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Congratulations to the Class of 2022!

June 2022

Carter Sokolov, Valedictorian



Parents Name(s): Vici Sokolov and David Torres College Choice: State University of Oswego Career Plans: Pursue a major in Psychology with a minor in Criminology to join the FBI.

What have you enjoyed most about high school: The friends I've made.

Favorite Quote: "Whatever you do, always give 100% unless you're donating blood." — Bill Murray

Jacob Barndollar, Salutatorian



Parents Name(s): Teresa and Francis Barndollar

College Choice: University At Buffalo **Career Plans:** Studying Psychology

What have you enjoyed most about high school: I enjoyed expressing myself through music, finding meaning through acting, singing, dancing, and the arts.

Favorite Quote: "What do you do from morning to night?" I endure myself." — Emil Cioran

\$166,470 in Scholarships Awarded

On May 12, \$166,470 in college scholarships were awarded to the Class of 2022. Solvay is very fortunate to have generous community groups and their members, local businesses, and alumni. Thank you to our very special faculty and, staff that work together to make the awards program a success, and Kevin C. Riley, who spearheads the Dollars for Scholars program each year. A list of those students receiving scholarships appears on pages 8-11 of this issue.

Seniors Graduate with SHS Diploma & OCC Associate's Degree

The Solvay Success Academy was created with a grant from the NYS Education Department for the purpose of providing incoming freshmen an early look at college culture throughout their four years of high school. Four years ago, 31 students were accepted into the program after completing an application and submitting an essay as to why they would be a good fit for the program.

The ultimate goal of the program is for students to earn 24 to 60 college credits upon completion of their four years of high school in addition to their diploma. Credits are earned by taking College Credit Now courses, taught mainly by Solvay teachers allowing the students to earn both high school and college credits simultaneously. In addition, students also take courses during the summer of their sophomore and junior years on the OCC Campus. Partnering institutions include

Onondaga Community College, SUNY ESF, Cayuga Community College and Syracuse University.

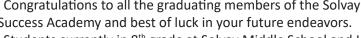
Through hard work, dedication and academic focus, 21 students will graduate high school this year with 25 or more college credits earned at no cost to them. Among the 21 students, eight students will earn their Associate's degree in Math and Science this year from OCC.

Those students are:

- Justine Stanejko 74 credits
- Ty Martineau 68 credits
- Carter Sokolov 68 credits
- Robert Tarolli 65 credits
- Zachary Balduzzi 63 credits
- Jacob Barndollar 63 credits
- Nicholas Emmi 62 credits
- Kameron Smith 62 credits

Success Academy and best of luck in your future endeavors.

Congratulations to all the graduating members of the Solvay



Skylar McGraw - 45 Aidan Tyler - 45 Emmet Fenton - 38 Justin Palmisano - 33 Emily Garnett - 30 Tommy Venturini - 30 Derek Remington - 25



Pictured L/R back row: Ty Martineau, Justine Stanejko, Nick Emmi, & Kameron Smith and L/R front row: Carter Sokolov, Bobby Tarolli, Mr. Keith Lasher, Jacob Barndollar, & Zachary Balduzzzi

Success Academy Students Earned 24 or **More College Credits**

Angelina De La Paz - 59 Rickelle Rellos - 56 Carissa Stachurski - 55 Brayla Bagozzi - 53

Olesya Konopatskiy - 49

Paul Pino-Espino - 46

Students currently in 8th grade at Solvay Middle School and Lyncourt School who would like to apply for the program may do so by visiting www.familyid.com. Any questions about the Solvay Success Academy can be sent to Mr. Keith Lasher, Solvay Success Academy Director at klasher@solvayschools.org.

2022 Senior Ball pictures...see more on pages 10 & 11

Pictured L/R: Ren Mendez, Ben Lindhuber, Annabelle West, Rylee Piedmonte, & Roghan Sellers



From Athletics

Scholar Athlete Football Awards Reception

Senior football player, Nick Emmi, attended this year's 22nd Annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Dinner presented by the CNY Chapter of the National Football Federation and College Hall of Fame held at the Carrier Dome on April 3. Nick was the senior with the highest grade point average on the varsity football team and received a \$500 scholarship. He will be attending Arizona State University in the fall. Way to go Nick!

