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2020 Souhegan High School Graduation June 19, 6:30 p.m.

Presentation of Scholarships & Awards

Adam Vaillancourt Roofing & Construction Scholarship

Recipient: Logan Pettus

Alisha's Love Child Foundation Scholarship

Recipient: Lily Hipp

American Legion Post #23 Scholarships

Recipients: Alicia Bright, Alec Reitter

Amherst Community Foundation Scholarships

Recipients: Alec Reitter, Lydia Tesconi

Amherst Education Association Scholarships

Recipients: Michael Estabrook, Ryleigh Tobin

Amherst Junior Women's Club Scholarships

Recipients: Rebekah Adams, Madelyn Grace McBride

Amherst Lions Club Scholarships

Recipients: Sarah Bernyk, Halle van Ballegooyen

Amherst Orthodontics Scientific Woman's Scholarship

Recipient: Savannah Behn

Ann Logan Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Megan Tupaj

Bradford-Long-Miles-Sullivan Scholarships

Recipients: Rebekah Adams, Mary Simonne Dodge, McCallister McBride

Carson City Scholarships

Recipients: Thomas Greenwood, Ryan Hauser

Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award, Capt.

Josiah Crosby Chapter

Recipient: Georgia Jones

Dorothy Davis Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Evmorfia Alton

Edward A. Conti Memorial Scholarships

Recipients: Leah Dibble, Megan Tupaj

Dr. Edward L. Klopfer Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Kathryn Rosse

Joshua Jordan Savyon Memorial Scholarships

Recipients: Ashley Barham, Soleil Gookin

Kayser Family Scholarship

Recipient: Emma Sainsbury

Kimberly L. Gates Memorial Scholarships

Recipients: Sarah Aspinwall, Joseph Connor Beane, Savannah Behn, Rowen Bentley-Melle, Emma Maurais, Susan Wason

Dr. Leighton Health Science Scholarships

Recipient: Alec Reitter

Linda Merrill Scholarships

Recipients: Spencer Desmarais, Leah Dibble, Julia Gester, India Jones, Tony Labranche, Abigale Maroun, Emma Maurais, Emma Richards

Marcia Perry Scholarships

Recipients: Evmorfia Alton, Delaney Corcoran

Michael O'Mara Memorial "Unsung Hero" Scholarship

Recipient: Jacob Kayser



Rebekah Adams - Valedictorian
University of New Hampshire



Georgia Jones - Salutatorian
United States Military Academy

Milford Rotary Club Academic Scholarships

Recipients: Isabelle Aiello, Michael Estabrook, Alexandra LaBrosse, Alec Reitter, Megan Tupaj

Milford Rotary Club Vocational Scholarship

Recipient: Thomas Greenwood

Mont Vernon Education Association Scholarships

Recipients: Isabelle Aiello, Andreana Brown

Mont Vernon PTA Scholarship

Recipient: Tatum Chamberlain

Richard W. Merrill Memorial Scholarships

Recipients: Tony Labranche, Megan Tupaj

Sarah Lawrence Award

Recipient: Mary Simonne Dodge

Skenderian, McCollom, Griffin, Foster Trust Scholarships

Foster: Alec Reitter

Griffin: Isabelle Aiello

McCollom: Leah Dibble

Skenderian: Luke Elledge, Connor Lindsay, Aidan Noorda, Katie Noyes

Souhegan High School Football Booster Scholarships

Recipients: Trey Johnson, Alexander Walulik

Souhegan PTSA Scholarships

Recipients: Evmorfia Alton, Savannah Behn, Leah Dibble, Alec Reitter, Emma Sainsbury

Souhegan Scholarship Foundation Scholarships

Recipients:

Arts & Humanities: Isabelle Aiello, Evmorfia Alton, Michael Estabrook, McCallister McBride

Business: Lauren Adriaansen, Ari Garnick, Soleil Gookin

Career & Technical: Thomas Greenwood, Logan Pettus

STEM: Joseph Connor Beane, Mary Simonne Dodge, Emma Farnham, Ethan Mercier

Souhegan High School Student Services Scholarships

Recipients: Jonah Brandes, Kayla Brandes, Zack Dean, Sarah Geary, Lily Hipp, Caroline Lamar, Libby Manz, Noah Quirolgico, Mary Rothoff, Alexander Walulik, Susan Wason

Specialty Stores Scholarship

Recipients: Tristan Colby

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AWARDS

U.S. Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Awards

Recipients: India Jones, Alec Reitter

National Honor Society Senior:

Officers:

President - Ari Garnick
Vice President – Alec Reitter
Secretary – Lydia Tesconi
Community Service Coordinator – Georgia Jones

Members:

