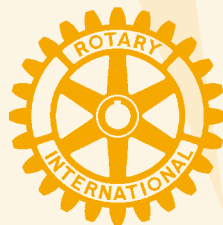




36th Annual
**Scholar-Athlete
Awards**

Presented by the

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2020 ROTARY SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

For 36 years, the Jacksonville Rotary Club has recognized high school students from more than 20 West Central Illinois schools for outstanding leadership, athletic achievement and academic excellence during their high school careers. Senior students from these schools are selected based on the recommendation of school administrators and coaches. They are typically honored each year at a Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet in April, but the 2020 event was canceled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We hope to revive the tradition in 2021.



ABOUT THE JACKSONVILLE ROTARY CLUB

The Jacksonville Rotary Club is dedicated to service within our local community and the larger world. Through service projects and fundraising events, the Jacksonville Rotary Club strives to improve the lives of others. Rotary unites people from all continents, cultures, and occupations, and members are leaders in their fields and communities. Diverse perspectives help the Clubs to see problems differently – and help solve them in communities throughout the world.

2020 HONOREES

A-C Central High School



Kyia Privia

Parents: Brant and Kathie Privia

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: IL State Scholar, National Honor Society; Beta Club, President; Future Farmers of America

Athletic Achievements include:

Volleyball: All four years, Setter; Holds the school record for career

assists with 2535 assists; Third team Sangamo All-Conference team

Basketball: All four years; Guard; Third team Sangamo All-Conference Team

Future Plans: Attend Illinois State University majoring in Speech Language Pathology



Beardstown High School

Micah Carlock

Parents: Hugh and Kris Carlock

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: 4-year High Honor Roll; Student of the Month January 2020; Science Fair Outstanding Award

2019-2020. National Honor Society, Vice President; Student Council

Athletic Achievements include: **Volleyball:** All four years; Libero; Outside Hitter; 2018 Biggest Defensive Threat; 2018 Rushville All-Tournament Team; 2019 MVP; 2019 Lady Suns Classic All-Tournament Team; School record holder for all time digs in a season at 385; School record holder of the most digs of all time at 1,000 **Soccer:** All four years; Forward; 2017 Tiger Pride Award; 2018 Tiger Pride Award; 2019 Tiger Hustle Award **Basketball:** All four years; Guard, Forward

Future Plans: Attend Hannibal-LaGrange University majoring in Physical Therapy and playing volleyball

Bluffs High School



Drew Evans

Parents: Keith and Dina Evans

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Academic All-Conference; Trailblazer Scholarship Award Winner; Student Council, President; National Honor Society, President; Class President

Athletic Achievements include:

Baseball: All four years; Pitcher; Outfielder; All-Conference, two years **Basketball:** All four years; Guard; Team Captain; All-Conference, two years

Future Plans: Attend John Wood Community College

Brown County High School



Nathan Hendricker

Parents: Mike and Amy Hendricker

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: National Honor Society; Academic Challenge Team (ACES); Basketball team captain; Baseball team captain

Athletic Achievements include:

Football: Senior; Wide Receiver; Kicker; Defensive Back; All-Conference 1st team Kicker; 2nd team receiver; honorable mention defensive back. Highest GPA on football team **Basketball:** All four years; Small Forward; All-Conference, 4 years; 1st team, one year; 1st team all-area, one year (Quincy Herald Whig) **Baseball:** All four years; Shortstop; Pitcher; Catcher; 1st team All-conference, 2 years; 1st Team All Area, 2 years (Quincy Herald Whig)

Future Plans: Attend college to study Sports Medicine

Calhoun High School



Sydney Baalman

Parents: Brad and Stacy Baalman

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Honor Roll; First Place at Olympiad; and WYSE team; Student Council, Secretary, Vice President, President; National Honor Society, Secretary

Athletic Achievements

include: Volleyball: All four years; Middle; Outside Hitter; 2nd team all-Conference, one year; 1st team all-conference, one year **Basketball:** Freshman; Sophomore; Senior; Forward; 2nd team all-conference, one year **Softball:** All four years; Pitcher; 1st team all-conference, two years; 1st team all-state; Alton Telegraph Small-Schools Player of the Year

