Presidents' Leadership Award





Mark Masse

Nashua Community College

This description is an apt summary of the work one of our students at Nashua Community College who has been a high-achiever since he has been on campus, Mark Masse. He has worked tirelessly on projects such as the Precision Manufacturing Club fundraiser. The club's first-ever fundraiser or making Christmas ornaments was his idea and he contributed his time, design and hard work to make it happen. Mark did the lion's share of work in that project as well as producing the engraved leaves and wooden backers for the newly painted Legacy Tree at Nashua Community College.

The Legacy Tree is a way individuals and companies can contribute to the Nashua Community College Scholarship Foundation. Leaves can be purchased in $100, $250, and $500 increments and all proceeds go to the NCC Scholarship Foundation. Holloway Motor Cars Mercedes-Benz of Manchester was our matching sponsor last year for the tree and they matched up to $5000 of funds raised from leaf sales at the "Swing into Spring" fundraiser event in April of 2014. The concept of The Legacy Tree was the idea of Hospitality Alumni Timothy Gilbert and it was designed and painted by local Artist Lori Eberhardt Rahill.

In addition, Mark is the President of the Precision Manufacturing Club and has been instrumental in developing fund raising projects, club trips and participation in the Student Senate. He has been an active tutor, helping his classmates and first year students. In addition, he has helped with shop maintenance and repair, most recently saving the College thousands in making needed replacement parts. He has done all this while raising a family, which includes two sons in the Marine Corps, working two jobs, and helping out the Precision Manufacturing program faculty members in many ways.

In summary, this former Marine exhibits the spirit of "Gung Ho!" in each of his endeavors here at NCC. He is enthusiastic, service-oriented, extremely hard-working, and will do anything to help a friend in need. Mark has completed all of this service work while also maintaining a perfect Cumulative Grade Point Average of 4.0. This award would be a fitting recognition of his contributions here as well as an inspiration to others, and I heartily endorse Mark Masse for this.