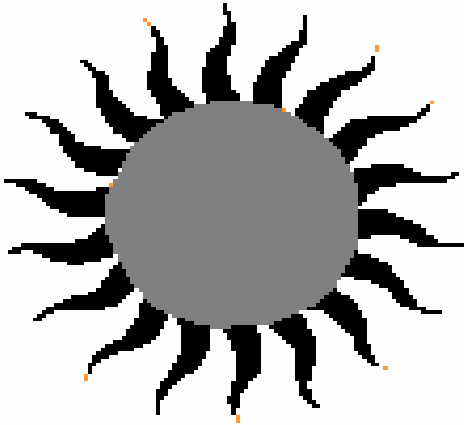


RAY OF HOPE

PROGRAM _ AND MONTHLY RECIPIENT



Left to right Alexandra Hogan, Nicholas Petrosino, David Monge

November Recipient – Nicholas Petrosino

Nicholas Petrosino is a senior at Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood. Nick has been involved in community service throughout his high school years. Earlier this year he organized a Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser concert; the monies raised went to a house being built on Brookline Street. Working with Habitat for Humanity, Nick has helped in the finishing a house in Boston. Also, through Xaverian Brothers High School, he has gone on an ecological field studies/service trip to Peru, a cultural immersion/service trip to Ecuador and he has served the homeless at various soup kitchens throughout Boston. In his junior year, Nick was chosen to go on the Xaverian Brothers Schools Sponsorship retreat to learn how to better themselves as leaders both in their schools today, and in their future life. Nick's real passion is music: writing, performing and recording his own music. For the past five years Nick has been involved with raising money for the Relay for Life Cancer Walk. Nick is a member of the National Honor Society and a Peer Minister (helping the new freshman at the school make a smooth transition.) He is heavily involved in theatre at Xaverian, and has done two fall plays and two spring musicals.

Needham Youth Commission Representative – Alexandra Hogan

Alexandra is a Mental Health Counselor who initially joined the Needham Youth Commission in 2005 as an intern from the Boston College graduate program in Counseling Psychology. She could not be happier to return to a community that has taught her the value of both promoting youth achievement as well as embracing the insight they provide in return.

Needham Business Association Representative – David Monge

David Monge is the Assistant Branch Manager for the new Brookline Bank office located at 902 Highland Avenue in Needham Heights. Brookline Bank is a full service community bank that has been serving Brookline and surrounding communities since 1871. We are happy to participate in the Youth Commission's RAY of Hope Presentation.

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