SPCA Donations

This past winter, we lost our beloved photographer and superfan, CeeCee Andrew. Although she loved her "bearcats" with all her heart, she had an extra special place in her heart for her "real" animals. CeeCee worked and put many hours of her time in at the CNY SPCA to care for the "little critters". This season, in CeeCee's honor, the boys basketball program took donations



for the SPCA. In March, we brought a truck load of supplies to the SPCA and went on a tour of the facility. We would like to thank the boys basketball program for remembering CeeCee in this special way!



Spring 2022 Sports

The Spring 2022 season is underway! All of our athletes and coaches are beyond excited to be on the field, track, and courses again! Best of luck this season...Sectionals here we come!

Website

Please be sure to visit our Athletic Department website at http://www.solvayschools.org/athletics for important announcements and for the most up to date schedules. Directions to other schools, please be sure to visit www.schedulegalaxy.com.

Twitter

Solvay Athletics is on Twitter! Please be sure to check daily for contests, score updates and other athletic office news! Follow us @SolvayAthletics!

Solvay Students & Staff Support Ukraine

What do you do when you see others lose everything? You help! That's what the students of both Solvay Middle School and Solvay High School did this past spring.

Each year the 8th grade students who participated in the SMS school musical choose a charitable organization. This year the 8th grade students who participated in Honk Jr. organized a coat drive and donated 10 bags worth of items to the Ukrainian Pentecostal Church in Syracuse and the items were sent to Ukraine in the spring.



Abby Sensenich, a student at Solvay High School also organized a penny drive. The high school students and staff got into an intense competition to see who could raise the most money. The seniors were the victors. The high

school penny drive raised over \$430 and a donation was given to Solvay Elementary Nationality Worker, Olga Rudka. Olga has traveled to Poland several times this year and used the money to purchase supplies to help those families who have fled the Ukraine.

A big thank you goes to all who organized, donated, and participated in the fundraising. The Solvay community is proud!



SES Students Participate in a Variety of Music Activities





SES Students Get a Public Library Card

In honor of National Library Week, the SES Library hosted a library card sign up drive. In conjunction with the Solvay Public Library, over 100 students signed up for a public library card which will provide access to print and digital materials as well as other exciting opportunities available through the Solvay Public Library and other Onondaga County Libraries. The event was a huge success and is scheduled to be an annual event each April. Any questions regarding the library cards can be directed to Ms. Janna Kozloski, SES Library Media Specialist, or the Solvay Public Library.





2021-2022 Retirees

Congratulations to the following retirees:

- Gerald FitzGerald, Band Teacher
- Lillian Lawson, Elementary Teacher
 - Linda Vaught, ENL Teacher

Thank you for all you did for our students and community. Enjoy retirement!

Solvay Students Exhibit Art at Beaver Lake Nature Center

Students' art work was selected to represent a special exhibit celebrating the artistic achievements of students in grades Kindergarten - 12th grade. During the month of April, visitors to Beaver Lake Nature Center will enjoy a variety of work relating to nature themes, including animals and landscapes in the form of paintings, drawings, prints, collage and more. The styles range from highly realistic to incredibly imaginative!

An opening reception was held on May 1 to honor the young artists. Each of the students received a certificate and ribbon in recognition of his/her participation in the show. Refreshments were served while family members and friends enjoyed the reception.

"Student Art - Naturally" is organized annually by Region 3 of the New York State Art Teachers Association in cooperation with Beaver Lake Nature Center.

