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Motto different dreams, and different destinations, but we all have the contractions.

Class "See You Song Again" by Wiz Khalifa

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Friday, May 26, 2023, 7 p.m. GU High School Graduatio

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Joseph **Aarre** Parents/Guardians: Heather and Dana Aarre Future Plans: College



**Jaxson** Allen Parents/Guardians: Jon Allen and Kim Bergs Future Plans: MN State University, Mankato



Amsden Parents/Guardians: Josh and Melanie Amsden Future Plans: Inver Hills Community College

Ella



Baltazar-Ruiz Parents/Guardians: Ernesto and Alicia Baltazar-Ruiz Future Plans: Study and Work

Jose



Samantha **Barland** Parents/Guardians: Mia Mulville and Taylor Barland Future Plans: Unknown



Anna **Barnett** Parents/Guardians: Pat and Amy Barnett Future Plans: University of Minnesota, Twin Cities



**Bastyr** Parents/Guardians: Katrina Bastyr and Jill Sticha Future Plans: University of Wisconsin, River Falls



Mavrick **Birdsell** Parents/Guardians: Jason and Hilary Birdsell,

and Justinia Śchmidt Future Plans: Alexandria Technical and Community College



Danessa Buckingham Parents/Guardians: Erin Barry and Bob Buckingham Future Plans:

Undecided



**Buckingham** Parents/Guardians: Eva Steege and Jason Buckingham Future Plans: Undecided

Madison



Bulger Parents/Guardians: Amy and Peter Bulger Future Plans: School - New Mexico

William



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## Senior class officers 2023



President



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National Honor Society (president),

participant), student council, Youth

Where I see myself in 20 years

"I would like to still have a strong

the Twin Cities Marathon.

a family of my own."

Business Professionals of America (state

and Education Alliance (YEA) Summit

member; captain for football, basketball and

track; alter server at church and working at

relationship with my family and have a job

I truly enjoy working at and hopefully have



Treasurer

Swim and dive team, National Honor Society, Future Farmers of America, Business Professionals of America; concert, pep and jazz band; working in an assisted living center, and in a student leadership group called HOSA.

### Where I see myself in 20 years

"I would like to tell my future self to keep pushing towards success but make sure to spend time with the people you love. Time goes by too fast to take it for granted. Knowing this, in 20 years I hope I am succeeding in my career as a medical researcher and finding new treatments for people in need while having fun with my family and making memories of my own."



Secretary

Aven Prigge

Cross country, soccer, basketball, baseball, track and field, trap shooting, student council, National Honor Society, German club (president), Business Professionals of America, Knowledge Bowl, musicals and plays; concert, pep, jazz and marching bands; solo-ensemble contest, prom committee, speech, Lonsdale Crawl, post-prom committee, card making, blood drives, vacation Bible school, and volunteering at church.

### Where I see myself in 20 years

"Dear Aven,

I know whatever we're doing now, we are happy. I know we have people in our lives that we love and adore, and maybe have even found our better half. I could guess a million different things that you might be doing. I know right now I want us to be sitting in the house of representatives, or defending people in the court of law. I also assume we've gotten our music career off the ground and are probably known nationwide... or maybe we finally settled down and started that chicken farm we've always dreamed of. Wherever we are, I know we're happy. Love, Aven.'

# Khia Krautkremer

#### National Honor Society, cross country, and track and field.

Where I see myself in 20 years

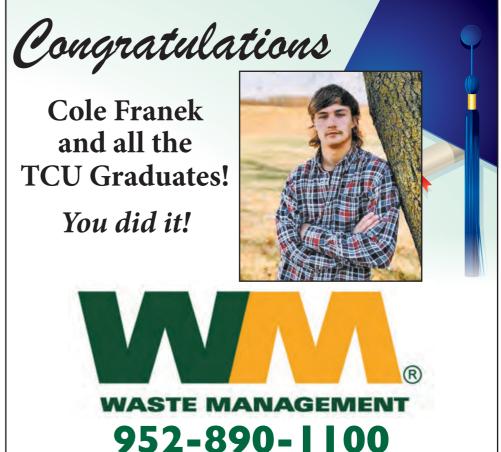
### "I hope to have my degree in nursing and

to be successful in my career. I also hope to have a healthy and happy family and to be married with children. Lastly, I hope to live near my parents and family."





