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St. James Mercy Hospital's School of Radiology Graduates Twelve

July 12, 2013...Hornell, NY – St. James Mercy Hospital's School of Radiologic Science held graduation ceremonies on June 23rd at the Main Place in Hornell, formerly Knights of Columbus. Class of 2013 graduates include James Beaver, Jr., Katie Cleveland, Julie Donlon, Britney Gardner, Adam Gentile, Maria Haefner, Erica McCaffery, Lindsey McCumiskey, Kristen Owen, Kayla Siperek, Samantha Tipton, and Jaime White.

Bridgett Mayorga, Director of Education for the School of Radiologic Science, welcomed the twelve graduates and guests attending the ceremony, and presented diplomas and special awards following dinner. St. James Mercy Hospital Auxiliary donates funding to the School of Radiology to support scholarships and program equipment. "All of us at the School are grateful to the Auxiliary members who work so diligently throughout the year to make funding available to support this program. I would also like to thank Lakes Radiology, Inc. for its continued sponsorship of the graduation ceremony," said Ms. Mayorga.

Auxiliary scholarships are given to a senior and junior student with the highest academic average. Ryan Hopkins was awarded the Junior Scholarship and Jaime White received the Senior Scholarship.

The Joseph Vetter Memorial Award is given in memory of Joseph Vetter who passed away in 1999 during his first year in the program. This award is based on strength of character that epitomizes Joseph Vetter, and was presented this year to Julie Donlon.

The Sister Colette and Sister Margaret Ann Scholarships were established up by alumni to honor the school's first program director, Sister Colette, followed by Sister Margaret Ann, who together governed the program for 32 years. These scholarships are based on clinical strengths and awarded to a student at each of the five clinical sites. Mary Liz Lewis, Clinical Coordinator, presented scholarships to Kirsten Owen – Ira Davenport, Jaime White – Jones Memorial, Maria Haefner – Noyes Memorial, Kayla Siperek – Olean General, and Britney Gardner – St. James Mercy.

Established in 1949, the School of Radiological Science offers programs in diagnostic radiography and ultrasound. For more information visit www.stjamesmercy.org/school or call 607.324.8265.

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