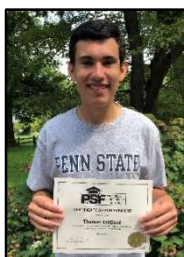


## Pennsbury Scholarship Foundation Awards \$185,000 to 73 Students in 2021

This year is the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pennsbury Scholarship Foundation, and we are proud to mark this milestone by awarding another record dollar amount of \$185,000 to 73 Pennsbury graduates. These scholars attend 37 different colleges and universities throughout the U.S and Canada, with areas of study ranging from science, art, and business, to education, music, engineering, and more. Over the past six decades, the PSF has awarded approximately \$3.5 million to more than 1,800 Pennsbury graduates. Our 2021 recipients have forever joined the PSF's long legacy of excellence.

Since we were unable to hold our traditional Recipient Reception this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we asked students to send us photos of themselves with their award certificates. Some of these photos are shown below, and a complete list of award winners is included on the next page. Congratulations to the PSF's recipient class of 2021!



## Growth through Adaptability

*A Message from PSF President Alan Chrzanowski*

It goes without saying that all of us—individuals, families, businesses, and organizations—have been impacted in one way or another by the COVID-19 pandemic. Students have faced some of the most difficult challenges, both educationally and financially. But, through all the uncertainty, they have also learned to adapt.

Adaptability is also one of the most defining characteristics of the Pennsbury Scholarship Foundation over the past 18 months. When the pandemic first hit, we were midway through our application season. Our board of directors worked creatively to ensure that our mission to assist Pennsbury graduates would continue.

We developed new systems and adjusted to new obstacles. Through that, we were able to adapt to the ups and downs of 2021 and support Pennsbury students who have excelled during these unprecedented times. I am proud to report that, due to the hard work of our volunteers and the generosity of our donors, we awarded \$185,000 to 73 students—the largest amount ever distributed in a single year by the PSF!

This year marks the PSF's 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As we celebrate this milestone, we can also look back on the ways the Foundation has adapted to the rising cost of college education over the past six decades.

Our half grant/half zero-interest loan formula was introduced in 1968 as a way to reach more students. This format enables the PSF to assist students when they need it most, and in turn, allows those recipients to pay it forward to future Pennsbury graduates. Today, loan repayments account for approximately one-third of the dollars we award each year.

In 1998, the PSF board recognized the need for additional funding, and established our endowed namesake scholarship program. Since then, the program has grown to become much more than that, and we are truly humbled to be able to honor 39 cherished community members through these annual scholarships.

In 2016, the PSF Donor Giving Program was created as a way to recognize the contributors who support the PSF through their monetary donations.

Through all of the changes that have taken place since 1956, two things have remained constant: the PSF's mission to assist Pennsbury graduates, and our need for volunteers to help us carry out our goals.

As we look toward 2022, we will continue to focus on finding ways to increase our impact on Pennsbury students and adapt to the changes that come our way. However, we need help to make this happen. If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents to serve on the PSF board, please email [scholarships@pennsburyisd.org](mailto:scholarships@pennsburyisd.org) for more information.

**2021 Endowed Namesake Scholarship Recipients**

*Bonnie L. Redding Memorial Scholarship .....	Matthew Nuzzolo
Edith Allen Memorial Scholarship .....	April Gershman
Rick & Chris Block Memorial Scholarship .....	Olivia Hitchingham
Dorothy O. Breen Memorial Scholarship.....	Isabella Davis
F. Glenn Breen Memorial Scholarship .....	Abigail Zimmerman
Dolores Carlen Memorial Scholarship .....	Dylan Tchang
Mark Chebra Memorial Scholarship.....	Ava LaSasso
Claire Connell Memorial Scholarship.....	Andrew Rosso
Nate DeTample Memorial Scholarship.....	Genevieve Eirich
Nate DeTample Memorial Scholarship.....	Sophia Hitchingham
Nate DeTample Memorial Scholarship.....	Abigail Nassivera
Peter Dierks Memorial Scholarship .....	Colin McNamara
Michael E. Dolnick Memorial Scholarship .....	Pranav Ponom
Dr. Joseph Farese Memorial Scholarship.....	Anthony Caruso
Joan Falconi Farrell Memorial Scholarship .....	Nihar Kalikota
Warren H. Gift Memorial Scholarship .....	Brian Kim
Scott Noel Gitomer Memorial Scholarship.....	Danielle Gruenke
Bill Godshalk – “Aleese Hartmann & Friends” Memorial Scholarship .....	Bridget Olivant
Bill Godshalk – “Bond and Grace Maureen Godshalk Family & Friends” Memorial Scholarship .....	Daniel Sourwine
Bill Godshalk – “Philadelphia 76ers” Memorial Scholarship.....	Joshua Summers
E. Paul Hartsfield Memorial Scholarship .....	Magnolia Baroli
Judy Henke Memorial Scholarship .....	Danielle Gershman
Matthew Henke Memorial Scholarship.....	Syed Ahmed
Dr. Patricia Johnston Memorial Scholarship.....	Christopher Pelc
Keller Family Memorial Scholarship .....	Avery Stimmel
Hank Keller Memorial Scholarship .....	Derek Quinn
Vincent J. Magyar, Sr. Scholarship.....	Thomas Cridland
Mears Family Memorial Scholarship .....	Sara Hicinbothem
Clayton W. Mills Memorial Scholarship.....	Aiden Stein
Garrett Montgomery Memorial Scholarship .....	Brynn Duffy
Anne Ehrenhardt Nolting Memorial Scholarship.....	Mori McPherson
Rich Quake Memorial Scholarship.....	Desiree Smith
Dr. Cynthia Schaffer Memorial Scholarship.....	Caleb Bunch
Dr. Cynthia Schaffer Memorial Scholarship.....	Kendall Swirles
Joan L. Sibner Memorial Scholarship.....	Susi Marion
Sean Denis Sibner Memorial Scholarship .....	Trevor Hart
Susan Cintani Slack Memorial Scholarship .....	Benjamin Tchang
Chad Stein Memorial Scholarship.....	James Leonard
Brenda Carlen Zellner Memorial Scholarship .....	Patrick Weng

