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**Kingston High Student Receives Dominic Parise Master Gardener Scholarship**

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County Master Gardener Program has announced this year's recipient for the 2009 Dominic Parise Master Gardener Scholarship. This year's recipient is Jayne Ulrich of Hurley. Ulrich will graduate Kingston High School in June and plans on attending Penn State University's College of Agricultural Sciences majoring in Environmental Resource Management.

Jayne has participated in several extracurricular activities that involve horticulture, agriculture and environmental biology. Ulrich was a member of the National Parks Service Junior Ranger program and traveled to over sixty national parks, she took part in water testing in the Hudson River with her AP Environmental Science Class, studied whales in Nova Scotia and off the coast of Boston and played a key role in the Heifer International Project at the Hurley Reformed Church. Jayne also volunteers for several organizations including the American Cancer Society, Relay for Life and Great Strides. In her spare time she enjoys gardening.

The Ulster County Master Gardener Program consists of a group of trained volunteers who help educate and assist the community in a variety of horticulture projects. The Dominic Parise Master Gardener Scholarship is a \$250.00 scholarship and is open to any college or college bound student in Ulster County pursuing a horticulture, agriculture or environmental biology degree. It was established in honor of former Horticultural Assistant, Dominic Parise, who played a critical role in revitalizing the program in Ulster County.

For more information about the Master Gardener Program or Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County and the educational programs they offer, call 845-340-3990 or visit online at <http://counties.cce.cornell.edu/ulster/>

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