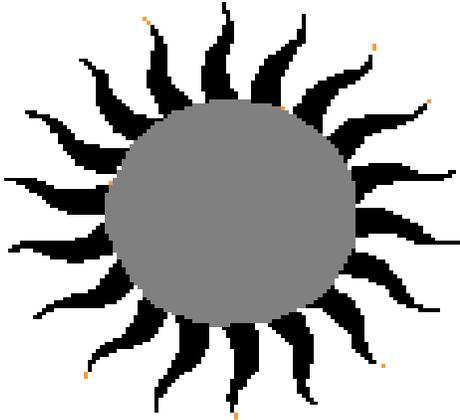


# RAY OF HOPE

## PROGRAM \_ AND MONTHLY RECIPIENT



Left to right: Jon Mattleman, Carolyn Bradley, Elizabeth Bradley, Maureen Fitzgerald & Jack McQuillan

### **October Recipient – Elizabeth and Carolyn Bradley**

Elizabeth and Carolyn Bradley are seniors at Needham High School. A family friend, Jean Henry, nominated them for their outstanding community service and leadership roles. Both girls are very involved with the Congregational Church of Needham and have helped with their annual Christmas Pageant; they are very active in the choir and youth group. Through their church they have also been on mission trips to Maine, Vermont, Kentucky, and Florida where they have done everything from painting day care centers, to building a large bridge and to volunteering at soup kitchens. In August, 2008 they were in the village of Santa María Tzejá that is the Congregational Church's partner village where they were exposed to the life of Guatemalans in a Mayan village. Both girls are musical and have been involved in Saint Joe's summer theater pit; Carolyn played percussion and Elizabeth played clarinet. They have both been members of Needham High School Marching Band since 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Currently, Carolyn is drum captain and Elizabeth is Drum Major of the band. For the past two years, Carolyn and Elizabeth took part in tech for the Needham High School Musical and last year were co-prop managers. The twins have both completed their Girl Scout Gold Award Projects. Carolyn built three bridges and four signs for the Mitchell woods while Elizabeth cleared the trails and made them walk able for the community. Elizabeth is a member of Rocket Connection (which works with kids with Downs Syndrome at Needham High School). Carolyn and Elizabeth enjoy music, their church community, and spending time with friends.

### **Needham Youth Services Representative - Jon Mattleman**

Jon is the Director of Needham Youth Services (formerly Needham Youth Commission), and a firm believer in the ability of youth to contribute to the larger community. He envisions this program as one in which to highlight the positive actions of the young people of Needham.

### **Needham Business Association Representatives – Jack McQuillan and Maureen Fitzgerald**

Jack McQuillan and Maureen Fitzgerald are the owners of Taylor's Stationery and Accents Gifts in Needham Center. Taylor's, a Needham institution, has been in the McQuillan family since 1972. Taylor's is metro-west's best resource for wedding and bar mitzvah invitations, birth announcements, general invitations and social stationery. A large selection of cards and gift items are also available. Taylor's is proud to sponsor this award acknowledging the achievements of Needham youth.

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