

All high schools in the Iowa and Illinois counties served by the Ouad-City Times were invited to nominate graduating seniors for Salute to Academics & Achievements recognition. Students were selected for each category by

their schools. Information was submitted by high school counselors.

Students also were asked to write short essays about the changes they expect to see in the world in the next 10 years.

# **Davenport West High School**

**DAVENPORT WEST** High School has selected these outstanding seniors from its class of 416 students:

## Academics

HUE DONG, daughter of Milly Nguyen and Thien Dong of Davenport, plans to major in biology/psychology at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

- Top achievements:
- Academic Excellence
- Presidential Award
- First Honors

"In 10 years, I expect technology to be even more so advanced and hope fully, more renewable energy will be available as the price of gas rises. There will likely be more advances in the field of medicine and people will live longer

ANDREW WIESE, son of Heather Anderson and Edward Wiese of Davenport, plans to major in chemical engineering at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

- Top achievements:
- 4.0 GPA
- Merit Scholar
- Junior Rotarian

"There are several changes I expect to see within the next 10 years. Chief among these are the technological advancements that will lead to later paradigm shifts and have a dramatic positive impact on human social interaction, while also increasing the popularity and viability of Tran humanist idealism amongst average citizens.

## The Arts

SAMANTHA MILLS, daughter of DeWayne and Lori Mills of Davenport, plans to major in fine arts at the University of Oregon, Eugene

- Top achievements:
- National Honor Society
- 3.8 GPA

Scott Community College Stone Scholarship

"When I first entered high school, it seemed as though everyone strived for achievement and reorganization. However, over the years I see less of that enthusiasm. In 10 years from now, I hope and expect to see that motivation revitalized. I see students once again working incessantly toward their ambitions.

EMILY THOMPSON, daughter of Eileen and Timothy Thompson of Blue Grass, plans to major in art at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

- Top achievements:
- Ecology Club president Bucktown Arts internship winner National Honor Society

"Ten years from now, I hope to see art programs as strong as ever. They people view it as a hobby, but art is a form of expression, making it more valuable to our schools and worth fighting for.'



Saladino

### **CLASS OF 2012**

Cory Adair, Tanner Adams, Katelyn Adams, Audrie Aden, Amber Alaniz, Hayley Allen, Logan Allen, Mark Alley, Sarah Anderson, Matthew Aney, Kayla Arnold Devin Arrington, Jacob Arthur, Brittany Arthur, Timothy Atkins, Nicolas Bacus, Asa Baker, Nicolas Banks, Kayla Batzkiel, Cassie Baumhardt, Kyle Beale, Matthew Bell, Michael Bell, Brianna Bellman, Saman tha Belz, Haley Benisch, Jacob Bennett Nathaniel Bequeaith, Christa Berkley, Bre anna Berry, Joseph Bierl, Abbey Billingsley, Breanna Billingsley, Paige Bird, Shawn Black, Tori Blackwell, Jerramie Bohnstedt, Chelsey Booth, Stephanie Bozarth Savanna Bramstedt, ShaOna Branigan Jasmine Brazile, Nicole Brentise, David Briggs, Brittany Bringolf, Tenley Brockmann Austin Brooks, Devonne Brown, Rayvonne Brown, Matthew Budelier, Sarah Buffenbarger, Darian Burch, Brian Butler, Brenda Calzada, Vincenzo Cannavo, Zachari Carson, Jessica Carstens, Brett Carter, Steven Case, Kayla Cavlovic, Kimbra Cavlovic, Allison Chapman, Tateum Cheatheam, Laken Claeys-Fluegel, Alexander Clark, Nolan Clark, Paige Clark, Kaitlin Cline, Michael Coffman, Amanda Coffman, Skye Compton Thomas Condon, Jessica Cook, Jacob Cooper, Caleb Cousino, Samantha Covey Stephenie Cramm, Christopher Crapnell Cura Crowe, Devonta Crumpton, Paige Daily, Marcus Dammann, Daniel Dankert, Elizabeth David, Jared DeGeeter, Christo pher DeNeve, Victoria Dewitt, Daniel Diaz, Eric Diaz, Luke Diaz, Alexandra Dodds, Hue Dong, Sara Dorton, Donavan Downey, Justice Drumm, Amalia Duran, Jordan Durant, Karla Eagen, Dylann Eagleson, Ainsley Eastman, Alexis Egger, Ashley Elfgen, Rachel Emry, Victoria Engwall, Darel Erxleben, Audrie Essex, John Evans, NeLissa Evans, Elizabeth Faletti, Megan Fee, Shannon Feldpausch, Quantaz Fender Ansli Fielder, Jordan Finch, Brianna Fisher, Kabral Fitch, Taryn Fuller, Ahrin Fulton, Kristina Gamet, Luiz Garcia, Lizet Garcia,

