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KENT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNOUNCES WINNER OF ITS FOURTH SCHOLARSHIP

Kent, CT, June 28, 2017 – The Kent Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the winner of its fourth scholarship. Chosen from an impressive field of young people is Sarah Good of New Preston. Sarah graduated Magna Cum Laude from Naugatuck Community College in 2015 with an Associate’s Degree in General Studies. She transferred to SUNY Purchase in the fall of 2016 and is studying Graphic Design.

As per the scholarship guidelines, each applicant had to be a member of the Chamber of Commerce, an employee of a Chamber business or an immediate family member of either. Sarah’s father, Tim Good, is owner of the Good Gallery in Kent. Sarah has done volunteer work for the Kent Chamber of Commerce and has worked part-time at the Naples Studio in Kent as well as the Good Gallery. Both galleries are long-time members of the Kent Chamber of Commerce.

Sarah has an excellent academic record, was awarded for excellence in theater and for academic excellence. Her extracurricular activities include Junior Varsity soccer as well as receiving the HALO award for Best Play as Stage Production Manager. In addition to working part-time at the galleries, she does volunteer work for the Chamber of Commerce specifically our rebranding campaign and various Chamber-sponsored events. She also did volunteer work at her school’s library.

Sarah has always been drawn to creative outlets such as painting, drawing, theater and more recently graphic design and finds that her creativity comes through in finding solutions to problems whether it be at school, work or in her day-to-day life. She has a great sense of enthusiasm towards everything she does and looks forward to bettering herself, learning more, meeting new people and finding where each new things leads her. She tries to find the positive in every situation which keeps her pushing forward.

The Scholarship Committee, consisting of Peter D'Aprile, Paul Tines and Richard Lindsey, was hard-pressed to make a selection as all applicants had excellent credentials including solid grades and extracurricular activities that ranged from sports to charitable organizations and part time jobs. They noted that these are the young people who don't make the 6 o'clock news and who give hope for the future. Each applicant was asked to list three words to describe him or herself and then write one sentence explaining why that word was selected. Sarah describes herself as creative, Philomath (a lover of learning and studying) and motivated.

Funds for the scholarship come from a portion of the net proceeds from various events sponsored by the Kent Chamber of Commerce, including the Kent Pumpkin Run and the Kent Champagne Stroll.

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Sarah Good, 2017 Kent Chamber of Commerce Scholarship winner receiving congratulations from Chamber Treasurer, Peter D'Aprile.

