



## News Release

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FRANKLIN, MASSACHUSETTS, February 25, 2010 ... Wayne A. Cottle, President and CEO of Dean Bank, announced today that college scholarship have recently been granted to five area students. A total of eleven scholarships have been given by Dean Bank to local students this year, reflecting the bank's continued commitment to helping people reach their goals and dreams.

Lindsay N. Poirier of Blackstone was granted a \$1,000 scholarship. Daughter of Peter Poirier and Kimberley Poirier, Lindsay graduated from Blackstone Millville Regional High School in 2009. Poirier is attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where she is majoring in Computer Science.

Kristin Tomasi of Franklin was granted a \$1,000 scholarship. Daughter of Vinnie and Mary Beth Tomasi, Kristin graduated in the top 5% of her class at Franklin High School in 2009. Tomasi is attending Bentley University where she is double majoring in Information Design & Corporate Communications and Media Arts & Society.

James Cram of Whitinsville was granted a \$500 scholarship. Son of Deborah Cram, Jim is a 2008 graduate of Blackstone Valley RVT High School. Cram is attending Johnson & Wales University and is currently studying Robotics Technology and Electronic Engineering.

Justina D'Amato of Uxbridge was granted a \$500 scholarship. Daughter of Louis and Carol D'Amato, Justina graduated from Blackstone Valley RVT High School in 2009. She was a member of the National Honor Society and won two State Gold and a National Silver Medal for SkillsUSA, a national educational partnership preparing students for leadership in work. She was also a member of the Fashion Club, Go Green Club and Math Team. D'Amato is now attending Worcester State College where she is majoring in Nursing.

Jonathan A. Rapp of Upton was granted a \$250 scholarship. Son of Ken and Karen Rapp, Jonathan is a 2009 graduate of Nipmuc Regional High School. Rapp is attending WPI where he is currently studying Mechanical Engineering. He is a member of the Association of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and a member of the Boxing Club. An Eagle Scout himself, Rapp volunteers his time to help fellow Scouts with their Eagle projects.

Founded in 1889, Dean Bank is mutually owned institution with offices located in Franklin, Blackstone, Bellingham, and Mendon. As a member of the FDIC and a member of the SIF, the bank's deposits are insured in full.

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