Miranda Gehrls, Brett Geist, Dustin Gerischer, Ashlyn Glass, Aubrey Gluba, Diana Godoy Gonzalez, Alejandro Gomez, Gomez. Rosamaria Gomez. Martin Jennv Gonzalez, Patricia Govan, Daniel Graham, Marzella Gray, Deziree Green, Tanner

Greenwalt, Ashley Greer, Dylan Grimes, Sa Dee Groenbeck, Kaitlyn Groenwoldt, Rebecca Grypp, Andrew Gullion, Stephen Hagedorn, Aaron Hahn, Alberto Haines Cortney Haines, Sonia Hakanson, Blaik Hall, Amber Hamm, Treyvon Hampton, Fred Hannah. Nicholas Hansen, Melissa Hardy, Kabri Hass, Jacob Hasson, Emily Hauser Mari Heincy, Caitlin Henkel, Holly Hensler Zachary Henzen, Erasmo Herrera, Alicia Hibben, Sara Higinbotham, Jessica Hilde brant, Katherine Hoeper, Christina Holcomb Andrea Holdt, Anthony Hollingshed, Kevin Horstman, Kevin Hough, Christofer Houser Jeffrey Hoyt, Damon Hunt, Amanda Hutchi son, Hoang Huynh, Drew Jackson, Tyler James, Tyler Jansen, Ozzy Jarrett, Erica Jennings, Sydney Jensen, Anthony Johnson, Kellen Johnson, Krista Johnson, Dakota Johnston, Brandon Jones, Mason Jones, Noah Jones, Hope Karwoski, San tana Kelley, Anthony Ketelaar, Dakota Kirkley, Eli Kirschbaum, Gregory Klepzig Thomas Kneipp, Brooklyn Kohl, Lindsey Kolund, Hilary Koos, Jordan Koos, Tony Kraklio, Kayla Krana, Austin Kress, Alyssa Kronfeld, Daniel Kuttler, Emilee LaBrecque Van Lam, Zachary Lane, Luke Latham, Matthew Lathrop, Sydney Lee, Jasmine Leslie, Blake Lewis, Stephanie Littrel, Keysha Long, Alyssa Lopez, Miranda Lopez, Maranda Lucas, Daniel Lugo, Nicholas Luna, Samuel MacMillan, Jacob Major, Brady Mangels, Chloe Marshall, Corsha Martin, Haylee Martin, Blane McCabe, Devin McClanahan, Ryan McDevitt, Meghar McHugh, Wesley McMahon, Heather McPheeters, Andrew McWilliams, Heather Medema, Allyssa Mehrens, Edwin Melhorn Jacques Menard, Mercedes Mendez, Brett Mengler, Dylan Merrick, Nicolas Mewes Kinsey Miller, Samantha Mills, Shokhrukh Mirkurbanov, Dylan Mitchell, Inde Mitchell, Jeremy Mitchell, Seth Molloy, Elizabeth Moon, Mallory Moore, Skylar Moore, Brianka Morgan, Sara Moritz, Chase Morrison Brittany Mulligan, Nicholas Munger, Maria Muniz, Samantha Murphy, Karli Murrens, Kortney Nagle, Brandi Nelson, Anh John Nguyen, Hieu Nguyen, Huong Nguyen, Jennifer Nguyen, Lisa Nguyen, Sandy Nguyen, Thuy Nguyen, Alycia Noah, Joseph Nosa, as Nosa, Gabrielle Nunn, Brittanv Nylin, Shawna O'Brien, Ashley O'Callaghan, Dallas O'Dell, Stephanie Oetzel, Christo-

