

PRESS RELEASE

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Graduating West Bend East and West High Schools Seniors Awarded More than \$899,000 in Scholarships

West Bend — The annual Scholarship Awards event at West Bend East and West High Schools provided a total of \$899,500 in community scholarships to 157 East and West seniors for post-secondary education at four-year and two-year colleges, universities, and technical schools. The total amount is an increase of more than \$66,000 from 2021.

Once again, the local COLUMNS organization has awarded numerous scholarships of its own while it has also administered a large number of awards sponsored by individuals, families, and organizations in the community. Other community and school club or program scholarships were also awarded.

There are six new scholarships this year:

Ray L. Engelking Memorial – Created in memory of the longtime West Bend West and MPTC teacher, this scholarship is given to a student who will attend MPTC.

Julie Jansen Elementary Education – This scholarship is given to a student who will pursue a degree in education. Julie Jansen taught kindergarten in the West Bend Community for more than 30 years.

Pound in the Park Teamwork/Service Award - This is given to a student who has participated in a team sport all four years of high school and has a total of 60+ volunteer hours of community service during their high school career.

Dale L. Westby Memorial - The scholarship is given to a student who demonstrates responsibility and shows involvement at school and in the community.

West Boys Basketball - This scholarship was created to acknowledge an outstanding West boys basketball player senior who is a leader in the classroom, on the basketball court, and within the community.

Thomas Kreif/Eric Scharenbrock Bear Paw - This scholarship was established by West Bend High Schools alums Thomas Kreif and Eric Scharenbrock, owners of Bear Paw Outdoor Adventure Center in White Lake, Wisconsin.

Winners of the Ziegler Family Foundation Fund scholarships are: Brynn Bauer Isabella DeGroot Benjamin Bembenek Darick Fait Alexis Williams

Winners of the Rolfs Educational Foundation scholarships are: Isabella Krasotin Ryan Lin Gavin Quiroz Raymond Spors

Winners of the Froedtert West Bend Foundation scholarships are: Owen Schmidt Alexander Zimmer

Winners of the COLUMNS-Oscar and August Schlegel Foundation scholarships are: Ryan Gergetz Evaressa Widowski

Winners of the Suder-Pick Foundation academic scholarships are: Vincent DeCeuster Lauren McCormack Henry Danaher Vanessa Palma

Winners of the Suder-Pick Foundation technical scholarships are: Owen Atherton Thane Kilbourn Robert McAughey Hayden Schaumberg Hannah Schroeder John Vallone

Winner of the West Bend Mutual Insurance Company scholarship is: Morgan Kopidlansky Winners of the Milwaukee Foundation Silvia & Edward R. Droppers Scholarship are: Alyssa Clark Kayla Lemens

Other scholarship winners include:

Ella Baars: John P. and Rita M. Steinbach Isabella Baker: Lorna Waechter Memorial Natalie Bales: Julie Jansen Elementary Education and Carol Kellogg "Class Act" Memorial Brynn Bauer: STUCO Shayde Beimborn: West Bend Youth Football Organization and John W. Roth Ericka Beistle: Emily Roehrig Alyssa Bohn: WB Order of the Eastern Star Mason Bublitz: COLUMNS - Academic Darien Carbine: COLUMNS - Academic Kayla Carmichael: COLUMNS - Academic Mariah Carr: Dr. Al and June Grundahl Memorial Music Lola Chemer: Froedtert West Bend Partners Volunteen; Al Carrier and Bob Neja Scholar-Athlete Award; and the Dr. Steven Engelbrecht Memorial Collin Chesak: Thelma & Norman Schowalter Memorial; Anna Gossel Memorial Alyssa Clark: STUCO Cecilia Clarke: COLUMNS - Academic Thomas Conklin: Janto Family Scholar-Athlete; High School of Business Program; COLUMNS Run/Walk Kelsey Corbett: Marilou W. Chapman Memorial; Mundinger Family; WB Woman's Club Health Related Megan Coughlin: COLUMNS - Academic Mikayla Craighead: Jean Kieckhafer Memorial Caden Curler: Fritz Wiedmeyer Memorial; Muriel and John Zettel Memorial Lauren Cybell: COLUMNS - Academic Henry Danaher: STUCO Isabella DeGroot: S.E.E.D. Dakota Dietenberger: COLUMNS - Academic Jonathan Dorow: COLUMNS - Academic Sara Endries: Commerce State Bank Entrepreneur; West Bend Sunrise Rotary Nancy Ertl: West Bend High School Trap Team Katlin Fait: Ira A. Oelhafen Memorial Rory Fehring: COLUMNS - Academic; Friends of Pat Strachota; Thelma & Norman Schowalter Memorial Isaac Fichtner: COLUMNS - Academic Nicholas Fleischmann: High School of Business Program; Elmore A. Kraemer (UWM @Washington County Campus) Payton Fox: COLUMNS - Academic; Muriel and John Zettel Memorial

