

Arlington Catholic High School

2020 Leaders and Achievers Awards Ceremony

Opening Remarks- Miss Linda Butt, Head of School/Principal

- **New Members- National Honor Society (2020-2021)**

Austin Allen

Lily Amaral

Ashley Appo

Isabella Beausoleil

Jillian Bertolami

Bianca Burke

Roy Cook

Natalie Coreas

Gabriella DeFabritiis

Patricia Delgado

Zhiyuan Deng

Reese DeVincent

James Donahue

Lily Fitzgerald

Gerard Gendall

Sarah Helstrom

Marline Jean-Marie

Sara Jougoute

Padraic Kelly

Mary Kennedy

Taylor (Tia) Larranga

Renee LeBlanc

Dante Leone

Jenna Markwarth

Theresa Meehan

Nicholas Mercer

Chris Mico

Martha A. Moroney

Kelley Munger

Quinn Mustone

Zih Nche

Stella Nielsen

Ryan Nguyen

Jahnvi Punj

Isabella Rego

Chloe Renik

Josephine Rizzo

Asher Rwakiseeta

Nicole Simmons

Zachary Tammaro

Kathryn Van Winkle

Shihao Wang

Lillian Wehmeyer

Lanxin Xu

Chenyao Yuan

- **The National French Exam:** The National French Contest/Le Grand Concours is an annual competition for students studying French as a second language.

French 1 - Level 1

Bronze Medal -- Mag-Guyda Chery

Honorable Mention -- Liam Gilligan

Honorable Mention -- Jack McWethy

French 2 - Level 2

Honorable Mention -- Norah Curran

French 3 - Level 3

Silver Medal -- Stephanie Nyembo

- **The National Latin Exam:** The National Latin Exam (NLE) is a test given annually to Latin students as an opportunity to receive reinforcement and recognition for their accomplishments in the classroom.

Maxima Cum Laude -- Julianne Newell (Latin 2)

Maxima Cum Laude -- Ann Phan (Latin 2)

Magna Cum Laude -- Kathryn Stephan (Latin 3)

Cum Laude -- Owen Manning (Latin 1)

Cum Laude -- Thomas Cahill (Latin 3)

- **Spanish Honor Society Member(s).** Membership is based on scholarship in general and scholarship in Spanish in particular, as well as leadership and interest in Hispanic cultural activities. Members must be enrolled in Spanish IV or higher at Arlington Catholic; have an A-average in Spanish for at least six quarters at Spanish II or higher level; and have an overall B average.

Nicole Simmons

- **French Honor Society Member(s).** Membership is based on scholarship in general and scholarship in French in particular, as well as leadership and interest in Francophone activities, either in a group or as an individual. Students must be enrolled in French IV or higher at Arlington Catholic; have an A- average in French for at least six quarters at French II or higher level; and have an overall B average.

Mary Kennedy

Christina Sime

Cheryl Mei

Ashley Appo

Stéphanie Nyembo

Sophie Zenkin

- **Math Team -- Outstanding Member:** The Math Team participates in regional math competitions with other schools both public and private. Students from all levels are welcome to join and “think outside the box”.

Top Scoring Student -- Zhi Yuan (Chris) Deng

- **The American Mathematics Competition:** The American Mathematics Competition is designed to strengthen the mathematical capabilities of next generation problem solvers, identifying talent and foster a love of mathematics.

Highest Scoring Student -- Julianne Newell (Grade 10 Test)

Highest Scoring Student -- Zhi Yuan (Chris) Deng (Grade 11 Test)

- **Chess Team -- Outstanding Member:** The Chess Team competes against other schools in the North Shore Interscholastic Chess League, including Burlington, Lowell, Bedford, North Reading and Malden Catholic. This year the Chess Team qualified for the League Playoffs, but lost in the semi-finals.

