

## **Sunapee, N.H., Resident Beck Johnson Receives Great Kids Award for Fall**

*Grantham, N.H. – August 30, 2016* - Kid Stuff is excited to announce its first GreatKids Award recipient: 16-year-old Beck Johnson! Johnson was nominated by several people and for a variety of reasons: personal talent, eco-awareness, family/peer support, mentorship and academic excellence.

Johnson, a Sunapee, N.H., resident, opened Sanctuary Dairy Farm Ice Cream in 2009. His business has grown into a mainstay of the Lake Sunapee/Kearsarge area. The ice cream is handmade and the business is solar powered.

“Unlike most generational businesses, it was the youngest of the family, Beck, who had the vision,” says his mother Susan Deane Johnson. “He took the initiative to train the rest of the family, including his siblings, mother and grandmother. Beck’s secret recipes, passed up from mother to grandmother, support local farmers, like blueberries from Bartlett’s Farm and strawberries from Peachblow Farm.”

“I am impressed with his passion for wanting to succeed and the positive impact he is having on the community by creating a good environment for families to go and have a good time all while eating ice cream!” says Mike Nangeroni of New England Solar Concepts. “It’s great that kids have the opportunity to see and feed farm animals, like goats, donkeys and puppies. They can play volleyball, Frisbee, soccer, dig in the sand, and climb in the play house. It’s a place to go and have some good old-fashioned fun!”

“Beck started out with an idea and built a business. In doing so, he has shown leadership, mentorship and what a lot of hard work does. Beck is a manager of his peers, which at a young age is very difficult. He shows by example and is not afraid of hard work,” says his grandmother Edwina Deane.

Johnson will receive the award in person at the Family FunFest at Whaleback Mountain in Enfield, N.H., on Saturday, Sept. 24. (You can also buy some Sanctuary Dairy Farm Ice Cream!) If you know a kid doing great things, nominate them! Winners are profiled in each issue of *Kid Stuff* magazine; the next Great Kid will be announced November 1, 2016. Applications are available online at [www.uppervalleykidstuff.com/win-it/](http://www.uppervalleykidstuff.com/win-it/)

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