

Wheelabrator sponsors SBEC Unsung Heroes Awards

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SAUGUS, Mass. — March 20, 2012 — The Saugus Business Education Collaborative honored nine outstanding students at the eighth annual Unsung Heroes award ceremony at Prince Restaurant March 20.

The students were recognized for their academic efforts and contributions to their school community. To qualify for the award, students must have shown consistent academic effort, exemplary character, mature behavior, outgoing personality and good citizenship.

“It’s a wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to those students who make positive contributions in their classrooms and in the community,” said Heidi Choate, SBEC board member and community relations specialist for Wheelabrator Technologies. Wheelabrator Saugus, a founding member of the SBEC, provides funding for the awards the students receive and has sponsored the Unsung Heroes event since its inception.

This year’s Unsung Hero award recipients include: Gabriella Moreschi and Jack Blake, Veterans Memorial Elementary School; Alexis Gallotto, Lynnhurst Elementary; Madelyn Claffey, Oaklandvale Elementary; Kyle Cocorochio, Waybright, Elementary; Diana Reach and Kurt Martin, Belmonte Middle School; and Anthony Guthro and Melissa McCarthy, Saugus High. The students’ principals and teachers spoke at the event, highlighting each honoree’s character and actions.

“They’re all to be commended,” said Superintendent of Schools Richard Langlois. “They lead by example and serve as great role models to others.”

Unsung Heroes is one of several initiatives sponsored by the SBEC, which for nearly two decades has been dedicated to fostering collaboration between the business community and Saugus Public Schools, in the hopes of enhancing the educational opportunities for future generations of students.

Comprised of local businesspeople, government officials and school employees, the SBEC was founded in 1992. The money it raises annually goes towards mini-grant awards for teachers and sponsorship of field trips, guest reader programs, Shadow Day and other enrichment activities. To date, the SBEC has raised more than \$150,000 for Saugus students.

“It’s important for community members to not only become more aware of the positive things that are taking place in the schools, but to play their own part in making additional programs and experiences for the students a reality,” said Choate.

The 20th annual Taste for Education, SBEC’s biggest fundraiser, will be held on April 30 at the Danversport Yacht Club.

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