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About the Class of 2023



**15** graduating



are in the National Honor Society

have completed a total of 286 college credits (an average of 26 credits 11 each)

are attending college 13

hours of community **583** service wére completed



Class Of 2023 Friday, June 23rd

June 2023







## Class of 2023 Valedictorian Sophie Del Signore and Salutatorian Max Gollhofer

### Sophie Del Signore-Valedictorian

Sophie is not one to shy away from hard work. It's her dedication to anything she takes on that sets her on a path to success. At the same time, Sophie is quick to demonstrate her gratitude for those who support her endeavors. There are so many people to show appreciation for. Sophie's late great grandmother Eleanor whom Sophie describes as strong in her faith and work ethic and a role model for Sophie's goals. Mrs. Bruno, Sophie's cosmetology instructor at WSWHE BOCES who pushed Sophie to succeed even when Sophie believed there was no more room for improvement. Beyond cosmetology skills, Mrs. Bruno emulated skills of being a good person as well. Sophie's

English teacher Mrs. Humiston always encouraged her to reach for her highest potential. In Sophie's words, "Mrs. Humiston doesn't only teach, she guides and motivates as well."

Thanks to this support and hard work, Sophie's greatest accomplishment in high school has been her ability to maintain high grades while taking classes at SUNY Adirondack alongside her Career and Technical Education in the Cosmetology program.

Sophie joined her Bolton Central School family in 6th grade. Coming from St. Mary's, Bolton didn't seem like it would be a big change. There was an experience that Sophie feels reflects her first days at BCS well. Having grown up with the challenges of living with a peanut allergy, this

scenario required special modifications, one of which is sitting at a table in the cafeteria that is designated "peanut free." The first day Sophie had one other table mate. She was accustomed to things like this. Sophie's BCS classmates were so friendly and welcoming that on her 2nd day, her lunch table was full of new friends. A situation that could feel isolating at times seemed less of a concern. Sophie felt safe AND welcome and it's been that way ever since. "Everything just feels more relaxed at BCS," a sentiment Sophie shares again and again. Whether it's playing golf with her teammates on the Varsity Golf team or choreographing dance routines for the school musical, Sophie gives her all for the success of the group, not just her own.

Cosmetology was not always Sophie's main focus. Initially she was considering architecture as a career path but after a job shadowing experience, Sophie realized it may not be the career for her. Sophie's nature is to be very caring and wanting to support those around her. Cosmetology was suggested as a way to support people in a direct way. The path is a good fit for Sophie. She hopes to have her business degree by the end of next year and is looking forward to building her clientel and owning a salon within the next few years. This summer Sophie has reached out to several salons to hit the ground running. She knows she will need to start as receptionist but what better way to learn the ropes?

Although Sophie will miss her friends at Bolton Central School, she is very quick to share, "I would not be where I am today without my classmates. They have supported me every step of the way and I can never thank them enough!"

#### Max Gollhofer-Salutatorian

When asked what advice he would give to students at Bolton Central School, Max said, "keep going!" That mindset is exactly what got Max where he is today. Today he is Salutatorian of his senior class, graduating with the honor designation of Summa Cum Laude and a diploma with advanced designation with honors.

Max's journey started in kindergarten where everything felt so big, almost larger than life. In 2nd grade Max liked going to the library, math was his favorite subject and he wanted to be a fireman so he could drive the truck. When asked what advice Max might give to his younger self? He laughed and said, "I would tell myself to be more patient with people and that I can't go around firing everybody!"

Up until the last few years, Programming was what Max thought he would pursue as a career. However, living through a pandemic changed all that. The circumstances that developed from that time allowed Max more opportunity to explore other interests. Max began watching documentaries and historical programs. Before long history became Max's focus. He will be attending Hartwick College in the fall where he will major in History in the hopes of becoming a Film Historian. Being sure that historical information is preserved is important to honor the history itself. Max visited many colleges while trying to choose the right school. The moment he set foot on the Hartwick College campus; he knew it was the place for him. The size of the school and the overall feel of the place felt like home. Max explained that academics were a big part of the decision but feeling like you are home is just as important.

Max will miss the interactions he has with his teachers and the bond he shares with his classmates. Reflecting, Max especially enjoyed his experiences in Youth & Government and Drama Club. Senior year has been an extra special time that he will always look back on. Above all, Max is grateful for his time at Bolton Central School. This summer you will find Max working at Happy Jack's and relaxing a bit before preparing for college. Orientation will be in mid-August and Max is very excited for this new chapter in life.