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**Emily** 



Tegan Determan Parents/Guardians:

Travis Determan and Sarah Determan Future Plans: Work



Arthur **Devine** 

Parents/Guardians: Sharon Devine and Robert Devine Future Plans: U.S. Army

National Guard

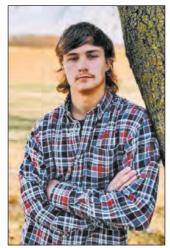


**Felicity** Ellsworth

Parents/Guardians: Larry and Laura Ellsworth Future Plans: Hamline University



Makayla **Erickson** Parents/Guardians: Joel and Niki Erickson Future Plans: Winona State University



Franek Parents/Guardians: Dave and Marsha Franek Future Plans: Work for

(Bacs)

Cole



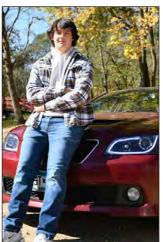
Mindy **Fritz** Parents/Guardians:

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**Zachery** Gargett

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### **Jose Gonzalez-Mendez**

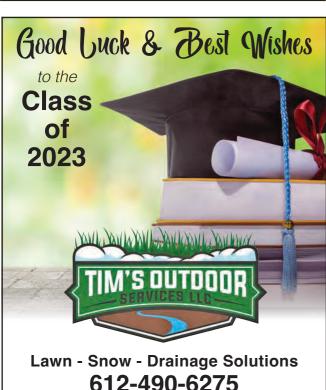
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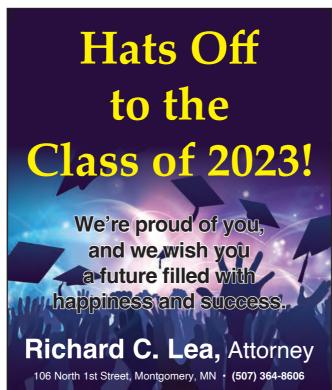




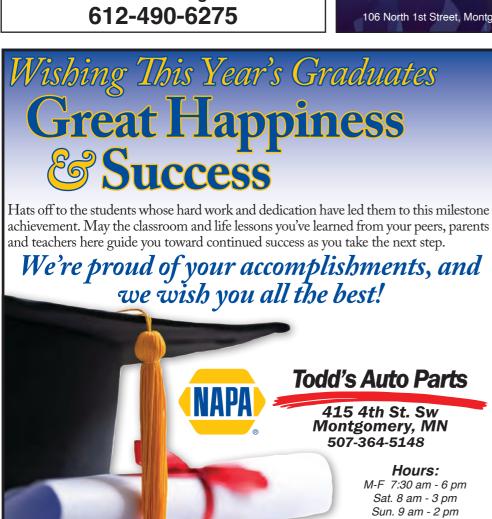
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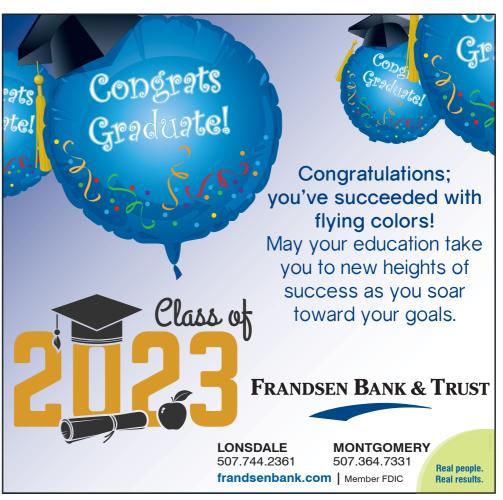
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Parents/Guardians: Kevin and Shannon Holicky Future Plans: University of Minnesota, Twin Cities



Dylan Hollom

Parents/Guardians: Jason Hollom and Amanda Hennen Future Plans: South Central Technical College



Christopher Horejsi

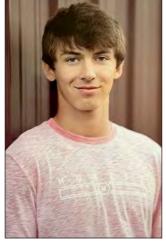
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Future Plans: U.S. Army National Guard



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Parents/Guardians: Marthanna Rice and **Anthony Huffins** Future Plans: University of Iowa



Christopher **Johnson** 

Parents/Guardians: Jeff and Peggy Johnson Future Plans: University of Minnesota, Twin Cities



