The 2019-2020 school year has drawn to a close, and what a strange end-of-year it has been! Pandemic social distancing rules meant no traditional graduation ceremonies, no prom, no in-person awards nights. But Somers rose to the occasion and celebrated the accomplishments of the students in many different ways, bringing smiles and support despite the limitations.

**Saluting the Seniors, Class of 2020**
Somers High School celebrated the Class of 2020 in many ways, getting creative in order to adhere to some older traditions and downright innovative in designing new ways to honor the graduates. In addition to the drive-in-style graduation at the Jefferson Valley Mall on Tuesday, June 23, there were many other events recognizing the seniors' accomplishments. Click on the highlighted words to watch associated videos. Clockwise, from upper left: Seniors pose with a giant marquee in front of the high school, individual lawn signs for every senior lining the SHS driveway, the Senior Salute car parade, the Student Recognition Awards slide show, the Senior Sports Awards ceremony and the drive-up Cap and Gown Distribution. In addition to a first-of-its-kind virtual Senior Convocation ceremony, seniors will also receive their diplomas during six separate, small ceremonies on the athletic field. Each senior will also be given a tile to decorate that will become part of a permanent mosaic installed in the school to commemorate the class.

**Moving Up Ceremonies in Motion**

*A car parade ended with an energetic send off for the eighth graders at Somers Middle School.*
The fifth-graders at Somers Intermediate School got a chance to say goodbye to their teachers and friends before moving across campus to the middle school next year.
Thank you teachers!
Second-graders from Primrose take a last lap past their school and get a supportive send off from their teachers. Take the drive from a second-grader’s point of view.

Special Doorstep Delivery
Bus drivers and monitors hand delivered desk and locker contents to students’ homes. Teachers and teachers aides gathered all the belongings and packed them up for the special delivery.

Somers PTA Holds Food Drive
The Somers PTA held a food drive on June 13 at St. Luke’s Church to benefit the Somers Food Pantry. The food pantry has seen an increase in need due to the pandemic. Volunteers from each Somers PTA worked together to help our community. Thanks to all who donated and look for another food drive this summer!