

Union Seniors recognized for achievements

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Union High School traditionally holds a Senior Awards night in May to honor Seniors who have earned special recognition and received area scholarships. This year as COVID-19 has led to cancellations of gatherings, Senior Awards night was a different experience. Seniors were asked to come to the school one at a time and be recognized for their efforts in front of parents and a recording was made that was then uploaded to the school's Facebook page. The following awards were handed out to recognize Seniors who have exemplified excellence. These and other seniors from the class of 2020 have also been awarded college scholarships in varying amounts.

Serenity Jackson and Justin Arnold were awarded iPads for perfect attendance since Kindergarten.

The top 12 ACT performers were recognized for their achievements: Jonathan Beales, Paul Chiara, Taylor Hawkins, Bristole Henrie, Abbie Labrum, Ethan Landes, Gabriel Owen, Hailey Petersen, Vincent Reiley, Ajia Safley, Madison Snow, and Jordan Tan.

Beachin' drinks awarded a scholarship to Lincoln

Labrum.

The Houston Family Scholarship was awarded to Ellison Weaver.

Strata Networks awarded scholarships to Jonathan Beales, Shaun Hicken, and Lynlee Labrum.

Stewart's Scholarships were awarded to Taylor Hawkins and Amy Tribe.

The #yougothis Foundation awarded four students with Raymond Anderton scholarships, they are Lincoln Labrum, Jobe Rust, Maysie Scholes and Ellison Weaver.

The Bryce Davis Scholarship - Mr. Davis was a UHS faculty member who succumbed to cancer in 2007, he taught art and yearbook, and was an avid supporter of all things Union - was awarded to Hailey Petersen.

The Chall and Sally Allred Family Scholarships were awarded to the following students: Macee Adamson, Jonathan Beales, Angelina Burgi, Abigail Cook, Cashlyn Dye, Colten Harding, Shaun Hicken, Serenity Jackson, Lincoln Labrum, Lynlee Labrum, Elly Laws, Tanner Miles, Brookelyn Nielsen, Hailey Peterson, Vincent Reiley, Kolby Rich, Wyatt Richards, Samantha Ross, Jobe Rust, Maysie Scholes, Jenna Sessions, Madison Snow, Amy Tribe, Natawnee Weidner, Emma White, and Keaston Young.

The following awards were voted on by the faculty of Union High.

The Outstanding Senior

Boy award, given to the male student who has done the most to help Union High School in academics, citizenship, leadership, and activities was awarded to Shawn Hawkins.

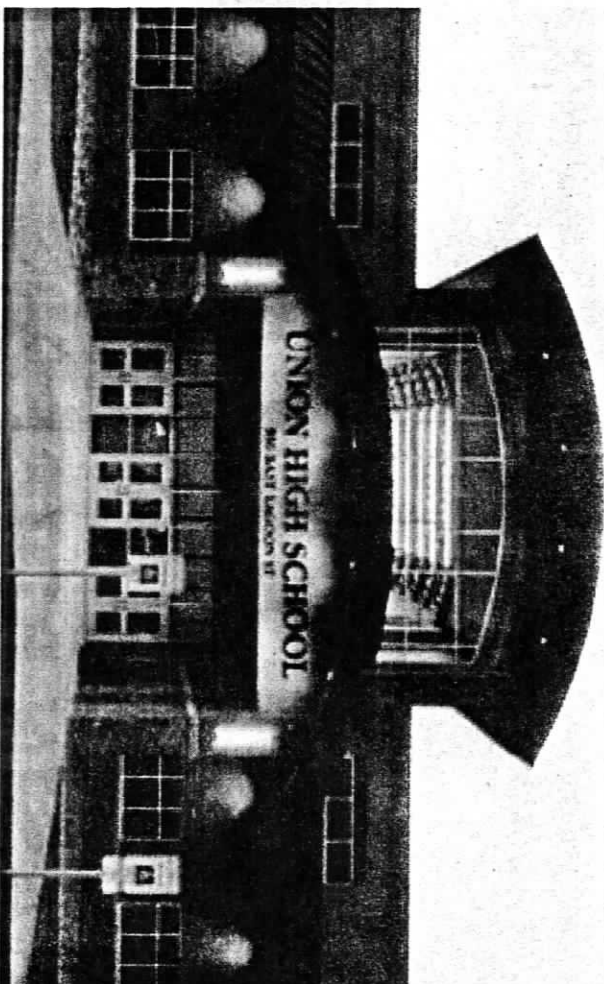
The Outstanding Senior Girl award, given to the female student who has done the most to help Union High School in academics, citizenship, leadership and activity was awarded to Madison Snow.