Rebekah Adams, Lauren Adriaansen, Isabelle Aiello, Evmorfia Alton, Sarah Aspinwall, Ashley Barham, Savannah Behn, Rowen Bentley-Melle, Sarah Bernyk, Camryn Carlson, Tatum Chamberlain, Samuel Chistolini, Madeleine Clement, Tristan Colby, Ryan Dancoes, Leah Dibble, Simonne Dodge, Michael Estabrook, Emma Farnham, Alexandra Garrant, Sarah Geary, Soleil Gookin, Vincent Hargreaves, Mackenzie Hayden, Lily Hipp, Julia Ireland, India Jones, Amanda Jordan, Jacob Kayser, Alexandra LaBrosse, Caroline Lamar, Alexa Leary, Abigale Maroun, Gracie McBride, McCallister McBride, Ethan Mercier, Katie Noyes, Emma Richards, Kathryn Rosse, Alyssa Saunders, Rebecca Sileo, Megan Tupaj, Maya Vaccaro, Susan Wason, Emma Williams

Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica:

Officers:

President – Sarah Bernyk
Vice-President – Georgia Jones
Secretary – Lydia Tesconi
Treasurer – Abigale Maroun

Members:

Tatum Chamberlain, Mary Simonne Dodge, Emma Farnham, Lily Hipp, Gracie McBride, Emma Richards, Kathryn Rosse, Maya Vaccaro

Société Honoraire de Français:

Officers:

President – Soleil Gookin
Vice-President – India Jones
Secretary – Megan Tupaj
Treasurer – Eleni Papadeas

Members: Rebekah Adams, Sophia Mendola

NH Scholars – Tim Cotreau Presents

Community Service Award: Savannah Behn

Community Council Awards:

Moderator: Simonne Dodge
Judiciary Board Chair: Madeleine Clement
Communicator: McCallister McBride
Constitutional Interpretation Representative: Tony Labranche
12th Grade Representatives: Luke Elledge, Ari Garnick

Athletic Sportsmanship Awards:

Recipients: Michael Estabrook, India Jones

Marine Athletic Excellence Awards:

Recipients: Trey Johnson, Georgia Jones

ED Jones Saber Nation Awards:

Recipients: Savannah Behn, Victor Ceballos

Milford Rotary Athletes of the Year:

Recipients: Izzy Aiello, Curtis Redd

Valedictorian: Rebekah Adams

Salutatorian: Georgia Jones

Dr. Robert Mackin Award: Katherine Boyea

Ben Hedges Award: Megan Tupaj

Cleve Penberthy Award: Mary Simonne Dodge

Academic Awards 2019-2020

CLASS

ADV ENGINEERING
Adv Programming
Advanced Animation
ADVANCED BIOLOGY
Advanced Video Production
ANATMY & PHYSIOLOGY
ANIMAT/GAME DEVELP
AP CALCULUS AB
AP CALCULUS BC
AP CHEMISTRY
AP COMPUTER SCI Principles
AP ENG LANG & COMP
AP ENGLISH LIT
AP FRENCH
AP PHYSICS C
AP SPANISH
AP STATISTICS
AP STUDIO ART
AP U.S. HISTORY
Art Merit Award
CHEMISTRY
CHEMISTRY
CORE MATH 3

Div 2 Wellness
ENGINEER SCIENCE
FINANCIAL ALGEBRA
FRENCH 4
INTRO TO CALCULUS
LATIN 4
Magazine/Sabercast
MARINE SCIENCE
MARKETING
Photography Award
PHYSICS
PRECALCULUS
Programming
SEM:ETHICS Eng
SEMINAR:ETHICS SS
SEM:FILM & Society Eng
SEM:FILM & Society SS
SEM:HEAT Eng
SEMINAR: HEAT: SCI
SEM:LAW & JUST:ENG
SEM:LAW & JUST:SS
Society of Women Engineers
SPANISH 4
STATISTICS
UNDERSTANDNG PSYCH
Video Production
WORLD LITERATURE

WORLD STUDIES

RECIPIENT

Logan Pettus
Gavin Harrold
Nathan Hernandez
India Jones, Mary Simonne Dodge
Matthew Hinspeter
Ethan Ramm
Jesse Angelopolus
Molly Atkinson
Samuel Chistolini
Alec Reitter
Soleil Gookin
Nicholas Giannakopoulos
Alec Reitter
Sophia Mendola
Emma Farnham
Michael Estabrook, Kathryn Rosse
Jacob Kayser
Rebekah Adams
Bailey Burke
Lily Hipp
Hyrum Coleman
Paige Colby, Katherine Tiso
Hannah Carroll, Emily Drake, Braden Foulks, Sam Haigh
Owen Frates, Emma Lowry
Katherine Mailley, Genevieve Steenhoek
Savannah Behn, Kazmiera Fichera
Julia Breckenridge
Lynne McNamara, Genevieve Steenhoek
Samuel Chistolini
Evmorfia Alton
Molly Jennings
Alexis Jordan-Pitas
Abigail Robinson
Joseph Connor Beane
Isabelle Aiello
Karyna Dolia
Alexander Walulik
McCallister McBride
Rebekah Adams
Emma Richards
Dylan Pehowski
Jennalyn Speer
Jacob Kayser
Amanda Jordan
Hannah Carroll, Genevieve Steenhoek
Braden Foulks, Jay Levesque
McCallister McBride
Abigale Maroun
Ian Doherty
Aidan Bearor, Paige Colby, Elliot
DeSignore, Genevieve Steenhoek
Julia Breckenridge, Bailey Burke, Clair Sullivan

