



# Eagle eye

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## About the Class of 2020

**18** graduating  
seniors

**14** have completed  
a total of 317  
college credits  
(an average of 23 credits  
each)

**16** are attending  
college 1  
student will be entering  
the military and 1  
student will be entering  
the workforce

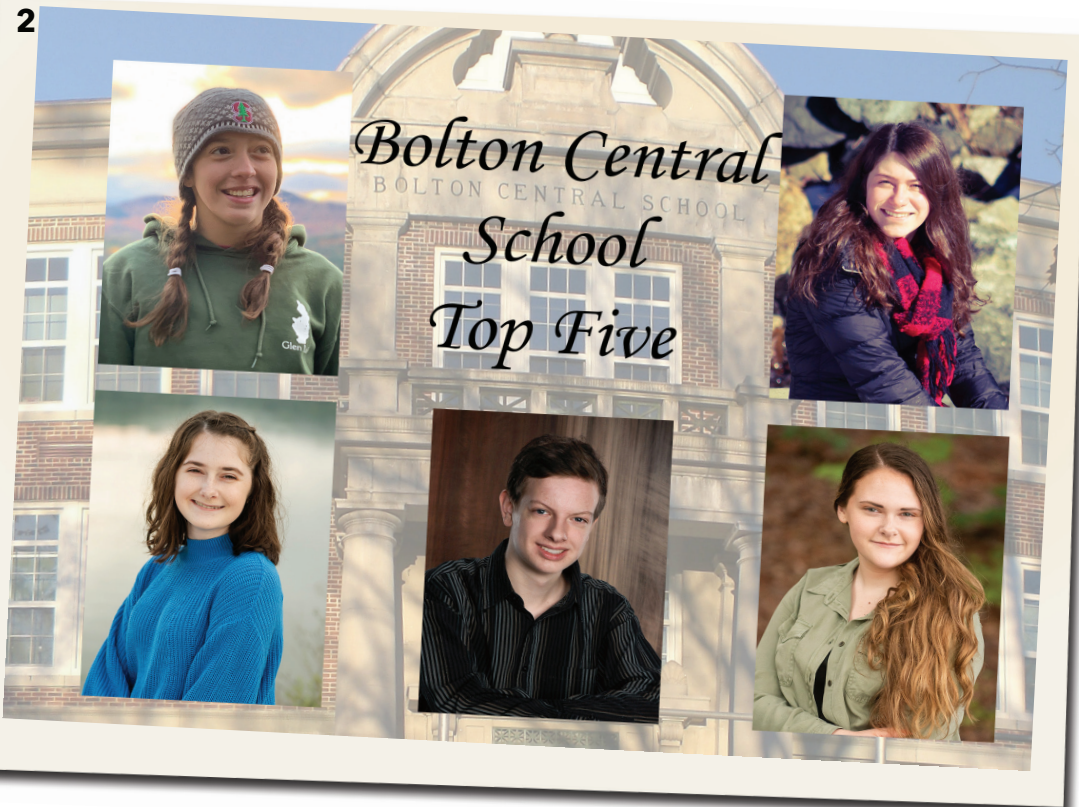
**366** hours of  
community  
service  
were completed as of  
March 13, 2020

**10** are in the  
National Honor  
Society



*Class Of 2020  
Friday, June 26th*





Upper Left: Morgan Miller, Valedictorian  
Upper Right: Sophie Wiktorko, Salutatorian

Bottom Row from Left to Right:  
Peyton Del Signore, Nathan Cooper, Jensen Del Signore

## The Class of 2020

# Top 5

*Morgan Miller, Sophie Wiktorko, Peyton Del Signore, Nathan Cooper, and Jensen Del Signore*

### **Morgan Miller—Valedictorian**

As Valedictorian, Morgan is no stranger to seizing opportunities. When talking about her recent endeavors, Morgan shared her experiences while taking a wilderness training course in Wyoming in March and how she became a certified EMT. She will be taking a test so that her certification will be valid in New York State and hopes to spend her summer working with the Emergency Management Service.

