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Gananda Dollars for Scholars Announces Recipients of almost \$37K of Scholarships at Annual Awards Ceremony

On Monday June 9, 2014 the Gananda Dollars for Scholars awarded scholarships totaling \$36,750 to 31 students from the school district's Class of 2014 and 16 from the Class of 2013. All qualified applicants were selected for at least one award. A total of 103 scholarships ranging from \$100 to \$1500 were announced. Many sponsors, along with previous recipients, helped with the presentations.

Receiving scholarships were:

- Nathaniel Bogel—Finger Lakes Community College—Nettie Bullis Prize in Business, Troop 167 Eagle Scholarship
- Rachel Bush—Ithaca College—Macedon Town Ambulance Corps Scholarship, Gary Borkhuis Memorial Scholarship, Walworth Chamber of Commerce WTCC Award, Phone-a-thon Award
- Allison Camp—Niagara University—Gananda Lacrosse, Luanne D. Palatas Bentzoni and Michael E. Palatas Memorial Award, Phone-a-thon Award
- **David Carder**—Niagara University—Hayes and Stone Business Education Scholarship, Gananda Sports Boosters Award
- Jessica Carder—FLCC—911 Award, Phone-a-thon Award and the Ruben A. Cirillo Memorial Award
- Alexandra Cunningham—Lehigh University—K&D Disposal Salutatorian Award, Phone-a-thon Award
- **Emily Dean**—University at Buffalo—Hayes and Stone Business Education Scholarship, Macedon Association of Police Officers Award, Phone-a-thon Award,
- **Jessica Donnan**—St. Bonaventure--Gananda Parents' Association Scholarship, Rich Struzzi Memorial Scholarship
- **Katherine Drake**—SUNY Oneonta—Joshua Peter Bourgeois Memorial Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award and the Walworth Fire Department Most Improved in Music Award
- Morgan Hart—University of Pittsburgh—Foundations of the Future Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award
- **Kristina Keenan**—Ithaca College—The Lyons National Bank Valedictorian Scholarship, Abraham Bullis Prize in Mathematics, Foundations of the Future Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award and the Gananda Performing Arts Boosters Award
- **Abigail Kois**—University of Pittsburgh—Gananda Gardens Scholarship, Blue Heron Hills Golf Cub Scholarship and the Richard Mann Award
- Zachery LaMarche—FLCC—Troop 167 Eagle Scholarship
- Maximus Mahoney—FLCC—Long Acre Farms Award and Troop 167 Eagle Scholarship
- Holden Maiorana—SUNY Potsdam—Ryan J. Loftis Memorial Scholarship, Liebert Family Visual Arts Scholarship, Gananda Community Youth Theatre Award, Scholarship America Student Volunteer Award
- Katherine McIndoe—LeMoyne College—Airy Acres Sportsmanship Award, Walworth Grange Award
- Mitchell Miller—Monroe Community College—Joshua Peter Bourgeois Memorial Scholarship, JD Chapman Agency, Inc. Award, Troop 167 Eagle Scholarship

- Eric Mucci—SUNY Brockport—GCSD Distinguished Panther Award, Gananda Sports Boosters Award
- Colin Nims—University at Buffalo—Baldwin Richardson Foods Scholarship, Mowers4U, Inc. Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award, Gananda Youth Lacrosse Scholarship
- **Zoe Paris**—John Carroll University—Foundations of the Future Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award and Western Wayne Art Group-Thomas McCune Award
- Ashleigh Petrucci—SUNY Brockport—Susan Alexander Memorial Scholarship
- Heather Prinsen—University at Buffalo--Phone-a-thon Award, Gananda CSEA Local 859 Scholarship,
 Walworth Order of the Eastern Star Award
- **Korrie Sayers**—University at Buffalo—Gananda Employees Care About Kids Award, Gananda Sports Boosters Award, Emily Paige Bickert Memorial Scholarship
- **Kyler Schwind**—Rochester Institute of Technology—Foundations of the Future Scholarship, Phone-athon Award and Troop 167 Eagle Scout Scholarship
- **Brady Seaman**—SUNY Brockport—Gananda Sports Boosters Award, Dee Happell Memorial Scholarship, Assemblyman Bob Oaks Award
- Kole Seeber—RIT—Foundations of the Future Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award
- Nicholas Skrotzki-- --Drumlin Square Lodge No. 1180 Award, Foundations of the Future Scholarship, Phone-a-thon Award, GCSD Distinguished Panther Award, Troop 167 Eagle Scout Scholarship
- **Sydney Stone**—Gannnon University—Gananda Sports Boosters Award, Invest Your Time Scholarship, Macedon Center Twirlette Award
- **Jessica Stookey**—Allegheny College—Gananda Sports Boosters Award, Phone-a-thon Award, Gananda Community Youth Theatre Award, Blue Panther Scholarship
- Lauren Tichacek—Keuka College—Palmyra Moose Family Life Center Scholarship, Walworth Auxiliary Fire Department Award
- Andrew York—Marietta College--Baldwin Richardson Foods Scholarship, Get-It-Straight Orthodontics College Scholarship, Gananda Performing Arts Boosters Award, Troop 167 Eagle Scout Scholarship

Every year, Gananda Dollars for Scholars organizes several fundraisers to generate scholarship funds. The "phone-a-thon," the largest fundraiser, distributed \$6000 to 15 graduating seniors this year.

Winners of the Phone-a-Thon Awards are recognized for their consistent demonstration of high personal and academic standards throughout four years of high school. These same students will receive an additional amount as college sophomores through the multi-year Scholarships Plus initiative when they confirm both the successful completion of their first year of college and the registration for the second.

The following 16 graduates of 2013, who received Phone-a-thon Awards as college freshman, will receive \$3200 as sophomores through Scholarship Plus: Sidney Cannon-Bailey, Tyler Cannon-Bailey, Emily Donnan, Connor Finnegan, Abbey Hoteling, Bethany Lane, Lindsey Mason, Jessica McDowell, Lucy Montanaro, Sarah Mykins, Aaron Rath, Emily Sixbey, Haley Smith, Tristan Stoner, Rachel Terry, and Mallory Velte.

10 Super Senior Volunteers were also recognized for their outstanding record of volunteering to help others where they see the need. Going well beyond GDFS' minimal requirements of 20 hours, the following students have given back a collective total of 4489 hours of community service during their high school years. They are: Morgan Hart, Kristina Keenan, Maximus Mahoney, Holden Maiorana, Eric Mucci, Ashleigh Petrucci, Kyler Schwind, Kole Seeber, Nicholas Skrotzki, and Andrew York. Each of them received a GDFS signed collectible Gananda Community Poster to take to college.

For more information on Gananda Dollars for Scholars and its activities, visit www.gananda.org/GDFS. To initiate a new scholarship or to volunteer, contact Lisa Fox at (315) 986-3980.