It is with much consideration that Bolton Central School has made the decision to institute the Latin honors program to recognize student academic success. The Latin honors program recognizes student achievement with the collegiate system of cum laude, magna cum laude and summa cum laude distinctions.

Academic averages from 88 to 91.9 will be designated cum laude, "with distinction." Magna cum laude, "with great distinction", would encompass averages from 92 to 93.9, and summa cum laude, "with highest distinction", would be designated for averages of 94 to 100. These designations allow the district to recognize students based on their overall high school GPA, grades in college prep courses and the strength of curriculum pursued.

We congratulate our students on these honors by recognizing their diligence and hard work here.

### Cum Laude

Catherine Hall Mary LaBrecque Claire Schrader Stanislaus Wiktorko

*Magna Cum Laude* Charles Miller

Kaitlyn Wholey

#### Summa Cum Laude

Sophie Del Signore Max Gollhofer Madison Monahan Ella Moskov Jane Pfau





Sophie E. Del Signore, daughter of Amber and Mark Del Signore of Queensbury, will attend SUNY Adirondack where she will major in Business.



Max A. Gollhofer, son of Lorie and John Gollhofer of Bolton Landing, will attend Hartwick College where he will major in History.



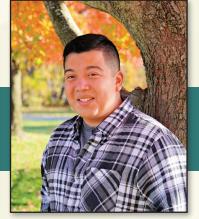
**Charles J. Miller,** son of Laura Morris and James Miller of Queensbury, will attend SUNY Oneonta.



Madison E. Monahan, daughter of Megan Monahan of Warrensburg, and Sean Monahan of Glens Falls, will attend Clarkson University, where she will major in Aerospace Engineering.



Ella K. Moskov, daughter of Melissa and John Moskov of Bolton Landing, will attend Houghton University where she will major in Biomedical Sciences and minor in Chemistry.



Alexander X.E. Sorensen, son of Jennifer Howse-Byrne and John Byrne of Glens Falls and William and Carolyn Sorensen of Lake George, will attend SUNY Adirondack where he will major in Psychology.



Jane C. Trowbridge, daughter of Jennifer Carlson of Warrensburg and Richard Trowbridge and Pamela Stevens of Gouverneur, will attend Dutchess Community College where she will study to become a Pilot.



**Catherine E. Hall,** daughter of Evelyn Wood and Andrew Hall of Athol, will join the workforce.



Mary E. LaBrecque, daughter of Christy Leonard of Diamond Point, will attend SUNY Oneonta where she will major in English.



**Nora L. MacInnis,** daughter of Nathalie Martineau of Diamond Point, will attend SUNY Cortland where she will major in Communications and minor in Exercise Science.



Jane E. Pfau, daughter of Susan and Robert Pfau of Diamond Point, will attend St. John Fisher University where she will double major in Legal Studies & Criminology/Criminal Justice and minor in English.



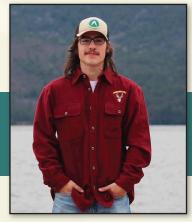
Claire E. Schrader, daughter of Janet Schrader of Warrensburg and Mark Schrader of Diamond Point, will attend SUNY Adirondack where she will major in Nutrition.



**Ethan R. Scott,** son of the late David Scott of Nashville, Tennessee and Mary Scott and David Shulman of Bolton Landing, will attend Hudson Valley Community College where he will work towards becoming a linesman.



Kaitlyn E. Wholey, daughter of Pamela and Douglas Wholey of Bolton Landing, will attend SUNY Adirondack where she will major in Business Administration.



**Stanislaus W. Wiktorko,** son of Lea and John Wiktorko of Hadley, will join the workforce.



## **Booster Club Awards Scholarships**

Three scholarships presented to athletes in the Class of 2023



Every October our Booster Club is fortunate to host a golf tournament to raise funds to help support our student athletes. We greatly appreciate Cronin's Golf Resort for hosting this event and supporting our young adults. With these funds we are able to contribute to various events throughout the year and also award scholarships to graduating seniors. We look forward to another golf tournament on Sunday, October 15th at Cronin's Golf Resort, so mark your calendars!