That's not Morgan's only interest. During her middle school years, she thought she may be interested in Library Sciences, in particular antiquities as they relate to book restoration. The idea of being able to handle ancient texts fascinated her. After some research Morgan's focus changed. Morgan will be attending the University of Wyoming to study International Affairs. Setting her sights on career options like diplomat, directing an

international nonprofit, or specializing in conflict resolution, University of Wyoming had just what Morgan was looking for.

During her time at Bolton Central School Morgan valued the focused learning she was able to have access to via time spent with Mrs. Beurman and Mr. Weick. The connections she made supported her goals of having the greatest impact possible in the world around her.

Morgan balances her academic and professional aspirations with a love and dedication to rock climbing. She climbs to help clear her mind and relax. Morgan has been rock climbing since she was seven years old. This activity has served her well. It is a passion she enjoys and also enjoys sharing with others. She has created and now coaches a team of young people in rock climbing at a local indoor rock climbing facility. The team is called the "pebble crushers" and she is very grateful to be able to share her love of rock climbing with kids.



The confidence gained by years of setting her sights higher and higher is a true representation of Morgan now and going forward.

### **Sophie Wiktorko – Salutatorian**

Sophie realizes it is time to move on and heading to SUNY Geneseo to study Biology is exactly where she wants to be. During her 9th grade Introduction to Occupations class, Sophie participated in a job shadowing opportunity with a physical therapist. It was this experience that lead her to the New Visions Health Careers Exploration program. Sophie enjoyed the three days of on-site clinical work the most. The interaction with patients and further exploration of what different careers in health-care have to offer were just what Sophie needed to help steer her studies toward a career in radiology.

To balance her studies, Sophie has worked at Bolton Beans and played Varsity Softball. Being part of a team fuels her passion to have a positive effect in the world around her. Going forward with college life, she will look for volunteer options to keep her grounded. The foundation Sophie has built for herself while at Bolton Central School is the perfect stepping stone to this exciting next stage in her life.

### **Peyton Del Signore**

Peyton has always been inspired by the field of medicine. Her interest in dentistry started thanks to her grandfather who is an orthodontist. After shadowing an emergency room doctor she realized that the Pre-Med track of the Biology department at Syracuse University was the direction for her. Although Peyton

is not certain on the specifics of the medical career of her future, she is both excited and a little nervous about this next step. She will miss the bond she shares with her Bolton Central School teachers. The extended family feeling has been a great comfort. It is these reflections that will carry her through this next step in her journey.

### **Nathan Cooper**

Although Nathan joined his Bolton Central School classmates in 8th grade, he felt most at home in the Technology Student Association which supported his interest in a hands-on understanding of a variety of technologies. His focus in Tech Club was creating Adirondack furniture and he also took the opportunity to sharpen his CAD skills for his engineering classes. Nathan is described as a determined and respectful student who goes above and beyond to do his best work.

While Nathan describes himself as funny, his interest in math and science is pretty serious. He has always enjoyed the challenge of the work and when the opportunity came to take his studies to a new level, he knew it was a great match for him. Entering the New Visions Engineering program helped Nathan further realize he was interested enough in engineering to pursue it as a career. The very rigorous program allowed him the opportunity to explore a variety of sciences and Nathan has narrowed his focus to aeronautical and mechanical engineering.

Nathan is looking forward to heading to Clarkson in the fall and feels well prepared thanks to the

opportunities that he has been provided here at Bolton Central School.

### **Jensen Del Signore**

Jensen has been drawing and creating fashion illustrations since she was in elementary school. After looking into what a variety of colleges have to offer, she has committed to the Savannah College of Art and Design. They have a program that offers her everything she is looking for. Jensen knows that she wants to be working in fashion merchandising and illustration but also realizes the importance of a business degree to fully understand the big picture. Jensen will miss being in school and being with friends when she goes to college but thankfully her grandparents are nearby for visits when she needs a break.

