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2011 Great Grads from Pottersville High School



Austin Badgley

Parents: Michelle and Trevor Badgley of Pottersville
Honors/activities: NHS, Varsity Quiz Bowl, Kettering University Scholarships , bowling team, Eagle Scout, BSA/SAJ Friendship Program
Inspiration: Neil Armstrong and Lord Baden-Powell.
Philosophy: Be prepared.
Favorite Quote: "Good judgment comes from experience. And experience from bad judgment."
Favorite Book: "Lost Symbol"
Future plans: Austin will attend Kettering University and study mechanical engineering.

Pottersville High School commencement

Date: May 26, 2011

Location:High School Gymnasium



Sam Davis

Parents: Laurie and Paul Davis of Charlotte
Honors/activities: Class President-4 yrs, MHSAA Scholar Athlete, NHS, film awards, GVSU scholarship football, baseball, fifth grade camp counselor, filmmaking, YAC activities/blood drives, Teens Against Tobacco Use
Inspiration: My family is my main source of inspiration.
Philosophy: Dream as if you'll live forever; live as if you'll die today.
Favorite Quote: "Men never plan to be failures; they simply fail to plan to be successful." - William Ward
Favorite Book: "Catch-22"
Future plans: Sam will attend Grand Valley State University and study film and video production.



Andrew DiLernia

Parents: Lisa and Paolo DiLernia of Pottersville
Honors/activities: Valedictorian, NHS, Senior Class Officer, GVSU scholarship, high honor roll cross country, track, PALs, Teens Against Tobacco Use
Inspiration: My parents, coaches, and teammates.
Philosophy: Always be a first-rate version of yourself, rather than a second-rate version of someone else.
Favorite Quote: "To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift."
Future plans: Andrew will attend Grand Valley State University Honors College and study international business.



Anthony DiLernia

Parents: Lisa and Paolo DiLernia of Pottersville
Honors/activities: Salutatorian, NHS basketball, track, football, 5th grade camp counselor, NHS Activities, Teens Against Tobacco Use, youth advisory council
Inspiration: Family.
Favorite Quote: "I always have to think about what's important to me and it's these three things: where you started, where you are, and where you're going to be." - Jimmy Valvano
Favorite Book: Into the Wild
Future plans: Anthony will attend Michigan State University and study civil engineering.



Krista Eagle

Parents: Lissa Staszuk of Pottersville and Larry Eagle of Algonac
Honors/activities: High Honors, NHS band, cross country, volleyball, softball, Peer Assistance Leaders, Youth Advisory Council, Red Cross Blood Drives, food drives, Breakfast with Santa, Special Olympics, Toys for Tots, tied blankets for children in need
Inspiration: Elizabeth Allen.
Philosophy: I will rest when I'm dead.
Favorite Quote: "I want to stay as close to the edge as I can without going over. Out on the edge, you can see all kinds of things you can't from the center." - Anonymous
Favorite Book: The Bible
Future plans: Krista will attend Central Michigan University and study early childhood education.



Nathan Foster

Parents: Joy and Wayne Foster of Pottersville
Honors/activities: High honors, Geometry/American Lit Awards, Varsity Quiz Bowl, bowling team, Eagle Scout, BSA/SAJ Friendship Program
Inspiration: My father and mother.
Philosophy: Strive for success.
Favorite Quote: "An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." - Benjamin Franklin
Favorite Book: "The Last Day on Earth"
Future plans: Nathan will attend the U. S. Military



Caleb Koepke

Parents: Rosemary and Jon Koepke of Pottersville
Honors/activities: Valedictorian, NHS, CMAC Scholar Athlete band, cross country, track, Salvation Army Bell Ringer, NHS service projects
Inspiration: Out of everyone, I would have to say my parents.
Philosophy: Live each day as if it was your last.
Favorite Quote: "To enjoy the rainbow, you must endure the storm."
Favorite Book: Harry Potter series
Future plans: Caleb will attend Grand Valley State University and study business marketing.



Michael Mehney

Parents: Andrea DeWaters of Pottersville and Andrew Mehney of Fowler
Honors/activities: High honors football
Favorite Quote: "You gotta play to win."
Future plans: Michael will attend Lansing Community College and study computer graphics/web design.



Meagan Packowski

Parents: Grandparents Robert and Melissa Holz of Pottersville and Kevin Holtz of DeWitt
Honors/activities: High honors, Teens Against Tobacco Use, tutoring
Inspiration: My family.
Favorite Book: "Under the Dome"
Future plans: Meagan will attend Michigan State University and study pre-dentistry.



Kevin Scharer

Parents: Ida and Lloyd Scharer of Pottersville
Honors/activities: Valedictorian, NHS, Homecoming King, high honors, GLCC Scholarship cross country, track, Peer Assistance Leaders, Youth Advisory Council, Holt Christian Church Youth Group, Teens Against Tobacco Use
Inspiration: My coach, my parents, and my sisters.
Philosophy: Live right, even when no one is watching.
Favorite Quote: "If you want to enjoy the rainbow, be prepared to endure the storm."
Future plans: Kevin will attend Great Lakes Christian College and study cross-cultural ministries and pre-medicine.



Tiffany Shay

Parents: Sheryl and Ricky Shay of Pottersville
Honors/activities: High honors band, track, soccer
Inspiration: Carl McKenney.
Philosophy: If you fall down seven times, get up eight.
Favorite Quote: "Beauty hides the monsters inside us."
Favorite Book: "Thirteen Reasons"
Future plans: Tiffany will attend Michigan State University and study art education.



Courtney Turner

Parents: Bobbie Jo and Scott Turner of Pottersville
Honors/activities: NHS, student council choir, Charlotte Community dinner, St. Vincent's DePaul Society, tutoring
Inspiration: My family.
Philosophy: "Dream as if you'll live forever....Live as if you'll die today." - James Dean
Favorite Quote: "When one door closes, another one opens."
Favorite Book: "The Diary of Anne Frank"
Future plans: Courtney will attend Lansing Community College and study sonography .



Monica Volz

Parents: Pam and Pete Volz of Pottersville
Honors/activities: NHS, FSU/Kendall scholarship volleyball, softball, Peer Assistance Leaders, Toys for Tots, food drives, Breakfast with Santa
Inspiration: My older sister, Staci Lowe.
Philosophy: Life brings tears, smiles and memories. The tears dry, the smiles fade, but the memories last forever.
Favorite Quote: "Smile when you're sad, love what you have and dance like no one is watching."
Favorite Book: "Forever"
Future plans: Monica will attend Kendall College of Art and Design and study interior design.



Jenna Whipple

Parents: Jeanine and Jim Whipple of Pottersville
Honors/activities: NHS, MHSAA Scholar Athlete, National Technical Honor Society, CMU scholarship basketball, volleyball, soccer, Food drives, Breakfast with Santa, babysitting for PTA
Inspiration: My mom and dad.
Philosophy: Do not dwell on the negative things in life, but learn from them and pursue happiness.
Favorite Quote: "If you don't love what you do, you won't do it with much conviction or passion."
Favorite Book: "Someone Like You"
Future plans: Jenna will attend Central Michigan University and study speech and language pathology.

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