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Congratulations Class of 2021

We wish the graduates all the best as they begin this new chapter of their lives. We are tremendously proud of them all.

The Lake George Central School District's 70th commencement returned to the Jr.-Sr. High School gymnasium for a joyous celebration after COVID-19 restrictions eased. The event honored 67 graduates in the Class of 2021.



The Lake George Jr.-Sr. High School Class of 2021 Honor Group consists of (I.-r.): Madeline Gorey, Demeter Burns, Carson Bruening, Madeleine Biles, Alice Fox, Elizabeth Radyn, and Rachel Jaeger, pictured with Jr.-Sr. High School Principal Francis Cocozza.

Lake George Jr.-Sr. High School Principal Francis Cocozza is proud to present the Honor Group for the Class of 2021, who represent the top 10 percent of their class. In addition to speaking at graduation, the Honor Students chose the graduation theme – "Somewhere Between Hello and Goodbye" – music, and charity for class contributions.

Demeter Jean Burns, daughter of Joanne and John Burns, held leadership roles including Student Council

president for the last two years; 10th grade class president; and vice president of the Effective Schools Committee, in which she devoted service to improving the local community. She is a co-founding member and co-president of the Student Mental Health Task Force, in which she initiated the Empathy Project, advocating for mental health awareness. Demeter participated in noteworthy leadership programs including Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) and Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA). She also served as a student representative on committees including the FORUM Mental Health Reopening Committee, and the Health and Safety Committee. She has been an active member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and many other clubs, including the Superintendent's Breakfast Club, Drumline, Jazz Band, Spanish Club, and Rock Solid. Deme had an art piece published in the 32nd edition of The Talent Unlimited Literary Arts Journal and was selected as a semifinalist at the North Country Show and Hyde Museum. Her artwork is currently on permanent display at the Warren County Family Court Children's Art Gallery. Deme has been on the accelerated track and achieved Principal's List every quarter, taking many AP and college level courses. For the last three years, she has been involved in science research through SUNY Albany studying neuroscience and the behavioral sciences. Deme was a 2021 recipient of the Post-Star Teen Excellence Award for demonstrating exceptional leadership skills and commitment in her community. Deme is a three-sport athlete, competing in cross country, track and field, and soccer. She recently committed to continue her cross country and track and field career at the college level. Outside of school, she is a member of the Adirondack

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Mountain Club and has climbed 39/46 high peaks. Following graduation, Demeter will attend St. John Fisher College to pursue a degree in biology and Spanish through the Modern Languages and Cultures Program as she works toward fulfilling her goal to become a doctor. She has been accepted into an early admission program for medical school at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) for 2025 following graduation at St. John Fisher College.

Carson Bruening, son of Katie and Glen Bruening, is a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. He maintained the high academic standing of Principal's List every quarter while challenging himself with AP classes. He served as captain of the Vex Robotics team for the last two years. During both of those seasons, the team won the state championship and continued on to the world championship for four consecutive years. Carson played varsity tennis for the last three years, including the season the team won its sectionals match. Outside of school, he has been involved in year-round athletics at Rocksport climbing gym for the last five years. He also enjoys alpine skiing, sailing, hiking, and other outdoor activities in his free time. Over the summer he will be working as a server at Mezzaluna in Lake George Village and plans to pursue mechanical engineering at Clarkson University in the fall.

Madeleine Biles, daughter of Tricia and Nicholas Biles, is the New York State Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) reporter and former FBLA state vice president for District 5; in this role she planned district and state level conferences and developed the FBLA state magazine. She is president of National Spanish Honor Society and an active member of the Lake George FBLA Chapter, National Honor Society, and Rock Solid Leadership Program. In addition, Madeleine served as the co-president of the Student to Student Peer Mentoring program during her sophomore and junior years. Madeleine competed on the cross country team since seventh grade and was appointed captain her senior year. She also competed on the nordic ski team from seventh grade through junior year, serving as captain both her sophomore and junior years. Madeleine demonstrated academic excellence through thriving in classes such as Advanced Placement (AP) world history, AP U.S. history, AP literature, AP language, AP biology and several other college-level courses. Madeleine volunteered at community service events including the Sacred Heart Food Drive, PTSO Childcare, Camp Chingachgook Work Weekend, LGHS Job Fair, and has organized events that raised money for charities such as the NYS FBLA Foundation, Keep America Beautiful, and Crisis Text Line. She has worked at Caffe Vero as a hostess and barista for three years. She will be interning at The Inn at Erlowest as an event and sales intern this summer. Outside of school, Madeleine enjoys camping and hiking with her friends, as well as baking desserts for friends and family. Following graduation, Madeleine will pursue her passion for business at Binghamton University and major in operations management and entrepreneurship.

