



**United Age Group Track Coaches Association**



**2014 Youth Invitational**  
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The Madeline Regina Willette  
Scholarship Award Committee  
Congratulates

***Sarena Shuman***



### **2014 Female MRW Award Recipient**

The **United Age Group Track Coaches Association** (UAGTCA) is proud to present its 2014 *Madeline R. Willette Memorial Scholarship Award* to **Ms. Sarena Shuman**.

*Sarena* is a member of the **Mallery Challengers Track Club**, coached for 12 years by Daryl Murphy. Daryl says "Sarena is a coaches dream athlete: intelligent, articulate, talented, hard-working, focus and dedicated, - the Total Package!"

Sarena graduated from Science Leadership Academy with a 3.82 GPA and will attend Hampton University in the Fall. She has been accepted and welcomed into Hampton's Nursing Program.

In Sarena's own words:

*"Running track has shaped me into who I am today. Track requires hard work, dedication, leadership, discipline, and self perseverance. I gained all of those qualities over the years I have run. These qualities were learned and applied to my outside activities as well. I was able to join and become captain of my high school Track & Field, Cross Country and Basketball teams. I also became President of the Mayor's Youth Commission Health Committee and started a Girl's Up Club chapter at my High School while maintaining a 3.82 GPA. Being involved in these activities help me become more than an athlete. I was taught by my parents and track coach that being an athlete is not enough. So, I found myself working hard towards my academics and community service. In order to run for Mallery Challengers you are required to show your report card every marking period. If you do not want to hear Coach Daryl's loud mouth you need to maintain good grades. I believe being a student athlete shapes you into being a hardworking individual. True athletes are hard workers and they are dedicated to do anything they do. I honestly believe without Mallery Challengers Track Club and UAGTCA I wouldn't be where I am today."*

Sarena is obviously an excellent example of the blend between academics and athletics that exemplifies every winner of the MRW Scholarship award and the UAGTCA proudly congratulates her!