

Baccalaureate for the Madeira High School Class of 2013 was held in Medert Auditorium on May 23. The student led ceremony featured a number of seniors who spoke and sang, as well as staff members Suzy Tucker and Dan Brady who spoke to the graduates. **Graduation** ceremonies took place on Saturday, May 25 in Ruth Romano Courtyard. Principal Tom Olson and Superintendent Stephen Kramer addressed the graduates, as well as the class president, salutatorians and valedictorians. Music was provided by the MHS Gold & Blue Choir and Band.



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Congratulations to the Members of the Graduating Class:

Lucas Abner • Lillian Acree • John Almquist • Catherine Andrews
 Gabrielle Armstrong • Max Barker • Angiolina Barone • Hannah Barone
 Samuel Bascom • Jacob Bellman • Andrew Benintendi • Raphaël Benros
 Tristan Beyer • Ali Bisnov • Taylor Bross • Edward Bucalo • Collin Buckner
 Matthew Buescher • Nathan Bulman • Caleb Carpenter • Sandra Carper
 Nickolas Carter • Samantha Carter • Amber Castellanos • Madeline Chawner
 Tyler Chen • Zoe Connors • Gilberto Coto • Grant Crawford • Patrick Crehan
 Liela Crosset • Rachel Culley • Alexander Cummings • Cara Daggitt
 Anna Damschroder • Alyse Davis • Samuel Deininger • Katherine Derenthal
 Deepak Dhiman • Manisha Dhiman • Sarah Dobbs • Mason Elam • Burkett Evans
 Haley Ferris • James Fitzgerald • Mitchell Frazier • Meredith Gerard • Ana Godines
 Maggie Gray • Jacob Henkel • Daniel Hill • Julianne Hill • Emily Hobbs
 Gabriel Hoetker • Josephine Holtmeier • Samuel Hook • Elizabeth Hopkin
 Tyler Hunt • Ashlynn Huon • Devon Hutchinson • Alvaro Ibarra • Daniel Jacobs
 Ethan Jakres • Timothy James • Zackary Jansen • Evan Jenkins • Roman Johns
 Lauren Johnson • David Johnson • Abby Jones • Casey Kammer • Riley Kane
 Joel Kimling • James Kunkel • Julie Kuzniczci • Tucker Larsh • Jennifer Luthman
 David Magenheim • Stephen Marks • Stuart Marsh • Erin Mauch • Connor McCarthy
 Andrew McDulin • Sean McElroy • Sarah McPherson • Caitlyn McQueary
 Nicholas Mercer • Maria Mitchell • Megan Moore • John Muenz • Hannah Nadaud
 Jonathan Noe • James O'Connor • Ryan O'Leary • Jordan Petri • Tyler Phelps
 Margaret Philpott • Vanessa Poole • Maxwell Potluri • Preston Ramsay
 McKenzie Rapp • Robert Reuther • Dana Rolfes • Patrick Rush • Sharon Ryan
 Amy Schigel • Emma Shaw • Spencer Shinkle • Lydia Smith • Rachael Smith
 Brice Steeb • William Steur • Jason Stricker • Angelica Sulfsted • Mitchell Taylor
 Hannah Tytus • Julia Vanderlinde • Nicholas Vonhoene • Rachel Wagner
 Nicholas Wainscott • Jeremy Waters • Evan Westendorf • Kelsey Williamson
 Tyler Williamson • Skyler Wilson • Andrea Wise • Johnny Wood
 Alex Woodward • John Wyrick • Clair Yee • Madison Yee • Thomas Yee

Madeira High School

Principal: Tom Olson
 AD/Dean of Students: Joe Kimling
 Class President: Julia Vanderline
 Vice President: Emma Shaw
 Secretary: Raphaël Benros
 Treasurer: Margaret Philpott
 Class Advisors: Suzy Tucker & Stephanie Ruhlmann

Madeira School Board

President: Pat Shea
 Vice President: Tarek Kamil
 Member: Kam Misleh
 Member: Cathy Swami
 Member: David Templeton

School Board Office

Superintendent: Steve Kramer
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FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE AWARDS

