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### **Jaycee's Emerge NNY Scholarship Recipients Announced**

The Greater Watertown Jaycees are pleased to announce David Crowder, Ogdensburg Free Academy, and Brittany Hobart, Indian River High School, as the recipients of its 2011 Emerge NNY Scholarships. Formerly known as the Outstanding Young New Yorker Scholarships, the Jaycees awarded two \$500 scholarships to outstanding high school seniors wishing to continue their education.

David Crowder is a senior at Ogdensburg Free Academy who will graduate in June with an Advanced Regents diploma and is among the school's honor students, those with a cumulative GPA of 90 or above. He is a member of the National Honor Society and captain of his basketball team. He has received honors for outstanding academic achievement while participating in various school sports and is actively involved in the community, including various fundraisers in support of cancer research. David demonstrates leadership through his involvement and service at school and within his community.

Brittany Hobart is a senior at Indian River High School who is a member of the National Honor Society and is actively involved in the school's musical and theatre program. Brittany has been a recipient of several honors that exemplify her leadership qualities, including the Jefferson County Leadership Award and is actively involved in the community, including various fundraisers and benefits in support of the AIDS community. Brittany demonstrates a level of dedication and enthusiasm for success that is an example for students and adults alike.

Applicants are reviewed on their extracurricular and school activities, community service, honors and achievements, leadership qualities, and completion of a themed-essay. Erika Flint, Jaycee and chair for the review committee noted, "This year's decision was difficult. However, both David and Brittany stood out as exemplary students who possess strong leadership skills in their academic and personal lives. It is with great pleasure that we award these scholarships to David and Brittany."