**William H. & Anna C. Hayes Memorial Scholarship Recipients**

Nicole Basta, Phoebe Child, Brandon Ferraro, Katharina Golder,  
Jonathan Goulazian, Elise Hermann, Cecelia Quay

**Community Scholarship Recipients**

Diya Cherian, Gweneth Child, Whitney Constable, Sabrina Fanelli, Gabriella Galati,  
Christopher Heitmann, Sarah Hermann, Kelly Heyduk, Elliot Hodge, Ethan Huegler,  
Claudia Jastrzebski, Toni Jelic, Thomas Kubicka, Rachel McGurrin, Jordan Newton-House,  
Ryan O'Melia, Kyle Pruss, Ryan Rearden, Grace Santos, Arush Shroff, Alexandria Snyder,  
Graham Sudol, Margot Sudol, Jake Tosh, Samantha Tosh, Melanie Wilson, Riley Young

*\*Denotes first year scholarship was awarded.*



**Bonnie L. Redding Memorial Scholarship**

*Given in January 2021  
by Frances Redding*

Bonnie was a beloved wife, mother, daughter, and educator. A Pennsbury graduate herself, Bonnie returned to the school district she loved as a high school math teacher. She brought unique creativity to her classroom and had a special way of connecting with all of her students. Beyond just teaching math, Bonnie was a mentor, an advocate, and a protector. Her approach to teaching was to put a spotlight on others so that they may shine. Bonnie is missed dearly by her husband, two daughters, family, friends, colleagues, and students. As someone who gave her whole heart to education, this scholarship enables her memory to live on through future Pennsbury graduates.

**Paying It Forward**

Thank you to these recipients who repaid their loans in full between July 1, 2020 & June 30, 2021!

**2002**

Erik Tornegard

**2010**

Zachary Greenfield

**2011**

Ashley Burk  
Michael Colon  
Nicholas Hays

**2012**

Bryan McGinnis  
Margaret Morlath  
Priyanka Solanki

**2013**

Christina Burke  
Karen Caruso  
Zachary Hall  
Matthew Moret  
Leigh Schreiber

**2014**

Jennifer Amirante  
Burger Cassandra  
Breanna Forgione  
Sarah Hyman  
John Killoran  
Emily Doron Kotte  
Natalia Marusa  
Ridhima Phukan  
Megan Shoemaker

**2014 (con't.)**

Pragya Singh  
Sanjana Sundaram  
Steven Tyler  
Neelam Vohra

**2015**

Laura Glatzer  
Elizabeth Kappil  
Kelly Sourwine

**2016**

Joshua Abrams  
Henry Bluestein  
Alexa Cohen  
Andrew Elliott  
Bethany Gardner  
Heather Goodman  
Zach Jacklin  
Danielle Large  
Benjamin Peszka  
Morgan Rowe  
Erick Ruoff  
Leah Sirkis  
James Smith  
Breannin Striluk  
Michael Susko  
Michaela Tarallo  
Margaret Westphal

**2020**

Siya Patel

## PSF Endowed Namesake Scholarships: A Brief History

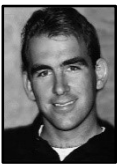
In the 1980's-1990's, the PSF Board of Directors sometimes named one-time scholarships in memory of board members who had served as longtime volunteers. In 1997, the Board was looking for ways to increase assets from which to make awards in order to better keep up with the rising cost of education.

