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## FIRST CITIZENS AWARDS MU SCHOLARSHIPS

MANSFIELD, PA (November, 2016) Randall E. Black, CEO and President of First Citizens Community Bank, recently announced the recipients of the annual Mansfield University Scholarship Awards. Amanda Zeafla of Liberty, and Patricia Minnich of Mansfield, were awarded scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each.

In 2006, First Citizens began awarding two \$1,000 scholarships to Mansfield University students. One scholarship is awarded to a sophomore, junior, or senior student who resides in the First Citizens market area. The second scholarship is awarded to an employee or local director of First Citizens, or their dependent.

Zeafla, an Elementary Education major in her junior year, is the daughter of Roy and Debra Zeafla. Her father, Roy, is employed by First Citizens. Amanda is a graduate of Liberty Jr./Sr. High School. For more than ten years, she has participated in various 4-H activities through the Liberty Community 4-H program. Her volunteer activities include picking up litter along the highway and fair grounds, helping in the food booth, and setting up public displays. She is also a volunteer at Saint Mary's Church, Holy Child Parish.

Minnich, who is studying for her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing, is an active member of the Mansfield University Nurses' Association. In addition, Patricia is a volunteer at Holy Child Parish in Mansfield where she is an altar server, a sacristan, helps with the religious education program and the church's annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the local community.

"Amanda and Patricia have shown true commitment to their communities, without sacrificing their education," stated Randall E. Black, CEO and President of First Citizens. "First Citizens congratulates them on receiving these awards, and wishes them the best in their future endeavors."

Both scholarships require a GPA of 3.0 and a minimum of 20 community service hours each semester. Applications can be picked up at any First Citizens Community Bank or online at <u>www.firstcitizensbank.com</u>.

**Photo Caption**: Randy Black, CEO and President, congratulates Amanda Zeafla (left) and Patricia Minnich (right) as the 2016/2017 First Citizens Mansfield University scholarship winners.