Student Name/Grade	Student Name/Grade	Student Name/Grade
Timofiy Chuvik, Grade 1	Tim Doyle, Grade 6	Kiera Hollis, Grade 8
Hailey Sheehan, Grade 1	John Lotito, Grade 6	Rachel Willsey, Grade 8
Ameilia Catalano, Grade 2	Gabrielle Willsey, Grade 7	Sierra Wilber, Grade 8
Mackenize Michalek, Grade 3	Jason Ash, Grade 8	Justin Zimmerman, Grade 8
Evan Zingaro, Grade 4	Bailey Beecher, Grade 8	
Zakhar Maiba, Grade 5	Jordyn Conners, Grade 8	







Pictured from L/R: Sierra Wilber - Jellyfish; Justin Zimmerman - Tiger print; Timofiy Chuvik - Winter Cardinal

Beyond Van Gogh

In April, Mrs. Kim McGraw took a group of SHS art students to Rochester to experience the Beyond Van Gogh Immersion Exhibit. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day. It was an amazing experience for all. A special thanks to Solvay's BEST program and Art Club for helping to make this trip possible.







Students Shine at NYSSMA Solo Festival



Five Solvay Middle School choral students participated in the Spring Solo Festival sponsored by the New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA). These students worked with their vocal teacher to prepare a vocal solo along with practicing to sing "at sight", a short vocal example. They all did a very fine job and should be congratulated on their performance at the NYSSMA Solo Festival.

The students pictured above L/R: Sophia Galvin, Jenna Rogala, Bryce Stanton, Gabriella Brillante, and James Webber. A band student, Madelyn Van Epps, 8th grade trumpet, was also chosen (not pictured).

Students Celebrate Arab American History

SHS Life Skills students celebrated Arab Americans History month. An art form that comes from the Middle East is Mosaic. Students worked together to make this mosaic/sun catcher as a welcome gift for Ms. Stephanie Kenific, Library Media Specialist.



SHS Students Make Class T-Shirts

Ms. Christine Rufo, social worker, worked with students in the BEST program to make a set of class shirts for Ms. Kathleen Klier's class. Ms. Klier's class wore the shirts for their Women's History poster presentations.



District Receives National Recognition

Solvay UFSD has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education for



the 5th consecutive year. Now in its 23rd year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students. The NAMM Foundation is a nonprofit supported in part by the National Association of Music Merchants and its approximately 10,300 members around the world. The foundation advances active participation in music making across the lifespan by supporting scientific research, philanthropic giving and public service programs. For more information about The NAMM Foundation, please visit www. nammfoundation.org.

Register by May 27 for Kindergarten & PreK

Registration is now open. If your child(ren) turns 4 by December 1, 2022, they are eligible for the district's free PreK program. If your child(ren) turns 5 by December 1, 2022, they are eligible to attend Kindergarten in September. Please visit the registration page at www.solvayschools.org for more information or to register. Children must be residents of the Solvay UFSD and must have all required immunizations.

Transportation is provided for students once they are four years old. Until then, parents are responsible for transportation. We look forward to meeting your children come September.

SHS Junior Prom & Senior Ball

For the first time since 2019, Solvay High School hosted its Junior Prom and Senior Ball. Students dined, danced, talked, and laughed. Everyone had a wonderful time! *Pictures courtesy of Syracuse.com.* See more Senior Ball pictures

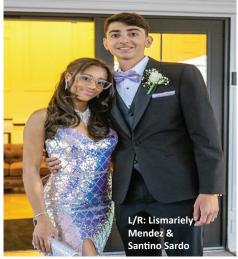
on pages 2, 10, & 11.



Pictured above: L/R back row: Reis Cleland, Gabriel Rodriguez, Owen Mason; front row L/R: Samuel Gonzalez, Mackenzie McCarthy, & Athena Clark











CONGRATULATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS CLASS OF 2022

Scholarship	Recipient First	Recipient Last
Bagozzi Twins Student Athlete Scholarship	Giovanni	Hernandez
Bagozzi Twins Student Athlete Scholarship	Margaret	Kemp
Barnello Family Memorial Scholarship	Owen	Britton
Benjamin and Claudia Capella and Solvay Tyrol Club Scholarship	Robert	Tarolli
Clara Hill-Murphy Scholarship	Matthew	Hayden
Coach Al Merola's Bearcat Pride Scholarship	Nicholas	Emmi
Coach Al Merola's Bearcat Pride Scholarship	Thomas	Venturini
Crossroads Lodge #520 Solvay Masonic Temple Scholarship		
Award	Xianna	Sierotnik
Dave Pirro Memorial Scholarship	Michael	Blakeman
David Biachi Law Enforcement Scholarship	Emily	Garnett
David Biachi Law Enforcement Scholarship	Daniel	Mrowinski
Dolores White Memorial Scholarship Award	Antoinette	Sardo
Erik S. Kohler Memorial Scholarship	Justin	Palmisano
Friends of Marc Ball Memorial Scholarship	Ту	Martineau
Geddes Federal Savings & Loan Association Scholarship Award	Nikolete	Michalkow
Geddes Federal Savings & Loan Association Scholarship Award	Paul	Pino-Espino
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Zachery	Balduzzi
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Jacob	Barndollar
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Gregg	Сарра
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Nicholas	Emmi
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Alexander	Fenton
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Zainab	Hadi
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Olesya	Konopatskiy
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Alyssa	Long
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Aye	Pyu
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Tamaja	Scott
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Roghan	Sellers
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Carter	Sokolov
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Carissa	Stachurski
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Justine	Stanejko
Hodnicki Family Scholarship Trust Award	Brianna	Williams
Jeff Proietti Wellness Scholarship	Alana	Scalzo
John O. Pepe Memorial Scholarship	Rylee	Piedmonte
Joseph F. O'Neill, Jr. Memorial Award	Roghan	Sellers
Julie Bray (DeFurio) Memorial Scholarship	Orin	John
Lakeside VFD Angelo "Babe" Fernandez Memorial Scholarship	Taylor	Clisson

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Lakeside VFD Angelo "Babe" Fernandez Memorial Scholarship	Sonia	Gelzer
Leon and Kathryn Mountain Hildenbrand Scholarship	Savannah	Schaffer
Leon and Kathryn Mountain Hildenbrand Scholarship	Annabelle	West
Lise Katherine Henrickson Memorial Scholarship	Annabelle	West
Luciano F. Bogaz Memorial Scholarship	Margaret	Kemp
Lyncourt Volunteer Fire Department Scholastic Achievement		
Award	Connor	Ellsworth
Lyncourt Volunteer Fire Department Scholastic Achievement		
Award	Alicia	Grainger
Mabboni and Roznowski Annual Scholarship	Zachery	Balduzzi
Margaret Duda Kingson Teaching Scholarship	Rylee	Piedmonte
Margaret Duda Kingson Teaching Scholarship	Abby	Sensenich
Mary & Eddie Giemza and Richard Balduzzi Scholarship	Emily	Garritillo
Peter Baichi Memorial Scholarship Award	Benjamin	Lindhuber
Peter Baichi Memorial Scholarship Award	Xianna	Sierotnik
Planned Results Scholarship	Jordyn	Hill
Planned Results Scholarship	Nikolete	Michalkow
Planned Results Scholarship	Natalie	Orr
Planned Results Scholarship	Xianna	Sierotnik
Ralph E. Scutt Memorial Scholarship	Luka	Fenton
Ralph E. Scutt Memorial Scholarship	Angelina	Plotitsyna
Rob Sposato Scholarship	Thomas	Venturini
Robert O'Donnell Citizenship Award	Abby	Sensenich
Ronald W. Cole Memorial Scholarship	Annabelle	West
Solvay Bank Scholarship Award	Kameron	Smith
Solvay Dollars for Scholars Tuition Assistance Award	Anglina	DeLaPaz
Solvay Dollars for Scholars Tuition Assistance Award	Carissa	Stachurski
Solvay Dollars For Scholars Tuition Assistance Award	Benjamin	Lindhuber
Solvay Dollars For Scholars Tuition Assistance Award	Skylar	McGraw
Solvay High School Class of 1958 Scholarship	Rickelle	Rellos
Solvay High School Class of 1963 Memorial Scholarship (formerly		
Friends of Lucian Garzia Memorial Scholarship)	Angelina	DeLaPaz
Solvay High School Class of 1964 Scholarship Award	Matthew	Hayden
Solvay High School Class of 1964 Scholarship Award	Abby	Sensenich
Solvay High School Class of 1968 Scholarship Award	Nikolete	Michalkow
Solvay High School Class of 1968 Scholarship Award	Paul	Pino-Espino
Solvay High School Class of 1969 Scholarship Award	Jack	McLean
Solvay High School Class of 1970 Scholarship	Owen	Britton
Solvay High School Class of 1998 "Hearts of Kindness" Memorial		
Scholarship	Antoinette	Sardo