The Distinguished Leadership Award, given to recognize the student who has provided outstanding leadership in school organizations and activities, was awarded to Jordan Tan.

The Cougar Service Award, given to the student who has provided outstanding service to the school and to their fellowman, was awarded to Wyatt Richards.

The Cougar Good Citizenship Award, given to the student who has best displayed the characteristics of honesty, citizenship, humility, and concern for others was awarded to Gabriel Owen.

The Cougar Caring Award, given to the girl who best displays the characteristics of service, citizenship, academics, con-



cern for others, femininity, and humility was awarded to Hailey Petersen.

The Cougar Caring Award, given as a tribute to the men who show great concern for others and is given to a male student who displays characteristics of kindness, caring, academic achievement, and is an exemplary citizen was awarded to Paul Chiara.

The Cougar Spirit Award, given to the student who has helped the most in developing school spirit and unity, was awarded to Lynlee Labrum.

The Rex Curry Award,

given to a Native American student who has shown successful academic performance and has been a leader among students, was awarded to Lenora White Wolf.

The Cougar Crest Award, an award given to those who have been a credit to Union High School and deserve recognition for their efforts to make Union a good place to be, was awarded to Macee Adamson, Develliah Alanis, Jonathan Beales, Kortlyn Duncan, Serena Garcia, Taylor Hawkins, Isabelle Hullinger, Lincoln Labrum, Ethan Landes, Lepeka Lutui, Preslie

Mangus, Tanner Miles, Brookelyn Nielsen, Vincent Reiley, Samantha Ross, Arely Vazquez, Kacie Zager.

Outstanding Male Athlete award was given to Lincoln Labrum.

Outstanding Female Athlete award was given to Kallee Riser.

Outstanding Scholar Award and graduating with the third-highest GPA is Maysie Scholes.

Salutatorian is Jonathan Beales

Valedictorians are Paul Chiara, Taylor Hawkins, Shaun Hicken, Vincent Reiley, Ajia Safley, Madison Snow and Jordan Tan.

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Four Seniors take top honors in 2020 Sterling Scholar contest

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Three Uintah High School (UHS) students and one Union High

School student captured first-place category honors in the 2020 Sterling Scholars competition for the Northeast Region.

Devony Cook, Agricultural Sciences; Taylee Elison, Business and Marketing and Michelle Semadeni, Mathematics all from Uintah High School and Paul Chiara, Vocal Performance of Union High School took top honors.

With area students from Altamont, Union, and Uintah High schools recognized as runner-up's; Shauri Thacker, English (Altamont); Ayla Myryn, Social Science (Altamont); Arley Vazquez, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics (Union); Shaun Hicken, Dance (Union); Wyatt Richards, Visual Arts (Union); Bethany Christensen, Business and Marketing (Uintah); Amanda LeVitre, English (Uintah); Kenadi Colton, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics (Uintah) and Anekah Bulloch, Visual

Arts (Uintah).

The Sterling Scholar program celebrates the academic and artistic achievements of students in Utah schools. Every school is invited to nominate one student in each category, with candidates judged by panels, and the top-scoring students advancing through the judging process.

Students are selected and judged in 14 categories, including Business and Marketing, Computer Technology, Dance, English, Family and Consumer Sciences, Instrumental Music, Mathematics, Science, Skilled and Technical Sciences, Education, Social Science, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics, Visual Arts, Vocal Performance, and World Languages.

