

KOSCIUSKO YOUTH LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

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Six years have now passed by for the Kosciusko Youth Leadership Academy, and once again, this year has provided both the challenge and excitement that accompanies the learning and discovery process for all those involved. The future leaders profiled on this page have demonstrated that becoming involved in the community can be rewarding and beneficial in many ways.

Our students, juniors from five local area high schools, have spent the last several months learning about various aspects of the community along with leadership and communication skills. The Kosciusko Youth Leadership Academy Class of 1998-1999 is now preparing for the final event for the year — graduation! The annual graduation banquet will take place on Wednesday, May 5, 1999, at 6:30 p.m. at the 2517 Banquet Facility in Warsaw, IN. We believe that the experiences the students have gained from their involvement in the Academy will be lasting and will serve as a foundation for continuing friendships and commitment to community needs, wherever life takes them.

On behalf of the Kosciusko Youth Leadership Academy Board, I would like to express my sincere thanks for all who have contributed to the success of Kosciusko Youth Leadership Academy throughout the year. Many of you have volunteered time, resources, and facilities to assist us. I would also like to thank the parents and the schools who have supported the students throughout the year. We appreciate your interest and investment in our future.

I would also like to recognize the contributions of the board members. I truly appreciate all that each of you has done to make this year a successful one, and look forward to working with you in the years to come.

We wish the best to each of our graduates and look ahead to the time when we see them taking on further leadership roles in the community. These very special individuals represent the future and we are confident it will be a bright future indeed.

Karen Bender, President



May the future hold an abundance of happiness and a long string of successes for you, as you move on through your life and career. Congratulations to all our graduates!

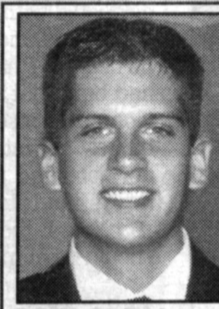
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Sarah Ashton
 Warsaw
 Warsaw Community High School

White Paper Title: Heartline Pregnancy Center
Education: I plan to go to Indiana University and major in business.
Activities: Cross Country, Track, KYLA Spanish Club, FCA, Teen Court, Youth Group
Interests and Hobbies: Running, skiing, spending time with friends and family.



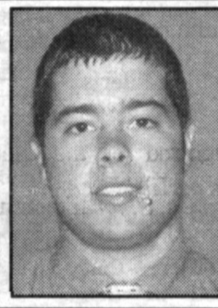
J.R. Manuel
 Pierceton
 Whitko High School

White Paper Title: Our Father's House
Education: I plan to attend Indiana University School of Law
Activities: Football, Golf, Weight Lifting, KYLA
Interests and Hobbies: Music, cars, spending money.



Emily Faulkner
 Bourbon
 Triton High School

White Paper Title: Big Buddy
Education: Choice of college undecided. Major in elementary education.
Activities: Cheerleading, NHS, KYLA, attend Bourbon Bible Church, Choir.
Interests and Hobbies: Gymnastics, biking, piano, rollerblading, basically having fun.



Paul Gilliam
 Syracuse
 Wawasee High School

White Paper Title: Lakeland Youth Center of Syracuse
Education: I plan to attend Indiana University and Major in Political Science
Activities: Class President, DECA, Swim Team, Football Team, KYLA
Interests and Hobbies: Playing all sports, the lake, watching all sports, and spending time with my little brother and sister.



Kimberly Reuter
 Milford
 Wawasee High School

White Paper Title: Amy Vanlaningham Society
Education: Choice of college undecided.
Activities: Drama, Band, AVS, NHS, track, KYLA, Church Youth Group
Interests and Hobbies: Spending time with friends, music, drama/musicals.



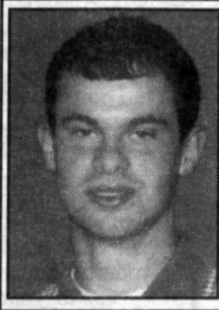
Rob Salyer
 Etna Green
 Triton High School

White Paper Title: Big Buddy
Education: I plan to attend college and major in Pre-Med and attend medical school afterwards.
Activities: Basketball, baseball, football, cross country, NHS, FBLA, FCA, Science Club, KYLA
Interests and Hobbies: Athletics



Melissa Nifong
 Etna Green
 Triton High School

White Paper Title: Big Buddy
Education: I plan to attend college and major in Finance
Activities: Basketball, Volleyball, Science Club, National Honor Society, KYLA, Hoosier Girls State Delegate
Interests and Hobbies: Playing sports, working out, and having fun.



Jason Bules
 Bourbon
 Triton High School

White Paper Title: Big Buddy
Education: I plan to attend Purdue University and major in veterinary science.
Activities: Track, Cross Country, Science Club, KYLA, NHS, Spanish Club.
Interests and Hobbies: Running, shooting baskets.



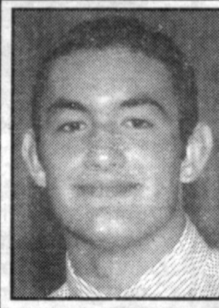
Abbie Fingerle
 Sidney
 Whitko High School

White Paper Title: Elementary Library
Education: I plan to attend Anderson University and major in psychology.
Activities: National Honor Society, KYLA, BPA, SADD-treasurer, Junior Class Officer, Drug Task Force Committee, French Club, Drama Club, FCA, Frontline
Interests and Hobbies: Hanging out with friends, music, internet, movies, tennis, skiing, shopping, writing.



