



COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD INDIVIDUAL NOMINATIONS - 2008-2009



MATTHEW BURKE, Ipswich High School

Matt spent most of this year creating a local version of a "Best Buddies" program. He organized a group of 8 students who committed to spend after school time with and engage in activities with students in an after school program. His hard work as made a difference for artistic students.

ALLY CHASE, Framingham High School

Ally organized a breast cancer walk honoring one of her schools faculty members raising over \$6,000 for the American Cancer Society.

EMILY ERKKINEN, Clinton High School

Emily initiated a Girl Scout Gold Award Project, entitled "Clinton's Green is Gold". Emily started a recycling program by contacting a paper company to obtain contracts with the high school and elementary schools to receive "paper retrievers" for paper recycling. In addition, she received 150 cardboard boxes donated for every classroom to be used for recycling.

CAMERON FAIRBANKS AND CECILY BOYCE, Hopkinton High School

Cameron and Cecily have organized committees, meetings and site logistics for

the Relay for Life event that will host over 600 people which they hope will raise over \$140,000.

TRANAE GALLAGHER AND OLIVIA NICOTRA, Turner Falls High School

These girls organized the third annual Powder Puff Football game in their community. All money raised was donated to Habitat for Humanity of the Pioneer Valley. Both girls are also very involved with the Relay for Life and Adopt a Family project.

MICHELLE PELTON, Diman Regional

Michelle has created a volunteer concussion policy that was approved by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees. Having had 4 concussions herself her main goal is to make other student-athletes aware of the seriousness of concussions. It is the mission of Michelle and her dad to include procedures after head injuries in all student handbooks.

SHANE SAMPSON, West Boylston High School

Shane organized a group of football players along with many other athletes to volunteer and assist with the Bi-Centennial Parade and

events in his town.

ASHLEY TRAUTNER, Clinton High School

Ashley organized a Children's Halloween party in her community as well as volunteered her time at the local WHEAT community office organizing and working through the holidays to deliver gifts.

MOLLY WALSH, Billerica Memorial High School

Molly used her Sweet 16 Birthday celebration as an opportunity to raise \$1,200 for the United Way Programs. Molly also volunteers her time at a Middle and Elementary schools, tutoring.

PAUL ZAPANTIS, Clinton High School

Paul participated and organized the running of many community children's programs as well as cleaning up the community.