Alice Fox, daughter of Lisa and John Fox is the vice president of National Honor Society, a forum representative of Student Council,

and historian of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). She held many FBLA leadership positions including co-president her junior year. Alice is an active member of Spanish Honor Society, Business Honor Society, the Rock Solid Mentoring Program, and Student to Student Peer Counseling. Throughout middle school and high school, Alice competed on the varsity soccer team and performed in the school musical. Alice is an active participant in FBLA, qualifying multiple times for nationals and placing 5th in nationals freshman year for Broadcast Journalism in Baltimore, Maryland. Alice dedicated her time to giving back to the community – she organized a school recycling event and a community clean up; helped with the annual food drive; and volunteered for PTSO and community events including the PTSO Fall Festival, the winter craft fair, and the community snowman event. This fall, Alice will further her education at Binghamton University to study business.

Madeline Leslie Gorey, daughter of Suzanna Bernd and Benjamin Gorey, is president of the French National Honor Society and a member of the National Honor Society. Madeline is a proud co-founding member of the Mental Health Student Task Force, for which she received a C.R.E.A.T.E. Award from the Board of Education. She is also Student Council treasurer and a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society. Madeline participates in Astronomy Club, French Club, and Senior Select Chorus. She has been a cast member in the school musical three times. Madeline has a passion for music and has played piano since a young age, scoring an A Rating for Level 5 Piano at NYSSMA. She also plays the trumpet for the school band. For two years, she participated on the Lake George VEX Robotics Team, which qualified for the State and World tournaments both years. The team won the State Tournament the second year when she was a co-captain. Madeline enjoys enriching herself by learning about other cultures. She was a Rotary exchange student in the summer of 2019, living in France for a month with a French family and hosting a French student in Lake George. She also participated in RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award), a program in which area teenagers, including foreign exchange students, meet to develop their leadership skills and meet new people. Madeline has been a varsity athlete in both soccer and softball since 10th grade. She also plays travel soccer with Northern United as a defender and travel softball with the Adirondack Xtreme as a pitcher. Madeline will continue her softball career at Brandeis University, where she plans to double major in physics and French and Francophone studies.

Rachel Jaeger, daughter of Lynn and Kurt Jaeger, is vice president of the Class of 2021, vice president of French Honor Society, president of Varsity Club, and a member of the National Honor Society and French club. She has been on an accelerated math track since seventh grade, taking multiple AP courses. She earned Principal's List every quarter since seventh grade and received the Clarkson University Leadership Award. She played varsity soccer and softball for all four years of high school and was the captain of the girls' varsity soccer team her senior year. While she played for these teams, both won multiple Adirondack League Championships and qualified for Sectionals. In addition to her involvement in athletics, Rachel volunteered her time

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Class of 2021 Plans After Graduation

Sofia AmrockSUNY Adirodack
Jackson Baker Rochester Institute of Technology
Isabella BaroneEmployment
Orabel BeadnellSUNY Adirondack
Tyler Bergman
Madeleine BilesBinghamton University
Carson BrueningClarkson University
Maya Bruno
Jasmine BurkeBentley University
Isaiah BurnettTBD
Demeter Burns St. John Fisher College
Sean Butkowski Millersville University of Pennsylvania
Lia CardoneSUNY New Paltz
Sebastian ChillemiRochester Institute of Technology
Cole ClarkeBridgton Academy
Tyler CorneliusSiena College
Hailey CostelloCastleton University
Torin DaviesClemson University
Brian Dee Employment
Stephanie Dickinson-FrevolaSUNY New Paltz
Mikayla DuffySUNY Adirondack
Garrett DunsmoreLindenwood University
Megan DurkinUniversity at Albany
Jordan Edwards Binghamton University
Alexandra EhmannUndecided
Zachary ElDibSUNY Adirondack
Vincenzia FasuloSmith College
Joshua FitzgeraldTBD
Alice FoxBinghamton University
Ethan GereauTBD
Megan GianchettaHofstra University
lan Gillman Syracuse University
Madeline GoreyBrandeis University
Oceana GutierrezSUNY Adirondack

