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Three area law enforcement students win Sheriff's Association scholarships

The Minnesota Sheriff's Association (MSA) has announced the winners of its annual scholarship contest, and this year three of the 10 recipients are law enforcement students from the Northland. Sheriff Ross Litman presented checks for \$600 on behalf of the MSA to each of the following:

- Sean Clark of Saginaw is enrolled in the law enforcement program at Fond du Lac Community College. After graduation, he plans to attend the University of Minnesota – Duluth to pursue a degree in computer science..
- Travis Magdzas of Duluth is a senior at the University of Minnesota - Crookston, where is majoring in criminal justice.
- Nicholas Nelson of Duluth is enrolled in the law enforcement program at Fond du Lac Community College. After graduation, he plans to attend the University of Wisconsin – Superior to pursue a degree in criminal justice.

“Law enforcement, while rewarding, is not an easy career,” said Sheriff Ross Litman, “and that’s probably never been more true than it is right now. We need quality officers, and so I’m thrilled to be able to present checks to these three students to assist them as they train. I’d also like to add that to have three students from our area be selected by the MSA is a real testament to the quality programs offered at our local colleges and universities.”

The MSA awards scholarships each year to law enforcement students to assist with training and education expenses. This year’s recipients represent a broad spectrum of applicants, and were chosen based on qualifications and academic excellence that reflect the dedication and pride of those choosing to enter the difficult but rewarding profession of law enforcement and public service.

Additional information about the award and the MSA can be found online at mnsheriffs.org.

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St. Louis County Sheriff Ross Litman (right), acting on behalf of the Minnesota Sheriff's Association, presented \$600 scholarships to (L-R) Sean Clark, Nicholas Nelson and Travis Magdzas. The three young men are students pursuing careers in law enforcement.