pher Olson, Michael Olson, Hannah Ortega Heather Osborn, Kayla Pairrett, Rebekah Parrick, Colin Peacock, Erin Pershall, John Peters, Madeline Petrzelka, Hoai Pham, Jordan Phillips, Katherine Phillips, Teriona Phillips, Philip Poell, Kayelyn Pohl, Austin Prescott, Austin Price, Kelsey Ralfs, Daniel Ramirez, Jeannie Ramirez, Shelby Ramsay, Stephanie Razo, Loren Reed, Robert Reed Erika Reed, Sarah Rehm, Nicholas Reid Benjamin Reis, Jordan Remley, Brittiny Rhoads, Megan Rice, Tara Richards, Alexander Riessen, Amanda Roberts, Dayne Rodriguez, Bradley Rollins, Brandor Rostenbach, Daniel Rozinek, McKinzi Rupert, Michael Rupert, Christopher Rush, Kuldeep Saini, Shyanne Saladino, Fabiola Sanchez, Nathaniel Sanders, Adam Scheffert, John Schilder, Cory Schlensker, Michael Schmeink, Benjamin Schultz, Trevor Schulz, Alex Scott, Jeremy Scott, Joseph Scott. Kadie Seefieldt, Jeremy Sellers Marissa Serrano, Dustin Shaw, Andrea Shelton, Kaitlynn Shoemaker, Amanda Short, Brianna Siefers, Avianna Simmons Shawn Simmons, Christopher Sims, Alexandra Sisler, Samuel Slagle, Briana Smead Aaron Smith, Tyler Smith, John Solbrig, Justin Solis, Alex Speth, Michaela Squires, Matthew Stafford, Jonathan Staggs, Tyler Stanger, Zachary Stansberry, Andrew Statz Aaron Stechmann, Lindsay Steen, Kurtis Steinecke, Darian Stevens, Justin Stites Darren Stringfellow, Annette Svendsen, Cole Tatge, Trevez Teague, Lindsey Teel Emily Teel, Austin Teshak, James Thames Shianne Thiessen, Zachary Thobe, Austin Thomas, Phillip Thomas, Tiffany Thomas, Emily Thompson, Garret Thompson, Ken neth Thompson, LaQuita Thorpe, Kyle Toler Hanh Tran, Charles Truong, Colten Tucker, Keagan Tumey, Alec Tumlinson, Samantha Valett, Amber Valtine, Amanda Van Sant, Andres Vargas, Danelle Vick, Rebecca Vick Kyle Vroman, Johnny Vuong, Amber Wallace, Stacey Walther, Brianna Weathersby, DeLaney Welch, Valerie Wells, Joshua Wen dell, Anna Wessling, Andrew Wiese Lateece Willett, Lateisha Willett, Rachel Willhoite, Hannah Williams, Shyonda Wilson, Kinsey Wohlers, Blake Wolfe, Ericka Woodruff, DeTray Woods, Joshua Woods, Austin Wulf, Jacob Yoke, Bradlev Young

Haines

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education they will no longer push for good handwriting skills; keyboarding

AUSTIN WULF, son of Greg and Elicia Wulf of Davenport, plans to major in clinical laboratory technology at the University of Iowa, Iowa City.

"I expect to see a variety of advances in science and technology. We will likely be able to perform lessinvasive or non-invasive medical procedures, as well as expand global medical and general science knowledge. I'm looking forward to applying these medical and technological advances upon entering the work force.'

# **Vocational Education**

SAVANNA BRAMSTEDT, daughter of Andy and Stacy Bramstedt of Blue Grass, plans to major in exercise science/ physical therapy at St. Ambrose University, Davenport.