Ethan Hill	Quinnipiac University
Tyler Hubbard	Employment
Rachel Jaeger	Clarkson University
Connor Johnson	University at Buffalo
Cayden Johnston	Siena College
Rebecca Kohls	SUNY Potsdam
Anthony Krick	SUNY Adirondack
3	Employment
Ashlyn McChesney	Other
	SUNY Cortland
Kuen McGlauflin	Employment
Kaylie Morton	U.S. Air Force
	Russell Sage College
	Lehigh University
Ashton Osborne	U.S. Army
	SUNY Cortland
Elizabeth Radyn	SUNY Adirondack
•	Champlain College
	U.S. Coast Guard
,	Cornell University
• •	University at Albany
•	Employment
	University of Rhode Island
	SUNY Cobleskill
	Alfred State College
	Albany College of Pharmacy &
	Health Sciences
• •	Undecided
	Rochester Institute of Technology
_	Montclair State University
	TBD
	Alfred State College
	Clarkson University
Christian Zyniecki Jr	SUNY Cobleskill

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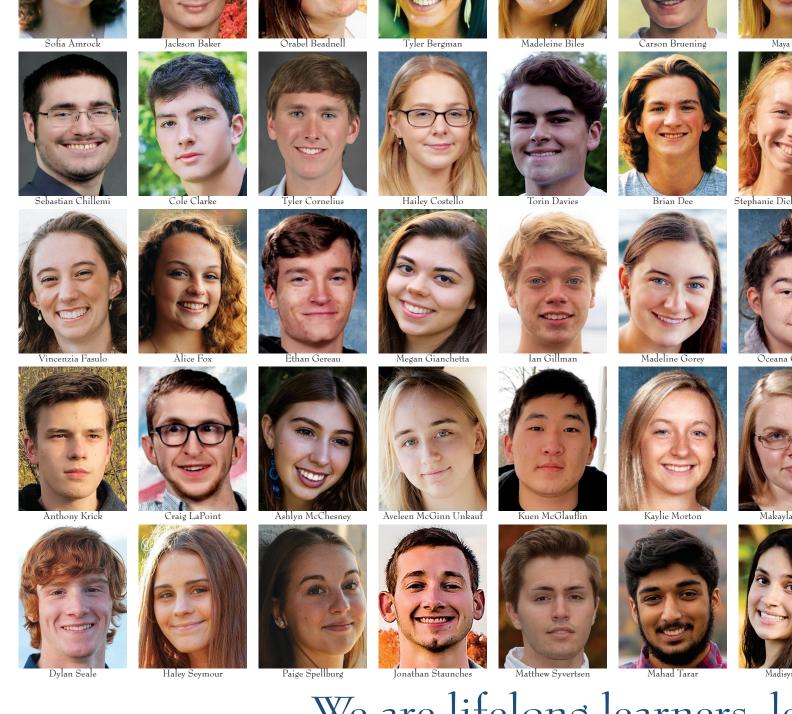
with the Make-A-Wish Foundation, St. Jude's Children's Research Organization, the Rock Solid Mentoring Program, Operation Santa Claus, and the Giving Circle. For the past four years, she has worked at Chic's Marina in Bolton Landing during the summer and plans on waitressing this summer at The Olde Log Inn. In the fall, Rachel plans to further her education at Clarkson University to study biomedical engineering and finance.

Elizabeth Radyn, daughter of Otilia Kocsis, has been enrolled in SUNY Adirondack's Early College Career Academy for Business and Entrepreneurship for the past two years. She is a member of SkillsUSA as well as the National Technical Honor Society, and was the treasurer for Student Council in the 2019-2020 school year. Elizabeth competed on the Nordic ski team for her entire high school career and qualified for states in her senior year. She joined the cross country team during her sophomore year and won the Adirondack League Championships twice and qualified for states for two consecutive years. In the fall, Elizabeth will continue her education in business as she pursues her goal of earning a Master's of Business Administration.



