

Kiwanis Presents Scholarships Around the District

District Foundation Awards Four

The District Foundation has announced the winners of the 2016 scholarships. The scholarships are for \$1,000 each.

The winners are:

- Colleen Augello of Camillus, recommended by the Solvay-Geddes-Camillus club. She is a student at Colgate University.
- Leonard Pietrafesa of Port Chester was nominated by the Port Chester-Rye Brook club. He is a student at the University of Buffalo.
- Madelyn H. Smith of Syracuse, also nominated by the Solvay-Geddes-Camillus club. She is attending St. John Fisher College.
- Jessica Norrs of Old Forge, nominated by the Central Adirondacks club. She is attending Mohawk Valley Community College.

Foundation Board Member Ed Sexton and Former First Lady Marlene Herring chaired the scholarship program this year.

Peninsula Awards Eight Scholarships

On June 15 at Butera's in Oceanside, Peninsula Kiwanis held its annual scholarship awards night. The club was joined by eight winners and their families as awards were presented to students from Hewlett and Lawrence High School in acknowledgement of their scholastic excellence and service to the community.

Each scholarship winner received a plaque to commemorate their award and \$500 to help with their college expenses. This year's winners were:

- Lawrence: Thomas Lira, Arthur Chen, Dahlia Rose Forte, Frank Manara
Hewlett: Dylan Isaacs, Erika Mastorakis, Steven Gitsin, Maui Mawhinney

Woodridge Assists Five Students

The Kiwanis Club of Woodridge held its annual Scholarship Dinner at the Woodridge Family Restaurant, where \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to five Fallsburg High School seniors.

The students selected excelled at academics, community service and extra-curricular activities. The awards were given to Gisselle Caballero, daughter of Janice Caballero; Stephanie Perna, daughter of Anthony and Michelle Perna Jr.; Jaidon Ramirez Zeno, son of James and Maria Zeno; Brendon Sapolsky, son of Neil and Jennifer Sapolsky; and Morgan Williams daughter of Maribel Pomaes.

These students have great plans for the fall. Morgan will be attending SUNY Oswego, Brendon is interested in a career in producing and will attend SUNY Buffalo majoring in communications. Jaidon is interested in architecture and plans to attend SUNY Buffalo. Stephanie will attend SUNY Brockport, majoring in exercise science and Giselle is interested in pre-med and will attend SUNY Albany.

The Kiwanis Club of Woodridge started the scholarship program in 2000 with two \$250 scholarships. The program has grown since; to date, \$64,900 has been distributed.

North Shore Awards Scholarships

The North Shore Kiwanis Club annually presents four scholarships to graduating seniors at North Shore High school.

Elias Mastakouris received the New York State Distinguished Past Kiwanis Governor Jim Hebron Memorial Scholarship of \$4,000.

Three additional awards of \$1,000 each were presented to Madalyn Conklin, Jessica Hannon and Alaina Van Pak.

Monticello Supports 10 Students

Ten Monticello High School Seniors and their parents/guardians were guests of honor at the Monticello Kiwanis Scholarship Dinner that was recently held at the Blue Horizon Diner.

A total of \$10,500 was awarded in scholarships. The recipients were Mackenzie Mitchell, Jaclynn Sorensen, Allison Linen, Jenna Hogue, Allison Kurthy, Daniella Bodden, Rebecca Bass, Samantha Sherb, Shaun Jackson and Jacob Lilley.

Movie Draws 500

On June 17 the Oceanside Kiwanis Club held its fifth annual Free Outdoor Movie Night.

This year the club showed "Star Wars – The Force Awakens" and with the help of the 501st Legion: The Empire Garrison we had some special guest make an appearance before the movie.

Pediatric Lyme Disease

DPG John Gridley



Treatment of early-stage, acute Lyme Disease requires immediate, aggressive antibiotic therapy.

The probability that acute, early-stage Lyme Disease will progress into chronic Lyme Disease increases dramatically the longer antibiotic therapy is postponed. Therefore, if you think that you were recently bitten by a tick

and you are in the early stages of Lyme Disease, it is critical that you find a Lyme Literate Medical Doctor (LLMD) immediately to initiate antibiotic therapy.

LLMDs are much more qualified to treat Lyme Disease than are general practitioners or infectious disease doctors. You can get a referral to an LLMD at www.lymenet.org and also at www.lymediseaseassociation.org.

The "LLMD" title is not an official credential or designation, but instead indicates that a physician is willing and qualified to work with Lyme sufferers. LLMDs are physicians who believe in the existence of chronic Lyme Disease and who are willing to help patients suffering from Lyme Disease. LLMDs are compassionate, supportive, and understanding when dealing with chronic Lyme Disease sufferers. They are also

willing to prescribe aggressive antibiotic therapy to fight the entrenched bacterial infection. LLMDs are willing to use antibiotic therapy because they observe that, time and time again, chronic Lyme Disease sufferers actually get better with antibiotic therapy.

So as I always say, if you get bitten by a tick go directly to your doctor and demand that you start antibiotic therapy immediately.

I would like to thank Gov. Forbes Irvine and all the Kiwanis members, clubs, divisions and sponsored organizations who have taken the time to care and share and support our cause. For without your help we could not do what we do.

As always, if you know a child with Lyme disease and is in need of financial assistance just give me or any board member a call.