Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award Kelly Haines Parry

One student says, "Kelly pours her heart into not only serving Rhodes and the Memphis community, but also by leading a program in which she can help instill a desire to serve in the hearts of other Rhodes students. As the dedicated co-lead moderator of the Kinney service organization, she exemplifies what it means to build meaningful connections with community neighbors, passionately break down cultural barriers, and attempt to mold Rhodes students into advocates for a more just world." Another student agrees: "If any student had a concern about some kind of social or cultural injustice, Kelly was always the microphone. She's just so dependable and you know that she truly cares enough to get the word out on your behalf."

Another person writes: "Kelly's heart for service led her to develop and implement her own fellowship in which she started up a photo club at Lester School. This club not only motivated students to become involved in the creative arts, it also aided them in finding creative outlets for expressing themselves."

A peer of Kelly's states that "As a member of Class Council, Kelly constantly tries to make the councils more transparent on campus. She knows what it means to be a leader, but she also embodies what it means genuinely to enjoy serving others and making sure all students have a voice to be heard."

Another student talks about Kelly's role in her academic major. "During her time as Social Chair of the Rhodes Psychology Department's Psi Chi chapter, Kelly has facilitated numerous gatherings for members of the organization. She has also played an essential part in helping younger majors navigate their intro Psychology class and select future classes. In addition, she's active with the Psychology Student Advisory Council and as a member of Dr. Marsha Walton's research team."

Another person said, "Kelly does SO much work. She will speak up, she will volunteer, she is the one in the Bonner Office when everyone else has gone home (or is not yet awake). I think she might be irreplaceable."

For Kelly's "leadership and her encouragement that has settled into the hearts of her fellow students," it is my pleasure to recognize Kelly Parry as the female Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award recipient for the class of 2012.

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