Congratulations to

Lake George Jr.-



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the Class of 2021

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Other Class Members: Isabella Barone, Joshua Fitzgerald, Paul Slattery



Students Earn Awards and Scholarships for Achievement

ALFRED UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR AWARD	JUNIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS 2021
ELMIRA COLLEGE KEY AWARD	ALFRED UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR AWARD Shelby Decker
LE MOYNE COLLEGE HEIGHTS AWARD	THE CLARKSON SCHOOL SCHOLARS AWARDEmma Abrantes, Ryan Quirk
ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY COMPUTING MEDALS	ELMIRA COLLEGE KEY AWARDBrenna Metivier
COMPUTING MEDALS	LE MOYNE COLLEGE HEIGHTS AWARDCameron Orr
CREATIVITY & INNOVATION AWARD	
EASTMAN YOUNG LEADERS AWARD	
XEROX AWARD FOR INNOVATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	
AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	EASTMAN YOUNG LEADERS AWARDAnita Preuss
RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE MEDAL AWARD	1-
SENIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BAKER FUNERAL HOME, SOBERING THOUGHTS AWARD	BAUSCH AND LOMB AWARDJack Varney
SENIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BAKER FUNERAL HOME, SOBERING THOUGHTS AWARD	RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE MEDAL AWARDIsaac Herrick
BAKER FUNERAL HOME, SOBERING THOUGHTS AWARD	RUSSELL SAGE COLLEGE STUDENT SAGE AWARDSakina Tariq
BEN OSBORN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS	SENIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
CRARY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD	BAKER FUNERAL HOME, SOBERING THOUGHTS AWARDRebecca Kohls
Madelaine Unkauf NANCY STANNARD SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF GEORGE & ZEKE STANNARD AND OS & ROSE KORNHOFFGarrett Dunsmore DAVID L. FISHER WCAMT AWARD	BEN OSBORN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPSCole Clarke, Rachel Jaeger
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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD	GLENS FALLS NATIONAL BANK SCHOLARSHIP Jasmine Burke
ALAN & MARY PIKE ENDOWMENT	
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LAKE GEORGE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUTURE EDUCATOR AWARDS	
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WINIFRED LAROSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	FUTURE EDUCATOR AWARDSVincenzia Fasulo, Rebecca Kohls
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	LAKE GEORGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT LADIES AUXILIARY

NICO'S HOUSE SCHOLARSHIPJonathan Staunches		
NORTH QUEENSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY LADIES AUXILIARY AWARDS J. CLARK TOWSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS		
Madeleine Biles, Demeter Burns,Torin Davies, Jordan Edwards,Rachel Jaeger, Cayden Johnston		
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDDemeter Burns		
ROTARY CLUB OF LAKE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIPS		
SERVICE AWARDS		
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LAKE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION AWARDS

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ED MURPHY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPSAnthony Richichi, Ca	
CHIEF EDWARD LITWA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Rebecca Kohls
LAKE GEORGE TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY SCHOLARSHIP.	Madeleine Biles
CLARK BROWN PERKETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Anthony Richichi
PAMELA S. BARKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Anthony Richichi
VIVIENNE ELOISE ROSENBROCK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Vincenzia Fasulo
ROBERT ROSS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPCa	assandra Wagemann
RITA DORMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Madeleine Biles
MARGARET SANDORA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Megan Gianchetta
JANE & ALGER MASON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Madeleine Biles
MADELINE MEAD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	Dylan Seale
MARION G. CHURCH MEMORIAL MATHEMATICS SCHOLAR	
Carson Brue	
lan Gillman, Madeline G	,
POODLES HANNEFORD SCHOLARSHIPS	Lia Cardone

LAKE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION WINNERS

Jackson Baker, Madeleine Biles, Carson Bruening, Maya Bruno, Jasmine Burke, Demeter Burns, Sean Butkowski, Lia Cardone, Sebastian Chillemi, Cole Clarke, Hailey Costello, Torin Davies, Stephanie Dickinson-Frevola, Garrett Dunsmore, Jordan Edwards, Vincenzia Fasulo, Alice Fox, Megan Gianchetta, Madeline Gorey, Ethan Hill, Rachel Jaeger, Rebecca Kohls, Aveleen McGinn Unkauf, Luke Pelchar, Elizabeth Radyn, Anthony Richichi, Dylan Seale, Paige Spellburg, Madelaine Unkauf, Cassandra Wagemann, Alli Zilm

PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED AWARDS

ADIRONDACK AREA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION AWARD.....Torin Davies POST-STAR TEEN EXCELLENCE AWARD......Demeter Burns

Thank you to all the individuals and organizations that made these awards possible! Special thanks to all who donated to fund scholarships and awards for our students.