NH Scholars 2020

First Name	Last Name	Original, Arts, STEM, or STEAM			
Rebekah Christine	Adams	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Connor James	Lindsey	NH SCHOLARS
Lauren Maria	Adriaansen	NH SCHOLARS	Libby Louise	Manz	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Isabelle Elizabeth	Aiello,	NH SCHOLARS	Abigale Grace	Maroun	NH SCHOLARS ARTS
Evmorfia Bailey	Alton	NH SCHOLARS ARTS	Emma Jeanne	Maurais	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Jesse Carl	Angelopolus	NH SCHOLARS	Rylie	McCoy	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Sarah Josephine	Aspinwall	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Devon Handlin	McGrath	NH SCHOLARS
Ashley Dianne	Barham	NH SCHOLARS ARTS	Sophia Frances	Mendola	NH SCHOLARS
Joseph Connor	Beane	NH SCHOLARS STEAM	Ethan Todd	Mercier	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Savannah Lee May	Behn	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Adriana Jillian	Milton	NH SCHOLARS
Frank Thompson	Bell	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Seth Thomas	Ohlemacher	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Rowen Grace	Bentley Melle	NH SCHOLARS STEAM	Eleni Veronique	Papadeas	NH SCHOLARS ARTS
Sarah Rose	Bernyk	NH SCHOLARS	Julia Margie	Pinkham	NH SCHOLARS
Isabella Mae	Blood	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Audrey Elizabeth	Powers	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Jonah Clarke	Brandes	NH SCHOLARS	Elizabeth Mary	Powers	NH SCHOLARS ARTS
Andreaana Marie	Brown	NH SCHOLARS ARTS	Curtis Matthew	Redd	NH SCHOLARS
Liam Alexander	Carlen	NH SCHOLARS	Alec Robert	Reitter	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Camryn Elizabeth	Carlen	NH SCHOLARS	Emma Chesley	Richards	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Tatum Colby	Carlson	NH SCHOLARS	Marissa Carroll	Romano	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Samuel Kendri	Chamberlain	NH SCHOLARS	Kathryn Grace	Rosse	NH SCHOLARS STEAM
Madeleine Marie	Chistolini	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Mary Grace Powers	Rotthoff	NH SCHOLARS
Ethan James	Clement	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Alyssa Marie	Saunders	NH SCHOLARS ARTS
Tristan Matthew	Cockerill	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Emma Gabrielle	Sette	NH SCHOLARS
Ryan Thomas	Colby	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Rebecca Leigh	Sileo	NH SCHOLARS STEM
William Douglas	Dancoes	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Andrew Patrick	Taylor	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Zachary Austin	Darnall	NH SCHOLARS	Lydia Jean	Tesconi	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Bryce Walter	Dean	NH SCHOLARS	Ryleigh Elizabeth	Tobin	NH SCHOLARS
Spencer Fay	Desmarais	NH SCHOLARS	Megan Michelle	Tupaj	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Leah Elizabeth	Desmarais	NH SCHOLARS	Susan Faith	Wason	NH SCHOLARS
Mary Simonne	Dibble	NH SCHOLARS STEM	Cameron Shea	Whitney	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Nolan Reed	Dodge	NH SCHOLARS	Emma Elizabeth	Williams	NH SCHOLARS
Emma Frances	Doherty	NH SCHOLARS	Clare Catherine	Woodford	NH SCHOLARS STEM
Ian Anthony	Doherty	NH SCHOLARS	Halle Mae	Zimmer	NH SCHOLARS
Luke Michael	Elledge	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Michael Thomas	Estabrook	NH SCHOLARS			
Robert Warren	Estes	NH SCHOLARS			
Emma Elizabeth	Farnham	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Madison Paige	Frank	NH SCHOLARS			
Lauren Ann	Fredette	NH SCHOLARS ARTS			
Ari Samuel	Garnick	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Alexandria Gray	Garrant	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Sarah Elizabeth	Geary	NH SCHOLARS			
Julia Grace	Gester	NH SCHOLARS			
Lindsey Alexis	Golis	NH SCHOLARS			
Soleil Karen	Gookin	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Alison Jaye	Griffin	NH SCHOLARS ARTS			
Vincent James	Hargreaves	NH SCHOLARS ARTS			
Mackenzie Rose	Hayden	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Lily Kitchel	Hipp	NH SCHOLARS ARTS			
Cole Michael	Hutchinson	NH SCHOLARS			
Tyler Christi	Jagenteinfl	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Trey Harry Lenox	Johnson	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Georgia Elizabeth	Jones	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
India Kathleen	Jones	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Amanda Marie	Jordan	NH SCHOLARS			
Jacob Paul	Kayser	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Alexandra Ann	LaBrosse	NH SCHOLARS STEAM			
Caroline Michelle	Lamar	NH SCHOLARS ARTS			
Alexa Jacquelyn	Leary	NH SCHOLARS STEM			
Luke Matthew	Leighton	NH SCHOLARS STEM			