**"It's really important to stay in the mindset of learning. Always keep reading and looking to learn more about whatever interests you. Always look forward!"**

**- Jensen Del Signore**

Jensen's fondest memory of Bolton Central School is the study halls she spent with Mrs. Humiston talking about community service opportunities. The time spent was a great respite during the day.

Jensen's advice for her younger classmates is the same source of inspiration she is applying to herself as she looks to her future, "It's really important to stay in the mindset of learning. Always keep reading and looking to learn more about whatever interests you. Always look forward!"





**Michael A. Baker**, son of Nicole Somma and Art Baker of Bolton Landing will attend SUNY Adirondack.



**Angelina M. Conroy**, daughter of Jeanne and Frank Conroy of Bolton Landing, will attend SUNY Adirondack.



**Nathan A. Cooper**, son of Rebecca Cooper of Bolton Landing and Victor Cooper of North Carolina, will attend Clarkson University.



**Jensen A. Del Signore**, daughter of Amber and Mark Del Signore of Queensbury, will attend Savannah College of Art and Design.



**Peyton E. Del Signore**, daughter of Amber and Mark Del Signore of Queensbury, will attend Syracuse University.



**Teresa A. Dickson**, daughter of Hope Dickson and the late Richard Dickson of Bolton Landing, will attend SUNY Adirondack.



**Kirsten E. Gollhofer**, daughter of Lorie and John Gollhofer of Bolton Landing, will attend Alfred University.



**Shamara S. Jennings**, daughter of Kerine Thompson of Bolton Landing, will attend SUNY Adirondack.



**Shaye T. Jennings**, daughter of Kerine Thompson of Bolton Landing, will attend SUNY Adirondack.





**Alysha C. McGarr**, daughter of Nelson McGarr and Megan Reardon of Bolton Landing and Bonnie McGarr of Middletown, New York, will attend SUNY Adirondack.



**Jayden A. Mignot**, son of Amy and Anthony Mignot of Glens Falls, will attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.



**Leah A. Monroe**, daughter of Ina and Mitchell Monroe of Bolton Landing, will be attending SUNY Potsdam.



**Morgan A. Miller**, daughter of Patti and Marc Miller of Diamond Point, will be attending the University of Wyoming.



**Kevin M. Neacy Jr.**, son of Kevin Neacy of Bolton Landing and Sabrina Neacy of Alabama, will be attending Siena College.



**Joseph A. Powers**, son of Yvonne and Michael Powers of Fort Edward, will be joining the United States Marine Corp.



**Jordan M. Robertson**, daughter of Cheryl and Roger Robertson of Diamond Point, will be entering the workforce as a Certified Nursing Assistant.



**Alexis P. Whitford**, daughter of Julie Ligiecki of Oklahoma and Jay Whitford of Bolton Landing, will be attending SUNY Adirondack.



**Sophie B. Wiktorko**, daughter of Lea and John Wiktorko of Hadley, will be attending SUNY Geneseo.



# Booster Club Awards Scholarships

*Two scholarships and one citizenship award presented to athletes in the Class of 2020*

Our Booster Club looks forward to the Sports Banquet each year to honor our student athletes. Unfortunately, we are not able to gather in person this year for this event. Regardless, our Scholarship Committee is pleased to award scholarships to our senior athletes. Before announcing the individuals, we would like to thank the Sagamore for another successful golf tournament last fall, which funds our scholarship account. We also would like to thank the golfers and several businesses in our community who helped make this event a success.

The individuals who were selected this year are leaders in their sports, are great team players and show respectful sportsmanship. They also have contributed to their community through being a camp counselor, helping teach younger athletes, and helping at various PTO and Booster Club events.