Torin MacDonald

- **The Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild (METG) Award:** The METG provides opportunities for students and teachers to create, share and respond to theatrical experiences. Participation in the arts fosters creative thinking, personal confidence and an appreciation of diverse ideas and cultures. These valuable interpersonal skills empower students to become the next generation of artists, audiences, and patrons.

Isabella Rego -- Light Board Operation and Stage Management

- **Poetry Poster Design Contest Winner:** The English Department teamed up with Mr. Fullerton to sponsor a Poetry Poster Design Contest. Students were asked to choose their favorite line of verse and bring it to life! They used the tools at their disposal, some designing freehand and others integrating graphics and animation.

Cheryl Mei

- **Poet Laureate Award Winner.** This award is given to the winner of the Poetry Slam, a program held for sophomores.

Margaret Milne

- **The Cougar Growl -- Outstanding Member(s):** The Cougar Growl is a student-written newspaper published in print, highlighting service, scholarship, and sports at Arlington Catholic High School. Outstanding Members of the Cougar Growl are:

Lily Fitzgerald -- Editor

Kathryn Van Winkle -- Editor

- **Massachusetts Young Playwright Project -- Boston Theater Marathon Winners:** An award-winning, all-day marathon of new 10-minute plays. The plays are chosen from more than 400 entries from New England playwrights and the 50 selected plays are produced by 50 New England theater companies who donate their time to this event.

Recognized for their work are:

Sean Donovan -- New Noises Featured Playwright

Jose Andres LaFrazia -- New Noises Honorable Mention

- **MIAA Student Advisory Committee Member:** Members attend seasonal meetings with the Educational Athletics Committee and help facilitate student and captain leadership workshops throughout the school year. Students are asked to participate in various association activities and provide continual feedback from the perspective of students on how to improve the Educational Athletic offerings of the MIAA.

Mary Cate Flynn

- **MIAA Student Ambassadors:** Members actively participate in interscholastic athletics and/or school activities. Understanding of the importance of educational athletics and academics. Commitment to the areas of community service, student leadership, sportsmanship and wellness.

Katherine O'Donovan

Thomas Peterson

- **Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Award:** The HOBY mission is to inspire and prepare future young leaders for a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation. HOBY empowers young people to dream big, make an impact, and change the world.

Margaret Milne

- **Arlington Youth Health & Safety Coalition -- Outstanding Members:** This organization envisions Arlington as a safe and vibrant community where youth choose to live substance free and are collectively supported by their peers, parents and community members in making health decisions. The mission of the Coalition is to engage, inform and empower the community to prevent and reduce substance abuse and other risk behaviors that adversely affect youth.

**Gabrielle Bilong
Olivia Soucy
Ella Reynolds**

- **Mock Trial Team -- Outstanding Member:** This is the second year the Mock Trial Team participated in the statewide competition hosted by the Massachusetts Bar Association. The team worked hard preparing for their trials this year and should be proud of the progress they have made.

Matt Westhaver

- **Model UN -- Outstanding Member:** Students are assigned certain roles to play at the conference which includes over one thousand students from across the country. Our students represent certain nations in various UN committees. They are assigned a problem or crisis that they, working in conjunction with other students in their committee, must resolve.

Kathryn Van Winkle

- **WALK Leadership Award -- Outstanding Member:** This award is given to a student who exemplifies leadership and dedication to the program, while inspiring others to serve and lead.

Ashleigh Almeida

- **Dorothy Day Award:** Dorothy Day was an American journalist, social activist and Catholic convert. To quote Pope Francis, "Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed, were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints." Her life continues to be an inspiration. This award is given to a member of the MICAHI club who exemplifies academic achievement, personal integrity, and service to the community.

Ashley Appo

- **Archbishop Oscar Romero Award:** St. Oscar Romero was the archbishop of San Salvador. He advocated for the oppressed and spoke out against violence and injustice. His courage cost him his life. This award is given to a member of the AC student body who exemplifies moral courage by speaking truth to power in and out of the classroom.