Athletic Awards for the Class of 2020

Milford Rotary Athletes of the Year



Izzy Aiello
Field Hockey,
Lacrosse



Curtis Redd
Basketball,
Lacrosse

Edward Jones Saber Nation Athletic Awards



Savannah Behn
Soccer, Lacrosse



Victor Ceballo
Wrestling

Marine Distinguished Athlete Award



Georgia Jones
Cross Country,
Soccer, Alpine
Skiing, Track &
Field



Trey Johnson
Football,
Basketball

Senior Sportsmanship Awards



India Jones
Cross Country,
Alpine Skiing,
Track & Field



Michael Estabrook
Soccer,
Basketball,
Volleyball

Souhegan High Graduating Class of 2020 - Future Plans

Adams, Dallin Eric	University of Arkansas	Frizzell, Connor Jacob	Continuing Education
Adams, Rebekah Christine	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Furmanick, Ava Germain	Plymouth State University
Adriaansen, Lauren Maria	Bryant University	Gagnon, Steven Douglas	Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)
Aiello, Isabelle Elizabeth	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Garcia, Christian	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Alton, Evmorfia Bailey	Sacred Heart University	Garnick, Ari Samuel	Dartmouth College
Andrews, Rachal Lauran	Gap Year	Garrant, Alexandria Gray	Lehigh University
Angelopolus, Jesse	Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)	Geary, Sarah Elizabeth	George Washington University
Angulas, Jake Timothy	Employed	Gester, Julia Grace	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Aselin, Jake Thomas	Roger Williams University	Golis, Lindsey Alexis	Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)
Aspinwall, Sarah Josephine	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Gookin, Soleil Karen	Bentley University
Bader, Alexandra Frances	Undecided	Greenwood, Thomas William	Manchester Community College (NHCTC-Manchester)
Barham, Ashley Dianne	Brandeis University		Montana State University
Beane, Joseph Connor	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Griffin, Alison Jaye	Continuing Education
Behn, Savannah Lee May	Butler University	Griggs, Ashton Kaleb	University of Rhode Island
Bell, Frank Thompson	University of Utah	Grundstra, Tait Pim Giancarlo	Undecided
Belter, Jack Raymond	Southern New Hampshire University	Hall, Christian Micheal	Keene State College
Bentley Melle, Rowen Grace	Simmons University	Hargreaves, Vincent James	Rochester Institute of Technology
Bernyk, Sarah Rose	Saint Michael's College	Harrold, Gavin Stewart	Southern New Hampshire University
Bewersdorf, Eva Marie	Apprenticeship Program	Hauser, Ryan Christopher	Southern Utah University
Blood, Isabella Mae	Gap Year	Hayden, Mackenzie Rose	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Boyea, Katherine Margaret	Ferris State University	Headington, Thomas	Southern Maine Community College
Boynton, Angelina Faith	Suffolk University	Henline, Robert Lance	Fitchburg State University
Brandes, Jonah Clarke	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Hinspeter, Matthew Beck	Rhode Island School of Design
Brandes, Kayla Marie	Colby-Sawyer College	Hipp, Lily Kitchel	Undecided
Bright, Alicia Abigail	Eastern University	Hopcraft, Charles Riley	Southern New Hampshire University
Brown, Andreana Marie	Simmons University	Hopkins, Bethany Claire	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Byram, Gabrielle Angel Lena	Connecticut College	Horrell, Lindsay Grace	Employed
Calfin, Josiah Reagan	Plymouth State University	Horrocks, Caroline Eliza	Berklee College of Music
Carbajal, Antonia Estefania	Plymouth State University	Husainy, Siraj Muhammad Reinhard	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Carlen, Liam Alexander	Southern New Hampshire University	Hutchinson, Cole Michael	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Carlson, Camryn Elizabeth	Southern New Hampshire University	Ireland, Julia Nicole	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Casey, Aidan Burrow	Western New England University	Jagentenfil, Tyler Christian	Brigham Young University-Provo
Castell, Paige Elizabeth	Southern New Hampshire University	Jarnagin, Cooper William	University of Rochester
Ceballos, Victor Adolfo	Bridgewater State University	Johnson, Trey Harry Lenox	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Chamberlain, Tatum Colby	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Johnstone-Silva, Serenity Joy	United States Military Academy
Chistolini, Samuel Kendrick	Williams College	Jones, Georgia Elizabeth	St Lawrence University
Clement, Madeleine Marie	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Jones, India Kathleen	American University
Cockerill, Ethan James	Siena College	Jordan, Amanda Marie	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Colby, Tristan Matthew	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Kayser, Jacob Paul	Keene State College
Corbett, Samuel Stephen	Scotland Campus, 3583 Scotland Road, Scotland, PA 17254	Kipp, Aidan Patrick	Employed
	Dean College	Kobelenz, Zachary Danial	Full Sail University
Corcoran, Delaney Bella	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Koch, Conrad Nicholas	Beacon College
Cummings, Norah Kathleen	Southern New Hampshire University	Koch, Evan David	New England Institute of Technology
Daley, Liam Miles	Bentley University	Kohlenberger, Christopher Thomas	Southern New Hampshire University
Dancoes, Ryan Thomas	Southern New Hampshire University	Labonte, Eren E	Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)
Darnall, William Douglas	Continuing Education	Labranche, Tony	Arizona State University-Tempe
D'Augustine, Anthony Raymond	Temple University	LaBrosse, Alexandra Ann	Southern New Hampshire University
Dean, Zachary Austin	Southern New Hampshire University	Lamar, Caroline Michelle	Keene State College
Desmarais, Bryce Walter	High Point University	Lambert, Hailey Rose	Apprenticeship Program
Desmarais, Spencer Fay	Rochester Institute of Technology	Lawrence, William Alaster	Wheaton College - Massachusetts
Dibble, Leah Elizabeth	Keene State College	Leary, Alexa Jacquelyn	Western Michigan University
Dickinson, Aidan Joseph	University of Miami	Leighton, Luke Matthew	University of Rhode Island
Dodge, Mary Simonne	The University of Tampa	Lindsey, Connor James	Virginia Tech
Dodge, Nolan Reed	St Lawrence University	Lockitt, Benjamin James	Employed
Doherty, Emma Frances	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Macedo, Jared Michael	Loyola University Chicago
Doherty, Ian Anthony	Tallahassee Community College	Manz, Libby Louise	University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Dupont, Breana Gail	Keene State College	Maroun, Abigale Grace	Misericordia University
Earley, Fyoder Miranda	Appalachian State University	Maurais, Emma Jeanne	Employed
Elledge, Luke Michael	Johnson & Wales University, Providence	Mazza, Tessa Carly	Eastern University
Enoch, Cassidy Renee	University of Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh Campus	McBride, Madelyn Grace	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Estabrook, Michael Thomas	Keene State College	McBride, McCallister Emily	University of New Hampshire at Manchester
Estes, Robert Warren	Rochester Institute of Technology	McCoy, Rylie Nichole	Gap Year
Facey, Beau Tyler	Employed	McGrath, Devon Handlin	Franklin University Switzerland
Falcone, Camryn James	University of Rhode Island	Mendola, Sophia Frances	University of Connecticut
Farnham, Emma Elizabeth	Southern New Hampshire University	Mercier, Ethan Todd	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
Fichera, Kazimiera Claire	Southern New Hampshire University	Merenda, Andrew Anthony	University of New England
Fischofer, Cameron Robert	Southern New Hampshire University	Milton, Adriana Jillian	Employed
Fluet, Jaden Romeo	University of New Hampshire-Main Campus	Morales Perez, Britney Jocelyn	Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)
Frank, Madison Paige	University of Massachusetts-Amherst	Morel, Richard Robare	
Fredette, Lauren Ann			

