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GREAT BARRINGTON ROTARY ANNOUNCES CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

[Heather Barbieri To Be Honored]

Great Barrington, MA, January 14th, 2022 — Heather Barbieri, the Director of Emergency Management at Fairview Hospital has been chosen Citizen of the Year by the Great Barrington Rotary Club!

Stephanie Carlson, President of Great Barrington Rotary said, "Heather is so deserving of our annual award! She is a total professional who works tirelessly for our community, keeping us safe and healthy and she does it with a smile. She has worked at Fairview Hospital since 1994, and consistently puts Service above Self in everything she does. We are so lucky to have someone like Heather in our community and thrilled to be honoring her with our Citizen of the Year Award"

Normally, Heather doesn't work directly with patients, but when COVID-19 reared its ugly head over the past year and a half, Heather was focusing on COVID-19 response for the hospital and the community. During the pandemic, Heather led the charge regarding vaccination clinics at the W.E.B. DuBois Regional Middle School in Great Barrington. In one of their early sessions, Heather and her team vaccinated approximately 1,500 Berkshire County residents.

To be considered for the Citizen of the Year award, all nominees must fit the following criteria: Exemplifies "Service Above Self" in their personal and professional life. Contributed significantly to improving the quality of life in our community. Demonstrated leadership on a community issue resulting in the enhancement of community life.

Heather will be honored in January during Great Barrington Rotary's weekly luncheon at Crissey Farms, Stockbridge Road, Great Barrington, MA.

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