Zih Nche

- **Campus Ministry -- Outstanding Member:** This is awarded to an individual who has been an active participant in the Campus Ministry program at Arlington Catholic, serving those less fortunate, being available to the community, and sharing his/her faith with others.

Thomas Peterson

- **Artistic Creativity Award:** Happy are the painters, for they shall not be lonely. Light and color, peace and hope, will keep them company to the end of the day. — Winston Churchill

Eloise Jean-Marie

- **Robotics Club -- Outstanding Member:** The Robotics Club “geared up” exploring how to use motors, sensors and programming logic to control autonomous robots. Members set their sights on participating in the New England Regional Botball Robotics Competition.

Zixin (Tony) Liu

- **Science Team -- Outstanding Member(s):** The Science Team competes in the North Shore Science League, which consists of about thirty other area schools. The events in the competitions encompass all areas of science, including physics, biology and chemistry. Many of the events are hands-on and incorporate laboratory experiments and engineering design. Competitions are the 2nd Tuesday of the month starting in October and continuing through April.

Patricia Delgado

Mary Kennedy

- **Society of Women Engineers:** Recognizes female students for outstanding achievement in both mathematics and science.

Certificate of Merit -- Highest Honors -- Stella Nielsen

- **Women of Science Team -- Outstanding Member(s):** The Women of Science team competes in the Annual Women of Science Competition. Each team consists of three junior or senior high school women. They prepare for four science and engineering events. The engineering events consist of a pre-build event and an on-the-spot build the day of the event. The two knowledge based events are in the areas of biology, chemistry, environmental science, math, and physics.

**Kathryn Van Winkle
Ashley Appo
Stella Nielsen**

BOOK AWARDS

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

Exemplifies academic success, leadership qualities, and concern for others.

Roy Cook

BOSTON COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

This award honors a junior with high academic achievement, strong character; volunteer service achievement, and leadership experience.

Nicole Simmons

BOSTON UNIVERSITY WHEELOCK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Recognizes accomplished and passionate high school junior who is interested in pursuing studies and/or employment in the fields of Education and Human Development.

Bianca Burke

BROWN UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

This award is presented to a junior who exhibits excellent verbal and written communication skills.

Jahnvi Punj

CLARKSON UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Leadership Award: A member of the junior class; demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities; have an academic interest in Engineering, Business, Science or Liberal Arts; be recognized by students and faculty as having been a positive contributor to your school and community; achieve an academic class rank of top 15 percent.

Josephine Rizzo

CLARKSON UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Achievement Award: A member of the junior class; demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities; have an academic interest in Engineering, Business, Science or Liberal Arts; be recognized by students and faculty as having been a positive contributor to your school and community; achieve an academic class rank of top 15 percent.

Lanxin Xu

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Presented to an outstanding junior who has demonstrated a commitment to excellence.

Martha Moroney

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Awarded to a high school junior for academic achievement and extra-curricular participation. The award is presented to a student in the top 10 percent of the junior class who has an outstanding combined academic average in three college preparatory subjects, English, Mathematics and foreign language.

Gabriella DeFabritiis

ELMIRA COLLEGE

Elmira College Key Award: must be in the top ten percent of junior class; a minimum cumulative average of 90 percent or 3.5 GPA- grades in academic courses are considered; the candidate must have demonstrated outstanding school and community leadership.

Patricia Delgado

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

The GW Book Award recognizes a high school junior who embodies the GW drive and spirit, specifically with their academic excellence, leadership outside the classroom, diversity of thought and ability to put knowledge into action.

Zachary Tamaro

HARVARD UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Awarded to a high school junior who exemplifies excellence in scholarship and high character combined with achievement in other fields.

Sarah Helstrom

HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY

This book award recognizes and celebrates the first decade of leadership under Dr. Nido Qubein. The book titled, "Faithful Courage: A Decade of Transformation at High Point University," to capture the transformational journey of our ever evolving institution.