This year the Booster Club is honored to present scholarships to senior varsity athletes **Leah Monroe**, who will be attending SUNY Potsdam, and **Kevin Neacy**, who will be attending Siena College. Both of these athletes reached great milestones during their senior years. Leah scored her 100th goal on the soccer field and Kevin reached 1,000 points on a basketball court.

Congratulations to both of you! Your leadership and character have earned the respect of many people in our school and community! We wish you the best in your future endeavors!

Each year the Bolton Booster Club awards a Citizenship Scholarship to an athlete who embodies leadership and service within their community and surrounding programs or events. It is with great pleasure that our committee is awarding the Bolton Booster Club Citizenship

Award to a student athlete who not only volunteers in the Bolton community, but reaches out to other areas to give her time.

**Sophie Wiktorko** has volunteered at local events, such as the PTO Best Program, PTO March Madness and tutoring. After attending the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership program during her sophomore year, Sophie returned her junior and senior years to be a junior volunteer. She also has been involved in Relay for Life, helping aid those who have or have had cancer. We are excited for your next venture at SUNY Geneseo and know that you will continue being involved in your community while studying biology.

Congratulations Sophie! We wish you the best in your new adventures!

## Awards Presented To BCS Graduates

The Bolton Scholarship Association meets annually to make recommendations for awards presented to Bolton graduates who pursue college degrees. This year, seventeen scholarships were awarded to Bolton Alumni. The total amount distributed was \$10,000. This year an additional \$500 scholarship was awarded in memory of Mr. Curri.

Originally established as a loan-giving group, the Bolton Scholarship Committee now grants the scholarships outright to meriting Bolton graduates. Awards are granted to students attending two-year, four-year, and technical/trade schools. Scholarships are created from the committee's endowment fund and awards are based on the annual interest earned by this fund.

The Class of 2020 will be eligible to apply for these scholarships once they have completed their first college semester.

**The recipients for 2020 include:**

**Joshua Baker  
Jacob Beebe  
Kaitlin Burke  
Ashley Connery  
Richard De Meo  
Michael Gavin  
Zoe Gavin  
Nyla Green  
Caitlyn Johnson**

**Kiara Mantz  
Andi Pfau  
Mackenzie Roberts  
Abigail Seamans  
Molly Showers  
Megan Stacey  
Brendon Van Auken  
Cory Van Auken  
Craig Wholey**





# Thanks

Thanks to the generosity of the Bolton community and its affiliated organizations, many seniors will receive awards at graduation. These awards are presented for a variety of achievements, some for academic accomplishments and others for community service. The following are the Senior Awards for 2020:

Adirondack Area School Boards Association Community Service Award

Col. M.C. Baillie Senior Leadership Award

Maria P. Baillie Senior Kindness Award

Phyllis Jean Baillie Senior Friendship Award

Maynard D. Baker Funeral Home  
"Sobering Thought" Award

B.C.S.D. Board of Education Salutatorian Award

B.C.S.D. Board of Education Valedictorian Award

Bolton Chamber of Commerce Award

Bolton EMS Awards

Bolton Parent Teacher Organization Awards

Bolton Teachers' Association Awards

Bolton Volunteer Fire Department Award in  
Memory of Thomas Curri

Bolton Volunteer Fire Department Award in  
Memory of Richard Gollhofer

Award in Memory of Jerry Bromley

Mary Louise Bunaes Memorial Award from the Church  
of St. Sacramento

Award in Memory of Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Busman

Awards in Memory of Steven R. Chapman

Crary Foundation Awards

The Thomas and Theta Curri Award

David L. Fisher Music Award

Award in Memory of Amy Finkle & Helen Aldrich

Glens Falls Kiwanis Club Award

Hudson Mohawk AHEC 2020 Healthcare

Knights of Pythias Award

NY State Office of Comptroller Achievement Award

New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Outstanding Senior Physical Education and  
Lifetime Fitness Awards

Award in Memory of Nancy Parker Neumann

Christine Perry Memorial Scholarship

Principal's Academic Award

Principal's Leadership Award

Award in Memory of Elsa Reichenbach from  
the William Reichenbach Estate

Scholar/Humanitarian/Athlete Award

"Semper Fidelis" Award for Musical Excellence

Slattery Family Award for CTE Excellence

Award in Memory of James D. Smith, Jr.

