

On May 11, 2016, Dollars for Scholars hosted the annual Senior Awards Night, at which TC students of the Class of 2016 were presented scholarships and awards. Principal David Roby welcomed those in attendance, and served as MC for the program.

Announced awards and honors were:

U.S. Marine Corps: Distinguished Athlete: Rachel Surbaugh and Spencer McCarty

U.S. Marine Corps: Scholastic Excellence: Maria Moore

U.S. Marine Corps: Semper Fidelis Award: Bailey Dunkin

U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete Award: Spencer McCarty and Bailey Dunkin

U.S. Air Force Mathematics/Science Award: Maria Moore

U.S. Navy Distinguished Athlete Award: David Williams and Marisa Lundy

U.S. Navy Scholastic Excellence Award: Maria Moore

Iowa National Guard Academic Award: Maria Moore and Benjamin Clark

Iowa National Guard Athletic Award: Bailey Dunkin and Spencer McCarty

Iowa National Guard Resiliency Award: Keanu Cowman-Myers and Jake Clark

Wendy's High School Heisman: Spencer McCarty and Bailey Dunkin

Governor Scholar Recognition: Maria Moore

All State Speech Award: Benjamin Clark and Sarah Tuttle

Outstanding Drama and Speech: Sarah Tuttle

National School Choral Award: Sarah Tuttle

National School Music Merit Award: McKenzie Ogden

John Philip Sousa Award: Benjamin Clark

Steve Parker, DFS President, announced that Twin Cedars Dollars for Scholars was proud to award \$8,700.00 to 15 graduating seniors this year. He introduced the persons who would be presenting the awards, who the presenters were representing, and the graduates accepting the scholarships, along with their family and college information. DFS scholarships were presented, as follows:

Steve Parker, representing Quality Home Care Professionals, Inc. for Donna Parker, presented a \$600 scholarship to Levi Pinegar, son of Justin Pinegar and Shawna Parker. Levi plans to attend Indian Hills Community College and then the Des Moines Police Academy where his major field of study will be Criminal Justice.

Tracy Gathman, representing Two Rivers Cooperative, with offices in Pella, Otley, Monroe, and Tracy, presented a \$600 scholarship to Martin Beary, son of Gene and Shelly Beary. Martin plans to attend Indian Hills Community College where his major field of study will be Ag Management.

Mr. Aaron Allspach, representing the Twin Cedars Jr-Sr High Teaching Staff, presented a \$650 scholarship to McKenzie R. Ogden, daughter of Kevin Degoe and Susan Beals and granddaughter of Bette Ogden. McKenzie plans to attend Kirkwood Community College where her major field of study will be Veterinary Medicine.

Rylee Dunkin and Carson Kelderman, representing the Elementary Talented and Gifted Class of Mrs. Roby presented a \$500 scholarship to Brianna R. Shever, daughter of Roland and Kimberly Shever. Brianna plans to attend Indian Hills Community College where her major field of study will be Computer Science.

Billie Gilkerson and Steve Gilkerson, wife and son of Don Gilkerson, past Superintendent of Twin Cedars and founder of the Twin Cedars Dollars for Scholars Chapter, presented a \$350 scholarship to Hannah M. Gilkerson, daughter of Steve and Lisa Gilkerson. Hannah plans to attend Indian Hills Community College where her major field of study is undecided.

Deb Sevier, a graduate of Twin Cedars, presented a scholarship in memory of her husband, Jim Sevier, who was a long-time teacher at Twin Cedars High School in the amount of \$850 to Maria Moore, daughter of Brian and Andrea Moore. Maria plans to attend either the University of Iowa or Simpson College where her major field of study will be Mathematics or English & Journalism.

Karen Clark Kraber, a graduate of Twin Cedars High School presented a \$750 scholarship to Benjamin W. Clark, son of Kevin and Sally Clark. Benjamin plans to attend Indian Hills Community College and then William Penn University where his major field of study will be Elementary Education.

The following presenters are all former graduates of Twin Cedars High School **AND** former recipients of a scholarship from Twin Cedars Dollars for Scholars.

Trenton Bacus presented a \$350 scholarship to Hunter Frost, son of Tim Frost and Chris Frost. Hunter plans to attend Indian Hills Community College where his major field of study will be Computer Networks and Security.

Zach Dunkin, along with his wife, Brandy Dunkin, representing their family, presented a \$600 scholarship to Bailey T Dunkin, their daughter. Bailey plans to attend Clarke College where her major field of study will be Physical Therapy.

MaKenzie McCarty presented a \$800 scholarship to Spencer C. McCarty, son of Greg and Trish McCarty. Spencer plans to attend Des Moines Area Community College where his major field of study will be Fire Science.

Tyler Christian presented a \$500 scholarship to Tanner A DesPlanque, son of Andy DesPlanque and Cleta Crook. Tanner plans to attend Kirkwood Community College where his major field of study is undecided.

Erin Lundy presented a \$500 scholarship to Marisa C. Lundy, daughter of Lee & Michele Lundy and Garla Comer. Marisa plans to attend Graceland University where her major field of study will be Physical Therapy.

Sarah Williams Christian presented a \$350 scholarship to Makayla J. Hirschak, daughter of Joe and Cindy Hirschak. Makayla plans to attend Indian Hills Community College where her major field of study will be Culinary Arts or Education.

Shana Lambirth presented a \$600 scholarship to Holli Lambirth, daughter of Curt and Jennifer Lambirth. Holli plans to attend either Niagara County Community College or Jefferson Community

College where her major field of study will be Biology and Zoo Technology.

Holly Clair French presented a \$700 scholarship to Hunter A. Carlson, son of Holly and Travis French. Hunter plans to attend Iowa Central Community College and then the University of Iowa where his major field of study will be Psychology,

Other scholarships were announced as follows:

Rena Fee Welch: \$100 each to Benjamin Clark, Bailey Dunkin, Marisa Lundy, Spencer McCarty, Maria Moore, and McKenzie Ogden.

Mildred Jayne and ì Hamî Moore: \$200 each to Martin Beary, Hunter Carlson, Benjamin Clark, Bailey Dunkin, and Maria Moore.

Twin Cedars P.T.O. to Bailey Dunkin, Maria Moore, McKenzie Ogden, Spencer McCarty, and Tristan Bakalar

Orville Pettyjohn Memorial: \$50 to Josh Pettyjohn

TC Athletic Boosters: \$250 each to Bailey Dunkin and Spencer McCarty

Academic Success: \$4,867 to Maria Moore

U of I Raise Me: \$125 to Maria Moore

U of I Iowa Scholars: \$3,500 to Maria Moore

DMACC Foundation: \$250 to Spencer McCarty

DMACC Mark Pearson FFA Leadership: \$5,150 to Spencer McCarty

Clarke College University Softball: \$2,000 to Bailey Dunkin

Clarke College University Academic Success: \$13,000 to Bailey Dunkin

Union Auto Workers: \$400 to Marisa Lundy

Oskaloosa Chamber and Development Group: \$500 to Spencer McCarty

Monroe County 4H Foundation: \$500 to Spencer McCarty

Graceland University: \$13,210 to Marisa Lundy

3M Club: \$1,000 to Maria Moore

Monroe Co Extension and Outreach: Marty Beary

Indian Hills Community College: Marty Beary, Hunter Frost, Brianna Shever, and Ben Clark

Pella Rolscreen Foundation, based on pillars of Character Counts!: \$500 each to Maria Moore and Levi Pinegar.