**Dante Juberian** 

Parents/Guardians: Tami Juberian and Stepfather Christopher Hahn Future Plans: Undecided



**Tyler** Kadrlik

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Harley Kester

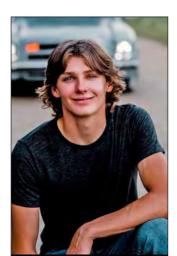
Parents/Guardians: Josh Kester and Nikki Kester Future Plans: College



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### Derek **Koktavy**

Parents/Guardians: Thomas Koktavy and Jennifer Koktavy Future Plans: Work



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Parents/Guardians: Pat and Kelly Korbitz Future Plans: Apprentice - North Central Utility and SCTC/Mankato



Rhia Krautkremer

Parents/Guardians: Matt and Denise Krautkremer Future Plans: The College of St. Scholastica



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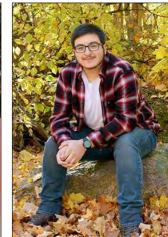
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Parents/Guardians: Mike Kroyer and Sandy Kroyer Future Plans: Dakota County Tech College



John Kubes

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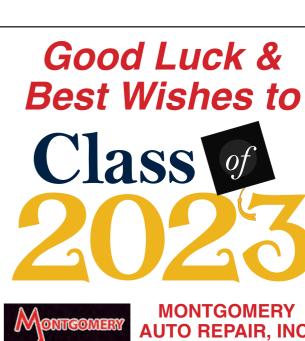
It's your big day, and we'd like to say,

### CONGRATULATIONS!"

As you celebrate this milestone achievement, please know our best wishes are with you. May your future be bright, healthy, happy and filled with continued success!

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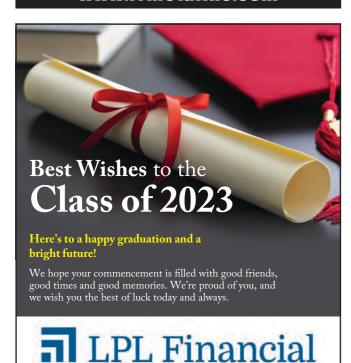
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Mikayla Marek

Parents/Guardians: Bill and Cheryl Marek Future Plans: Iowa State University



**Andrea** Mena - Ocampo

Parents/Guardians: Veronica Ocampo Mendez and Victor Montes De Oca Future Plans: College



Marcos Mendez Corona

Parents/Guardians: Marcos Mendez and Erika Corona Future Plans: South Central Community College



Keirra Meyer

Parents/Guardians: Nan Meyer and Tad Meyer Future Plans: Bethany Lutheran College



Katelin Mulville

Parents/Guardians: Chris Mulville and Emily Jurgens Future Plans: School



Aidan Murphy

Parents/Guardians: Jennifer Murphy and Andy Murphy Future Plans: School



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Parents/Guardians: Roger and Charlene Napper Future Plans: Work



**Judson** Narum

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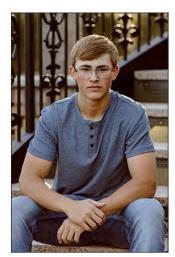
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Mecca Nightingale

Parents/Guardians: Wade and Bonnie Young Future Plans: Alexendria Community and Technical College



Aiden Novotny

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**Jeremy** Novotny

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Caden O'Mallev

Parents/Guardians: Holly and Kelly O'Malley Future Plans: MN State University, Mankato



Elizabeth Odenthal

Parents/Guardians: Randy and Laura Odenthal Future Plans: College of Saint Scholastica, Duluth



Steven Odenthal

Parents/Guardians: Ted and Tracy Odenthal Future Plans: Dakota County Technical College



**Trenton** Olson

Parent/Guardian: Troy Kelley Future Plans: Work





Here's hoping everything comes up roses on your graduation day! May it be filled with happiness, friendship and plenty of fun.