Snyder Family Award in Memory of Donald Snyder

Snyder Family Award in Memory of Winifred Snyder

Elsa Steinbeck Award

John Philip Sousa Instrumental Award

Tennent Family & Northern Lifts Elevator Company  
Award in Memory of David Lewis Tennent

Triple C Awards from the NYS Attorney General

U.S. Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Awards

U.S. Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award

Award in Memory of Scott M. Welton

Humanities Award in Memory of Eleanor Zamore

Valedictorian Award in Memory of Harry Zamore

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## Scholarship Association Aids Bolton Graduates

The Bolton Scholarship Committee meets each February to award new scholarships to deserving Alumni from Bolton Central School. This year's graduates, like those before them, will be eligible to apply for scholarships when they complete their freshman year of college.

Graduates are eligible to apply for each of the four years of undergraduate study and must have been enrolled for at least 12 credit hours per semester. Students must submit a college transcript and have a G.P.A. of at least 2.5 to qualify. Awards are granted to students attending two-year and four-year colleges and technical/trade schools.

The Bolton Scholarship Committee funds the scholarships from its endowment fund and awards are based on the annual interest earned by this fund. Both memorial scholarships and organizational awards comprise the fund. Memorial scholarships are established after donations in the individual's name reach \$1,000.

The committee is overseen by a Board of Directors who meet on an annual basis to review applications and set direction for the organization. The fund's charter stipulates that the Board of Directors must be comprised of a combination of community leaders and school officials.

To date grants have been established in the following names:

Helen & Edward Aldrich  
Phyllis Baillie  
Raymond "Shayne" Bentley  
Lester Benson  
Frank Boehmer  
Bolton Alumni Association  
Bolton Fire Department  
Bolton Teachers' Association  
Bolton Theater Group -  
Variety Show  
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Steven Chapman  
Raymond Ciccarelli Sr.  
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Thomas Conerty  
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Lorraine Cushman  
Patricia M. Demarest  
Richard B. Dodge, Sr.  
Victoria Dodge  
Fred Dorr  
Howard W. Demarest  
Amy Finkle  
Zilpha Francis (Gates)  
Dr. A. G. Gabriels  
Mary Garlick  
Mary F. Garlick-  
Bolton Variety Show  
Susan Cotherman Garlick  
Irwin Harris  
Lee Henkel  
Historical Society of the  
Town of Bolton  
Joseph M. Keenan  
Valentine (Bud) Kober  
Marian Lamb  
Patricia Lamb

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Wallace Lamb  
James P. Lanning  
James Maroney  
John McElroy  
Anita McGilvrey - Bolton  
Alumni Association  
Anne Millington  
Calvin (Sonny) Monroe  
Clara Nittman  
Henry Nittman -  
Bolton Variety Show  
Ken Paul  
James Persons  
Andrew W. Pfau  
John Pratt  
Hazel Ramsey  
Iva & Tom Reed  
Ken Roberts -  
Bolton Variety Show  
Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Root  
James Ross  
Katherine Ruckert  
Shaw & Colman -  
Bolton Theater Group  
Scott Sherman  
Fred Smith  
James D. Smith, Jr.  
Donald Snyder  
James D. Snyder  
Winifred Snyder  
Elsa Steinbeck  
Gary Steves  
Town of Bolton Planning Board  
Veteran's Memorial Scholarship  
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Rudolph R. Volkman  
Arlene Wilson  
Fred R. Wilson  
Eleanor & Harry Zamore