Good afternoon,

My name is Danielle Berger and last year I received the Jersey Coast Shark Angler’s scholarship for college. I wanted to update everyone on how the scholarship has helped me and what I am currently up to.

The scholarship was an immense help for allowing me to attend the University of Vermont, and I cannot thank you all enough. I have finished my first year at UVM as a double major in Wildlife and Fisheries Biology and Forestry and have officially declared a Fisheries Biology concentration. I have completed coursework in scientific writing and natural resource ecology and assessment, among other subjects.

I am also currently working with Rubinstein Ecosystem Science Lab (my university’s fisheries laboratory) on a study and subsequent paper on invasive zebra mussel densities in Lake Champlain and how a potential invasion of quagga mussels could negatively affect the food web, in particular mysis, lake trout, lake sturgeon, alewife, slimy sculpin, and rainbow smelt.

I would love to keep in communication with the Jersey Coast Shark Anglers and I hope that everyone is in good health at this time. If you would like to contact me, my school email (danielle.berger@uvm.edu) or my personal email (daniberger424@gmail.com) are the best ways to reach me.

Thank you all again and hope to hear back soon,

Danielle Berger