

## Our Scholars

# Kennedy announces Students of the Month for May

John F. Kennedy Middle School recently announced the names of its May Students of the Month. Teachers nominated these students for their academic improvement or performance, exemplary citizenship, and/or participation in extra curricular activities.

The sixth grade students of the month are James Danielson, Julie Falk, Matthew Torrisi, and Jeanette Wiese.

James, the son of Scott and Felice Danielson, is the sixth grade Tech Ed student of the month. James is an active participant in classroom discussions and always prepared for class. A member of the Drama Club, he achieved a record score of 213 pounds on House of Cards.

The daughter of Paul and Annette Falk, Julie is a hardworking, modest, and creative student who expertly balances an abundance of activities both in and out of school. She is a well-rounded student with an admirable work ethic and novel sense of humor.

Julie is a member of the Color-guard, the Drama Club, the orchestra, the honor roll, Project Discover, the Ski/Snowboard Club, the yearbook, the Reader's Club, the Writer's Club, and MATHCOUNTS. Julie also plays Southington softball and tennis.

Matthew, the son of Tom and Cathy Torrisi, is a conscientious and respectful young man who always



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goes above and beyond what is expected of him. A member of the honor roll and the band, he plays town soccer and volunteers for Relay for Life. Matt enjoys playing badminton and hanging out with his friends.

The daughter of Kurt and Marianne Wiese, Jeanette is a kind, caring, and sensitive person. She is hardworking and conscientious, and her determination and work ethic have brought great strides throughout her sixth grade career. In addition to being on the honor roll, Jeanette volunteers as a baby sitter

at a day care center. She enjoys swimming, reading, gardening, music, and dance.

The seventh grade students of the month are Joy Blanchet, James McLean, and Stephanie Whelan. Joy, the daughter of James and JoAnna Blanchet, is an honorable, conscientious, and mature young lady who is very focused and always follows through on tasks.

Using her leadership skills, she has proved to be very helpful to her peers and teachers. Joy is an honor roll student who is in the band. She also volunteers at pancake breakfasts

and the soup kitchen, and she raises money for various organizations.

The son of Thomas McLean, James is the grade seven Life Skills person of the month. An excellent class participant, he frequently helps students who have difficulty with the tasks at hand. James especially likes to move ahead with hands-on assignments. A Homework Club member, he includes football, baseball, and basketball among his interests.

Stephanie, the daughter of Charles and Lisa Whelan, is a bright, enthusiastic, and hardworking

student. She is quietly diligent and always focused and on task. Stephanie is a member of the Drama Club and the honor roll, and she plays town volleyball. She also enjoys dancing and acting.

The eighth grade students of the month are Elise Bean, Elizabeth Correia, Mary Nadeau, and Joseph Salzillo. Elise, the daughter of John and Carolyn Bean, is a kind conscientious student who enjoys the company of her friends and is very helpful to all. She is a member of the Fashion Club, the honor roll, the National Junior Honor Society, the Peer Advocates, the cross country team, the Scrapbooking Club, the yearbook, and the band. Mary volunteers at the Southington Care Center and at an equestrian summer camp. Her other activities include her church choir, the Passion play, and the youth ministry.

Joseph, the son of Sisto and Andrea Salzillo, is a very good student with a quality work ethic. He cares about his academic standing, and he is a member of the honor roll. Joe plays town football, and he likes to skateboard and play guitar.

## Students graduate from local schools, universities

David A. Bauchiero III, of Southington, graduated from Avon Old Farms School. He will attend Sacred Heart University in the fall.

Dr. Dorothy Prisco, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty at Delaware Valley

### Making the dean's list

The spring semester Dean's List at Bryant University includes the following area residents: Lauren Amarante, Nicole Archambault and Katlyn Joraskie, all of Southington.

Natalie E. Ruch was named to the dean's list for the 2009 semester at Suffolk University.

Samuel Davidson, of Southington, has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2009 semester at the University of Vermont. Davidson is a junior Chemistry major in the College of Arts & Sciences.

Jaclyn M. Tydeman was named to the dean's list for the spring 2009 semester at Endicott College.

College, announced that Daniel Tompkins of Southington is among the college's May list of graduates.

Sorin Iliescu of Southington was awarded Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership in Higher Education degree from Johnson & Wales University, Providence, Rhode Island.

Jonathan Julia graduated from Boston College, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in pre-medicine biology. He is currently applying to medical school.

Gail M. Duffy, of Southington, was among the 677 who receive a post-baccalaureate degree at The University of Scranton graduate degree commencement. Duffy received a Master of Science in Educational Administration at a ceremony in Scranton's Byron Recreation Complex on campus on May 30.

The following local students have recently graduated from Stonehill College: Sean Michael Anderson and Megan Ashley Kastner, both of Southington.

Maureen Suchenski

graduated from the UConn School of Medicine on May 17. She is doing a residency in general surgery at Brown University in Providence.

The following Southington residents were among the students from Villanova University who received undergraduate degrees during the University's 166th Commencement: Carolyn Marie Camire, Richard P.

### Resident receives award

On Thursday, April 16, Nick Salerno, of Southington, received the President's Award for Academic Excellence & Co-curricular Involvement at Wentworth Institute of Technology's Annual Awards Program.

The President's Awards honor graduating seniors

Kania and Kaitlin Marie Zdeblick.

Taylor James Wuennemann graduated from Endicott College with a Masters of Business Administration degree.

Colleen Myers, of Southington, received her Bachelor of Arts degree from C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University on May 10, where she majored in Arts Management.

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