- Super Chef Award: **DAVID MAGENHEIM**
- Creative Foods Collaboration Award: **VANESSA POOLE**
- Creative Foods Creativity Award: **MANISHA DHIMAN**
- Creative Foods Perseverance Award: **JULIE KUZNICZKI**
- Outstanding leadership on Day of Service: **DANIEL HILL**

ART DEPARTMENT AWARDS

- Art Club Presidents: **RACHEL WAGNER, LILLIAN ACREE**
- Eisele Gallery student exhibit: **CATHERINE ANDREWS, SANDRA CARPER, NICK CARTER, BETTE HOPKIN, RACHEL WAGNER**
- Ohio Governors Youth Competition Regional Level Finalist and Congressional Art Competition: **RACHEL WAGNER**



BUSINESS DEPARTMENT AWARDS

- Web Design Students of the Year: **RACHAEL SMITH, EVAN WESTENDORF**
- Entrepreneur of the Year: **AMBER CASTELLANOS**
- Entrepreneurship Competition/Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation: **CALEB CARPENTER, ZOE CONNORS, KELSEY WILLIAMSON**
- Entrepreneurship/Moebius Foundation MVP: **AMY SCHIGEL**
- Entrepreneurship Competition/Heroic Heart MVP: **ALVI IBARRA**
- Adobe Flash CS5 certification: **MITCH TAYLOR**
- Personal Finance Student of the Year: **MADDIE CHAWNER**
- Ohio Financial Literacy Challenge and National Financial Literacy Competition: **STUART MARSH, ALEX WOODWARD**
- Director of the Year award: **EVAN WESTENDORF**

OTHER ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Madeira Woman's Club Scholarship: **JORDAN PETRI**
- Kenwood Woman's Club Scholarship: **JORDAN PETRI, MAGGIE PHILPOTT**
- AAA Safe Driving Award: **PATRICK RUSH**
- Madeira Youth Soccer scholarship: **GRANT CRAWFORD**
- MMS PTO Roger Slagle Memorial Scholarship to the student who embodies love of athletics, passion for living life to the fullest, and a positive attitude: **MASON ELAM**
- MHS PTO Courage & Inspiration Award in honor of Ryan Korengel for demonstrating courage in overcoming unforeseen obstacles and/or inspiring others: **HANNAH TYTUS**
- MHS PTO "I Made a Difference Award": **DANIEL HILL**

- Roger Anderson, Jr. Outstanding Senior Boy Award for academics, sports, service to school & community, and sincerity: **DANIEL HILL**
- Nadine Wilson Outstanding Senior Girl Award for sportsmanship & respect: **JENNA LUTHMAN**
- Greg Chase Tenacity Award in memory of Greg Chase for strong determination to succeed in academics & athletics and leadership by example with the work ethic and "sweat equity": **BRAD ALMQUIST**
- OHSAA/Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award for exemplary sportsmanship: **NATE BULMAN, DEVON HUTCHINSON**
- Madden Award to the best senior boy and senior girl athlete voted on by head coaches: **JENNA LUTHMAN, ANDREW BENINTENDI**
- OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award to outstanding student athletes who have received a minimum of four varsity letters and maintained a high scholastic average: **EMMA SHAW, JAMES O'CONNOR**

- National Federation of High Schools Award of Excellence to one female and one male student who exhibited good citizenship, good moral character and good sporting behavior: **ABBY JONES, DANIEL HILL**
- 2012-13 National Merit Scholarship Commended Students: **KATIE DERENTHAL, BURKETT EVANS, MAGGIE GRAY, CAITLYN MCQUEARY, JOHN MUENZ, JORDAN PETRI, LYDIA SMITH**
- 2012-13 National Merit Scholarship Finalists: **SHEA FITZGERALD, BETTE HOPKIN, EMMA SHAW**

MHS Class of 2013 Awards Night

May 8, 2013



MHS
Class of
2013
 Superintendent's
 Message to
 the Graduates
 May 25, 2013



Good Evening and welcome to the 91st commencement of Madeira High School.

Graduates, there have been many people who have helped you reach the milestone we celebrate tonight. The success you have attained can be attributed to involved parents and families, a highly qualified teaching staff, a caring support staff and a very supportive community. I would like to take a moment and ask for all of the parents of our graduates to stand so we can congratulate and thank you for your role in your student's success.