Under the leadership of Tom Engleman (Chairman), and Michael Rosen (board member, former PHS graduate, and scholarship recipient), the Development Committee came up with a plan. For a donation of \$15,000 to the PSF, an endowed namesake scholarship could be established by members of the Pennsbury community in memory/honor of a loved one. The plan included helping to keep the name and spirit of the person alive in perpetuity. The first endowment was received in 1997 and awarded in 1998.

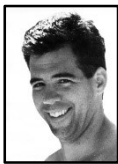
The program was quite unique at the time, and was even recognized by the Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE) with its President's Award.

What started as a creative idea by a few volunteers has flourished over the past two decades. More and more families in the Pennsbury community have entrusted the PSF with the privilege of helping to keep the name and spirit of their loved ones alive. Thirty-nine endowments in memory of 37 persons and one in honor of a retired teacher have been established. These namesake persons are being especially highlighted in this 2021 Newsletter to help celebrate the PSF's 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of giving awards to Pennsbury graduates. Details about each individual can be found on the Endowed Namesake Scholarship page of the PSF website.

### In Memory of Pennsbury Students & Graduates



*Chris Block*



*Rick Block*



*Mark Chebra*



*Nate DeTample*



*Michael E. Dolnick*



*Scott Noel  
Gitomer*



*Bill Godshalk*



*Matthew Henke*



*Kristin Huggins †*



*Al Keller, Jr.*



*Elmer E. (Bub)  
Mears, Jr. II*



*Garrett  
Montgomery*



*Rich Quake*



*Sean Denis Sibner*



*Chad Stein*

### In Memory of Pennsbury Community Members



*Dorothy O.  
Breen*



*F. Glenn  
Breen*



*Dolores  
Carlen*



*Claire  
Connell\**



*Peter Dierks*



*Warren H.  
Gift\*\**



*E. Paul  
Hartsfield\**



*Judy Henke*



*Dr. Elmer E.  
Mears, Jr.*



*Clayton W.  
Mills\*\**



*Anne Ehrenhardt  
Nolting*



*Dr. Cynthia  
Schaffer*

### In Memory/Honor of Pennsbury Staff Members



*Edith Allen*



*Dr. Joseph Farese*



*Joan Falconi  
Farrell*



*Dr. Patricia  
Johnston^*



*Al Keller, Sr.*



*Caroline Keller*



*Hank  
Keller^*



*Bonnie L.  
Redding^*



*Joan Sibner*



*Susan Cintani  
Slack^*



*Brenda Carlen  
Zellner^*



*Vincent J. Magyar, Sr.  
(In honor of)*

**Scan this code to  
read more about our  
endowed scholarship  
namesakes or to  
make a donation!**



*† Endowed in 2021 - First awards to be given in 2022*

*\* PSF Board Member*

*\*\* PSF Founding Member*

*^ Pennsbury Staff Member & Graduate*

**2020-21 Donor Giving Program**

The PSF Donor Giving Program was created to encourage people and businesses from within the community to support our mission. Contributors are recognized as Educator and Friendship Donor Circle members in accordance with their level of giving between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021. The Medill Bair and Scholar Donor Circles are reached through cumulative donations beginning with the program's inception in 2016.

**Medill Bair Donor Circle**

*(Donors of \$2,500+ since 2016)*

- Lawrence & Linda Bruck
- Robert & Louise Harman
- Henry Johns
- Wendy Keller
- Harold & Wanda Long
- Frances Redding
- Jeffrey Sibner & Jean Murphy
- Yardley Harvest Day

**Scholar Donor Circle**

*(Donors of \$1,000+ since 2016)*

- Blair Harman
- James Johnston
- Eric & Susan Rivera
- Jean Marian Stone

**Educator Donor Circle**

*(Donors of \$100+)*

- 33 & 1-3 Record Distributors LLC
- Warren Apollon
- Keller Arnold & Adrian Costello
- Jane Bohan
- Steven & Stacy Brubaker
- Robert & Susan Busch
- Canal Frame-Crafts
- Jack & Carol Chebra
- Sherli Chin
- Alan & Linda Chrzanowski
- Kim DeTample Cunningham
- Steve & Debbie Diodati
- John Doyle
- Bill & Del Duffy
- Susan Dunning
- Jenna Engle
- Kacie-Linn Engle
- David & Maria Francis
- Stephen Gold & Yan Ni
- Michael Grothman
- Alfred & Loretta Halas
- Hamilton Jewelers
- Christina Harman
- Eric & Lori Herz
- Bill & Cindy Hirschman
- Celia Holmes
- William Hooper
- John & Patricia Hutchings
- George Jeremias
- Beverly Kepcsynski
- Charles Levine
- Paul Long
- Harry & Carol Ann Lutz
- Louis & Joyce Magyar
- Makefield Elem. School Students & Staff
- Niki & Patrick McGinty
- Mary Minchella
- Timothy Moonan

