June 7, 2017

Dear Seniors,

What a wonderful evening awaits you! After four years of giving service to your school and striving to do your best academically, you are at the pinnacle of your high school career. This moment did not come easily. You contributed many hours of effort, hard work and scholarship so that you might achieve this success.

We are very grateful to the many organizations in the Cranford community, both philanthropic and civic, that have donated so richly to honor you tonight. Like the members of the faculty of Cranford High School, they recognize your labor; the very presence of these individuals pays tribute to your work as young citizens of Cranford. We are duly proud of you.

Parents, come celebrate with us tonight as we honor young men and women of promise, individuals who have made our high school a finer place. Seniors, take time out of this special evening to thank your benefactors personally. Most of all, let “the spirit of giving” that so dominates tonight become YOUR spirit, and the way you live your life become repayment for what others have done for you.

All my best,

Mark Cantagallo

Mark Cantagallo
Principal
Cranford High School
Senior Awards Ceremony

June 7, 2017
7:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem
Members of the Cranford High School Concert Choir

Welcome
Lisa Burfeindt
Director of Guidance

Address to Award Winners
Mark Cantagallo
Principal

Cranford High School Medallions
Presented by Mark Cantagallo
Recipients: Grace Yueqing Chen, Thomas Whitehead

Cranford High School Awards for Outstanding Achievement
Top 5% of the Class of 2017
Presented by Mark Cantagallo
Appointment to West Point

Presented by Victor S. Elgort
Recipient: Cameron Hay

Department Supervisors will present
awards to the seniors in
alphabetical order

Heather Austin, Special Education
Annamaria Bellino, Family and Consumer Sciences and World Languages
Lynn Berry, Fine and Performing Arts
Gregg Caverly, Mathematics
Lisa Hayeck, Applied Technology and Science
Judith Podbelski, Business and Social Studies
Susan Ritter, English
Darren Torsone, Physical Education and Health

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DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Student Government Award for Leadership and Service
Recipient: Delaney Sciascia

Academic Achievement Award
Recipients: Benjamin Fries, Jessica Heyburn, Hannah Scaturo

Accounting Award
Recipient: Anthony Patella

Automotives Student of the Year Award
Recipient: Addison Chang

CADD Student of the Year Award
Recipient: Joshua Medeiros
Child Development Award
Recipient: Jessica Brown

Concert Choir Honor Award
Recipient: Margaret Manhardt

Crafts Student of the Year Award
Recipient: Alexis Miranda

Cranford High School Award for Excellence in Biology
Recipient: Jessica Brown

Cranford High School Award for Excellence in Chemistry
Recipient: Sydney Sweet

Cranford High School Award for Excellence in Environmental Science
Recipient: Francis Silvestrini

Cranford High School Award for Excellence in Physics
Recipient: Thomas Whitehead

Cranford High School Computer Science Award
Recipient: Marisa Sigas

Cranford High School Web Design Award
Recipient: Trevor Aschmies

Director's Award for Orchestra
Recipients: Catherine Hoffman, Johnny Weston

Engineering Technology Award
Recipient: Adam Czysznic

English Department Award for Excellence
Recipient: Connor Fitch
Family and Consumer Sciences Award  
Recipient: Christina Barlik

Frank Galina Business Award  
Recipient: Matthew Orsini

French Award  
Recipient: Emily Arcuri

General Business Award  
Recipient: Thomas Curry

George Deckenbach Fine Arts Award  
Recipient: Brianna Scotti

German Award  
Recipient: Connor Fitch

Graphic Arts Student of the Year Award  
Recipient: Rosbel Amuruz

Herff-Jones DECA Student of the Year  
Recipient: Kelly Drake

Japanese Language Study Award  
Recipient: Elizabeth Farkas

John Philip Sousa Band Award  
Recipient: Sydney Sweet

Latin Award  
Recipient: Mallory Vollbrecht

Louis Armstrong Jazz Award  
Recipient: Catherine Hoffman
Lucy O. Teague Award for Excellence in the Study of Foreign Language
Recipient: Connor Fitch

Madrigal Choir Honor Award
Recipient: Sarah Vollenbroek

Marketing Award
Recipient: Spencer Pascal

Microsoft Applications and Presentations Award
Recipient: Christopher Curry

National Honor Society for Dance Arts Senior Honor Award
Recipients: Fallon Morrison, Shannon Szefinski

