

Michael Heaney Memorial Scholarship

Mike's Story:

Michael Heaney was a tenacious competitor for Downs Farm swim club in the late 90's and early 2000's. He went on to become captain of both the Bishop Eustace Swim Team and The College of New Jersey men's swim team and became a school record holder. His ever-competitive nature drove him and his teammates to compete at the highest level and become the best they could be.

Tragically, Mike was critically injured in a bike accident in early 2012. He eventually succumbed to his traumatic brain injury in late 2013. In his honor, the Michael Heaney Fund has set up the 1500 Meters for Mike ocean swim in Manasquan, NJ each year, which to date, has raised over \$200,000 to help those suffering from traumatic brain injuries. To further Mike's legacy, this scholarship has been created to represent the positive impact that the Tri County Swim League and Bishop Eustace High School had on his life and how it refined his leadership skills.

Mission:

This scholarship is designed to honor Mike's leadership qualities and his persistent drive to help those around him reach their potential, whether it be in the classroom or in the pool.

Scholarship Details:

Number of Scholarships: 1 male scholarship and 1 female scholarship per year

Scholarship Amount: \$1,000 each

Check Format: Scholarship check will be made payable to recipients respective school/institution

Check Issuing Date: The scholarship check will be awarded at the conclusion of league championships.

In Order To Be Considered:

1. Must be a current high school senior (or just graduated from HS this year)
2. Must currently swim for a team in the Tri-County Swim League OR Bishop Eustace HS
3. Must be currently accepted (or expecting to be accepted to) either a 2 or 4 year college/university or other qualified institution of higher education
4. Must complete all sections of the attached application including:
 - a. Personal Information
 - b. Team Information
 - c. Nomination Form
 - d. Essay
 - e. Copy of Acceptance Letter

To Apply:

Application Deadline: July 24

Please SCAN & EMAIL to: metersformike@gmail.com

All applications MUST include all items

Michael Heaney Memorial Scholarship - APPLICATION

Personal Information	To be completed by applicant																																				
<p>First Name: _____ Last Name: _____</p> <p>Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____</p> <p>Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____</p> <p>Gender: M F Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____</p> <p>College/University you will attend next year (or are expecting to attend): _____</p> <p>Do you plan on continuing to swim in college?: YES NO OTHER: _____</p>																																					
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Essay	To be completed by applicant																																				
Attach and submit a one-page essay describing your leadership attributes that have developed as a member of the Tri County Swim League and how it has impacted your daily life and commitment to others.																																					
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Please enclose a copy of your letter of acceptance to either a 2/4 year college/university or other institution of higher education. If you do not have an acceptance letter yet, please explain when you expect to receive this letter:																																					

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Michael Heaney Memorial Scholarship NOMINATION FORM

To the Applicant:	To be completed by applicant
<p>This form must be completed by the applicant's coach or team parent. Family members will not be accepted. Your coach or team parent will need to send the nomination form DIRECTLY to us. They should NOT give the completed form back to you.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Applicants Name: _____</p>	
To the Nominator - Basic Information	To be completed by the nominator
<p style="text-align: center;">Please fill out all of the following sections. DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM TO THE APPLICANT. Please scan/email this form and your paragraph to metersformike@gmail.com.</p> <p>Your Name: _____ Relationship to Applicant: _____</p> <p>Year's you have known applicant: _____ Phone Number: _____</p> <p>Email Address: _____</p>	
To the Nominator - Ratings	To be completed by the nominator
<p>Please rate the applicant on a scale of 1 (worst) to 10 (best) in the following areas:</p> <p>Leadership Qualities: _____ Dedication to Team: _____ Competitiveness: _____</p> <p>Sportsmanship: _____ Mental Toughness: _____ Loyalty: _____</p> <p>Effort Level in Practice: _____ Ability to Push Others: _____ Physical Talent: _____</p>	
To the Nominator - Recommendation Paragraph	To be completed by the nominator
<p>Please read the basis of this scholarship:</p> <p>Michael Heaney was a tenacious competitor for Downs Farm swim club in the late 90's and early 2000's. He went on to become captain of both the Bishop Eustace Swim Team and The College of New Jersey men's swim team and became a school record holder. His ever-competitive nature drove him and his teammates to compete at the highest level and become the best they could be. Tragically, Mike was critically injured in a bike accident in early 2012. He eventually succumbed to his traumatic brain injury in late 2013. In his honor, the Michael Heaney Fund has set up the 1500 Meters for Mike ocean swim in Manasquan, NJ each year, which to date, has raised over \$200,000 to help those suffering from traumatic brain injuries. To further Mike's legacy, this scholarship has been designed to honor Mike's leadership qualities and his persistent drive to help those around him reach their potential, whether it be in the classroom or in the pool.</p> <p>On the back, or on an attached sheet, please write a brief paragraph explaining why you believe the applicant would be a worthy recipient for this scholarship. You are advised to give specific examples of how the swimmer has exhibited leadership, dedication and sportsmanship to his/her team.</p>	

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