



## Quinebaug Valley Regional Rotaract Club

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### **Rotaract Awards Trivia Night Trophy to Archambault Insurance Associates**

Annual event raised over \$6,500 for scholarship program

PUTNAM – After closing out 2016 with its biggest Trivia Night fundraiser yet, the Quinebaug Valley Regional Rotaract Club recently kicked off 2017 by awarding the event’s championship trophy to Archambault Insurance Associates.

Held November 4, 2016, at the Knights of Columbus in North Grosvenordale, the fourth-annual Trivia Night raised over \$6,500 to benefit the Rotaract Club’s scholarship program, which offers financial support to community-minded students. With a crowd of more than 150 people gathered inside the K of C, the 2016 Trivia Night featured competition among 15 teams each comprised of eight players. The event’s sponsors included bankHometown, as well as Putnam Bank and Wheelabrator Technologies.

Woodstock Academy also supported the event by donating over 200 cupcakes, prepared by their Pastry & Baking students. Paul Pikora of Archambault Insurance, Romeo Blackmar of Putnam PRIDE, and Gary and Karen Osbrey of WINY Radio also reprised their volunteer roles as scorekeeper, timekeeper, trivia jockey, and trivia master, respectively.

The Archambault Insurance team “The Competitive Raters” claimed first place with 27,800 points, after heading into the final round in seventh place. The Archambault Insurance team generously donated the competition’s \$500 grand prize back to the Rotaract Club.

The Killingly-Brooklyn Rotary Club won second place with 19,000 points, and third place went to the Quinebaug Valley Community College faculty and staff team, which donated its \$100 prize back to the Rotaract Club.

Other participating local businesses and groups included Byrnes Agency, Killingly-Brooklyn Rotary, Putnam Rotary, Day Kimball Healthcare, Jewett City Savings Bank, CNB, Putnam Bank, The Arc Quinebaug Valley, faculty and student teams from Quinebaug Valley Community College, Archambault Insurance Associates and Woodstock Academy.

“Putting on a successful Trivia Night for the fourth year in a row is a huge milestone for our club,” said Rotaract President Mallory Murray. “We are grateful for the continued support of our sponsors, volunteers, and teams, and we’re looking forward to the fifth annual Trivia Night in November 2017.”

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The Trivia Night competition was established in 2013 as a fundraising event to benefit the Rotaract Club's scholarship foundation. Since the first competition, the club has awarded \$7,000 in college scholarships to local students in recognition of their community involvement, academic achievements and extracurricular activities.

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The Rotaract Club is a community service and professional networking organization for young professionals (ages 18 to 35) co-sponsored by the Putnam and Danielson Rotary Clubs and committed to the Rotary model of "Service Above Self."

New members interested in community service and professional networking are encouraged to join. For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/putnamrotaractclub](http://www.facebook.com/putnamrotaractclub) or our website at [www.qvrrotaractclub.com](http://www.qvrrotaractclub.com).

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