

## **Seniors**

### ***Academic/Athletic***

#### **Presidential - \$1,500**

The Presidential Scholarship is awarded to a player who represents what the Manalapan Soccer Club embodies – a love of the sport and giving back to the community. This player has the most fundamental values – natural leader on the field, respected, focused on the impact of what they can do and demonstrates a good balance between school, soccer and community service. Finally, this player loves Manalapan and this program. This player is a constant, visible volunteer at Club sponsored events, brings enthusiasm and positively represents the Manalapan Soccer Club brand. They believe in the Club's mission and go above and beyond to support the Club in its initiatives. They want to see the program succeed and they spend time doing what they can to support it.

#### **Rich Spector Scholarship- - \$1,500**

The Rich Spector Scholarship is in honor of a founding member of the Manalapan Soccer Club, Richard Spector, who passed away in 2019. Rich dedicated his life to his family and his love of sports. In 1987, Rich saw a need in our community to formalize a club for children to play soccer. He helped create the Manalapan Soccer Club which gave the children of our community an organization that focused on teaching, developing and playing the sport of soccer. During his time, he coached, was on the Board of Directors and volunteered at the Memorial Day Tournament. He loved our Club and program so much that he continued to volunteer at the Tournament, long after his children grew up and graduated from the program. When he passed in 2019, the Club lost not only a founding member, but a friend. The Rich Spector Scholarship is dedicated to a player who considers the Club as family, is the ultimate team player and actively participates in Club sponsored events.

### ***Athletic/Academic***

#### **Tim Hanlon Scholarship - \$1,000**

The Tim Hanlon Scholarship is the first ever awarded scholarship by the Manalapan Soccer Club. It is in honor of Tim Hanlon, a former travel player and varsity high school player. Tim grew up playing soccer in Manalapan and tragically lost his life in a car accident the summer after his high school graduation in 1992. While playing for the Club, Tim was coached by Rich Spector, another long-standing member of the Club. The Tim Hanlon Scholarship is awarded to a player who is dedicated to the sport of soccer and excels in their community.

#### **Morgan Ball Scholarship - \$1,000**

The Morgan Ball Scholarship is dedicated to a former Manalapan player who passed away in 2008 from addiction. Morgan loved soccer and was an all-around team player. She played 12 years for the Club on the Manalapan United and 4 years on the Manalapan High School varsity team, serving as captain for 2 years. She had a love for life, loved her teammates and especially loved her family. Her passing was a significant loss for her family and for the soccer community. To remember Morgan, the Ball family started the 14 Chair Project and the Manalapan Soccer Club established this scholarship in her name.

You may notice at every Memorial Day Tournament, near the Pavilion, there are painted Adirondack chairs up for auction. The 14 Chair Project works with local artists to paint the chairs and raise money to help fund the scholarship which is awarded to exceptional female athletes at Manalapan High School.

You may also see a familiar face on the fryer during the Tournament. Mr. Ball continues to volunteer his time each year in support of the Club and in Morgan's memory.

To honor Morgan and her family's contributions to the Club, the Morgan Ball Scholarship is awarded to a player who demonstrates a love for the sport, is a leader on the field, has a dynamic energy and is an all-around team player.

### ***Volunteer /Athletic/ Academic***

#### **Mike Confessore- Scholarship - \$1,000**

The Mike Confessore Scholarship is in honor of Mike Confessore, who sadly lost his life while helping a friend in 2013. Mike started off as a parent on the sidelines, but when asked if he could help coach one of children's recreational soccer teams, Mike eagerly took on the role. He was a huge supporter of town sports for over 20 years. Mike worked countless hours at every Memorial Day Tournament and kept asking "what else do you need me to do?" The Mike Confessore Scholarship is awarded to a player who values and supports town-based community volunteering, plays in our program and is always willing to help.

#### **Additional Senior Scholarships - \$3,000 in total**

##### **Senior General Scholarships**

This Senior Scholarship is award to players who find the balance between school, soccer and volunteering. They understand that each of these are important. They have taken the time to develop the skills – like time management, planning and proactiveness - which makes the players better in their everyday lives. In addition, these players demonstrate determination, patience, and respect, leaving a positive influence on their community. Finally, they are ideal teammates, coachable players and well-rounded.

#### **Referee Scholarships - \$1,000 in total**

The Referee Scholarship is awarded to a referee who demonstrates the skills and leadership attributes that are required to be an outstanding referee. These include knows and enforces the rules of the game, demonstrates a command of the field, maintains a high level of professionalism, has the respect of the players and coaches while promoting and positively reinforcing sportsmanship on the field.

### **Underclassmen**

#### **Training Scholarships - \$2,500 in total-can only win once**

Up to 10 at \$250

##### **Training Scholarship**

The Training Scholarship is awarded to players who are dedicated to learning the sport and trying to improve and master their skills. Their dedication to learning the sport helped them grow into the person they are today – on and off the field. These players are self-motivated, are receptive to their trainer's feedback, apply what they learn at games, and encourage and support development with their

teammates. These players enjoy learning the sport and they bring that enjoyment to practices and games.