholarship. Not only does Lizzie have an impressive golf resume – Monroe County Girls Champion, WRDGA and RDGA Jr. Golf Champion, a two time All Greater Rochester Player of the Year, Section 5 Champion and captain of her Mendon golf team, she was on the Pittsford Mendon HS Honor Roll, worked part time jobs and found time to volunteer for various local events. Lizzie is headed to Allegheny College to Study Pre-Health. One question Lizzie, do you still wear the charm you won in your first WRDGA Junior Junior tournament? As a reminder of how important those thank you notes are, here is a copy of the note you wrote way back in 2003. We're keeping the original in the WRDGA files so sometime we can say, "We knew her when"

**Emily Capotosto** was a member and captain of the Churchville-Chili varsity golf team. She has demonstrated herself as a leader by also serving as Vice President of the National Honor Society, Treasurer of the foreign language club and as Captain of her JV soccer and softball teams. She has been a peer tutor, was student of the month at the Churchville-Chili High School and received the Monroe County Scholar Athlete award. Her grade point average is 93. Emily will be attending St. John Fisher College in the Fall, majoring in Psychology.

**Ashley Meng** graduated from Penfield High School where she was a member of the golf team for the last four years. She is an accomplished golfer with wins and awards including the 2007 All Greater Rochester Player of the year, 2008 All Greater Rochester team representative, 2007 Tournament of Champions winner, and the 2006, 2007 and 2009 Monroe Country Player of the Year. Her coach, Scott Bringley remarks "Not enough can be said about this young lady. She is a conscientious, responsible, well-rounded individual whose interests vary and are endless. She is a highly motivated individual and has an extremely good work ethic". Ashley will be attending SUNY Cortland in the fall pursuing her lifelong goal of playing golf at the collegiate level and attaining her Early Childhood Education degree.

**Brenna Sweeney** was a student at Our Lady of Mercy for the past six years where she was a member of the President's Advisory Cabinet and the Campus Ministry Board. Brenna is an accomplished dancer, dancing since the age of 7. She also played golf on the Mercy varsity golf team. She will be attending the University of Notre Dame to study either Business or Science and Business. She graduated in the top 5% of her graduating class.

**Sarah Tranelli** Not only is Sarah an outstanding golfer - co-captain and co-MVP of her Penfield High School team, Section 5 winner in 2008, All Greater Rochester golf team in 2007 and winner of the Women's Club Championship at Penfield Country Club, she was on the Section 5 winning basketball team, competed in AAU basketball tournaments and spent 4 years at summer golf and basketball clinics and camps working with elementary and middle school children. Sarah has been very active in numerous community service activities including The National Honor Society, her church youth group and other community organizations. Sarah won numerous academic honors and awards, High Honor Roll and the National Honor Society to name just two. Sarah is headed to Scripps School of Journalism where she plans to combine her love for sports and broadcast journalism into a career as a sports announcer, analyst or news reporter helping to promote women's sports and expand its spectator base.

We wish these 5 individuals the best of luck as they enter the next chapter of their lives in the fall. Good luck to each and every one of you.