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Scholarship	Recipient First	Recipient Last
iolvay Music Boosters Award Jacob		Barndollar
Solvay Music Boosters Award Ma		Hayden
Solvay Police Department Award	Elizabeth	Carbone
Solvay Police Department Award	Daniel	Mrowinski
Solvay School Employee's Union Scholarship	Michaela	Finn
Solvay School Employee's Union Scholarship	Amanda	Gonzalez-Acevedo
Solvay School Employee's Union Scholarship	Alicia	Grainger
Solvay School Employee's Union Scholarship	Alana	Scalzo
Solvay Substitute Teachers Scholarship Award	T'Jania	Bowman
Solvay Substitute Teachers Scholarship Award	Aidan	Tyler
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Pyu	Aye
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Angelina	DeLaPaz
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Nicholas	Emmi
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Matthew	Hayden
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Olesya	Konopatskiy
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Abby	Sensenich
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Kameron	Smith
Solvay Teachers Association Award	Justine	Stanejko
Solvay Tigers Auxiliary Scholarship	Brayla	Bagozzi
Solvay Tigers Auxiliary Scholarship	Ajani	Pinet
Solvay Tigers Memorial Scholarship	Angelina	DeLaPaz
Solvay Tigers Memorial Scholarship	Thomas	Venturini
Solvay-Geddes-Camillus Lions Club/Louis Valerino Jr. Award	Emily	Garnett
Stanley and Ursula Kishman Scholar Athlete Award	Robert	Tarolli
Tony Lombardo Music Scholarship	Michaela	Finn
Tony Lombardo Music Scholarship	Kahmani	Irons
Tyrol Club of Solvay Scholarship	Thomas	Venturini
Vincent and Helen Mascette Scholarship	Benjamin	Lindhuber



L/R: Susan Overend & Thomas Venturini



L/R: Mary Stacey & Natalie Michalek



L/R: Eden Fissehaye & Lewam Fissehaye

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JUNIOR AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Junior Awards	Recipient First	Recipient Last
Lemoyne College Heights Award	Emily	Rolince
Clarkson University High School Leadership Award	Owen	Mason
Clarkson University High School Achievement Award	Mustafa	Khaleel
University of Rochester Bausch & Lomb Award	Maria	Brusa
University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leaders Award	Jordan	Dippold
Unversity of Rochester Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Award	Jayde	Coyne
University of Rochester Xerox Award for Innovation and Information		
Technology	Athena	Clark
RIT Computing Award - Male	David	Silyuk
RIT Computing Award - Female	Sophia	Wescott
RIT Innovation Award - Female	Allison	Ryan
RIT Innovation Award - Male	Jack	Haskell
Keuka College - The George H. Ball Community Achievement Award	Nicholas	Commisso
Keuka College - The George H. Ball Community Achievement Award	Sophia	Worrall
Keuka College - The George H. Ball Community Achievement Award	Kaylah	Kowalczyk
Keuka College - The George H. Ball Community Achievement Award	Nevaeh	Baker



L/R: Ty Martineau, Anthony Berry, Nicholas Emmi, Justin Palmisano, Kameron Smith, & Jonathan Gonzalez Perez

L/R Alexander Fenton, Kira Lioto, & Luka Fenton



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ENL Students Participate in Pen Pal Project

ENL students in Mrs. Kristin Powers' 5th and 6th grades classes have been participating in USPS Pen Pal Project. They have been corresponding with 4th grade ENL students at Cypress Elementary School in Highland, California. They have sent and received several letters and have enjoyed learning about life on the west coast. This was a great opportunity to learn about letter writing as well as how to address an envelope. Each student received a special postcard decorated with their names on it in the last delivery.