Also tonight, I want to take a moment to recognize staff members who either have retired or are retiring this year after devoting 152 years of service to education, of which 118 of those years have been serving Madeira students. Please join me in showing our appreciation for Jeff Smith, Suzanne Suprock, Debbie Merle, Kathy Adams, Sally McDaniel, Sue Beach, Carolyn Berta and Kathy Prospero. We wish you all a long and healthy retirement!

Graduates, I want to talk to you a few minutes about one of our retirees. While many of you may have known who Jeff Smith is, I would guess very few of you knew much about him. On March 19 of this year, Jeff began a life-changing, life-enhancing journey. After retiring as our Director of Facilities in January, Jeff began a quest to accomplish one of the items on his bucket list - to "thru hike" the Appalachian Trail. A "thru hiker" is one who completes the entire trail, stretching from Georgia to Maine, without interruption. As of this past Wednesday, Jeff has completed 852 of the 2,185.9 miles that make up the Appalachian Trail. He has hiked through rain, ice and snow, climbed steep "ups", encountered a variety of wild life, as well as a less than friendly local with a shotgun and a close call last week when a car ran into a crowd of people at a festival he was attending in a small town along the trail. He has met a wide range of people with colorful personalities and trail names, like Pumpkin Head, Wanderlust, Iceman, Dutch, and Crazy Frog - to name just a few, all the while enjoying the beauty and simplicity of nature. Because of the person Jeff is, those who know him have great confidence he will be successful in his quest to join the ranks of A.T. thru hikers! Jeff is definitely someone from whom you can learn many lessons about life. When I think of the things I learned from working with Jeff over the past ten years, descriptors like "service to others", "determination and persistence", "practicality and knowledgeable", "unpretentious and unassuming", "caring and dedicated" all come immediately to mind. In other words, the qualities of a successful person.

Graduates, you too have learned many lessons and gained many perspectives thus far in your life. Your parents and

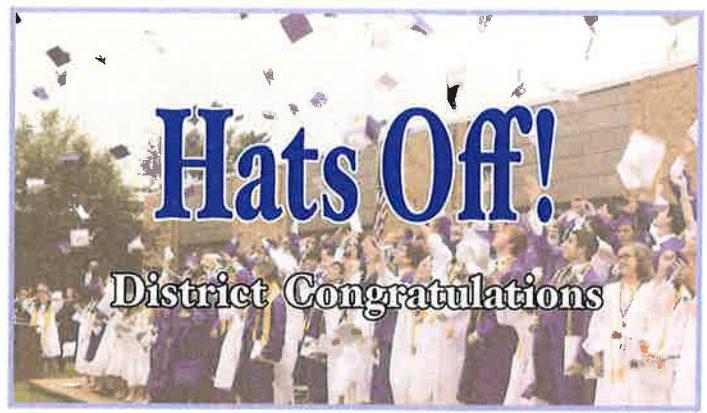
family members, friends and classmates, teachers and coaches have all played a role in the perspectives you have learned and developed. But, I believe it is also important for you to know there have been lessons we have learned from you as well. I asked your teachers from elementary school through high school to share some of the lessons they have learned from you. Here is some of what they shared with me:

Daniel Hill showed us the importance of always being the best version of yourself while Catherine Andrews taught us to be humble and a role model for others. Sean McElroy showed us a compassionate heart by serving those who our society might not otherwise notice and Julianne Hill inspired us by being an example of someone who is willing to help others. Ashlynn Huon, Josie Holtmeier and McKenzie Rapp showed us how a smile can brighten everyone's day and Emma Shaw and Julia Vanderlinde showed us how to be just genuinely nice. From Will Steur we learned if you never stop working hard, you can accomplish great things, while Jenna Luthman demonstrated that many goals can be achieved through commitment. From Johnny Wood we learned enthusiasm can be contagious and from Evan Westendorf we learned the importance of being passionate about everything you do in life.

