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OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

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**GREAT FUTURES START HERE:  
Arianna Montrose Named Youth of the Year**

**Orlando, FL. (March 14, 2017)** – Arianna Montrose, a 17-year-old Senior at Liberty High School in Poinciana and budding entrepreneur, has been named 2017 Kiwanis Club of Orlando Foundation Youth of the Year. She will represent Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida (BGCCF) in the competition to become State Youth of the Year in early April.

The Youth of the Year Competition recognizes members of Boys & Girls Clubs who represent the organization's three priorities: Academic Success; Good Character & Citizenship; and Healthy Lifestyles. Arianna was selected through a competitive judging process of 5 finalists, who were themselves selected from among the more than 1,200 teens served by BGCCF.

A five-year member of BGCCF's Poinciana Teen Center, Arianna distinguished herself from the competition with her successful track record as an entrepreneur. She is the founder and co-owner of Layers of Love, which manufactures and sells ready-to-eat cheesecakes in a jar. Through this business, Arianna earned enough money to fund a recent trip to London with her high school.

Arianna is dually enrolled at Liberty and Valencia College, maintains a 4.2 GPA, and hopes to attend Harvard, Cornell, Stanford or the University of Miami in the fall. She will be the first member of her family to attend college. A natural leader, Arianna has served as President of the Keystone Club, Captain of her school's Speech and Debate team and Youth Director at New Horizon Bible Fellowship.

Opal Walker-Warren, the Service Director of the Poinciana Teen Center, says "Arianna does not pass up any opportunity to learn, grow, or experience something positive or new, but most of all, she enjoys serving others."

On March 27, Arianna will spend a day job-shadowing Tupperware Brands' Elinor Steele, Vice President of Global Communications, at the corporate headquarters in Kissimmee. Tupperware is acclaimed internationally for its unique marketing strategies; last year sales reached \$2.2 billion.

**About Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida:**

Since 1944, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida has provided at-risk children from the local community, between the ages of 6 and 18, with a safe place to learn and grow. Our membership totals nearly 14,000 young people at 30 Clubs and middle school sites in Brevard, Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. Learn more at 407.841.6855, [www.bgccf.org](http://www.bgccf.org), [facebook.com/bgccf](https://www.facebook.com/bgccf), or [twitter.com/bgccf](https://twitter.com/bgccf).

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