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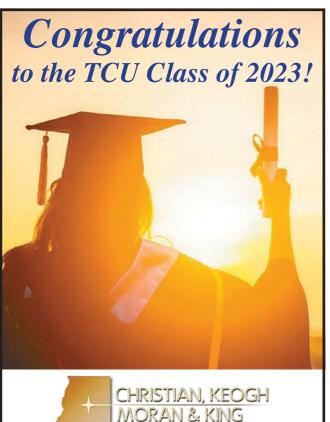
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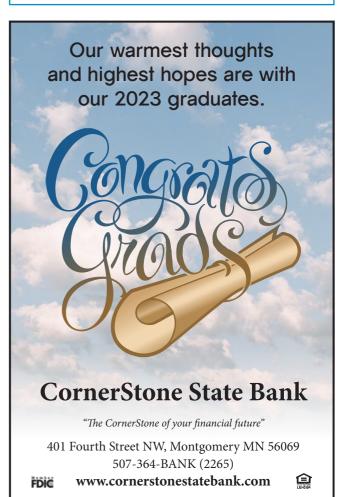


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Prigge Parents/Guardians: Chad and Laura Prigge Future Plans: United States Air Force

Aven



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Parents/Guardians: Jenna Ramon and Reynaldo Ramon Future Plans: Work



Nolan Readmond Parents/Guardians: Dave and Betsy Readmond Future Plans: Augsburg University



Marco **Reyes** Parents/Guardians: Devin and Joe Reyes Future Plans: University of Mary, Bismarck, ND



Rozeboom Parents/Guardians: Rebel and Keith Rozeboom Future Plans: University of Wisconsin, River Falls



Ruger Parents/Guardians: Renee Thompson and Eric Ruger Future Plans: Saint Mary's University,

Madeline



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Karen

Ruiz

Parents/Guardians:

Sara Tinoco Ruiz and

Benjamin Hernandez

Future Plans:

College



Rutt Parents/Guardians: Bill and Sue Rutt Future Plans: Iowa State University



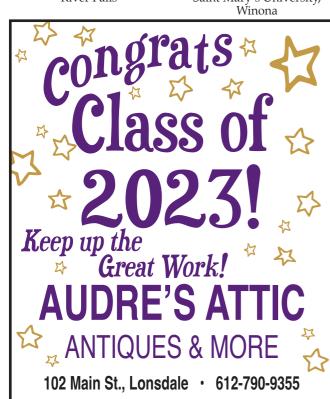
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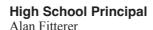




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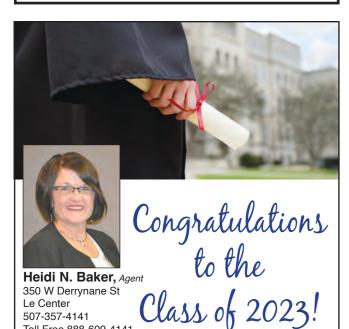


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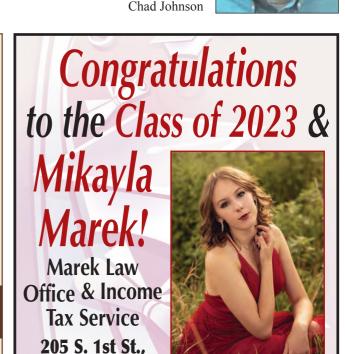




We hope your special day finds you surrounded by family, friends, and fun as you celebrate this milestone achievement. Enjoy every moment and good luck in your future endeavors.



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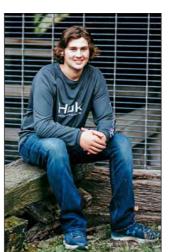
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Schley Parents/Guardians: Chad and Kit Schley, and Travis and Renee Nichols Future Plans: Work

Adam



Schroeder Parents/Guardians: Jesse and Maxine Schroeder Future Plans: University of Minnesota, Rochester

Brianna



Parents/Guardians: Troy Scofield and Stephanie Vlasak Future Plans: South Central Community

College, Mankato

Levi

Scofield



**Payton** Singleton Parents/Guardians: Jeffery and Darcy Singleton Future Plans: MN State University, Mankato



Riley Skluzacek Parents/Guardians: Gail and Jesse Skluzacek Future Plans: Dunwoody College of Technology



Sladek Parents/Guardians: Chris and Amanda Sladek Future Plans: U.S. Army

Carter



Sladek Parents/Guardians: Jason and Michelle Sladek Future Plans: School in Missoula, Montana

Ellie



**Smisek** Parents/Guardians: Adam and Crystal Smisek Future Plans: South Central Community College, Mankato

Carter



Steiger Parents/Guardians: Michelle Steiger and Robert Steiger Future Plans: Washington State University

Maleah



Caleb **Stephens** Parents/Guardians: Jenny and Jesse Stephens Future Plans: College

### Principal Fitterer's message to graduates

Dear Titan Class of 2023:

Very soon you'll be in the spotlight once again. For many of you, you have always been in the spotlight for your achievements, your accomplishments, your successes, and maybe even some mistakes and challenges.