Abigail Frederick: COLUMNS - Technical; Dan Becker Memorial; Kettle Moraine Appliance and Sleep Center Katie Frey: Alyce M. Kraemer Memorial Maiya Garcia: Jodi Kleibel Memorial Nolan Gawrych: Fritz Wiedmeyer Memorial Madison Gieryn: Reuben and Sally Schmahl Memorial Parker Giese: COLUMNS - Academic Alex Gonzalez: Michael Allen Sheehy Memorial; Wildcat Wrestling Rory Griffin: Thelma & Norman Schowalter Memorial Megan Guenther: COLUMNS -Academic Alexis Gugliotti: Froedtert West Bend Partners Kira Guse: West Bend Sunrise Rotary; Ray L. Engelking Memorial Kristen Hardy: COLUMNS - Academic; Muriel and John Zettel Memorial Addysen Harter: Wayne Heidel - Jennifer Semmann Foundation Joseph Held: COLUMNS Run/Walk; West Bend West Athletic Booster Club Olivia Heling: COLUMNS Run/Walk Hannah Helmbrecht: COLUMNS – Academic; Lt. Ray Dickop Post 36 American Legion; **Community Trust Nursing** Emma Henry: High School of Business Program Ashley Herbst: COLUMNS - Technical; West Bend Order of the Eastern Star Spencer Hiatt: West Bend Youth Football Organization; Joyce C. Krueger Memorial Lauren Hull: COLUMNS - Academic Maya Indiraraj: COLUMNS - Academic Victoria Jackson: Jerry Chapman Memorial; DeChant Family Ashley Jankowski: COLUMNS - Academic Meredith Janssen: COLUMNS - Technical Elijah Jenkins: COLUMNS - Academic Ava Kahut: Alan and Nancy Pick Memorial; West Bend West Athletic Booster Club Samantha Kasten: Ann Busack Memorial Chloe Keyser: COLUMNS - Academic; Dr. Greg Gamache Memorial Thane Kilbourn: Curt Stockhausen Automotive Technician Kennedy Kleckner: Thomas Kreif-Eric Scharenbrock Bear Paw Michael Kleinhans: COLUMNS - Technical; Commerce State Bank Entrepreneur; Wayne Heidel -Jennifer Semmann Foundation; Dr. Greg Gamache Memorial Zoe Koepp: Viola Wendt Memorial Morgan Kopidlansky: Lois I. and Robert Dunlop; Mauland Cross Country Scholar Athlete Daniel Krause: COLUMNS - Academic; West Bend East Athletic Booster Club; WB Kiwanis Foundation, Inc. (Noon Club) Isabella Kufahl: Mildred Schlegel Memorial Carolyn Lang: Brianna Martz Memorial Jillian Laning: COLUMNS - Academic; Liz (Clark) Johnson Memorial Jan Lanser: COLUMNS - Academic

