



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Brookmeade Community Katherine Seckler, Director of Social Work, honored at ARC of Dutchess County Celebration of the Stars and wins Sarah Studler “Smile” Award**

Rhinebeck – Katherine Seckler, Director of Social Work with Brookmeade Community, has received the 2019 Sarah Studler “Smile” Award from ARC of Dutchess County and will be honored at the Celebration of Stars award ceremony at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel on Thursday, September 26.

The ***Sarah Studler “Smile” Award*** honors a professional under the age of 35 who demonstrates boundless energy, optimism, and generosity. This award is presented to Katherine along with other honorees for other awards at ARC Celebration of the Stars.

Katherine Seckler is a recent graduate of Sacred Heart University who always knew she wanted to pursue a career in helping others. She is the Director of Social Work at The Brookmeade Community. According to Katherine, working for the Brookmeade Community has been such an amazing place to launch her career in social work. Every day she comes into work happy and ready to tackle whatever works throws at her. She credits that determination to her support system of amazing co-workers.

CEO/Administrator of Brookmeade, Mrs. Zobel’s stated, “Our mission is to enhance the quality of life for the aging by providing quality care in a loving environment. To hit a target like that you’re going to need to provide the best possible work environment and assemble and develop the best possible team of professionals available in the Hudson Valley. You’ve got to hire professionals who will get excited about such a mission, then get behind it and drive it forward. Katherine has what it takes to do just that and she does it with the spirit and effort that honors her award.”

**About The Brookmeade Community:** The Community at Brookmeade, located on 75 country acres just outside the Village of Rhinebeck, is a senior living retirement community serving the Hudson Valley and surrounding areas. Arbor Ridge offers independent living, The Terraces offers assisted living, and The Baptist Home provides long term care, sub-acute rehabilitation, palliative care and Out-Patient Rehabilitation Services. Coming soon...Medical Model Adult Day Healthcare Program