**Educator Donor Circle**

*(cont.)*

- Louis & Renee Morsbach
- Kathleen & Timothy Nolan
- Pennwood Middle School PTO
- Gary & Kathy Pogeler
- Ranniello Fuel Oil
- Susan Sadler
- Zari Salimnejad
- Marian Schleicher
- Gary & Deborah Sibner
- Frank Siekmann
- Tammy Simpson
- Sirignano Lugosch
- Jeffrey & Suzanne Smith
- St. Catherine of Siena Preschool Staff
- Pat & Jim Stafford
- Jeremi & Rachel Tyler
- Variety Lodge #37 IOOF
- John & Louann Vella
- Gail & Larry Vladimir
- Edward & Victoria Wells
- Doris Wilkes
- Carol Young
- Robin Zoltek & Steve Napiecek

**Friendship Donor Circle**

*(Donors of up to \$100)*

- Robert Allahand
- Paula Biancosino
- Alice Bledsoe
- Anthony & Roberta Cheril
- William & Rita Clark
- Michael & Carol Critchley
- Audrey Donaghy
- Reid & Phyllis Edwards
- Adam Fisher
- Jim & Kathy Fox
- Ronald & Joanne Funari
- Joseph & Tracey Hagan
- Christine Harris
- David Hartsfield
- Joyce & Jessica Heisen
- Nyla Houser
- Judith Knight
- Roger & Connie Mancuso
- Laureen & Jeff Marterella
- William McGinty
- Chris Molden
- Kim Mumme
- Lisa Naples
- Don & Mindy Procz
- Carol Regan
- David & Doreen Rosser
- Dessy Stoumpas
- Mark & Rebecca Tarallo
- Jeff Worley & Margaret Solon
- Leah Zenker

**Remembering Rev. Donald M. Schuler, Sr.**



*Rev. Donald M. Schuler, Sr.*

Rev. Donald M. Schuler, Sr., a member of the PSF Board of Directors, passed away in May after a lengthy battle with cancer. An advocate for education, he was extremely devoted to his family and community, and is greatly missed by all of us.

The keynote speech Rev. Shuler delivered at our 2019 Recipient Reception focused on excellence and left a lasting impact on all who were in attendance. In his message to the students, he told them, "As you return home each year to the Pennsbury community you bring back skills and accomplishments that perpetuate excellence and inspire others to excel. Rise up, scholars. Each of you is a portrait of excellence painted with the strokes of your life."

The full text from Rev. Schuler's speech is linked on the PSF website.

**2020-21 Ring of Honor**

*The PSF received contributions in honor/memory of the following people between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021:*

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|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Lynn S. Allahand       | Alpheus Keller II      | Emily Peters          |
| Michael A. Biancosino  | Caroline Keller        | Blanche Phythyon      |
| Mary Lou Bradley       | Hank Keller            | Vincent Polisano      |
| Geraldine Carver Bray  | Wendy Keller           | Bonnie L. Redding     |
| Arthur Carlen          | Doris Kolb             | Joan Sibner           |
| Dolores Carlen         | Wanda Long             | Sean Sibner           |
| Mark Chebra            | Ruth Lubbe             | Chad Stein            |
| Nate DeTample          | Vincent J. Magyar, Sr. | Dakota Jacob Steiner  |
| Michael E. Dolnick     | Makefield PTO          | Lotte Strauss         |
| Ronald Forester        | Amy Nalli Margulies    | Peter Wisnosky        |
| E. Paul Hartsfield     | Karleen Miller         | Charles K. Young Sr.  |
| Mitchel & Adele Juston | Garrett Montgomery     | Brenda Carlen Zellner |
| Alpheus Keller         |                        |                       |

**PSF's Newest Member**

**Sheena Bediako, Esq.**



*Sheena Bediako, Esq.*

Sheena Bediako is an attorney and business owner who hopes to help support the higher education goals of young people in the community using pay-it-forward principles. We are happy to welcome Ms. Bediako to the PSF Board of Directors!

**Make An Impact**

- Mail a contribution check to our office or donate via the PayPal link on our website.
- Become a PSF Board member.
- Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and designate PSF as your charitable organization.
- Consider including the PSF in your estate plans.
- Volunteer to read applicant essays in June.