As a club we are thrilled to be able to see student athletes of all ages competing on the courts and fields. We continue to enjoy watching them mature and grow into young adults who show such great respect, whether during an athletic practice or event, or



within the school day or out in the community. We are very proud of you all!

This year the Booster Club is honored to present a scholarship to a senior varsity athlete who has shown great leadership with her softball team, worked tirelessly in the off-season to continue improving her skill set, has a great attitude both on and off the field and is a great support system to our younger athletes. Congratulations to **Jane Trowbridge**, who will be attending Dutchess Community College.

Our next senior athlete has broadened her horizons in both the athletic and educational worlds. She has made a strong contribution to our girls' basketball program,



playing at the varsity level for five years, and supported our girls youth program. In addition, this athlete participated on our girls' soccer team. She also attended SUNY Adirondack. Congratulations to **Jane Pfau,** who will be attending St. John Fisher University.

Our final athlete's athletic passion is soccer. She has participated at school and in a premier soccer club, as well as coaching an 8-year-old soccer team. This athlete also participated on our girls' basketball team. Congratulations to *Ella Moskov*, who will be attending Houghton University.

Congratulations to all of you! Your leadership and character have earned the respect of many people in our school and community!

## **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, thirteen scholarships were awarded to Bolton Alumni. The total amount distributed was \$9,150.

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 2023 will be eligible to apply for these scholarships once they have completed their first college semester.

The recipients for 2023 include:

Joshua Baker
Emmett Clesceri
Angelina Conroy
Nathan Cooper
Kirsten Gollhofer
Andrew Johnson
Leah Monroe

William Morehouse Gabrielle Mowery Skyler Scott Molly Showers Katelyn Van Auken Sophie Wiktorko



# 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 2023:

Adirondack Area School Boards Association **Community Service Award** Adirondack School Counselor Award American Legion Post 961 Award in Memory of **Charles Richards** American Legion Post 961 Patriotism Award Col. M.C. Baillie Senior Leadership Award Maria P. Baillie Senior Kindness Award Michael Spencer Baillie Sportsmanship Award Phyllis Jean Baillie Senior Friendship 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 Richard Gollhofer Award in Memory of Jerry Bromley Mary Louise Bunaes Memorial Award from the Church of St. Sacrament Award in Memory of Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Busman Awards in Memory of Steven R. Chapman Chuck Campney Award for Sportsmanship and Dedication Clesceri Family Award for Highest GPA in Chemistry College Business Sequence Award Crary Foundation Awards The Thomas and Theta Curri Award **Emmanuel United Methodist Church** Scholarship David L. Fisher Music Award

Award in Memory of Amy Finkle, Helen Aldrich and Patsy Russell

Glens Falls Kiwanis Club Award Indian Tepee Gift Shop Knights of Pythias Award Edward "Tip" LaGoy Memorial Scholarship Award in Memory of Thomas Muscatello Jr. Music Excellence Award by Ms. Cleary, Mr. DeLappa and Mr. Shippee 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 Award in Memory of Robin Welton Neumann Christine Perry Memorial Scholarship Principal's Academic Award Principal's Leadership Award Award in Memory of Elsa Reichenbach from the William Reichenbach Estate SAANYS Region 7 Scholarship 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 John Phillip Sousa Instrumental Music 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** Ravmond "Shavne" Bentlev Lester Benson Frank Boehmer Bolton Alumni Association **Bolton Fire Department** Bolton Teachers' Association Bolton Theater Group -Variety Show Marcia & James Bromley Dr. Leonard Busman Dr. Leonard Busman -**Bolton Fire Department** Steven Chapman Raymond Ciccarelli Sr. Rosalie Ciccarelli **Thomas Conerty** Theta Curri Thomas Curri Lorraine Cushman Harold W. Demarest Patricia M. Demarest Richard B. Dodge, Sr. Victoria Dodge Fred Dorr 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 Phil Lamb

Wallace Lamb James P. Lanning James Maroney John McElroy Anita McGilvrey - Bolton Alumni Association Anne Millington Calvin (Sonny) Monroe Clàra 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 ElizabethT. Smith James D. Smith, Jr. Carly Snyder **Donald Snyder** James D. Snyder Winifred Snyder Elsa Steinbeck **Gary Steves** Town of Bolton Planning Board Veteran's Memorial Scholarship Clara Volkmann Rudolph R. Volkmann Arlene Wilson Fred R. Wilson Eleanor & Harry Zamore