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Phil Hill Scholars and our first Jules "J." & Sally Heumann Scholar at the 2019 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. (Photograph by Sherman Chu)

Announcing the John Lamm Scholarships



Please Join Us in Supporting Students in the Field of Automotive Communications

PEBBLE BEACH, CALIF. (December 1, 2020) – In memory of automotive journalist John Lamm, and in keeping with our mission to celebrate great cars long into the future, the Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance is establishing the John Lamm Scholarships to support students in the field of automotive communications.

These scholarships will complement the Phil Hill Scholarships and the Jules "J." & Sally Heumann Scholarships, which the Pebble Beach Concours has already established to support students in the fields of automotive restoration and design.

"In addition to creating and caring for great cars, we need people who can capture their stories and convey them to future generations," said Concours Chairman Sandra Button. "That's what John did so well for decades, with camera and pen and computer. He photographed and wrote about great cars — as well as the people who made history with them. He also did all he could to connect car people. He was both a communicator and a community builder.

"In tribute to John, and in remembrance of the other automotive journalists we've lost in recent years (Denise McCluggage, Paul Ingrassia and Thos Bryant spring to mind immediately), we want to do all we can to encourage the car communicators of the future."

John Lamm had a career that spanned nearly 50 years, covering everything from new cars to classics, mainly for *Road & Track*. He served a stint in the Army and graduated with a journalism degree from the University of Wisconsin before beginning his career with *MotorTrend* magazine in the late 1960s. In 1975, he moved to *Road & Track* where he remained for 37 years. He later contributed to *Car and Driver* and *Automobile*, and he wrote columns for *Car Graphic* in Japan and *Wheels* in Australia.

John first attended the Pebble Beach Concours in 1974, and not once did he miss the event in the many years since then. Initially, he often walked the competition field alongside his mentor and close friend Phil Hill. He went on to serve among our judges for nearly a quarter century.

Some of John's friends and colleagues, as well as Ford Motor Company, have already stepped forward with generous donations to help fund the John Lamm Scholarships, and we thank them. If you wish to join with us by honoring John in this manner, we invite your contribution, using our regular donation form. Please contact Sandra Button or Judith Ann Raible (at info@pebblebeachconcours.net) if you desire further information.

The Pebble Beach Company Foundation, the primary charitable partner of the Concours, has agreed to act as the administrator for the John Lamm Scholarships. And, as with the Hill and Heumann Scholarships, the first John Lamm Scholarships will go to students at McPherson College in Kansas, where they have a program emphasizing Automotive Communications in addition to programs focused on Automotive Restoration Design, Technology and Management.

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Meet Our 2020-2021 Scholarship Recipients

We are proud to introduce the recipients of our Phil Hill Scholarships as well as our Jules "J." & Sally Heumann Scholarship for the 2020–2021 academic year. Although many things are different this year, McPherson College has been in session and our scholarship students have been busy honing their automotive skills.



Jules "J." & Sally Heumann Scholar:

Wyatt Miceli of Northern California Junior at McPherson College

"My goal is to be a jack-of-all-trades and a master of many, focused on gaining new knowledge, experience, and insight within the automotive arena," says Wyatt. "The automotive world is extremely diverse and dense in content. While I am passionate about vintage automobiles, in order to remain relevant in today's world, I strive to develop knowledge on numerous eras and aspects of vehicles."

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Phil Hill Scholar:

Jacqueline "Jackie" Gullion of Fremont, California A Junior at McPherson College

"Sanding is relaxing for me; I listen to music and become one with the work," says Jackie. "At college, I've also discovered my love of upholstery. Feeling the different types of materials, watching my hand guide it through the machine, hypnotized by the sound of the machine as it punctures each stitch – it all gives me an adrenaline rush."

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Phil Hill Scholar:

Nate McLaughlin of Ticonderoga, New York A Senior at McPherson College

"Each car tells a story of the time it was built, who built it, and who ended up with the car," Nate says. "Being part of a car's history, whether you own and drive it every day or you work on bringing it back to life, is what I like most about cars."





Phil Hill Scholar:

Dylan Riley of Lake Ozark, Missouri A Senior at McPherson College

"Where I grew up the big car shows were full of Camaros, Mustangs, and Chevelles, so that was all I really knew," says Dylan. "At McPherson College and through internships, I have been exposed to the more elegant and stylish classic automobiles and have really developed a love of Brass Era cars and early European sports cars. I look forward to learning even more about them."

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Photos of McPherson students courtesy of McPherson College.

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