

S A I N T MARY Messenger

INSIDE THIS ISSUE . . .

We salute the graduating high school seniors of our parish. We applaud your hard work and faith commitment, appreciate your contributions to our parish community and wish you God's blessings as you embark on a new stage in your journey. We hope you will always feel welcome and loved at St. Mary Parish. God bless you!

GROWING IN WISDOM, FAITH AND COMMUNITY

We are grateful for the many gifts of this year's high school seniors—both given and received. Our community has helped nurture these young adults. We have in turn been blessed by the sharing of their gifts and lives. Molly Montgomery, April Reed and Mary Schuette are Eucharistic Ministers. Amanda Lewis is a Proclaimer of the Word. Jennifer Torline and Zack Williams served as catechists in the Parish School of Religion (PSR). Jennifer also shares her musical gifts as a piano accompanist at Mass, and Carissa Henderson plays the saxophone in the LIFE TEEN band. Jennifer and April Reed have contributed photos and/or articles for the *Messenger* and *Catholic Advance*. Jennifer received an honorable mention at the state journalism contest this year and a first last year, and April was selected as a commencement speaker for Derby High School due to her gifts.

Following are pictures of the seniors with their names, the schools they are graduating from—Bishop Carroll, Derby, Haysville, Kapaun Mt Carmel or Mulvane (BC, DHS, HHS, KMC or MHS), and their plans. May they (*and we*) continue to grow in gratitude, wisdom and faith.



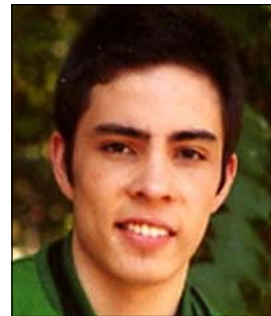
Amanda Andreas, DHS, plans to study international business at WSU.



Megan Becker, DHS, plans to work full-time following graduation.



Jessica Clark, HHS, plans to study Radiology at Newman University.



Zachary Daniel, DHS, will attend Emporia State University.



David Dawdy, DHS, will study accounting at Newman University.



Joe Day, DHS, will study chemical engineering as a premed student at KU.



Elizabeth Fahrbach, DHS, plans to attend a community college.



Kraig Ford, DHS, will go to Butler CCC and then Emporia.



Kara Foster, DHS, will play softball for the University of Utah.



Lindsey Griffith, DHS, will study psychology and pre-med at Rockhurst.



Nikki Halloran, DHS



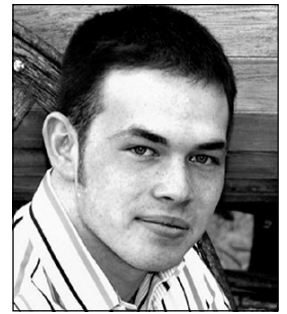
Karissa Henderson, DHS, will major in Nursing at Butler CCC and join the Navy Reserves.



Patrick Jarchow, DHS, will major in Business administration at KSU.



Kelsey Kilian, DHS, will major in dental hygiene or nursing at WSU.



Timothy Leger, DHS, will work and pursue a degree in commercial photography.



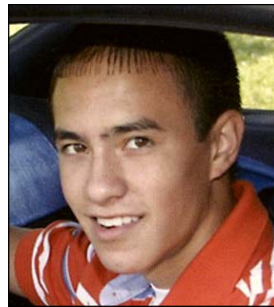
Tyler Lesley, DHS, will work and attend Butler County Community College.



Amanda Lewis, KMC, will major in Spanish at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.



John Mikolajcik, DHS, pre-law at Kansas Wesleyan, will minor in political science and will compete in debate.



Kevin Miller, DHS, leaves July 6 for U.S. Navy bootcamp.



Molly Montgomery, KMC, will study Elementary Ed at WSU and study to become a Physician's Assistant.



Britt Nanny, DHS, plans to work full-time following graduation from high school.



Larry Payne III, DHS, will study computer engineering at WSU.



Stephanie Perren, DHS, will study chemical engineering at KSU.



Kimberly Pham, DHS, will study accounting at Butler County Community College.



Brooke Phillips, MHS, will attend Cowley County Community College.



April Reed, DHS, plans to study graphic design and marketing or neonatal nursing at Wichita State University.



Brian Rossillon, KMC, will work at Dillon's pharmacy this summer and be a pre-pharmacy student at KU this fall.



Andrew Schmeidler, KMC, will train with the Kansas Air National Guard and then go to college in Wichita.