Future Plans: Attend Southern Illinois University Edwardsville majoring in dentistry and play softball

Carrollton High School



Kennedy Ruyle

Parents: Jay and Dianna Ruyle

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Silver Medallion; Illinois State Scholar; SAR Outstanding Citizen Award; High Honor Roll; Mathletes State Qualifier; Mathletes; Olympiad; Art Club; Spanish Club; Creative Writing; Yearbook; Future

Farmers of America; Future Business Leaders of America, Illinois State Vice President, Western Area President, Carrollton Chapter President; National Honor Society, Vice President; Civics Club, Treasurer; Student Council, Softball Representative; Class Officer, Secretary



Athletic Achievements include: Volleyball: All four years; Defensive Specialist; Outside Hitter; Team Captain; WIVC All-Academic **Basketball:** All four years; Guard; Team Captain; WIVC All-Academic; WIVC Sportsmanship Award **Softball:** All four years; Catcher, Outfielder; Team Captain; WIVC All-Academic; WIVC All-Conference

Future Plans: Attend Bradley University majoring in biology or health sciences with plans to enter the medical field

Franklin High School



Jackson Smith

Parents: Willie and Kara Smith

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: High Honor Roll; Science Club; National Honor Society, Vice President; Student Council, Secretary; Future Farmers of America, Vice President; SADD, Vice President; Senior Class, Vice President

Athletic Achievements include:

Basketball: All four years; Guard; Forward; Team Captain, three years; All Tournament New Berlin Turkey Tournament, two years; MSM All-Conference, three years **Football:** All four years; Quarterback; Wide receiver; Safety; Sangamo All-Conference Second Team, one year

Future Plans: Attend University of Illinois majoring in Agribusiness

Greenfield High School



Taylor Smith

Parent: Beth Walker

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: All-Academic Athletic Team; National Honor Society; Spanish Club; Student Council; Class officer

Athletic Achievements include:

Volleyball: All four years; Defensive Specialist; Sportsmanship Award and Athletic Award

Basketball: All four years; Guard; Athletic Award **Softball:** All four years; Right Fielder; Athletic Award

Future Plans: Attend Western Illinois University to study pre-med

Griggsville-Perry High School



Tucker Kunzeman

Parents: Eric and Jill Kunzeman

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: National Honor Society; Future Farmers of America; Team Impact; Senior Class President; Student Council

Athletic Achievements include:

Baseball: All four years; Pitcher; Pike County All-Conference Team, two years; West Central All-Conference Team, one year **Basketball:** All four years; Shooting Guard; Pike County All-Conference Team; WBBA/WJBM All-Star Team; WLDS/WEAL All-Star Team

Future Plans: Attend Spoon River College to study business and play baseball

Havana High School



Tory Wickman

Parents: Troy and Lori Wickman

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; Illinois High School Football All State Academic; Spanish Club; Interact Club; H-Club; Student Athletic Leadership Team; Student Council; DARE Role Model; Journal Star All Star Preps Team

Athletic Achievements include: Football: All four years; Quarterback; Defensive Back; Team MVP; Captain Award; 1st Team All-Conference (QB); 1st Team All-Conference Unanimous (DB); Academic All State; Mark Dufelmeier Courage Award; School Passing Record; IHSA 1-A State Playoff Passing Record **Basketball:** All four years; Point Guard; Captain; Most charges; Joey Long Hustle

Award; Prairieland-Tomahawk All Star Team; Kiwanis-Canton All Star Team; Prairieland All-Conference **Baseball:** Pitcher; Second Base; Shortstop; Outfielder; All-Conference

Future Plans: Attend college

Illinois School for the Deaf



Shaylin Poore

Parent: Ashley Poore

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Perfect Attendance; Outstanding Student; Honor Roll; High Honor Roll; Daughters of American Revolution Good Citizens; ITDHH Jacki Marcus Scholarship; Student Council; Extreme Team; Cafe 41; Student