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Souhegan High Graduating Class of 2020 - Future Plans

Mundt, Dakota Alexander
 Noorda, Aidyn Rashell
 Noyes, Katie Nicole
 Ohlemacher, Seth Thomas
 Papadeas, Eleni Veronique
 Pehowski, Dylan Reese
 Perron, Jacob Robert
 Pettus, Logan Bishop
 Pinkham, Julia Margie
 Powers, Audrey Elizabeth
 Powers, Elizabeth Mary
 Primmer, Zena Abraham
 Quirolgico, Noah Sebastian
 Raiser, James Michael
 Rand, Joshua Brenner
 Reap, Kathryn Hilton
 Redd, Curtis Matthew
 Reitter, Alec Robert
 Reynolds, Cheyenne N
 Richards, Emma Chesley
 Romano, Marissa Carroll
 Rosse, Kathryn Grace
 Rothhoff, Mary Grace Powers
 Ryan, Mackenzie Grace
 Sainsbury, Emma Nicole
 Saunders, Alyssa Marie
 Sette, Emma Gabrielle
 Sileo, Kelly Ann
 Sileo, Rebecca Leigh

Employed
 Brigham Young University-Idaho
 University of Vermont
 University of Rhode Island
 Concordia University - Montreal
 Universal Technical Institute
 Undecided
 Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)
 University of South Carolina Beaufort
 University of Vermont
 Elon University
 Military
 University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
 The College of Saint Rose
 Merrimack College
 Savannah College of Art and Design
 Southern New Hampshire University
 University of Massachusetts-Amherst
 Plymouth State University
 Northeastern University
 University of Massachusetts-Amherst
 College of the Holy Cross
 Pennsylvania State University
 Plymouth State University
 Keene State College
 University of Massachusetts-Amherst
 University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
 Endicott College
 University of Rhode Island