National School Choral Award
Recipients: Katherine Mackenzie, Sarah Vollenbroek

Oliver J. West Mathematics Award
Recipients: Connor Fitch, Sydney Sweet

Photography Student Award
Recipient: Christina Barlik

Physical Education and Health Award
Recipients: Adam Czprsunic, Kaitlin Young

Ready-Set-Teach Award
Recipient: Victoria Pardo

Science Academy Award
Recipients: Peter Folgia, Murielle Mason

Social Studies Department Award for Excellence
Recipients: Grace Yueqing Chen, Connor Fitch, Cameron Hay, Mario Lancellotti
Spanish Award  
Recipient: Timothy Romero

Thespian of the Year  
Recipient: Lilian Rebelo

Woods Student of the Year Award  
Recipient: Nathaniel Halek

Yearbook Award  
Recipients: Ashley Hall, Nicholas Parente

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COMMUNITY AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Joseph Dugandzic Memorial Scholarship  
Presented by Brad and Sharon Steele  
Recipients: Sean O'Beirne, Gabriela Valdes

Wednesday Morning Club Award  
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt  
Recipients: Christina Duverglas, Shania Murga

Union County School Nurses Association Scholarship  
Presented by Barbara Maher  
Recipient: Sarah Sterling

Union County Guidance Association "We Care" Award  
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt  
Recipients: Christina Barlik, Kevin McCarthy, Christian Rivera, Marisa Sigas
The Ruth S. Janovsik Cranford Parent Teacher Council Scholarship
Presented by Lisa Salway
Recipients: Sean Bryson, Samantha Dalli, Rebecca Durant, Jean-marie Padden, Kymonie Thomas-Nagil, Kathryn Tumbokon, Brittany Welsh

The Meyer Family Scholarship
Presented by Missy Meyer Weisgerber, Emily Weisgerber
Recipient: Christina Barlik

The Kim and George Huff Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Enid De Luca
Recipients: Nathaniel Halek, Maya Lawler

The James Lenney Memorial Choral Scholarship
Presented by Anthony Rafaniello
Recipient: Mikayla Herz

The Carol Fedoryk Scholarship Fund
Presented by Gregg Caverly
Recipient: Thomas Whitehead

Spencer Savings Bank Scholarship
Presented by Vince Spada
Recipient: Shania Murga

Rutgers Club of Cranford Scholarship
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: Jordan Sherwood

Ronald & Helena Macklin World Language Scholarship
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: Jessica Heyburn

Ronald & Helena Macklin Soccer Scholarship
Presented by Darren Torsone
Recipient: Sarah Sterling
Pearl Campbell Visionary Scholarship
Presented by Gretchen Conway
Recipient: Christina Duverglas, Amy Veron

Patrolman Robert F. Hand Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Lt. Stephen Wilde
Recipient: Erica Moreno, Brittany Welsh

Patricia Lusardi Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: Kevin McCarthy

New Jersey 2017 Statesman of the Year
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: Connor Fitch

National Association of Secondary School Principal's Award
Presented by Mark Cantagallo
Recipient: Grace Yueqing Chen

Mitzi Pollock Award for Achievement in Fine Art
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: Roshel Amuruz

Michael J. Wielgus II Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Wielgus Family
Recipient: Lauren Infante

Kleespies, Horwitz & Associates, LLC, CPAs Annual Accounting Scholarship
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: James Wozniak

Kanishka Paul, MD Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Dr. Konika Bose, MD
Recipient: Mallory Vollbrecht
Jim Ciampo Scholarship
Presented by Cindy Ciampo
Recipient: Jessica Brown

In Memory of Justin John Juzefyk
Presented by Haley Juzefyk
Recipient: Lilian Rebelo

Gender Equity Advocates
Presented by Alannah Iacovano
Recipient: Kelly Drake

Garden Club of Cranford Frances Wismer Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Ann E. Darby, Julie Murphy
Recipient: Trevor Martin

Edward and Catherine Maguire Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Jennifer Carovillano, Robert Delsandro
Recipient: Jessica Heyburn

Dr. Josephine Corbo Harris Crafts Achievement Award
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt
Recipient: Paris Montes

Cranford Wrestling Parents Club Scholarship
Presented by Pat Gorman
Recipient: Michael Nigro

Cranford Woman's Club Community Service Scholarship
Presented by Theresa Diano, Renee Faller
Recipients: Jessica Brown, Rebecca Durant, Caitlin Kalnins
Cranford Village Improvement Association Nursing Scholarship  
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt  
Recipient: Brittany Welsh

