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## 2022 VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN ANNOUNCED

Everyone is invited to attend the forty-eighth (48th) commencement exercises at Westwood High School in the gymnasium on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Sarah (Keranen) Henderson, Class of 1995 Westwood High School Alumna, will deliver the commencement address to the 86 seniors. Kalle Keranen, Jillian Koski, Sarina Maki and Daniel Ostola have earned the distinction of being named the **Valedictorians** of the Class of 2022. They have earned a GPA of 4.0. The **Salutatorian** for the Class of 2022 is Natalie Prophet. She has earned a GPA of 3.991.

Kalle Keranen is the daughter of Jason and Kate Keranen. She has been a member of Business Professionals of America, Band, Key Club, National Honor Society, Student Advisory Committee, and has served as a Class Representative and currently as Student Council Co-President. She has participated in Cross Country, Golf, Tennis, Swimming and Diving and Track and Field. Her hobbies include golfing, playing the guitar, fishing, hiking, swimming at the beach, playing with her dog, spending time with family, watching hockey with her dad and doing anything outside. She has volunteered with community dinners, the food pantry and Vacation Bible School at Hope Free Lutheran Church. She has helped with youth tennis camps, the Kiwanis golf outing, Red Cross blood drives and Adopt-A-Highway. Kalle has received the following scholarships and awards from Michigan Tech University: Impact, 906, Presidential Platinum level, University Student Enrollment award, Alumni Legacy award and the Society of Women Engineers Certificate of Merit. She has also received the Excellence in Education scholarship, NMU Wildcat Merit scholarship, American Legion Auxiliary Unit #114 scholarship, and the Elks National Most Valuable Student scholarship 1<sup>st</sup> place and National Semi-finalist. Kalle is the Social Studies department student of the year. After high school, Kalle plans to attend Michigan Technological University to pursue a bachelor's degree in marketing and a masters of business administration. Please join me in congratulating 2022 class Co-Valedictorian Kalle Keranen.

Jillian Koski is the daughter of Jared and Renee Koski. She has been a member of Business Professionals of America, Spanish Club, National Honor Society, and has served as Class President and currently as Student Council Co-President. She has participated in Basketball, Tennis, Softball, Golf, Swimming and Diving, and Track and Field. Jillian has volunteered as a youth girls' basketball coach, as a youth tennis camp coach, helped with Adopt-A-Highway, and has organized a can drive and helped with the angel tree gifts. Jillian has received the following scholarships: Excellence in Education scholarship, Ferris State University Woodbridge N. Ferris Provost, Central Michigan University Maroon & Gold, Michigan State University Resident, Northern Michigan Tennis Association Bob Scholarship, Elks National Most Valuable Student, Upper Peninsula Sports Hall of Fame, MHSAA Scholar-Athlete, Westwood Alumni and the Business Department scholarship. She is the Business, Math, and World Language department's student of the year. Jillian's hobbies include downhill skiing, golfing, hunting, traveling, and spending time with friends and family. After high school, Jillian plans to attend Michigan State University Broad College of Business to obtain a degree in business management. Please join me in congratulating 2022 class Co-Valedictorian Jillian Koski.



KALLE KERANEN



JILLIAN KOSKI



# NICE NEWS CONTINUED...

Sarina Maki is the daughter of Dan & Sandy Maki. She has been a member of Key Club, Band, Voices in Motion, Chorus, Forensics, National Honor Society, Venture Scouts and has served as Student Council Class Representative and currently as the Class President. She has participated in Cross Country and Swimming and Diving. Sarina has received the Excellence in Education scholarship, the Westwood High School scholarship, and a Northland College Academic Scholarship. Sarina is a singer in her church praise band, volunteers in Sunday school, has helped with Project Keep Kids Warm, and for various other projects through Key Club. In her free time, she enjoys hiking, climbing trees and spending time with friends. After high school, Sarina plans to attend Northland College in Wisconsin to pursue a degree in outdoor education. Please join me in congratulating 2022 class Co-Valedictorian Sarina Maki.

Daniel Ostola is the son of Dan and Rochelle Ostola. He has been a member of National Honor Society, Business Professionals of America, Student Advisory Committee, the Junior Prom planning committee, and currently serving as a Student Council Representative. He has participated in Bowling, Basketball, Golf, Football, Track and Field. Daniel has received the Excellence in Education scholarship and the NMU Wildcat Merit Scholarship. Daniel has helped out with Adopt-A-Highway, National Night Out, Women in Construction day at NMU, West-End 3 on 3 basketball tournament, St. Joseph bi-annual pie bake, and was the project coordinator for St. Vincent de Paul's basement remodel. His hobbies include working out, hiking, taking road trips, reading, working on and restoring cars, boating, camping, cooking and baking. After high school, Daniel plans to attend Northern Michigan University to pursue a bachelors in science and human performance. Please join me in congratulating 2022 class Co-Valedictorian Daniel Ostola.



**SARINA MAKI**



**DANIEL OSTOLA**

# NICE NEWS CONTINUED...



Natalie Prophet is your 2022 Salutatorian. She is the daughter of Jeff and Dana Prophet. She has been a member of Business Professionals of America, National Honor Society, Spanish Club and has served as Class Vice-President and currently as Class Secretary. She has participated in Basketball, Tennis, Softball, and Track and Field. Natalie has helped out with youth basketball, softball and tennis camps. She has volunteered with the Hope Starts Here run, can drives, and youth basketball tournaments. Natalie has received the following scholarships from Finlandia University: Visiting, Early Bird, Board of Trustees, and the UP Commitment. She has also received the Marian University Academic Achievement and Early Sabre Awards, the University of Minnesota Duluth Early Applicant scholarship, the NMU Wildcat Merit, the MTU 906 and Presidential Gold Level scholarships and the University Student Enrollment Award, the Excellence in Education, and the Westwood Class of 1985 scholarships. Her hobbies include hanging out with friends, lifting, playing sports, hunting, fishing, being out on the water and being outdoors. After high school, Natalie plans to attend Michigan Technological University to pursue a degree in biomedical engineering. Please join me in congratulating 2022 Salutatorian, Natalie Prophet.



**NATALIE PROPHET**

## **GRADUATION DATES**

Thursday, May 26, 2022, 7:00 p.m., Westwood High School Graduation, WHS Gymnasium

Wednesday, June 1, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Aspen Ridge Middle School 8th Grade Awards Ceremony, ARS Gymnasium