Sodders, Christopher Matthew
 Speer, Jennalyn Melissa
 Steel, Daniel Alexander
 Stoncius, Noel Richard
 Sweetser, Zoie Brianna
 Taylor, Andrew Patrick
 Tesconi, Lydia Jean
 Theriault, Samuel Eric
 Thomas, Clayton David
 Tobin, Ryleigh Elizabeth
 Torres, Juliana Maria
 Trzepacz, Daniel Timothy
 Tupaj, Megan Michelle
 Vaccaro, Maya Ayers
 van Ballegooyen, Halle Marie
 Van Broeck, Faye Christine Francine
 Walulik, Alexander Quinn
 Wason, Susan Faith
 Weitzel, Molly Elizabeth
 Whitney, Cameron Shea
 Willey, Jeremiah Roslyn
 Williams, Emma Elizabeth
 Woodford, Clare Catherine
 Wroblewski, Sean Alan
 Zampella, Nicholas John
 Zimmer, Halle Mae
 Zimmerman, Trinity Chrystelle

University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
 Sewanee: The University of the South
 The University of Tampa
 Plymouth State University
 Nashua Community College (NHCTC-Nashua)
 North Carolina State University at Raleigh
 Bentley University
 Undecided
 Coast Guard
 University of New Hampshire-Main Campus
 Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS)
 University of Delaware
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute
 Kenyon College
 North Dakota State University-Main Campus
 Johnson & Wales University, Providence
 American University
 Springfield College
 Continuing Education
 University of New England
 Employed
 Quinnipiac University
 Providence College
 Apprenticeship Program
 Keene State College
 Keene State College
 Clarkson University



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Congratulatory Lawn Signs Slideshow

Souhegan High School Recognizes its Retirees with Heartfelt Tributes

A Tribute to Kathleen Desmond

By Jolene Sawyer

I have had the amazing fortune to work with Kathleen Desmond for the last twenty-one years. Kathleen is an outstanding person. She is smart, caring, creative, thoughtful, committed and wickedly funny. All the characteristics that make her an incredible friend also make her an outstanding Spanish teacher. Our department and our school simply won't be the same without Kathleen's leadership, enthusiasm, and ideas. Although Kathleen has decided that it is time to try something new, losing such an experienced and inspiring teacher and such a good friend, is a bit of a kick in the gut. I know my entire department feels the same way. We will feel this loss for a long time.



I remember meeting Kathleen at her interview and being so impressed with the creative ideas she had for class. I could tell right away that not only would we work well together, but we would have fun. And who doesn't learn more when their teachers are having fun and enjoying what they are doing? Kathleen and I often collaborated on units like learning how to give commands during a soccer unit, changing the classroom into an airport to practice travel vocabulary, cooking meals in the school's kitchen so students could taste the food they were studying, learning about the importance of piñatas, making them, and then smashing them to pieces. Kathleen's focus, which I so appreciated, was always to ask: Will the students be engaged in what they are learning? Is what they are learning useful to their lives? That proved to be a winning combination and I saw Kathleen have success after success with her students. And for those students who might not have seen success the first time around, you could always find Kathleen working diligently to help them get there when they were ready.

Over the years, there have been many changes at Souhegan. Some have made teaching languages more challenging and others have made it more rewarding. One of the most important and impactful changes to our teaching came from Kathleen's Career Growth Project. Kathleen by nature is always looking for ways to improve her craft. She uses technology better than anyone in our department (sorry guys) to find innovative ideas to bring to and use with students. She is connected to teachers all over the country, learning from them and bringing what she has learned to us. Kathleen's inquiry and work was so powerful that not only did it change what was happening in her classroom, but the WL department adopted her work throughout the district. The research and ideas Kathleen shared compelled us to make necessary changes in how we teach language to our students. Across the board, we are seeing positive results as students are able to understand more and do more with the languages they study. Students can identify their proficiency level and understand what they need to do in order to improve their skills. There is simply not enough space available here to do justice to the impact of Kathleen's work. Kathleen's desire to improve as a teacher created an opportunity for everyone in her department to grow along with her. She has had many leadership roles within the school but I believe this has been one of her greatest achievements.

I can't say goodbye to Kathleen without a few words in Spanish so I will end with this modified quote from one of our favor-

ite artists, Frida Kahlo. Kahlo writes: "Si yo pudiera darte una cosa en la vida, me gustaría darte la capacidad de verte a ti mismo a través de [nuestros] ojos. Solo entonces te darás cuenta de lo especial que eres para [nosotros]" which means if I could only give you one thing in life, I would like to give you the capacity to see yourself through our eyes. Only then will you realize how special you are to us.

A Tribute to Maureen Hicks

By Mark Newton & Staff

It has been my pleasure to work with Maureen Hicks for the past seven years, although her history at SHS goes back quite further, somewhere around the mid- to late- 90's, I believe. For those who have ever worked in a kitchen, you know what a tight-knit group we become, like a second family. "Moe" is the perfect example of this. She'll do all she can do to help others out. She'll make you smile and laugh, and sometimes make you shake your head. But most importantly, she will always have your back, JUST LIKE FAMILY! Thanks for being part of all of our lives, Maureen. We will miss you!!!! - Mark Newton



We will miss you, Moe! I always appreciated how kind and friendly you were to everyone! Best of luck in your retirement! - Jolene Sawyer

Enjoy the next chapter, Moe! You were always so friendly and kind and I loved going to the cafe to your smile. You will be greatly missed. Be well. - Kevin Proctor

Will miss your warm smile and laughter - every morning you greeted us cheerfully as we headed in first thing for coffee! Warmest wishes to you on your retirement - enjoy! Kathy White

Best wishes and congratulations, Moe! I always appreciated your warmth and friendliness no matter when I was running in to grab something. All the best for you in your retirement! Jeanne Sturges

A Tribute to Martha Rives

By Liz Gosselin

How can we determine a "calling"?... It seems a life of purpose that is both meaningful and influential. I suppose, to measure the worth of a calling, you might consider its legacy. A life is lived both in and out of accomplishments large and small, with milestones along the way, and many moments of subtle consequence in between.