# Top achievements:

- National Honor Society
- Junior Rotarian
- Falcon/Kestral awards

"I expect to see the world continue to evolve in educational technology. Colleges and universities are already widely using online education and high schools around the country are beginning to follow suit. In 10 years, I see all schools being home-based with use of computer and virtual teachers

LAKEN CLAEYS-FLUEGEL, son of Kim and Kurt Weber and Mike and Denise Fluegel of Davenport plans to major in welding engineering at Western Illinois University, Moline.

#### Top achievements:

- Vocational welding graduate
  - Welding robotic training

Engineering design development

"I see myself in 10 years, living on a small farm near the Quad-Cities or in lowa. I plan on having a family and to be working at Genesis Robotics or possibly John Deere as a welding engineer or technician."

## **Young Journalist**

CORTNEY HAINES, daughter of Jennifer and Alvin Haines of Davenport, plans to major in journalism at Western Illinois University, Macomb.

- Top achievements:
- "Friend of the Children" recipient
- Yearbook business manager
- Academic Excellence

Mallory Austin Savanna Wulf **Bramstedt Claeys-Fluegel** Moore

## **Humanities**

MELISSA HARDY, daughter of Annette Hardy and Matthew Hardy of Davenport, plans to major in chemical engineering at Grinnell (Iowa) College.

- Top achievements:
- AP Scholar
- National Honor Society
- Academic Excellence

"In the next 10 years, I believe the world will have a slew of growing issues to face, from overpopulation to dwindling resources to problems of waste and pollution. I expect changes to be in response to these issues, hopefully resulting in the unification of nations for a speedy resolution."

SARA MORITZ, daughter of Roxanna and Tom Moritz of Davenport, plans to major in history/education at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

- Top achievements:
- Junior Rotarian
- Senior Class secretary National Honor Society vice-

president

"In light of the Kony 2012 Movement, I believe the youth of the world will begin to gather together to fight to better the world. For the first time we are seeing youth stepping up to address the injustices happening worldwide. In the next 10 years, I see social media being used as a tool uniting people instead of dividing them."

## Leadership

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Humanities

room."

DANIEL DANKERT, son of Larry and Diane Dankert of Davenport, plans to major in political science and history

Weeks

believe the United States will continue

and education about different cultures

CHRISTINE MBAKWE, daughter of

Uche and Casey Mbakwe of Daven-

National Achievement Scholar

and Loumb Honorary Science Award

tary published as PBS website teach-

ing tool "Less really does mean more. Man

will create more technology requiring

less restrictions, aim to make more

lessen sickness and disease. Our

more and less."

Leadership

less effort, ask for more freedoms and

money in less time, find more cures to

future: a reality with dual existence of

MATTHEW NEWSOME, son of Mark

and Susan Newsome of Bettendorf.

plans to major in economics at the

University of Rochester Bausch

National History Day Documen-

port, plans to major in biology at

Washington University, St. Louis.

Top achievements:

to become more culturally diverse,

will become common in the class-

- at Central College, Pella, Iowa.
- Top achievements:
- Iowa Legislative page
- 4.0 GPA

National Honor Society

"I think in the next 10 years the world will see a massive centralization of power from Western Cultures to China. As the European economy collapses and China continues to usurp America's title of the superpower of the world, China will become the country that shapes the future."

SHYANNE SALADINO, daughter of Steve Saladino and Joy Saladino of Davenport, plans to major in nursing at Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids.

#### Top achievements:

- Student Senate president
- Junior Rotarian
- National Honor Society

Dakota Young, Ryan Zamora and Kellie Zogg.

"I think with the rise in gas prices a new energy source will be found. Our environment is changing rapidly and a new energy source is needed. With all the new inventions being made, surely a new fuel source will be one of them."

# Math/The Sciences

MALLORY MOORE, daughter of Kurt and Michelle Moore of Davenport, plans to major in occupational therapy at Muscatine Community College.

- Top achievements:
- Honor Roll

National Honor Society officer

"Ten years from now, I see the world as a paperless place. Everything we do educationally will be done electronically. Students will no longer use textbooks and notebooks, but instead will use computers. I believe in elementary

ien years from now, the world will be a greatly different place. I believe that in this fast-paced world, technology will take over our lives. This is not necessarily bad thing but it will defiantly change the way we live our lives and communicate; just look at 10 vears ago!

