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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

COUNCILMAN SCHERZ ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 16th ANNUAL FRED SCHERZ SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE!

Fred “Fritz” Scherz, Jr., Councilman on the Verona Town Board in Verona, NY, announced today that he has selected Dylan Clute and Sofia Sherwood as co-winners of the 16th Annual *Fred Scherz Sr. Memorial Scholarship for Volunteer Community Service*. Mr. Clute has participated in volunteer activities such as youth baseball clinic and youth football clinic. Also, he has been actively involved in Pop Warner football and has contributed to Little League baseball as both a mentor and coach. Lastly, he was involved in the National Honor Society and Student Athletic Leadership Committee. Ms. Sherwood volunteered at VVS Youth Lacross Program, New London Pancake Breakfast and the VVS Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony and assisted the last three summers with EPIC (Empower, Prepare, Inspire, Connect) Camp, which focuses on empowering young students. She also helped with being a role model on field trips. Additionally, she took part in the Interact Club and Concession Stand Club, where she served as treasurer. Lastly, she was involved in the National Honor Society. As co-winners of this award, Mr. Clute and Ms. Sherwood each received a certificate of accomplishment and a check for \$125.

“Upon reviewing the applications of Mr. Clute and Ms. Sherwood, I was struck by the amount of volunteer activities they each took part in and/or led,” said Scherz. “For young folks like Dylan and Sofia to devote so much of their time to make things better for others says a lot about their sense of community, thoughtfulness of others and willingness to help! It’s obvious they both care about not only the Verona community, but the surrounding areas as well, as their volunteerism has extended beyond the Town of Verona. Each of them are very deserving of being co-winners of the scholarship, and they set a great example for others to follow. On a personal note, I know my Dad would’ve been impressed with the on-going volunteer efforts of these young folks!”

For more details on the 16th Annual *Fred Scherz Sr. Memorial Scholarship for Volunteer Community Service*, visit Fritz’s website at: www.fritzscherz.com, his X (formerly Twitter) feed at: www.twitter.com/fritzscherz, or call: (315) 363-3509.

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