Evan Jenkins taught us that quiet people can speak the loudest through actions, while Erin Mauch and Shea Fitzgerald showed us that excellence can be pursued with quiet persistence. Joel Kimling taught us that by being true to yourself you will always have friends and happiness while Tyler Phelps showed us that while blazing your own trail is often difficult, the rewards can be great. Stuart Marsh reminded us how thinking outside the box to give hope to others is a valued ability and Ali Bisnov taught us that learning can be about so much more than what happens inside the walls of a school. Rachel Wagner showed us that a successful photograph captures a moment, and keeps it from running away while Caitlyn McQueary taught us that a person's voice might be loudest not in their classes at school, but in their artwork, screaming with fresh insights and new perspectives. From Ryan O'Leary we learned that simple acts of kindness mean the most, and from Maddie Yee we learned the importance of service to others, humility and enthusiasm for life. Lillian Acree taught us that sometimes we just have to make ourselves do the things we have to do, whether we like it or not and Maggie Gray taught us the best way to complete a complex task is to take it step by step.

Connor McCarthy taught us that thoughtful questions create the impression of strength, and Katie Derenthal taught us the power of self-confidence and courage. Caleb Carpenter, Jeremy Waters, Maria Mitchell and Max Barker reminded us service to country still matters while Riley Kane gave us a renewed appreciation of history and why it is so important not only for our present, but for our future. Andrew Benintendi and Sam Bascom taught us that Malcolm Gladwell is correct - 10,000 hours of practice does lead to mastery and Grant Crawford reminded us that there are people in the world who are "just born with it." Nate Bulman showed us how to meet adversities with confidence, strength and a good attitude and Vanessa Godines taught us how to do everything with energy, effort, and enthusiasm. Bette Hopkin showed us there are people in this world who are doing the right thing, always, even when no one is looking while Dana Rolfes and Jordan Petri showed us that an unexpected card or positive note of encouragement can really make a difference in someone's life.

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Top Seniors, graduating with a GPA of 4.0 or above: Sam Bascom (US Naval Academy), Raphael Benros (University of St. Andrews), Nate Bulman (Ohio State University), Maddie Chawner (Franciscan University), Grant Crawford (Miami University), Katie Derenthal

(BYU-Provo), Burke Evans (Northwestern), Shea Fitzgerald (Temple University), Maggie Gray (University College of London), Jacob Henkel (Ohio State University), Daniel Hill (Ball State University), Julianne Hill (Miami University), Bette Hopkin (BYU-Provo), Devon Hutchinson (Ohio State University), Abby Jones (Clemson University), Riley Kane (Miami University), Jenna Luthman (Ohio State University), Erin Mauch (Johnson & Wales), Caitlyn McQueary (Brandeis University), John Muenz (Purdue), James O'Connor (Miami University), Jordan Petri (Ohio State University), Maggie Philpott (Indiana University), Max Potluri (Stanford), Amy Schigel (UC-DAPP), Emma Shaw (Miami University), Lydia Smith (Ohio State University), Hannah Tytus (University of Alabama), Julia Vanderlinde (University of Cincinnati), Nick Wainscott (Northern Kentucky University), Andrea Wise (University of Cincinnati). Not pictured: Nate Bulman.



2013 Madeira Schools Foundation Award Recipients (l to r): Cyndi and Bill Underwood (Friends of the Foundation Award), Michelle Glass Schneider (Distinguished Alumni Award), Charles McCullough (Distinguished Alumni Award), Dianna Bartles (Distinguished Staff Award) and Pep Striffler (Distinguished Staff Award).



2012 - 2013 Madeira City School District retirees Jeff Smith, Debbie Merle, Suzanne Suprock, Sally McDaniel and Kathy Prospero (not pictured)



Madeira Schools Foundation Scholarship recipients. Row 1 (l to r): Bette Hopkin (Andrea Dennis Scholar), Julianne Hill (Wellman Scholar), Rachel Wagner (Matt Simpson Scholar), Clair Yee (Sushila Nayar Scholar and John D. Rahe Scholar), Madison Yee (Patrick Wood Scholar). Row 2:

Vanessa Godines (John D. Rahe Scholar), Jake Henkel (John D. Rahe Scholar), Luke Abner (John D. Rahe Scholar) and Maggie Gray (Rockwell Scholar).

