

The Tom Tetrault Scholarship



Tom Tetrault began his lifelong career in golf shortly after graduating from college, joining the Fall River Country Club in 1972 as an Assistant Golf Professional. Before entering the golf industry, Tom served as captain of the golf teams at both Roger Williams University and St. Raphael's Academy.

In 1976, Tom was appointed Head Golf Professional at the Fall River Country Club, a position he proudly held until his retirement in 2011. Throughout Tom's distinguished career, Tom was known not only for his skill and professionalism but for his generosity and commitment to helping others; whether it be members at his club, young people in the community or other golf professionals throughout the country. Tom's impact on the Fall River community was so profound that in 2017, the bridge leading to the Fall River Country Club was renamed the "Tom Tetrault Bridge" by legislation sponsored by State Senator Michael J. Rodrigues, State Representative Carole Fiola, and former Governor Charlie Baker.

Among his many honors, Tom received the Horton Smith Award, Bill Strausbaugh Award, New England PGA Professional of the Year and Junior Golf Leader awards. His greatest professional recognition came with his induction into the New England PGA Hall of Fame, where he was praised as "a true pioneer in the success of education, club relations and junior golf programs in New England and around the country."

Tom's greatest legacy lies in his dedication to nurturing the next generation of golfers. He passionately promoted junior golf through free summer programs and youth clinics throughout the Fall River area. Known for his generosity, Tom frequently provided lessons, equipment, and mentorship, often at no cost, to ensure that every child had the opportunity to experience and enjoy the game.

The Tom Tetrault Scholarship was established to honor Tom's enduring commitment to youth development and his lifelong passion for the game of golf. Each year, the scholarship will be awarded to deserving young golfers between the ages of 7 and 16 from the Greater Fall River area, including Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, Dighton, Westport, Freetown and Dartmouth.

Scholarship funds may be used to support a recipient's growth in the game, including expenses related to golf lessons, equipment, junior golf memberships, and other golf-related needs. Through this program, Tom's legacy of mentorship, generosity and love for the game continues to inspire and empower future generations.

Key Deadlines:

Application Process Opens	March 2, 2026
Application Deadline	May 29, 2026
Award Given	June 2026

The Tom Tetrault Scholarship Committee will award six (6) \$500 Scholarships to deserving youth in the greater Fall River area in May of each year.

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Michael Tetrault	Founding member of the Tom Tetrault Scholarship Fund
Christine Gunzburger	Founding member of the Tom Tetrault Scholarship Fund
Donald Daley, PGA	Head Golf Professional, Atlantic Country Club
Brent Amaral, PGA	Head Golf Professional, Acoaxet Club
Lowell Metivier	Assistant Golf Professional, Acoaxet Club
Drew Chapman, PGA	Head Golf Professional, The Links at Mass Golf
Senator Michael J. Rodrigues	State Senator, Massachusetts
Neil Rodrigues	Tournament Advisor



Eligibility Criteria

- Scholarship to benefit youth between 7-16 years of age
- Committed to learning and practicing the game of golf
- Shows respect towards peers and good sportsmanship along with integrity and honesty

Required Material

- One (1) Letter of Recommendation from a golf professional or golf coach, athletic director or parent
- Personal Statement or Essay, 500 words or less, commenting on the question below:

“Why should you be granted the Tom Tetrault Scholarship and how you plan to use the funds to better yourself in the game of golf?”

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