To my dearest friend, colleague, mentor and kindred art spirit, we celebrate the legacy of your calling. Martha, your accomplishments are difficult to contain within the body of this text. As we say goodbye, please take comfort that your spirit is the legacy that will remain - a presence and force to all who call Souhegan High School home.



First and foremost, you were my teacher (remember when?). Because you believed in me I made my way to Souhegan. As a

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cooperating teacher, you committed yourself to the training and inspiration of countless young art teachers throughout your career.. That work lives on in art programs, art students, and art instruction near and far.

Your determination to uphold the value and integrity of our discipline is revealed in your work beyond the classroom. We want to thank you for your dedication and leadership in state and national organizations, boards and committees, to enhance, improve and promote art programs and instruction in New Hampshire and in our country.

With great pride I watched you stand upon the stage with our Commissioner of Education as you received New Hampshire's Art Teacher of the Year Award. As lovely as that was, I knew the true significance of your work by observing its influence upon your students everyday. So many lives touched by the love, the passion, the joy, and the power of art.

Do you remember? You stood beside me and our students at the Uffizi in Florence, our hands clasped, as we experienced the genius of Michelangelo's David together. Do you remember the strange "Dark Ride" you gallantly took at Mass Moca to amuse your students with the potential of contemporary art? That was not "all in a day's work" my friend; it was the trajectory of your calling.

Your calling grew out of the philosophy and beliefs that designed and formed the foundation of our school. You were there at the beginning. You were there for our growing pains as times and situations arose that both challenged and inspired us. You tirelessly strove to engage and participate in the life and workings of our school. You demanded we preserve what was essential to our culture while tirelessly addressing the tides of change. We are who we are because of you.

As you retire from this calling... something new is calling you. That, of course, is Art... and life. For now we will imagine you in your studio, surrounded by sketches and prints... the faint smell of turpentine wafting upward in the light. I look forward to seeing you again soon, my friend, standing in a gallery beside the brightly colored painting or print that has been calling you.

A Tribute to Pam Smith

By Jenn Huard and Anna Barrett

For 20 years, Pam has been teaching students the concepts of math and science, as well as other subject areas. Not only has she been there to teach our students, but she has also led paraprofessionals through math instruction and strategies so they can better support our students. Factoring quadratic equations, turning a linear equation from point slope form to slope intercept form, and identifying the stoichiometric coefficients that balance chemistry equations were a part of Pam's daily life for the past seven thousand three hundred days while at Souhegan. Pam has also been a steady and calming presence for both students and coworkers. She's always ready to lend an ear, or offer feedback or other support. She has consistently shared her knowledge, her space, her supplies, and her heart with whoever needs anything, not only with a smile, but often with an anecdote.

As students faced difficulty acquiring math and science skills, I cannot recall how many times teachers and Learning Specialists have requested Pam's time. She not only worked full time,



she also tutored students after school, worked through the summer, and was a constant interpreter of the language we call math to enable students to be fluent and confident. She does all of this while raising her children and now grandchildren, and caring for her mother.

Pam has the innate ability to approach a problem using a variety of strategies so it makes sense to the learner. Her love and expertise of STEM is not a surprise, as she was a nurse prior to coming to Souhegan. She is patient and constant, calm and steady. She has a great sense of humor bringing levity in times of tension and has a unique way of viewing challenges to foster growth and compassion. Pam has tackled challenges in life head on and has a new lease on life, eagerly awaiting to start her retirement bucket list. She is very close with her family and enjoys being a part of her grandchildren's and children's daily lives. Pam's adventurous spirit is sure to help create many more memories in retirement. You will be missed immensely, Pam!

A Tribute to Stan St. Onge

By Amy McGuigan

In April of 2003, the school board hired a technical director for the theatre which was thriving with school and community events. Clearly someone with extensive technical professional expertise was needed. In walked Stanley St. Onge, a Lighting Director at the Palace Theatre. Over his years at SHS Stan additionally took on student tech crew, teaching stagecraft classes, directing and creating sets, collaborating with teachers, supporting senior projects, and so much more. He embraced education.



Stan will be remembered for his calm, cheery one liner to everyone from outside dance studios to Superintendents, all nervous about their technical needs: "Do not worry about the technology, that's my job. Relax and focus on your presentation." The sobriquet soon evolved— Stan the Man.

