

HONORING THE FALLEN



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Members of Charlton's American Legion post pay tribute to fallen comrades in arms during Memorial Day services Monday.

WPI's Julia Antocci awarded SMART Scholarship

WORCESTER — Julia Antocci of Charlton, a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science student at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and alumni of Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School in Charlton, was awarded the Department of Defense Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation Scholarship.

This award provides students with full tuition for up to five years, summer internships, a stipend and full-time employment with the Department of Defense after graduation. This unique opportunity offers students hands-on experience at one of more than 200 of the nation's most innovative laboratories across the Army, Navy, Air Force and larger Department of Defense. During summer internships, SMART Scholars work directly with an experienced mentor, gaining valuable technical skills. After graduation, she will work at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine.

Antocci is currently studying Electrical and Computer Engineering with an additional focus in Robotics.

Antocci said, "I am very



Julia Antocci

excited and grateful for this amazing opportunity, and also the chance to serve my country in such an important way as a civilian Engineer" about the award.

The Department of Defense is the largest employer of scientists and engineers in the nation with nearly 300,000 STEM professionals. For over a decade, SMART has trained a highly skilled STEM workforce that competes with the evolving trends of industry to support the next generation of science and technology for our nation.

Jennifer Nordquist graduates from Cedarville University

CEDARVILLE, Ohio — Jennifer Nordquist from Uxbridge graduated from Cedarville University on the week-end of April 30 - May 1 with a Master of Science in Nursing.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,550 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is one of the largest private universities in Ohio, recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation, and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and high student engagement ranking. For more information about Cedarville University, visit www.cedarville.edu.

QCC offers free Administrative Medical Professional Training program

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College's Workforce Development and Continuing Education Center (WDCC) is offering a free, grant-funded Administrative Medical Professional Training program that will prepare students for a career as a medical administrative assistant. An in-person summer class is being offered June 28 - Aug. 3, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., with a maximum of 10 students accepted. Students must apply by the application deadline of June 14. Accepted students are also required to attend an orientation session.

This training program prepares students to work as medical administrative assistants in healthcare facilities such as hospitals and health systems, physicians' offices, clinics, long-term care facilities,

surgery centers, ambulatory surgery centers, rehabilitation centers, and other types of healthcare areas.

Students will learn roles and responsibilities of a healthcare team, interpersonal communication, medical records management, compliance with HIPAA, and diagnostic and procedural coding.

Students accepted into the program will not only receive free tuitions, books and supplies; but also will attend a computer class, and earn contract tracing and infectious control certifications. After successfully completing the program students are eligible to sit for the National Health Career Association's Certified Medical Administrative Assistant Certification Exam (fee is paid for by the program). Students who complete the program will receive career placement assistance and those who work in the field for at least two months will receive a \$500 stipend.

"Everyone is eligible to take part in this program, but space is limited. We encourage those who are interested to reach out and register as soon as possible as classes fill up quickly," said Grant/SNAP Coordinator Jo Sundin, of QCC's Center for Workforce Development and Continuing Education.

Prospective students should email Ms. Sundin, at jsundin@qcc.mass.edu to learn more.

For more information on QCC, contact Josh Martin, Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-7513 or jmartin@qcc.mass.edu.

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