Mary Schuette, KMC, plans to study Industrial Engineering and minor in leadership at Kansas State University.



Katie Scofield, DHS, plans to major in photography at the Colorado Art Institute.



Paige Shavlik, DHS, will attend Butler County Community College.



Danielle Shearrer, KMC, will study computer engineering at KU.



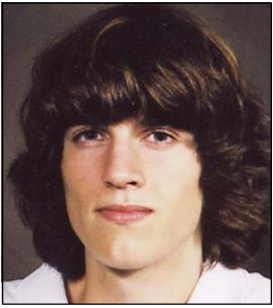
Samuel Sherman, DHS, will study computer engineering at KU.



Crystal Shockey, DHS, will be a pre-dental student at Pittsburg State.



Neil Siemers, DHS, will major in chemical engineering at KU.



Logan Sontag, DHS, will major in chemical engineering at Kansas State University.



Christina Stratford, DHS, will go to BCCC, then transfer to Maryland to study psychology.



Sarah Swank, KMC, will be a pre-veterinary student at KSU this fall.



Seth Ternes, KMC, will study computer engineering at WSU.



Jennifer Torline, BC, will major in journalism at the University of Kansas.



Samantha Watchous, DHS, will go to Butler County Community College.



Zack Williams, KMC, will go to Benedictine to study theology and sports medicine.



Sarah Wurdeman, KMC, will attend Kansas State University as a pre-med student.

Some seniors did not turn in photos. Some of the parish seniors not pictured include:

Alex Burtin, Anthony Cantu, Caitlin Hundley, Danielle Jonak, Amanda King, Alex Kretz, Tiffany Munk, Christopher Smith and Brandon Wright.

Tiffany graduated from Bishop Carroll, and plans to major in accounting at Fort Hays State University. Alex Kretz, a Kapaun graduate, plans to major in finance at WSU and continue working in Derby.

CONGRATULATIONS, SENIORS, TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES!

May you, out of gratitude to your Creator for all the blessings you have received: act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with your God.



DHS senior Kim Pham (right) with her mom, Lisa, at the May 7 LIFE TEEN Senior Recognition Dinner.

Many gifts, one Spirit of love

by Davi Stuhlsatz

This year's seniors have been recognized for their spiritual, academic and athletic gifts and for sharing those gifts with their parish and the wider community.

KMC's Zack Williams received the Bishop's Crest Award, given to one senior at each Catholic high school who exemplifies excellence in development of the full human potential. Amanda Lewis received the Heart of the Crusader award at KMC for exemplifying the spirit of Father Emil Kapaun.

Joseph Day and Neil Siemers received Academic Letters, and Stephanie Perren received a Medallion of Knowledge award for being in the top 5% of the DHS graduating class. Joseph, Neil and Stephanie, David Dawdy Jr, Lindsey Griffith, Karissa Henderson, April Reed, and Logan Sontag received the President's Award for Educational Excellence, based on GPA and standardized tests. David was named DHS Outstanding Senior in Business. Sarah Swank received the KMC SAT/ACT and the Monsignor Barth Scholar's awards for grades, citizenship and test scores.

Joseph Day received several KU scholarships, and John Mikolajcik, Lindsey Griffith and April Reed received several from Kansas Wesleyan, Rockhurst and WSU, respectively. Other academic scholarship winners include Zachary Daniel, Karissa Henderson, Larry Payne, Stephanie Perren, and Danielle Shearrer.

David Dawdy was awarded a basketball scholarship by Newman, Kara Foster received a softball scholarship to Utah, Paige Shavlik received a dance team scholarship and John Mikolajcik received a debate scholarship. Molly Montgomery received a scholarship for an oratorical contest, and Christina Stratford received one for an essay contest. Logan Sontag's math skills were recognized with the KSU Putnam award, and Mary Schuette was recognized with the US Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete award.

In various parish ministries, helping teach our faith to younger students and throughout high school, many of these teens have touched the lives of others through their Christian love and service.

To all of you, thank you for being part of our lives, part of the Body of Christ. You enrich and renew us!



Clockwise, from above left: 1. Molly Montgomery paints a girl's hand at a LIFE TEEN Halloween party for kids. 2. Kelsey Kilian with Bishop Jackels after Confirmation last year. 3. Amanda Lewis makes a poster during Generations of Faith. 4. Kraig Ford portrays Jesus during the Living Stations of the Cross for the parish this year. 5. April Reed collects food during the parish-wide food drive.

