

Joseph Mandara Rotary Student of the Month

Joseph Mandara is a model young adult and we are proud to have him as a senior at West Hempstead High School. He is a leader in the Scouting community and has earned the award of Eagle Scout. He had



been a Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, Senior Patrol Leader and Junior Assistant Scout Master. He is also a Sea Scout and has earned the position of Boatswain and been selected as "Sea Scout of the Year." Joseph has volunteered at Webloes Week at Boy Scout Camp as a counselor and he was also asked to assist in training adult leaders at Wood Badge training. Joseph has also been selected as the Boy Scout Venturing Vice President. His volunteer work with Scouting includes Homelessness Awareness education and fundraising to purchase a dog for the handicapped.

The environment is close to Joseph's heart and he has spent time cleaning up Hall's Pond, Fire Island, Garvey's Point, Smith's Point, and Tanglewood Preserve. A certified scuba diver, Joseph is a member of the Hempstead Bay Power Squadron where he assists with Boat Safety Checks. He also volunteers with the Lion's Club and these activities have included helping with their annual Pancake Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt, Street Fair, Used glasses collection and local plays. At school, Joseph is a member of the Key Club, Photography Club, Italian Club, Italian Honor Society and the Art Honor Society. Joseph is an excellent student who excels in an honors curriculum and he plans on pursuing a career in veterinary medicine.