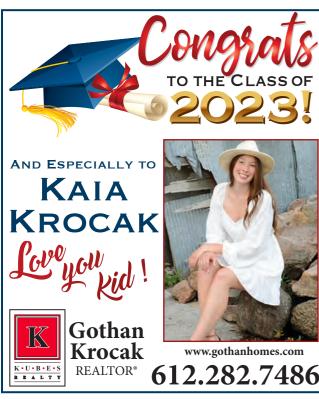
One incredible and unique piece about one's graduation from high school is EVERY graduate gets to take his/her/their walk across that great stage as you hear your name being called out to more than 1,200 people. It is your time to shine!

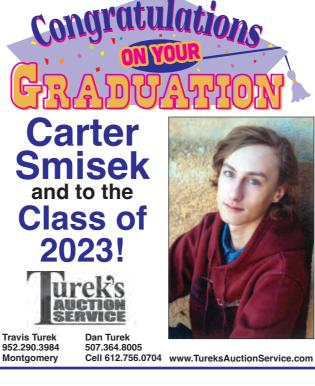
Many of you will decorate your lid, your board, your graduation cap with the flair of your personality. After all, you have purchased it & it will forever mark this day — your day!

Your grades will no longer matter, your school attendance is in the rearview mirror, and each and every one of you has reached the ultimate at this point of your young lives! Enjoy the spotlight, as you have earned it!

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

We'll see you on Friday, May 26 at 7 p.m. on that stage under the bright lights!

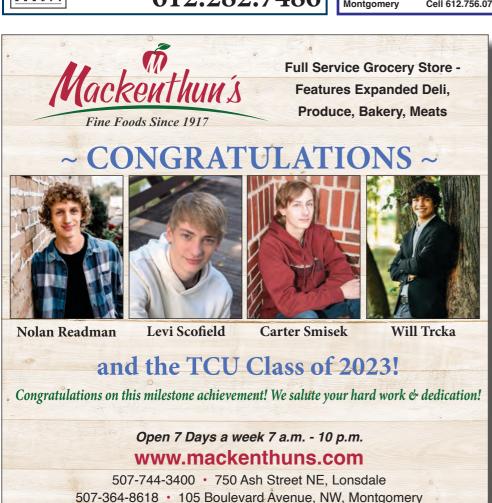








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Samantha Tiede

Parents/Guardians: Lloyd and Diane Tiede Future Plans: University of Wisconsin, Superior



William Trcka

Parents/Guardians: Bill and Christine Trcka Future Plans: South Central College



Shelby **Urness-Burt** 

Parents/Guardians: Desiree Thomas Urness Future Plans: South Central College



John Urtuzuastegui

Parents/Guardians: Doreen Devoy-Hulgan and Brion Urtuzuastegui Future Plans: Iowa State University



### Mason Vosejpka

Parents/Guardians: Derek and Kristi Vosejpka Future Plans: Montana State University

## Where are the Titans going?

Jarrod Schoenecker

editor@montgomerymnnews.com

Students graduating from Tri-City United High School this year are planning on going into a wide array of directions after school. Of the 97 students we received information from at the time of publication, 78% (76) students plan on accomplishing higher education degrees, 17% (16) plan on entering the workforce, 4% (4) plan on entering the military and 1% (1) was undecided.

Most students who are seeking higher education are staying in relatively close proximity. Individual students who plan on moving further away decided on schools in Montana, New Mexico and Washington State. The remaining students are attending schools in Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Wisconsin, North Dakota or still haven't chosen a school they want to go to (11 students).

### Most Popular Schools by the Numbers

Minnesota State University Mankato	10
South Central College in Mankato	8
University of Minnesota Twin Cities	5
Dakota County Technical College	4
Iowa State University	3
Winona State University	3
Alexandria Technical College	2
Central Lakes College	2
Lake Superior College	2

The remaining students are going to schools without any other Titan alumni.



