

Civic Partnership presents scholarships to two students

The Greater Hazleton Area Civic Partnership Scholarship Committee announced the recipients of this year's scholarships at the Chamber of Commerce Academic Achievement Banquet Thursday at Genetti's Best Western Inn & Suites.

The recipients this year are Aimee Sabol of Beaver Meadows and Karl J. Leitner of Sugarloaf.

The total value of each scholarship is \$6,000 over two years. This marks the 13th and 14th scholarship awarded by the GJACP over the last nine years.

The scholarship is aimed at students pursuing a career in the technician skills area and is helping to solve the Hazleton manufacturing community's shortage of trained skilled personnel.

The recipient is required to remain in good academic standing and to sign a contract with the Civic Partnership to return to Hazleton and remain employed in the Hazleton area for at least three years after graduation.

The scholarship's scope was broadened in 2008 by adding medical careers, because of shortages in that field, and also employment at the Towinganna Army Depot now qualifies if one lives in the Greater Hazleton area.

Sabol is the daughter of Donna and Tom Sabol of Beaver Meadows and is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in medical imaging and a master's in organiza-

tional management.

Leitner is the son of Paula and George Leitner of Sugarloaf and is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in civil and manufacturing engineering.

Anyone interested in learning more about the scholarship program or in making a contribution to the scholarship fund can contact Bob Skulsky at 455-1509 or at the Civic Partnership office located at Citiscapes, 20 W. Broad St., Hazleton.



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Jack St. Pierre, center, Greater Hazleton Area Civic Partnership Scholarship Committee chairman, presented the Greater Hazleton Civic Partnership Scholarship to Aimee Sabol, left, and Karl Leitner at the 35th annual Academic Achievement Banquet coordinated by the Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce.