WHAT’S HAPPENING

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JULY 2013

Congratulations Class of 2013

Valedictorian - Paul Sperr
Salutatorian - Christine Dobie
Elementary School . . .

The 2012-2013 school year was another wonderful one for the elementary school! There were many accomplishments across the building as students continue to grow and develop as learners.

Teachers and students worked very hard this school year as we implemented the Common Core Standards as well as the NYS English Language Arts modules K-4. There was an increased sense of rigor in all classrooms as teachers and students worked with the new standards. We are all working to be college and career ready in the future.

The 4th graders celebrated their last year in the elementary school with a “Moving into the Middle School” celebration on Tuesday, June 18th. It was a special event, as many students were recognized for their achievements and successes. Congratulations to Eleanor Erwin and Zach Haase who received the “Triple C” Award during the evening. This award is given to a 4th grade girl and boy who exhibit character, commitment to learning and citizenship. We wish the 5th graders all the best in the middle school ~ we will miss you all!

We had many other special celebrations at the end of the school year, including Grandparents Day, Festival of the Arts, Flag Day and our UPK Graduation. Unfortunately, we were not able to have Field Day due to the rain. The local American Legion Post once again donated flags for all the students to carry during the Flag Day parade, which we greatly appreciate. They also donated a flag to the school, which was accepted proudly by two 4th graders; Libby Collier and Austin Steurrys.

On behalf of all the staff and myself I would like to thank the elementary school families and the community for once again supporting the Williamson Elementary School throughout the year. We are looking forward to another great year come September!

Ellen Saxby
Elementary School Principal

Middle School . . .

We have again finished another successful academic year at the Williamson Middle School. Students and staff worked diligently toward accomplishing the goal of high academic achievement. The student's physical, social and academic growth was evident at each grade level throughout the year.

The 8th graders are prepared for the demands of the High School. The challenge that lies ahead is exciting and the students will be assisted by The Link Crew and the many supports from the High School staff and administration. The Link Crew is a group comprised of upperclassmen facilitating various activities for the incoming freshmen in support of their successful transition.

We also welcome another new class of 5th graders to the Middle School in September. The transition has already begun with Big Buddy Day, a team building exercise with next year's 6th graders that took place June 6th. The 5th grade teachers and the entire faculty will welcome the students and make them feel part of the Middle School family.

This year there were also awards ceremonies at each grade level that took place at the end of the school year. Awards at the different grade levels included: Outstanding Attendance; Merit, Honor and High Honor Roll; American Legion; President’s Education; Technology; Principal’s Choice; Heart of Art; Physical Education; and various individual awards given by teachers highlighting student academic achievement and outstanding effort.

The end of the school year is a good time to reflect on accomplishments and lessons learned; and to look forward to the future. We sincerely appreciate the continued support of the families and community of Williamson. The faculty at the Middle School is committed to providing quality educational opportunities for the children of Williamson; together let us continue to celebrate growth and achievement.

John E. Fulmer
Middle School Principal

4th Annual Scoops and Schedules

On Wednesday evening, August 28th, we will be welcoming new 5th grade students and their families to the Middle School. We will have a brief orientation in the auditorium at 5:30 pm. The 5th grade students will receive their schedules and be able to walk the building. We also invite students in grades 6 through 8 to an ice cream social beginning at 6:00 pm. We will distribute schedules and give students an opportunity to see friends while becoming familiar with the school.
Retirees: Front Row – Sue Merriett, Nancy Monachino, Cynthia Ferraro  
Back Row – Kathy Henderson, Kathy Emerson, Judy Hoefen, Marge Tellier, Gloria Pierce  
Missing from Photo – Cathy Blakey, Marge Lamb

Tenured Teachers and Teaching Assistants:  
Left to Right – Michael Santee, Phyllis Stookey, Shaye Tanner, Nina Barber, Manuela Noble, Ariane Baer-Harper
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Priscilla Alba
NYS Attorney General’s Triple C Award

Christopher Allard
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Josephine Catchpole Scholarship
President’s Award for Academic Excellence
Dollars for Scholars Scholarship

Ariana Allman
Syracuse University Academic Scholarship
Randy Aceto Memorial Scholarship
Ludwig L. Bergner Scholarship
Williamson Rotary Scholarship
Williamson CSEA Award
W.E. Frank VanVleet Award
Fireman’s Spirit of Volunteerism Scholarship

Trenton Beck
Wayne Technical and Career Center Achievement Award

Kevin Bertolone
Wayne Technical and Career Center Achievement Award,
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Cassidy Bishop
Stritzel Outstanding Senior Award

Catherine Bonke
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Isaac Lagoner Memorial Scholarship
Dr. Pepper/Snapple Excellence in Education Scholarship
Clayton DeFisher Memorial Scholarship
Randi Ray Memorial Award
President’s Award for Academic Excellence
Chester A. and Pearl O. Peters Scholarship
Scholarship from Nazareth: Housing

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Zachary Buckler
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Karlo Byron
Scholarships from Fredonia: Honors Program, Deans Scholar Award

Carly Catchpole
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Kari Christman
Morgan Verbridge Scholarship
Dartmouth Book Award
Rochester Institute of Technology Innovation and Creativity Award

Alex DeMay
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Williamson Alumna Scholarship

Jamie Dodge
Rochester Institute of Technology Computing Medal

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Dollars for Scholars Scholarship

Joshua Faulks
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Thomas Ferland
Elmira College Key Award
University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leader Award

Megan Fitzgerald
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Josephine Catchpole Scholarship
President’s Award for Academic Excellence
Anthony and Marjone Verno Scholarship

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Oswego Deans Scholarship
Pultneyville Masonic Lodge #159 Scholarship

Rufus Hall
William G. Palmer Scholarship
KM Davies Co., Inc. Scholarship

Alison Hassett
St. John Fisher Merit Scholarship
CPS Scholarship, Williamson Academic Excellence and Leadership Scholarship

Ali Henderson
Elmira College Key Award

Courtney Hill
Alfred Presidential Scholarship
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Williamson Rotary Scholarship
Scholarship Winners

Ariana Allman
Student Council President

Bucky Jordan
Commencement Speaker

Special Award Presentation

Class of 2013 Cap Toss

Class of 2013
Senior Music and Sports Scholarships and Awards

National Choral Award  Catherine Bonke  Carl Cook Memorial Scholarship  Paul Sperr
John Phillips Sousa Award  Jamison Brooks  Coach DeVoogt Memorial Award  Steve Thomson
Patrick S. Gilmore Award  Catherine Bonke, Christine Dobie  Coaches Character Award  Steve Thomson, Kelsey Stitt
Louis Armstrong Jazz Award  Kelsey Stitt  Craig Stritzel Outstanding Senior Athlete Award  Steve Thomson, Cassidy Bishop
Scott Palmer Memorial Scholarship  Dennis Mowers, Samantha Zimmerman, Jonah Sharp  Michael and Maureen Wright Scholar/Athlete  Paul Sperr
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Joseph T. Woods Scholarship  Jamison Brooks
Larry Hubright Memorial Award  Rufus Hall
Orphix Fraternity Sportmanship Award  Ian Youngs, Christine Dobie

The Old English Award is presented to the student in each class who had the highest average in the course. The following graduating seniors received Old English Awards at Commencement:

One Course:
Christopher Allard  French 5  Oona Quinn  Personal Finance, Graphic Communications
Alex DeMay  Digital Electronics
Megan Fitzgerald  Physics
Taylor Flanders  Business Communications
Jeanette Homman  Keyboarding
Adam Johnson  Performing Arts II
Micalah Klejment  English 12 Gemini
Nicole LaVancha  Business Technologies for the 21st Century
Sydney Pfaff  Spanish 4 Gemini
Emily Strobel  Pre-Calculus
Jessica Wren  English 12

Two Courses:
Christine Dobie  Psychology Gemini, Sociology Gemini

Three Courses:
Amanda Farrington  Accounting, AP Studio Art, Ceramics & Sculpture

Five Courses:
Catherine Bonke  AP English, Public Policy, AP Biology, Concert Choir, Select Choir
Paul Sperr  Economics, AP Calculus, Physics Gemini, Civil Engineering & Architecture, Sports & Entertainment Marketing
Message from the Superintendent . . .

It is with great excitement that I introduce myself as Williamson’s newly appointed Superintendent of Schools. I am honored to have been selected by the Williamson Board of Education for this leadership position. I will work with the Board of Education, faculty, staff, students, and community members to carry out the mission of the Williamson Central School District. Together we will provide a learning community that inspires character, service, knowledge and wisdom. We will make decisions based on the imperative of doing what is right for children while fostering active learning in a supportive, respectful environment. I am looking forward to working collaboratively with all stakeholders in the Williamson community in carrying out this mission and vision.

I have been an educator for over 20 years and an administrator for more than ten. I have experience in regular education, special education, alternative education, adult education, as well as career and technical education. My previous role as the Assistant Superintendent of the Genesee Valley Educational Partnership (BOCES) has afforded me the opportunity to work closely with the superintendents, curriculum directors, administration, and teachers of 22 component districts in implementing school improvement efforts, including the New York State Regents Reform Agenda. My position as Chairperson for the New York State Staff and Curriculum Development Network has afforded me the opportunity to work at the state and national levels as well.

My wife Monica and I currently live in Brockport, New York and look forward to settling in Williamson. Monica is an elementary school principal in Spencerport. We have four children: William, Bridget, Marianne, and Forrest. Will has a Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Management from SUNY-ESF and is currently attending the University of Delaware after being awarded a three-year graduate internship. Bridget graduated from SUNY-Potsdam with a theater degree and is planning to return to college to prepare for a career in English education or law. Marianne is a junior at SUNY-Geneseo, majoring in French and bio-chemistry; she aspires to attend medical school. Forrest is attending Onondaga Community College to continue his studies in music. We have loved every stage of parenting and look forward to the coming years as they all approach adulthood. Together as a family we enjoy hiking, biking, cooking, gardening, music, and spending time outdoors.

I look forward to meeting you as we partner in carrying out the mission, realizing the vision, and living the beliefs of the Williamson Central School District.

Respectfully,

Greg Macaluso, Ed.D

Williamson Central School District Superintendent

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Williamson, NY 14589

Dr. Greg Macaluso
Superintendent of Schools