### Most Popular Areas of Study by the Numbers

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Nursing	7
Construction Management	3
HVAC	3
Animal Science	2
Elementary Education	2
Heavy Equipment Operation	2
Helicopter Aviation	2
Law Enforcement	2
Mechanical Engineering	2
Psychology	2

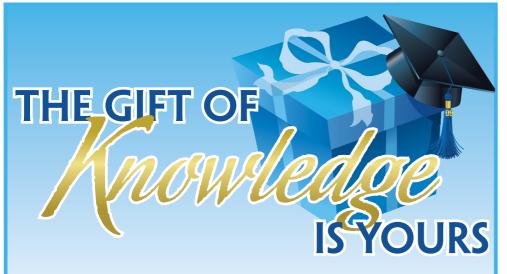
The remaining students are pursuing their area of study uniquely.

Of the students planning on entering the military, two of them are planning on going into the U.S. Army National Guard, one in the U.S. Army and the other in the U.S. Air Force.

Students who are planning on entering the workforce directly are as diverse as those planning on higher education. Expected job focuses after leaving high school include manufacturing, transportation, delivery service, retail, heavy equipment operation, landscaping, medical interpretation, woodworking and a few undecided.

The Montgomery Messenger and Suel Printing, Co. wishes the Tri-City United High School Class of 2023 the best of luck in their future endeavors!





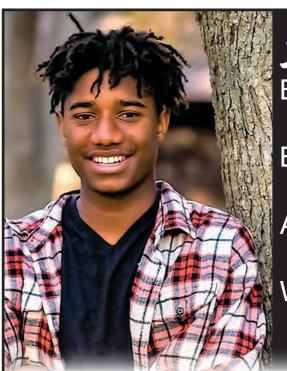
May your education and experience as a student serve you well in your career and your future. We wish you much happiness and fulfillment. Congratulations to the Class of 2023!



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Chris and Irene Wagner Future Plans: University of Minnesota, Duluth



Cole **Walters** 

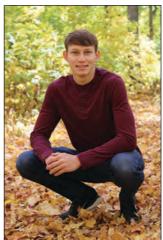
Parents/Guardians: Troy and Wendy Walters Future Plans: Iowa Central Community College



Lloyd Watts

Parents/Guardians: Nancy Zellner and Brian Zellner Future Plans:

Work



**Jordan** Weiers

Parents/Guardians: Jeremy Weiers and Jennifer Weiers Future Plans: University of Wisconsin,

Madison



Devin M. Whiteis

Parents/Guardians: Jim and Amanda Whiteis Future Plans: MN State University, Mankato



**Bailey** Witte

Parents/Guardians: Sara and Randy Witte Future Plans: Winona State University

## Tri-City United High School Class of 2023 Graduation

graduate on Friday evening, May 26 at 7 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. Continuing what has happened in previous graduation ceremonies, pending 2023 graduates will have a set of eight graduation ceremony tickets to disperse as they would like by using our online VANCO ticketing program.

There is no charge for the graduation tickets, and a ticket for the ceremony is truly not needed. All friends, family and community members are welcome to attend the TCU graduation ceremony, but those with tickets service is provided at no cost to the school district and

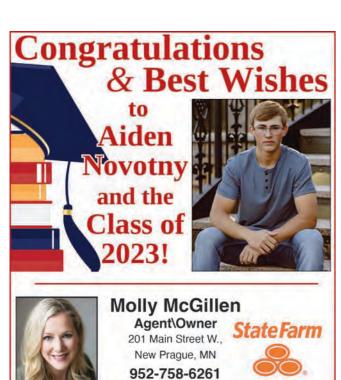
to those without tickets, from 6:20 to 6:40 p.m. At 6:40 p.m., the doors to the gymnasium are opened for all to enter and find a place to sit in a wonderfully air-condi-

Keep in mind that there will be a continuous free shuttle service between the TCU Montgomery Elementary and Middle School and high school prior to the cere-lives! mony, and the shuttle will run until the last rider is back to his/her/their vehicle after the ceremony. This shuttle

The Tri-City United High School Class of 2023 will will be able to enter the gym to select their seats prior no cost to the rider by Palmer Bus Service. It is a wonderful way to take the stress out of trying to park at the high school as the shuttle drops off and pick-up is curbside in the front of the high school.

