

CONOR DALY



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FORMULA STAR MAZDA CHAMPION CONOR DALY NAMED 18TH ANNUAL RECIPIENT OF GORSLINE SCHOLARSHIP

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- Conor Daly, of Noblesville, Ind., has been selected to receive the 18th annual Gorsline Scholarship, presented by The Gorsline Company. Daly, 18, is the 2010 Formula Star Mazda champion and the son of professional racing champion Derek Daly. The Gorsline Scholarship recognizes aspiring drivers and presents a program that provides tools that will assist these drivers in developing skills on and off the track to attain their professional goals.

As the scholarship winner, Daly will work with Dr. Jacques Dallaire, Director of Performance Prime, to create an individually-designed performance-enhancement program, courtesy of The Gorsline Company.

"Conor is a perfect candidate for this scholarship," said John Gorsline, principal of The Gorsline Company, the leader in high-risk motorsports insurance. "In his short career, he has demonstrated an ability to aim high and reach his goals as he continues to pursue his dream to become a world-class racing champion."

Daly began his racing career in 2005 at the age of 10, winning 19 races, two championships and was elected "Junior Driver of the Year" by Kart Racers of America. In 2007 he won the Stars of Karting TaG

East Championship. In 2006 he drove a race car for the first time at the Bertil Roos Racing School. He went on to win three Skip Barber Regional races that year, then won the 2008 Skip Barber National Championship and was named the Ontario Formula Ford 600 Rookie of the Year.

In his European debut he won the Walter Hayes Formula Ford 1600 Trophy in Silverstone, England, representing Team USA. In 2009 he finished third in the Star Mazda Championship and in 2010 had a record-setting year as he swept the Formula Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear.

"Conor is an excellent choice for the prestigious Gorsline Scholarship," said Jeremy Shaw, Team USA Scholarship founder. "Conor proved to be a fine ambassador for his country when he represented the Team USA Scholarship two years ago in England, becoming the youngest ever winner of the Walter Hayes Trophy at Silverstone, and he has grown by leaps and bounds since then. His performances this year in dominating the Star Mazda Championship were a clear reminder that he is a potential star of the future."

Daly was in the running with two other outstanding young drivers for the Gorsline Scholarship, which included Ashley Freiberg, winner of two skip Barber Series championships in 2010, and Anders Krohn, who finished second in the 2010 Formula Star Mazda championship. "It was a tough decision to make," said Gorsline,

"as each of these young drivers has done an outstanding job this year."

The Gorsline Scholarship will be presented on Dec. 5 by racing legend Stirling Moss at the Autosport Dinner in London.

Previous recipients of the Gorsline Scholarship have been:

- 2010 Josef Newgarden
- 2009 Joel Miller
- 2008 Dane Cameron
- 2007 JR Hildebrand
- 2006 Katherine Legge
- 2005 Colin Braun
- 2004 Ryan Lewis
- 2003 Rocky Moran Jr.
- 2002 Danica Patrick
- 2001 Patrick Long
- 2000 Bryan Sellers
- 1999 David Besnard
- 1998 Buddy Rice
- 1997 Butch Leitzinger
- 1996 Jerry Nadeau
- 1995 Anthony Lazzaro
- 1994 Bryan Herta