Stan went above and beyond his role at SHS with grace... he became an educator. Sought out as a mentor, a teacher, and advisor, Stan is patient and compassionate with students. Creative, thoughtful and reflective about his practice, I will miss brainstorming concepts of how set, lighting and choreography intertwine; more so, I will miss a supportive colleague and friend who embraced all forms of art.

I will end with this tribute from Steve Hodgman, Souhegan Teacher, Drama Director from 1992-2016. "Two measures I consider for how effective and respected a teacher is with students were the number of affectionate nicknames students would bestow on their mentors and the number of students who would stick around after hours to simply chat about ideas, hopes, dreams. There was Santa Claus, Papa Smurf, or just Stan The Man. Like Mother Ginger from the Nutcracker, students constantly surrounded him on the stage or in the lighting booth wanting to help with shows and be involved. The mark of a successful teacher. I miss the day to day contact with Stan who loved theatre. The friendship, of course, is still there, and it is with that friendship and the pride of having worked with a consummate professional and a kind, generous human being that I wish Stan all the best as he takes that first step into retirement."

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A Tribute to Kathy White

By Sue Downer

In the early 90's a young teacher from Nashua decided that she would take her teaching skills 25 minutes west and help rethink what a modern high school might look like. She was very skeptical when this new high school faculty voted to have students call teachers by their first names, but Kathy soon embraced this tradition. Kathy White began to help shape the future of Souhegan.

In the early years while she was teaching business and computer courses, Kathy welcomed the idea that students needed to be able to show what they learned. Authentic instruction and assessment guided her practice. Students used Harvard Business School case studies in order to discuss real life situations. Her students loved her. Kathy was doing performance assessments 20 years before it was called performance assessment.

Kathy then decided to take her skills in another direction and become Souhegan's Dean of Faculty. I knew that she would be excellent in this new position. She was organized, technologically savvy, held herself and those around her to the highest standard, and most importantly held tight to the fundamental mission of SHS. Kathy soon became a champion for the faculty. Coming from a position of understanding, Kathy helped the SHS staff grapple with authentic assessments and competencies. What I didn't know at the time was how much her work would change the face of education at SHS and in New Hampshire.

Back 7 or 8 years ago, I remember Kathy telling me about a new pilot program that was getting started at the state level: Performance Assessments for Competency Education, known as PACE. She asked a group of us to join her for the kick off meetings, always there to support us. She would tell me we can help other districts see and do what we have long held true. As part of the ground floor of this pilot, Kathy supported the Souhegan faculty and the other pilot schools in advancing the work. Her support never wavered even when she needed to copy thousands of pages of documents. Last summer Kathy joined me and several other SHS teachers at a workshop on project-based learning. She was there to support us and also to become more educated in an area in which she already excelled. The Souhegan faculty always had Kathy looking out for them, and Souhegan students earned the best education because Kathy was pushing from behind to make us not just better but great.

In time, Souhegan's reputation grew and grew. Schools from all over the country would come to visit the NH school where students called teachers by their first names. They would observe authentic performance-based assessment and be inspired by it. Kathy would say to me, "We were ahead of our time and



now the rest of the country is catching up to us." I think really, the rest of the country is catching up to Kathy White. Her contributions extend far beyond the walls of Souhegan High School. Kathy White is moving on and her unique skill set will be very hard to replace. One thing is for sure, she has had an enormous impact on our community, and the state of New Hampshire.

A Tribute to John Young

By Kelli Braley

I am honored to write on behalf of my dear friend and colleague, John Young, the guy whom we have affectionately called "Youngie" for the last 25 years. I am sure that I am not ready to fully explain everything Youngie means not only to me as a friend, mentor and confidant, but to the whole Souhegan community, so I am just going to tell you what's in my heart. First off, Souhegan is the only place he is called "Youngie." Everywhere else in his life he is "Johnny."

I think he knew from the beginning that a special place like this deserved a special name. It's especially telling that the students were the ones who started it, and there is nothing Youngie wouldn't do for our students.

Throughout his tenure, Youngie has done so much to make sure our students were supported, challenged and loved. He was a hockey and football coach and later the spotter for all the home football games. He chaperoned student trips to France, Quebec, and to Italy and Greece. (Never challenge him to cribbage while on the road.) He served as senior class advisor for many years. He even hosted a weekly sandwich club! And, he promoted Friday afternoon dance parties for anyone who was still hanging around the building and just needed a quick minute to decompress the week. He is also the single biggest supporter of school store popcorn, because he knows that sometimes, being handed a bag of popcorn is just what someone needs. Youngie has always been available to talk to anybody who needs it, and offer advice or a new perspective. He always strives to ensure our students and staff are safe and secure. He has always been the go-to guy for those crisis moments for students and staff, and he's the guy cheering the loudest when we need it most.

The number of students he has impacted is undoubtedly countless at this late point in his career, and I am sure there isn't a staff member he hasn't impacted either. His solutions and ideas to solving problems and overcoming obstacles are not always written in a textbook or handbook, but they are always right. I have learned so much from working with and watching Youngie over my 11 years. I am simply a better person, coach, and educator because of his influence and example.