ERIN PERSHALL, granddaughter of Ivan Jr. and Catherine Aronson of Blue Grass, plans to major in education at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls.

#### Top achievements:

- Beak 'n' Eye co-editor-in-chief
- Ecology Club secretary
- Academic letter, star winner

"In 10 years, I expect that many things will change. To me, the communication will change drastically due to technology. I expect to see less printed newspapers and more published editions online. I believe that new technology trends will create the 'next big thing' in the journalism world."

## RIVERMONT COLLEGIATE, Betten-

dorf, has selected these outstanding students from its class of seven students:

## Academics

#### PAVANE GORREPATI, daughter of Krishnarao and Pramilarani Gorrepati of Davenport, plans to attend Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

#### Top achievements:

President's Environmental Award presented by EPA director Lisa P. Jackson and President Obama

The World Food Prize Borlaug-Ruan International Internship

■ 3rd place, Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

"I expect to see more cooperation and activism to solve some of the world's toughest challenges. There will be a need for strong and dedicated leaders to tackle issues such as food insecurity and climate change in the coming years."

## The Arts

JOANN WEEKS, daughter of Monica and Randy Weeks of Pleasant Valley, plans to major in sociology/criminal justice at Benedictine University, Lisle, III.

#### Top achievements:

■ George F. Neiley Writing Award Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award, University of

Rochester National History Day national

finalist

"Over the next 10 years, of course, technology will continue to advance; I wouldn't be surprised if eBooks took over in our education system. I also





Mbakwe

Newsome Pagadala

Brain Bee; advanced to National Brain Bee in Washington, D.C

Prabhu

Yerrapothu

"In the future, the world will definitely have made great strides in both advanced technology and global relationships. I believe that cutting-edge research in fields such as nanotechnology and immunology, along with stronger international connections, will foster a better and more sophisticated planet that seeks to continually solve problems and achieve peace.'

#### Service

MEGHANA YERRAPOTHU, daughter of Venkata and Sarada Yerrapothu of Moline, plans to major in biological sciences-neuroscience at the University of Illinois, Chicago.

#### Top achievements:

Honor Roll

Iowa Bar Association Good Citizenship Award

Outstanding Achievement in French

"Ten years from now, the world as we know it will be redefined by necessity, technology and research breakthroughs. Advancements in medicine will allow conditions and diseases deemed previously deadly now fit for

# **CLASS OF 2012**

Pavane Gorrepati, Christine Mbakwe, Matthew Newsome, Meghana Pagadala, Ramva Prabhu, Joann Weeks and Meghana Yerrapothu.

treatment. The drastic reduction in energy sources will force us to find alternatives. Continuing developments in technology will increase our dependency on machines.

## Young Journalist

RAMYA PRABHU, daughter of Uma Sridevi and N. V. Rama Prabhu of Moline, plans to major in biological sciences/pre-dental at the University of Illinois, Chicago.

Top achievements:

Publishing projects: "A Buzzie Bee Tale," "Oliver Goes to the Dentist"

Yearbook editor Rivermont Foreign Language

Award "Within the next 10 years, I expect

to see more integration of technology into schools. Because occupations today rely heavily on computers and communication systems, exposing students to technology at an early age can lead to more success in their future careers.'

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University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. Top achievements:

Early acceptance, Wharton Business School at the University of Pennsylvania

Headmaster's List

opment Summer Business Institute, Tuck School of Business

'Ten years from now, I would still expect the world to reform and reshape itself to keep up with ever changing times. Historically, our world has always found a way to adapt to change and challenge.

# Math/The Sciences

MEGHANA PAGADALA, daughter of Kishore and Padma Pagadala of Rock Island, plans to major in biochemistry at California Institute of Technology, Pasadena

#### Top achievements:

Co-author of pending scientific journal publication

■ Overall grand champion, State Science and Technology Fair of Iowa; advanced to Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

■ 1st Place Champion, Iowa State

Leadership Education and Devel-