Padraic Kelly

LASELL UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Honors students who embody the Lasell motto, Repulsae Nescia (Ignorant of Defeat). The recipient should consistently pursue the greatest version of themselves. In short, they never seem to quit and have tenacity and willingness to face a challenge head on!

Almir Chowdhury

LE MOYNE COLLEGE

Recognizes students "reaching for the heights" in the classroom and in service to their school and community.

Isabella Beausoleil

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE --

Rensselaer Medal Award: Presented to one student in the top 5 percent of the junior class who has displayed the most outstanding achievement in mathematics and science.

Ashley Appo

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Computing Medal & Scholarship Program: Recognizes high school juniors who have distinguished themselves academically, are active and involved members of their school and demonstrate interest and ability in computing.

Chris Mico

Innovation & Creativity Award Program: Recognizes high school juniors who have distinguished themselves academically, are active and involved members of their school, and demonstrate outstanding achievement in innovation, creativity or entrepreneurship.

Natalie Coreas

SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Awarded to a junior who has achieved academic success and demonstrated a commitment to the community through work, volunteerism, family/peer commitment and/or civic engagement.

Lillian Wehmeyer

ST. ANSELM'S BOOK AWARD

Awarded to an outstanding student in the junior class who exercises a capacity for academic achievement and continued education, has an awareness of social responsibility, displays leadership qualities and possesses strong character.

James Donahue

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE AWARD

Awarded to a junior who is a member of the National Honor Society and has demonstrated a sustained and sincere commitment to community service activities through their high school or organizations within the local community.

Academic Achievement: recognizes an outstanding junior in academics, a member of National Honor Society, and a leader who demonstrates a sustained commitment to school and community activities.

Lily Fitzgerald

Social Conscience: recognizes an outstanding junior who shows a sustained and sincere commitment to community service, issues of peace and justice and concern for others.

Theresa Meehan

SMITH COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

Presented to an outstanding junior who exemplifies the academic achievement, leadership qualities and concern for others what characterize the thousands of women who have graduated from Smith College. Must be a female from the 10th percent of her class and embodies these qualities and serves as an example of scholarship and community service.

Marline Jean-Marie

STONEHILL COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

This award honors a junior who is academically talented and service-oriented. This award recognizes a junior who has not only excelled in the classroom, but who has also made positive contributions to their school and community.

Gerard Gendall

SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY

This award is given to a junior who exemplifies commitment to his/her education and school community.

Chenyao Yuan

TRINITY COLLEGE OF HARTFORD BOOK AWARD

It is presented to a rising senior in high scholastic standing who has rendered service to her school and exceptional community service.

Jillian Bertolami

TULANE UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Recognizes a high school junior who embodies Tulane's motto of "Not for one's self, but for one's own and has demonstrated excellence in academics, leadership and public service.

Zih Nche

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER BOOK AWARDS

Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Award: This award recognizes outstanding achievement by high school juniors in the humanities and/or social sciences. Co-curricular activities, grades and courses in the humanities and/or social sciences as well as leadership and community service are important criteria for this award.

Dante Leone

George Eastman Young Leaders Award: This award recognizes outstanding achievement by high school juniors in leadership and academics.

Stella Nielsen

Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award: Presented to the outstanding science student in the junior class.

Kathryn Van Winkle

Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology Award: Presented to the outstanding student in the junior class who demonstrates a strong interest in innovation and/or information technology and a high level of achievement in this area in course work.

Shihao Wang

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

This award is presented to a junior who has demonstrated academic excellence in a challenging curriculum, a commitment to serving and embodies a sense of school and community spirit.

Taylor Larranaga

WELLESLEY COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

Honor a female student in the junior class whose academic record and character are exceptional, and who has also made significant personal contributions to his/her school and/or community.

Sara Joujoute

YALE UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Given to a high school junior who best exemplifies excellence in scholarship, character, leadership, and civic-mindedness.

Asher Rwakiseeta

Closing Remarks: Mrs. Janet Delude, Director of Guidance

Special Thanks:

Mrs. Betty Lally

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