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Lighthouse Team Leaves Legacy

The 2020-2021 Lighthouse Team had plans so grand that they had to split into five groups to accomplish everything on their list.

Inspired by artist Georgia O'Keeffe, some members created a 3D wooden wall mural of Lake George. The mural was conceived and created by the students with the help of LGES Parent and Owner of French Mountain Studios Jeremy Entwistle. After learning about basic art principles, the students did research and then made sketches and cutouts to finalize the design. Mr. Entwistle cut the pieces in wood, which the students painted and arranged on a 4 x 8 plywood

base. After drying and mounting, the mural now hangs in the lobby of the school.

Other members of the Lighthouse Team created a welcome video for the school. Written and produced by the students, it features interviews with students and LGES Principal Jim Conway. The video can be found on the district website.

Other Lighthouse projects included the creation of an after school Ropes Course Club; the installation of a fish tank; and the painting of animal tracks along the walkway to the library. Many thanks to Mr. Palladino for helping the Lighthouse Team install the fishtank.

Entwistle,



Many thanks to Mr. Allen's nephews, Keegan and Tucker, who donated the fish for the new tank.

"We are so proud of the members of the Lighthouse Team and all they accomplished this year," remarked Principal Conway.

Lighthouse Team Advisor and School Social Worker Ann Moellman said, "The leadership skills that our students show are always impressive."

The 2020-2021 Student Leader in Me Lighthouse Team included: Kara Baldwin, Parker Bennett, Madison Brennan, Chloe Brown, Eli Brown, Michael Congel, Claire Dylan Johnson, Addison Merrigan, Clara Palladino, Elizabeth Pape, Addison Reinhold, Malarie Schoonover, Sophia Stark, Chloe Starteri, Julia Wolfield.



Look for these animal tracks the next time you visit the LGES Library!

Ending the Year on a High Note

The front soccer field resembled a smaller version of Saratoga Performing Arts Center as the elementary band and chorus performed its spring concert, "Music on the Green," featuring band and choral students in grades 4-6. It was a beautiful day for music, with song choices that lifted everyone's souls! Sixth graders and their families also enjoyed the in-person set-up for their Moving-Up Ceremony!

Many thanks to Mr. Entwistle for helping Lighthouse

Team members bring their vision to fruition ~ a dream

two years in the making.





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Election Results

Many thanks to all the residents who voted in the 2021-22 School District Budget Vote and Board of Education election. The budget was approved with a vote of 572 ves to 104 no. The bus proposition also passed with a vote of 572 yes to 104 no.

"On behalf of the Board of Education, students, faculty, staff, and administration, I would like to thank the residents of the Lake George Central School District for approving the budget and bus proposition. Your support is deeply appreciated," said Superintendent Rutnik. "I would like to congratulate Tricia Connor Biles and Katie Bruening for being re-elected to the LGCSD Board of Education."

At the recent reorganizational meeting, the Board re-elected Mrs. Tricia Connor Biles as president and Ms. Marvanne MacKenzie as vice president. They will both serve their second year in these positions. To read more about each board member, please go to www.lkgeorge.org.

Best Wishes To Our Retirees!

Nora Buck, Math Teacher, 24 Years of Service Michele Niedermeyer, Art Teacher, 31 Years of Service Kimberly Everts, Math Teacher, 20 Years of Service **Stephen Clark**, School Psychologist, 29 Years of Service Katherine Casey, Art Teacher, 25 Years of Service Nancy Bulris-Rowell, Teaching Assistant, 17 Years of Service Jana Harris, Teaching Assistant, 15 Years of Service Laurie Skellie, Teaching Assistant, 25 Years of Service **Kathleen Price**, School Psychologist, 26 Years of Service Nancy Duell, Payroll Clerk, 12 Years of Service



Pictured I.-r.: Rosemarie Earl, Katy Price, Nancy Bulris-Rowell, Katie Casey, Steve Clark, Jana Harris, Michele Niedermeyer, Nancy Duell, Lynne Rutnik, Megan Coker, Jim Conway, Fran Cocozza.