Ambassador; Letterman's Club; Leadership Experience Opportunity Club; Student Body Government; Junior Student Council; President of Senior Council; Lion's Club; Adopt a Family; Ring the bell for Salvation Army; Tutoring; Illinois Butterfly Dreams; Special Olympics

Athletic Achievements include: Volleyball: Sophomore; Senior; Outside Hitter; Setter; Team Captain **Softball:** Freshman; Sophomore; Left Fielder, Right Fielder **Bowling:** Junior

Future Plans: Welder

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Jacksonville High School



Christian Soltermann

Parents: Jeffrey and Stephanie Soltermann

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: National Honor Society; National English Honor Society; National Merit Finalist; Illinois State Scholar; WYSE medalist; Central State 8 Academic Honor Roll; Cross Country team captain

Athletic Achievements include: **Cross Country:** All four years; Varsity runner; Team captain, two years; Most Dedicated, two years; MVP, one year; CS8 All-Conference Honorable Mention, one year **Swimming:** All four years; Varsity swimmer **Track and Field:** All four years; Varsity runner; MVP, one year

Future Plans: Attend college majoring in math

Meredosia-Chambersburg H.S.



Madison Gregory

Parents: Scott and Julie Gregory

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Ranked first in class; WYSE state qualifier; Class President; Student Council Class Officer; National Honor Society Officer

Athletic Achievements include:

Volleyball: All four years; Setter;

Outside Hitter; Middle Hitter; All-Conference, one year; Pike County

Conference All-Tournament Team, one year **Basketball:** All four

years; Point Guard; Academic All-Conference, two years; Basketball

All-Conference, one year **Softball:** All four years; Pitcher; Left Fielder;

Center Fielder; Academic All-Conference, two years; Softball All-

Conference, two years

Future Plans: Attend a four-year university

New Berlin High School



Zachary Brewer

Parents: David Brewer; Mary Brewer

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society President; Student Council Co-President; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Key Club; Yearbook

Athletic Achievements include: **Baseball:** Freshman; Sophomore; Junior; Catcher; 2nd Team All-Conference; Captain; Defensive MVP **Basketball:** Freshman; Sophomore; Senior; Guard; Waverly Holiday Tournament 2nd Team; All-Conference Honorable Mention; Captain, two years **Football:** Senior; Outside Line Backer; Wide Receiver

Future Plans: Attend college studying Business

North Greene High School



Chad "Brady" Brown

Parents: Chad and Linda Brown

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: DAR Award; Boys State; The Silver Medallion Academic Excellence Award; Top 5 in class; Class President, 4 years; National Honor Society, 2 years; Future Farmers of

America, 2 years; Leadership Program, 4 years

Athletic Achievements include: **Football:** All four years; Running Back; Quarterback; Receiver; MVP; Leadership Award; Best Defensive Player; Best Offensive Player; Academic All State; Academic All-Conference; First Team All-Conference. Special Olympics Unified **Basketball:** Sophomore, Junior, Senior; Unified Partner; Certificate of Outstanding Achievement

Future Plans: Attend Western Illinois University studying the Law Enforcement and Justice Administration Program

Northwestern High School



Blake Motley

Parents: Bryan and Jackie Motley

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Honor Roll, 4 years; Football, Captain; Track, Captain

Athletic Achievements include:

Football: All four years; Linebacker; Offensive Guard; First Team All-Conference, Linebacker; Honorable Mention conference, Guard **Track:**

Freshman, Sophomore, Junior; Hurdles; First place conference meet, three years

Future Plans: Attend Lincoln Land Community College

Pittsfield High School



William Guthrie

Parents: Rodney and Jessica Guthrie

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: National Honor Society; High Honor Roll; Interact Club; Future Farmers of America; Pike Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities (CEO)

Athletic Achievements include: **Basketball:** All four years; Forward; Saukee Pride; Scoring Leader; Rebound Leader; Top Free Throw Percentage; Varsity Co-Captain **Baseball:** All four years; Pitcher; First Base; Lowest Earned Run Average

