



The scholarship winners and AFL/CIO Niagara/Orleans Central Labor Council board. Back row, from left: NOLC board members Jim Briggs, Mark Hewitt, George Hall, Denise Abbott, Trevor Ganshaw, Bill Jakobi, Jeff Soos and Sean Nevins; and front row, from left, scholarship winners: Kierson Skobjak, presented with the Russell Quarantello Apprenticeship Scholarship; Brielle Lum, presented with the Niagara Orleans Labor Council Scholarship; and Brady Harrington, presented with the Presidents Scholarship. (Submitted)

AFL/CIO awards scholarships

The board of the AFL/CIO Niagara/Orleans Central Labor Council has announced its scholarship winners following the 39th annual scholarship presentation.

A press release stated, "We handed out three \$1,000 scholarships, one going to a high school student going on to college, one to a student who is continuing their education, and one to a student that is enrolled in an apprenticeship program."

It added, "The Labor Council truly believes in helping today's youth with giving them an opportunity for a better future. We are always working to create a path of prosperity for the next generation. That why we give these scholarships out every year."

"Also, we would like to thank our sponsors this year: Lewis & Lewis P. C and National Income Life." Brielle Lum was presented the Niagara Orleans Labor Council Scholarship. She graduated from Niagara Wheatfield High School. Brielle plans on attending Buffalo State University and getting a degree in childhood education. USW Local 9434 Union was her sponsor.

Brady Harrington was presented with Niagara Orleans Labor Council's Presidents Scholarship. He's attending Suny Alfred State College after graduating from Newfane High School. Harrington plans on getting a degree in forensics science technology. UAW Local 686 Union was his sponsor.

Kierson Skobjak was presented with the Niagara Orleans Labor Council's Russell Quarantello, Apprentice Scholarship. He graduated from Wilson High School and plans to attend Niagara Community College to earn a degree in welding technology. The Wilson Teachers Association Local 03-170 union was his sponsor.

Niagara Power Vista free 'STEM Weekend Workshops'

To celebrate its 60th anniversary, the New York Power Authority's Niagara Power Vista will host free "STEM Weekend Workshops" beginning Saturday, July 8, and Sunday, July 9. The workshops will run between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. every weekend in July.

Visitors of all ages can reserve one of several STEM kits, which include engineering building equipment, blueprints, blocks, magnets and electrical lab instru-

ments. Reservations are required, and can be made by filling out the STEM workshop reservation form.

Additionally, the Electric Mayhem robotics team will attend the kick-off event on July 8 at 11 a.m. The group is one of the original six FIRST robotics teams and is based out of the Nichols School in Buffalo.

The Power Vista will commemorate its 60th year by:

- ✓ Celebrating its employees with an employee art show that will be displayed on the Niagara Power Vista's glass walkway from July 17-21.

- ✓ Releasing a video commemorating the Niagara Power Vista that will play on the Power Vista's main water wall screens during July, providing a historic glimpse into the visitors center's history.

- ✓ Launching a new webpage to include an "educator's corner" to assist educators and group coordinators with planning student visits to complement curriculum goals.

- ✓ Providing a celebratory giveaway throughout the month of July to all visitors.

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