Ethan Lebeck: West Bend West Boys Basketball; Constance Dentzler Memorial Shayla Loiacono: Viola Wendt Memorial; STUCO Isabelle Lutz: Louise Schloemer Roth Memorial Jennifer Mack: Dale Stockhausen Veterinary Science Steven Marris: COLUMNS - Academic Brianna Martin: High School of Business Program; COLUMNS Run/Walk Hailey Matenaer: Rosemary (Toni) Schacht Memorial Olivia Mathie: COLUMNS Run/Walk Zachary Mayer: West Bend Children's Theatre, Inc. and the COLUMNS - Technical Anthony McArthur: COLUMNS - Academic Delainey McCardle: Howard-Juech Family Maren McDonnell: Lorna Waechter Memorial Sophia Miller: Frank and Betty Plischounig Memorial Matthew Moran: COLUMNS - Academic, West Bend Masonic Lodge #138, Clara B. Jaehnig Social Service and the Gracia Hemmings Memorial William Mueller: COLUMNS - Academic, The Kaiser Family, WB Kiwanis Foundation, Inc. (Noon Club) and the Gracia Hemmings Memorial Leah Nagel: COLUMNS - Academic and the Herbert Melbinger Mackenzie Newkirk: Alyce M. Kraemer Memorial Savannah Nowicki: The Sarnow Family Riley O Connell: Ralph O. Eggert Memorial and the Washington County Retired Educators Valerie Oksiuta: West Bend Masonic Lodge #138 Andrew Organ: West Bend Masonic Lodge #138 Lauren Panten: COLUMNS Run/Walk Camryn Paulson: Kettle Moraine Appliance and Sleep Center Alayna Pfau: COLUMNS - Academic Ella Pickart: Kettle Moraine Support Services Owen Pickart: Mueller Josephine Prescott: COLUMNS Run/Walk Brayden Roecker: COLUMNS - Academic Ryan Roehl: COLUMNS -Academic Sarah Roemer: Mildred Schlegel Memorial Jenna Rondorf: David Mossman Memorial Leah Rosene: WB Kiwanis Foundation, Inc. (Noon Club) Kathryn Ruelle: COLUMNS - Academic Paige Rummel: COLUMNS - Academic Tyler Rumpel: West Bend High School Trap Team Bryce Rupnow: COLUMNS - Academic Luis Sanchez: David Mossman Memorial Owen Schmidt: Al Carrier and Bob Neja Scholar-Athlete Award Madison Schmitt: Stanley and Frances Hetland Memorial Mackenzie Schmitz: High School of Business Program

Tiffany Schneeweis: SAGA Joseph Schneider: COLUMNS - Academic Samuel Schreiber: Janto Family Scholar-Athlete and the James Forrest Block Memorial Hannah Schroeder: Curt Stockhausen Construction David Schultz: COLUMNS - Academic, Bensen Family and the Global Recruiters of West Bend Evan Schutz: COLUMNS - Academic Talor Schwarten: WB Kiwanis Foundation, Inc. (Noon Club) and the Fran Wajer Memorial -**Optimist Club** Tatum Seifert: Richard N. Bell and Marjorie (Bell) Schellinger Memorial Veda Selin: COLUMNS Run/Walk Michael Spangenberg: COLUMNS - Academic and the Helen A. Hillman Memorial **Raymond Spors: West Bend Education Association** Jack Steele: Michael H. Strelka Memorial Isabelle Sternig: Lorna Waechter Memorial Joseph Stier: High School of Business Program, The Kaiser Family and the Muriel and John Zettel Memorial Emily Suber: Elmore A. Kraemer (UWM @Washington County Campus) Sophia Tamez: COLUMNS - Academic Nicholas Taylor: COLUMNS - Academic and the Wayne Heidel - Jennifer Semmann Foundation Keegan Tennies: COLUMNS – Academic and the Pound in the Park Teamwork/Service Award Kylee Thrash: Gladys Muehl Memorial Makayla Trahan: COLUMNS - Academic and the Wayne Heidel - Jennifer Semmann Foundation John Vallone: Daniel D. Kruepke Memorial Luke Wagner: Anna Gossel Memorial Camden Wickus: COLUMNS - Academic Evareesa Widowski: Roots and Branches, S.E.E.D. Alexis Williams: West Bend Education Association Anika Wise: Thelma & Norman Schowalter Memorial Caitlin Wohlt: COLUMNS Run/Walk Avelina Wolfe: Global Recruiters of West Bend Desirae Wollner: Lt. Ray Dickop Post 36 American Legion, Marilou W. Chapman Memorial and the West Bend East Athletic Booster Club Delaney Younglove: Dale L. Westby Memorial Karlee Zale: COLUMNS - Academic Greta Zier: Rick Riehl Memorial Zachary Zoromski: Lorna Waechter Memorial The West Bend Joint School District #1 is proud to serve nearly 6,000 students and their

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