Future Plans: Attend Southern Illinois University Carbondale studying business

Pleasant Hill High School



Brennan McEwen

Parents: Kristen Webster and Todd McEwen

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: National Honor Society; Workforce Readiness Certificate; Honor Roll All A's; Honor Roll A's and B's; Star Green hand; Most Active Future Farmers of

America Member; Scholarship Pin; Leadership Award, Scholastic Bowl, two years; Future Farmers of America: Secretary; President; Student Council: Secretary; President

Athletic Achievements include: Volleyball: All four years; Center; "Most kills" **Basketball:** Freshman; Senior; Wing

Future Plans: Attend John Wood Community College then transfer to a four-year university

Pleasant Plains High School



Alexandria Fraase

Parents: Timothy and Kelly Fraase

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: High Honor Roll; National Honor Society; WYSE Team; Scholar Athlete of the Week; INB Student of the Month; National Beta Club, Treasurer; Science Club; Student Council, Treasurer; Class

Officer, Vice-President, President; Future Farmers of America

Athletic Achievements include: Soccer: All four years; Center Midfielder; Captain; IHSSCA All-Sectional, two years; Unanimous First Team All-Conference, two years; State Journal-Register Small School Player of the Year **Basketball:** All four years; Point Guard; First Team at Macomb Tournament; All-Tournament Team Sangamon County, two years; Second Team All-Conference, two years; 2A State Champions 2020 **Volleyball:** All four years; Defensive Specialist; Cardinal Award; 2A State Champions 2018

Future Plans: Attend Lincoln Land Community College majoring in Nursing and playing soccer

PORTA High School



Nicholas Rebbe

Parents: Steve and Kim Rebbe

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; National English Honor Society; Salutatorian; History Club Officer; Key Club Officer; PORTA Band Section Leader; PORTA Thespian

Athletic Achievements include: Cross Country: Junior; Senior; Runner; Captain **Wrestling:** Junior; Senior; 132 and 138 lb. weight classes **Track:** Junior; Senior; 400- & 800-meter races; Captain

Future Plans: Attend Illinois State University or Southern Illinois University Edwardsville studying medicine

Routt Catholic High School



Kirsten Huffman

Parents: Trevor and Monica Huffman

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: National Honor Society; Illinois State Scholar; National English Honor Society; Nominee for the IHSA All-State Academic Team; Currently Valedictorian; Student Ambassador;

Student Council, President, two years; Vice-President of the Student Body, one year; MJW 4H Treasurer, Secretary, President, two years; Service Fair coordinator; Homecoming Queen

Athletic Achievements include: Cross Country: All four years; Runner; All State Medalist, two years **Track:** All four years; Mid to Long Distance; IHSA State track 2-mile medalist; State Qualifier, three years **Basketball:** All four years; Point Guard; Wing; All-Conference; Carrollton Tournament All-Tournament team

Future Plans: Attend Lindenwood University

Rushville-Industry High School



Gracelyn Krohe

Parents: Dale and Susan Krohe

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: All A Banquet; High Honor Roll; Honor Roll; Usher for Graduation (being in top 6 of class); National Honor Society; Student Council, Vice President, President; Interact Club; Drama Club; Prom

and Homecoming Committee; Freshman Homecoming Attendant; Ironman Volleyball Coach; Section leader in band and chorus; dancelike; P.L.A.Y. Dancing with the Stars worker

Athletic Achievements include: Basketball: All four years; Guard; Post; Team Captain; Top Scorer **Volleyball:** All four years; Middle Hitter; Back Row; Played all the way around; Team Captain; 3 All-Tournament teams; Most Kills; All-Conference Mention; Most Aces **Track:** Freshman; Sophomore; Sprint; Hurdle; High Jump; MVP in running events

Future Plans: Attend college to major in nursing

Triopia High School



Anna Burrus

Parents: Brian and Laura Burrus

Academic & Leadership

Achievements: Illinois State Scholar; National Honor Society; High Honor Roll; WIVC All-Academic; Elks Student of the Month; Student Council, Vice President; National Honor Society, Treasurer; Class of 2020, Secretary

