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BATH ROTARY AWARDS \$8500 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Six graduating seniors from four area schools were awarded \$8500 collectively in scholarships by the Bath Rotary Club as part of the organization's continuing commitment to help students further their education.

Rotary, an organization of business and professional leaders, provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic the club was not able to hold its Annual Scholarship Luncheon but rather held a Scholarship Recognition Ceremony via Zoom on May 28. The students were recognized for their outstanding academic achievement and extraordinary involvement in school and community activities, including service projects.

Nancy Latour, Scholarship Chair, delivered remarks about each scholarship, including specific information about the memorial scholarships in the names of Dr. Frank E. Nicklaus, Ted Markham, and Wes Payne whose families have generously endowed these scholarships in order to commemorate their relatives' devotion to Rotary and the community.

Next Latour introduced the scholarship recipients and asked them to introduce their parents, if present, as well as to tell their college plans and some information about their high school careers and community activities. She also introduced Mark Recktenwald and Tim Gallagher, Guidance Counselors at Bath-Haverling Central School. Finally, she recognized the other members of the Scholarship Committee: Vicki Anderson, Carol Berry, John Gould, Cheryl Muller, Jane Russell, and Elaine Tears.

The awards, including the recipients' high school, college plans, and parents were as follows:

FRANK E. NICKLAUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$1500 to each recipient)

- Thomas Kressly, son of Thomas and Kathleen Kressly; Hammondsport Central School; SUNY College at Brockport (Adapted Physical Education)
- Shauna Pimm, daughter of Bryan and Paula Pimm; Avoca Central School; Keuka College (Occupational Therapy)
- Bailey Walker, daughter of Rebecca Shuart and Marc Shuart, stepfather, and Michael Walker and Aimee Walker, stepmother; Bath-Haverling Central School; LeMoyne College (Biology)

TED MARKHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$1000 to each recipient)

- Julia Bennet, daughter of Kevin and Christina Bennett; Hammondsport Central School; Clarkson University (Chemical Engineering)
- Blaze Machuga, son of Eric and Erica Machuga; Bradford Central School; Alfred State College (Agriculture Business and Entrepreneurship)

WES PAYNE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$1000)

- Sam Arnts, son of Bill Arnts and Roxanne Gaylord; Bath-Haverling Central School; University of Rochester (Chemical Engineering)

BATH ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (\$500)

- Shauna Pimm – see information above

INTERACT SCHOLARSHIP (\$500)

- Bailey Walker – see information above

In addition to the Scholarship Recognition Ceremony signs, stating A Bath Rotary Club Scholarship Winner Lives Here, were placed in the yards of each of the recipients.

The Bath Rotary Club meets every Thursday. Anyone interested in joining the local, service club should contact Jane Russell, President, at cateringjane@empacc.net.

(See pictures and cutlines for each of the 6 students and a yard sign on the following pages.)



Sam Arnts

(Sorry - Sam Arnts' name would not fit immediately under his picture)

(Additional pictures on next few pages)



Julia Bennett



Thomas Kressly



Blaze Machuga



Shauna Pimm



Bailey Walker

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