In total, 43 area students represented the Uintah and Duchesne school districts competing against students from 14 high schools within the Northeast Region.

Duchesne High School sent seven seniors to the state competition; Jana Miller, Social Science; Kaden Bleazard, Agriculture Science; Brock Ford,

Mathematics; Skyler Ford, Science; Ellie Hull, English; Ethan Hull, Visual Arts; Kamale Wickel Dance.

Uintah High had 14 students; Taylee Elison, Business and Marketing; Tata Watt, Science; Michelle Semadeni, Mathematics; Makyla McCurdy, Skilled and Technical Sciences; Kenadi Colton, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics; Kyron Mortenson, Instrumental Music; Halle Olsen, Dance; Gus Scott, Vocal Performance; Devony Cook, Agricultural Sciences; Dallin Hardy, General; Bryonna Northen, Family and Consumer Sciences; Bethany Christensen, Computer Technology; Anekah Bulloch, Visual Arts; Amanda Livitre, English.

Altamont High School sent eight students to compete for state recognition; Shauri Thacker, English; Gracey Gardner, Agricultural Science; Shalvey Gardner, Science; Ayla Myryn, Social Science; Hanna Myryn, Vocal Performance; Kinly Panas, Dance; Layla Jensen, Family and Consumer Science; Delanee Theener, Business and Marketing.

Union High was represented by 12 students; Shaun Hicken, Dance; Hailey Petersen, English; Macee Adamson, Social Science; Taylor Hawkins, Mathematics; Vincent Reiley, General; Wyatt Richards, Visual Arts; Jordan Tan, Computer Technology; Arley Vazquez, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics; Angelina Burr, Science; Paul Chiara, Vocal Performance; Kacie Zager, Agricultural Science; Levi Whiting, Skilled and Technical Sciences.

Tabiona had two representatives; Ze'anna Bateman, Speech/The-



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Union High School: From left: Hailey Petersen, English; Macee Adamson, Social Science; Angelina Burr, Science; Wyatt Richards, Visual Arts; Arley Vazquez, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics; Taylor Hawkins, Mathematics; Kacie Zager, Agriculture Science; Vincent Reiley, General; Shaun Hicken, Dance; Paul Chiara, Vocal Performance; Levi Whiting, Skilled and Technical Sciences Education; Jordan Tan, Computer Technology; Aimee Spunaugle, Sterling Scholar coordinator.

ater Arts/Forensics; and Dawson Allred, Computer Technology.

Typically, the winners are announced during a ceremony held at Utah Valley University. However, this year's ceremony was cancelled because of the restrictions placed on mass gatherings as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak. The 2020 winners were announced during a video conference on Thursday, May 7.

Northeast Utah Region 2020 Sterling Scholar Winners earn a \$2,500 scholarship while runners-up are given a \$1,000 scholarship. While Northeast Utah Finalists are eligible for special scholarships offered through some state universities.

Each of the 14 Uintah High School 2020 Sterling Scholars were also given a \$100 cash award from the Uintah Schools Foundation at the Uintah High School Sterling Scholar Honors Program held on March 11, 2020.



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Tabiona High School: From left: Ze'anna Bateman, Speech/Theater Arts/Forensics; Dawson Allred, Computer Technology



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Duchesne High School: From left: Brock Ford, Mathematics; Ellie Hull, English; Kaden Bleazard, Agriculture Science; Kamale Wickel, Dance; Skyler Ford, Science; Jana Miller, Social Science; Ethan Hull, Visual Arts.



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Altamont High School: Back row from left: Shalvey Gardner, Science; Ayla Myryn, Social Science; Hanna Myryn, Vocal Performance; Gracey Gardner, Agriculture Science; Kinly Panas, Dance. Front row from left: Shauri Thacker, English; Layla Jensen, Family and Consumer Sciences; Delanee Theener, Business and Marketing.