Cranford Soccer Club Scholarship  
Presented by Lisa Burfeindt  
Recipients: Thomas Curry, Katherine Mackenzie

Cranford Rotary Club Scholarship  
Presented by Stephen Lieberman  
Recipients: Jessica Brown, Isabella DeSimone, Kevin McCarthy, Sarah Sterling

Cranford Rotary Club Leadership Award  
Presented by Stephen Lieberman  
Recipient: Zachary Gesslein

Cranford Rotary Club Interact Scholarship  
Presented by Stephen Lieberman  
Recipient: Brittany Welsh

Cranford PAL Glenn A. Owens Memorial Scholarship  
Presented by Det. Sgt. Matthew Nazzaro  
Recipients: Anthony Capece, Jillian DeVoti, Brian McGovern, James Wozniak

Cranford Lacrosse Club Scholarship  
Presented by Mike Robel  
Recipients: Daniel Allen, Connor Fitch, Katherine Mackenzie, Caroline Plick

Cranford Knights of Columbus Council 6226 Scholarship  
Presented by Wally Shackell  
Recipients: Christina Barlik, Lauren Byrne, Peter Coates, William Doolan, Rebecca Durant, Connor Fitch, Lilian Rebelo, Julia Reilly, Mallory Vollbrecht
Cranford Jaycee Community Service Award
Presented by Bill Kennedy, Joe Hanlon
Recipients: Christina Barlik, Jordan Burd, Peter Coates, Isabella DeSimone, Jillian DeVoti, Rebecca Durant, Cameron Hay, Alannah Iacovano, Caitlin Kalnins, Olivia Klimko, Gabrielle Mason, Murielle Mason, Kevin McCarthy, Ryan McGovern, Carly Nicholas, Brianna Scotti, Sarah Sterling, Anne Stochel, Kaitlin Taylor, Maria Venturo, Brittany Welsh

Cranford Historical Society History Award
Presented by Lori Hoffner
Recipients: Brandon Miller, Mary Norwine

Cranford High School PTA Award for Outstanding Achievement
Presented by Paula Taylor
Recipients: Thomas Armstrong, Connor Fitch, Spencer Pascal, Mallory Vollbrecht

Cranford High School PTA Award for Excellence of Performance
Presented by Paula Taylor
Recipients: Jonathan Esperto, Margaret Manhardt

Cranford High School Class of 1967 Scholarship
Presented by Kirk Foltz, Barbara Murphy, Chuck Archdeacon
Recipient: Brittany Welsh

Cranford Education Association Scholarship
Presented by Richard Hurley
Recipients: Jordan Burd, Lauren Infante, Trey Pascual, Rickey Poszyler, Sarah Roberts

Cranford Dramatic Club Award
Presented by Judi Chandler
Recipient: Brenden Scalea

Cranford Clergy Council/Interfaith Human Relations Committee Senior Scholarship
Presented by Cindy Hannen
Recipient: Anne Stochel
Cranford Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship
Presented by Jamie Miller
Recipient: Sarah Sterling

Cranford Area Chamber of Commerce Kurt Petschow Sr. Special Scholarship
Presented by Jamie Miller
Recipient: Brittany Welsh

Crane's Ford Daughters of the American Revolution
Excellence in American History Award
Presented by Barbara Krause
Recipient: Thomas Whitehead

College Women's Club of Cranford Scholarship
Presented by Janet Collins, Sue Dooley
Recipients: Christina Barlik, Grace Yueqing Chen, Erica Henninger, Rebecca Piassek, Molly Swanson, Sydney Sweet, Alexandra Taylor, Karina Vizzoni

College Woman's Club of Cranford Highest GPA for a Female Student
Presented by Janet Collins, Sue Dooley
Recipient: Grace Yueqing Chen

Colin J. Maher Memorial Scholarship
Presented by Maher Family
Recipient: Spencer Pascal

Caramanica Women in Science Scholarship
Presented by Tom Caramanica, Troy Caramanica
Recipient: Isabella DeSimone
THANK YOU

Many members of the Cranford High School community have come together to make this evening a memorable one for the Class of 2017. We would like to express our appreciation to the faculty and staff of Cranford High School, as well as members of the Class of 2018. We also thank the community organizations for participating in honoring our graduating seniors in such a special way.
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