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Tax-deductible contributions can be sent to Community Foundation Serving Southwest Colorado, PO. Box 1673, Durango, CO 81302 Make check payable to "Community Foundation Serving Southwest Colorado" and include "Joel Zucker Scholarship" on the memo line The Joel Zucker Memorial Scholarship Fund of the Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run announces nine scholarships totaling \$29,000 to be awarded this year.

Miranda Hall from Lake City will receive \$5000 to attend Cornell College in lowa. There were no seniors graduating from Silverton High School this year. Miranda has volunteered at the Sherman Aid Station for the past seven years. She is a runner in her own right, being the first Lake City student to participate in track and cross country for 6 years straight from 6th thru 12th grades. She won two backto-back state meets in the 4x800 relay. Miranda's goal is to become a civil rights lawyer and eventually be appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court. She is a third generation Lake City resident and the daughter of R.E. and Rebecca Hall.

Eight Continuing Education scholarships, each for \$3000, are awarded to former recipients. Megan Levine, also of Lake City, will receive her second scholarship to Adam State University where she competes on the track and cross-country teams. She made the Honors List this year and plans to pursue a major in English. Her mother Martha Levine has been the Hardrock Sherman aid station captain for many years and is a guidance counselor at the Lake City Community School.

Gerardo Acosta Jr. and Will Custer, both of Silverton,

will each receive their fourth Continuing Education scholarship. Gerardo has completed his Associates Degree in Fire Science and Technology and is now pursuing a nursing certificate at El Paso Community College. His long-term goal is to become a pediatric physician. Will Custer needs a final semester of student teaching in order to get his undergraduate degree in Education at Adam State University.

Marley Roberts, formerly of Silverton, will receive her third scholarship to Northern Arizona University where she is pursing a degree in Environmental and Sustainability Studies. She will spend the next semester studying abroad in Ecuador to solidify her Spanishspeaking skills. Uncertain about her future, Marley thinks about working for a non-profit, becoming a farmer, herbalist, or environmental lawyer.

Kayla Zimmerman of Silverton is also receiving her third scholarship to pursue International Studies at the University of Denver. She hopes to join the Peace Corps and eventually attain a master's degree so she can combine her work and interest in travel.

Talitha Coombs (formerly Gallegos) took a year off from college but is now enrolled at Colorado Christian University (in Lakewood) with plans to major in Elementary Education.

Hannah deKay and Derrick Zanoni, both 2017 Silverton graduates, will receive their first Continuing Education scholarships. Derrick's focus is on computer science with the ultimate goal to transfer and live in Denver and some day work for Mozilla from his home and travel the world.

Hannah continues her studies at Regis University in Denver as a Biology major with minors in Art History and Acting. She was inspired by her course in photography this year and a service trip to Costa Rica during spring break to work with an indigenous tribe. "This has been the best year of my life...Without the Joel Zucker Scholarship I wouldn't be here," she writes.

Money for scholarships is raised every year from runners, would-be runners, volunteers and supporters of the Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run. Since last July, almost \$36,000 was raised from individuals and through matching funds. Money is collected and managed by the Community Foundation Serving Southwest Colorado, a non-profit organization in Durango.

This scholarship was established twenty years ago in memory of Joel Zucker who succumbed to a brain



aneurism after completing his third consecutive Hardrock run. Joel came to Silverton every year for two weeks prior to the run to train by running up Kendal Mountain. Afterwards he roamed the streets of Silverton talking to people and petting dogs, giving them biscuits that he always carried in his pockets. He was a librarian by trade with a passion for longdistance running and encouraging others to pursue the sport. He founded the first list-serve for ultra runners and loved to write about his running adventures. We feel that supporting further education is a good way to keep Joel's memory alive while giving something back to the communities that support the Hardrock Hundred. During the last 19 years we have awarded 79 scholarships totaling \$113,050.

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Joel Zucker kisses a dog he meets in Silverton