Athletic Achievements include: Volleyball: All four years; Middle Hitter; All-State Special Mention Team; MVP; Offensive Player Award; Meredosia All-Tournament Team; Eagles Fall Classic All-Tournament Team; Jerseyville All-Tournament Team; 1st All-Conference; WIVC All-Academic **Basketball:** All four years; Power forward; Associated Presidents 1st Team All-State (twice); IBCA 1st Team All-State (twice); MVP; Lady Spartan All-Tournament Team; Lady Tiger Classic All-Tournament Team; Waverly All-Tournament Team;

MVP; Most Rebounds; IHSA #9 all-time leading rebounder in history; WIVC 1st Team All-conference; WIVC all-academic **Softball:** All four years; Infield; WIVC 1st team all-conference; WIVC all-academic; Sportsmanship award

Future Plans: Attend Southern Illinois University Edwardsville majoring in Forensic Chemistry

Virginia High School



Emily Carson

Parents: Jared and Laura Carson

Academic & Leadership Achievements: National Honor Society; Student Council, President; Senior Class, President

Athletic Achievements include:

Basketball: All four years; Guard; Elite 8 **Volleyball:** Freshman,

Sophomore; Libero **Softball:** Sophomore; Outfielder

Future Plans: Study Physical Therapy

Waverly High School



Abigail McCue

Parents: Tony and Sandy McCue

Academic & Leadership Achievements: Honor Roll, 4 years; National Honor Society, President; Student Council, Vice-President; Key Club, Vice-President; Math Club; Jared's Keepers Club; Lincoln Land Community College Computer Science Academy

Athletic Achievements include: Track: All four years; Pole vault; Competed in the Girls 1A State Track meet for Pole Vault, two years **Volleyball:** All four years; Varsity Captain

Future Plans: Attend the United States Air Force Academy

Western High School



Joseph Depke

Parents: Dan and Tammy Depke

Academic & Leadership Achievements: WYSE Team; American Mathematics Competition; 2019-2020; National Honor Society, President; Student Council; Quincy Exchange Club Character of Champions, School Representative

Athletic Achievements include: Basketball: All four years; Forward: Varsity, four years; senior year starter **Golf:** Sophomore, Junior

Future Plans: Attend Southern Illinois University Edwardsville studying construction management program

Westfair Christian Academy



Abigail Prevet

Parents: Gerald and Micki Prevet

Academic & Leadership Achievements: National Honor Society, President; Student Council, President; JNVBC; FCA Huddle Leader

Athletic Achievements include:

Volleyball: All four years; Middle Hitter; Team Captain; IFBE River Valley 1st All-Tournament Team, one year; MVCS Invitational 2nd All-Tournament Team, one year; IACS State 2nd All-Tournament Team, one year; MVCS Invitational 1st All-Tournament Team, one year; IACS State 1st All-Tournament Team, two years; FBCA 1st All-Tournament Team, one year **Basketball:** Freshman, Sophomore, Junior; Forward; Captain; Leadership award

Future Plans: Attend Lincoln Land Community College transferring to a four-year University to study Sports Medicine/ Kinesiology

Winchester High School



Gabe Cox

Parents: Tony and Jill Cox

Academic & Leadership Achievements: 4.0 GPA; Key Club, Treasurer

Athletic Achievements include:

Basketball: All four years; Point Guard; Captain; All-time leader in points, steals, and assists for

Winchester/West Central; First Team All-State IBCA, one year; All-Tournament - Tournament of Champions, one year (Washington; IL); Waverly Holiday Tournament MVP, one year and three time All-Tournament selection; 2020 Winchester Invitational all-tournament, one year and three time All-Tournament selection; Beardstown Thanksgiving Tournament All-Tournament selection, one year; New Berlin Thanksgiving Tournament All-Tournament, one year and one time All-Tournament selection **Baseball:** Sophomore, Junior, Senior; Shortstop **Golf:** Freshman

Future Plans: Attend college majoring in Accounting and play basketball

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