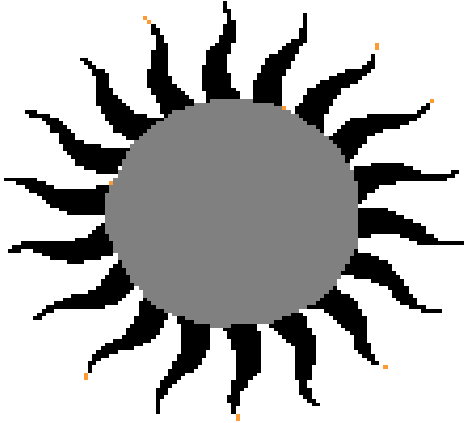


RAY OF HOPE

PROGRAM _ AND MONTHLY RECIPIENT



Left to right: Alexandra Hogan, Ali Sever, Joshua Goldman, Gary Donelan

March Recipients – Ali Sever and Joshua Goldman

Ali Sever is a senior at Needham High School; she is a member of the field hockey team and is captain of the ski team. Ali also helps out in Needham by teaching yoga and skiing lessons twice a week at an after school program. Ali will be doing a four-month teaching internship in Africa next fall before going to college. In her free time, she loves to play guitar, take photography, and practice yoga.

Joshua Goldman is also a senior at Needham High school where he has been actively involved on Student Council for four years including being a member of the student advisory to the School Committee, captain of the Varsity Tennis Team, involvement with the school plays for four years, and a volunteer math tutor this year. In addition Josh is interested in politics and government, and has gone to several model congresses and UN's. In his free time Josh likes to cook and hang out with friends.

Josh and Ali started the Save the World Club in 2006 to raise money to fund Aids research. The group designed and sold T-shirts as its first project. Other projects were a children's carnival, several bake sales, an auction brunch and a Halloween raffle to raise monies for Horizons For Homeless Children, a shelter for kids in Roxbury. The most recent project was to serve a Thanksgiving-themed dinner to a different shelter in Boston. The group is currently planning a clean-up project to be held on school grounds and a fundraising event for the Walk for Hunger. The club also makes regular visits to homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and other charities.

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 – Gary Donelan

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