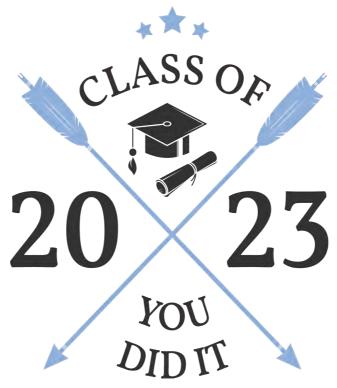
> We hope to see one and all at the graduation ceremony to support and send off the Tri-City United High School Titan Class of 2023 to the next stage of their

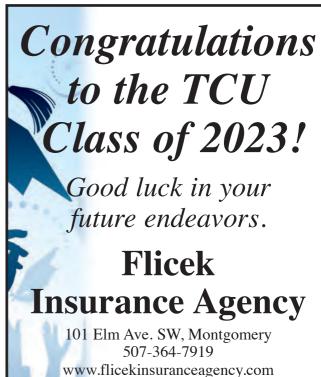
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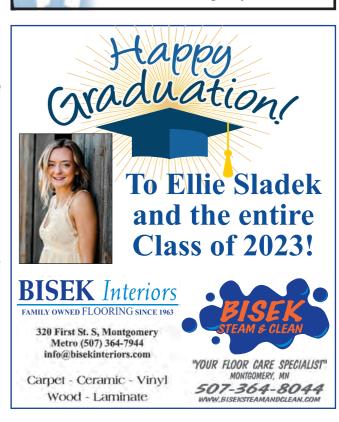
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Left to right: Anna Barnett, Tyler Kadrlik, Gabriella Rutt, Ellie Sladek, Meghan Callahan Elizabeth Odenthal, William Trcka, William Bulger, Arthur Devine, Steven Odenthal



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### Montgomery's Graduating Royalty!

The 2022 Kolacky Royalty is (from left) Queen Alexis Hoefs, First Princess and Miss Congeniality Elizabeth Ödenthal and Second Princess Kaia Krocak.

Good luck to the **TCU** Class of 2023!





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### Friday, May 26, 2023 7 p.m. **Graduation Ceremony**

#### **Concert Band**

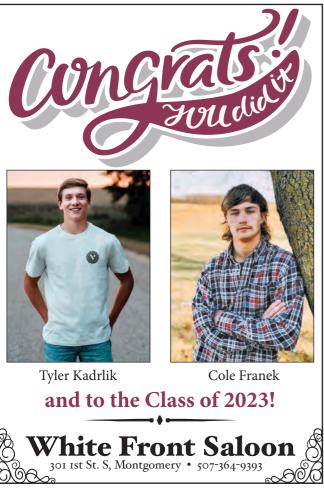
Processions - "Pomp and Circumstance" National Anthem - "The Star Spangled Banner" Senior Song - "How to Train your Dragon"

#### **Concert Choir**

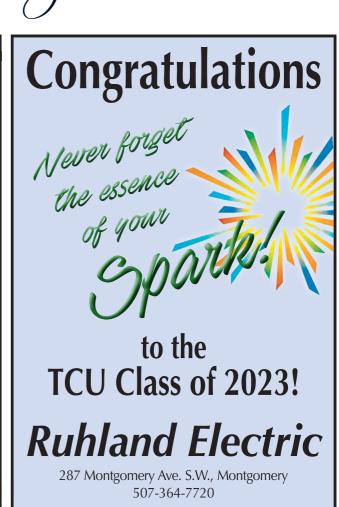
"Go the Distance" by Alan Menken and arranged by John Leavitt

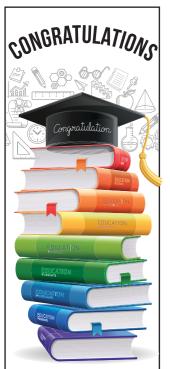
Look for more coverage of the 2023 TCU Graduation in the June 1st issue of the Montgomery Messenger!

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TCU Class of 2023!

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**Center Stage Dance Seniors** L to R- Maddy Ruger, Elizabeth Odenthal, Alayna Vogel, Ellie Sladek, Sophie Klehr, Kaia Krocak, Kyra Newman, Sami Pollack

Center Stage Dance

PIZZERIA 201



### **CONGRATULATIONS, GRADS!**

After years of hard work, countless late nights and collecting a closet full of school colors — you did it! We're proud to support students pursuing and achieving their dreams, on campus and beyond.



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