Mountain Garden Club announces 4 recipients of \$1,200 scholarships

CONWAY — The Mountain Garden Club has announced the recipients of the its 2024 scholarships.

Each year, the club awards scholarships to deserving applicants from the Mount Washington Valley, including all towns served by Kennett High School and Fryeburg Academy.

Scholarships are offered to support students aspiring to pursue careers in agriculture education, environmental studies, horticulture, conservation, landscape design, floriculture, botany, forestry, habitat or forest systems ecology, conservation, land management and or other related or allied studies. Students may request a renewal of their scholarship after completing freshman year in college and submitting their college transcript for review.

Applicants who are high school seniors had to submit their completed applications, including an essay discussing why they chose a particular major, accompanied by two letters of recommendation, transcripts and student aid index in March.

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Margaret Albert



Amy Burton



Stella Keeler



Samara Santos

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The applications were reviewed by the committee that selects the recipients.

Students were notified late in April. The committee also informed the respective students' guidance departments so that the recipients could be recognized at end of the year award celebrations.

The Mountain Garden Club considers the awarding of student scholarships to be among its highest priorities. Each year, the pool of applicants is impressive and inspiring. Members work hard throughout each year specifically through its primary fundraisers, the Holiday Boutique and the Spring Plant Sale.

The revenue from these events is dedicated to the scholarship fund. This year, the total amount designated for scholarships was \$4,800.

The following students are the proud recipients of the 2024 Mountain Garden Club scholarships:

- Amy Burton, Class of 2022, Kennett High School, is attending Holy Cross College, majoring in environmental studies and political science. Her scholarship amount is \$1,200.
- Margaret Albert, Class of 2024 Fryeburg Academy, will attend McGill University in Montreal, majoring in environmental science. Her scholarship amount is \$1,200.
- Samara Santos, Class of 2024 Fryeburg Academy, will attend South Dakota State University, majoring in animal Science and agriculture. Her scholarship amount is \$1,200.
- Stella Keeler, Class of 2024 Kennett High School, will attend American University in Washington, majoring in environmental studies. Her scholarship amount is \$1,200.