Liza Moore
 South Whitley
 Whitko High School

White Paper Title: Elementary Library
Education: I plan on attending a major university and studying environmental science.
Activities: National Honor Society, FFA, Art Club, 4-H, KYLA, French Club, Who's Who, Junior Leaders
Interests and Hobbies: Spending time with friends, listening to music, traveling, and hiking.



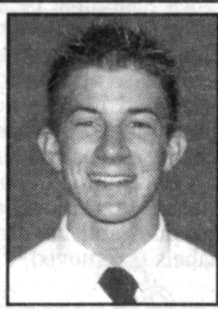
Sam Korenstra
 Syracuse
 Wawasee High School

White Paper Title: Lakeland Youth Center of Syracuse
Education: I plan to attend Indiana University and Major in Business Administration.
Activities: DECA, Swimming, Football, Student Council
Interests and Hobbies: Sports, water skiing.



Sarah Pickens
 Winona Lake
 Warsaw Community High School

White Paper Title: Heartline Pregnancy Center
Education: I plan to attend Ball State and earn a Ph.D in Child Psychology.
Activities: S.A.D.D., Yearbook, Tiger Eye News, Track, K.Y.L.A., WLGC Youth Group
Interests and Hobbies: Snow & water skiing, kneeboarding, boating, reading.



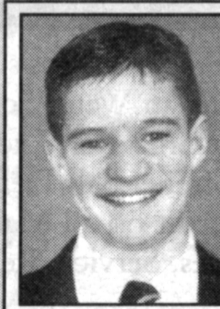
Nathan R. Haywood
 Claypool
 Whitko High School

White Paper Title: Our Father's House
Education: Choice of college undecided. Major in computer science.
Activities: Tennis, President of Youth Group, KYLA, FFA, National Honor Society, Art Club, Softball Manager
Interests and Hobbies: Playing guitar.



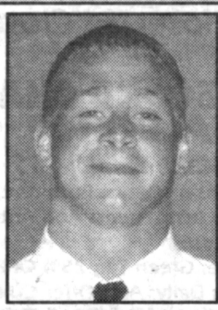
Robyn Jernas
 Tippecanoe
 Triton High School

White Paper Title: Big Buddy
Education: Choice of college undecided.
Activities: Science Club, Spanish Club, Health Careers, KYLA, FBLA, NHS.
Interests and Hobbies: Basketball, swimming, playing piano, rollerblading, hanging out with friends.



Steve Slaughter
 Winona Lake
 Warsaw Community High School

White Paper Title: Kosciusko Endowment Youth Services
Education: I plan to attend United States Air Force Academy and major in physics.
Activities: Tennis, Student Body Treasurer, KEYS, Academic Super Bowl, FCA, and Youth Group.
Interests and Hobbies: Watching Ohio State sports, radio controlled airplanes, and playing basketball.



Seth Slater
 South Whitley
 Whitko High School

White Paper Title: Our Father's House
Education: Choice of college undecided. Major in physical ed. with a minor in elem. education
Activities: Football, track, KYLA, Frontline Leader, National Honor Society
Interests and Hobbies: Playing sports, weightlifting, working and being outdoors.



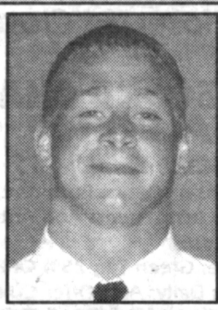
Jennifer M. Rose
 Claypool
 Whitko High School

White Paper Title: Our Father's House
Education: Choice of college undecided. Major in interior design.
Activities: Varsity Cheerleading, Baseball Managing, Yearbook editor, National Honor Society, Sunshine Society, Frontline, Spanish Club, Art Club, FCA, SADD, KYLA, Student Government.
Interests and Hobbies: Watching movies, shopping, drawing.



RJ Wilson
 North Webster
 Wawasee High School

White Paper Title: Lakeland Youth Center of Syracuse
Education: I plan to attend Indiana University and major in business.
Activities: Student Council, DECA, Church, Basketball, Baseball, National Honor Society.
Interests and Hobbies: Sports, watersports, fishing.



Katie Jones
 Milford
 Wawasee High School

White Paper Title: Kosciusko Endowment Youth Services
Education: I plan to attend the University of Notre Dame and study pre-law and foreign relations.
Activities: Cheerleading, drama, tennis, K.E.Y.S., Student Council Secretary and Treasurer, National Honor Society, KYLA, Varsity Singers.
Interests and Hobbies: Dancing, cheerleading, music, musicals, shopping and spending time with friends.



Alisan May
 Atwood
 Tippecanoe Valley High School

White Paper Title: First Steps
Education: I plan to attend Purdue University and study landscaping architecture.
Activities: KYLA, Varsity Cheerleader, Sunshine Society, Varsity Club, 4-H, Junior Leaders, French Club, FFA, WLC
Interests and Hobbies: Cheerleading, spending time with friends and family, tamas, shopping.



Jeremy Klonowski
 Tippecanoe
 Triton High School

White Paper Title: Big Buddy
Education: I plan to attend college and major in accounting.
Activities: Science Club, FBLA, KYLA.
Interests and Hobbies: Watching football, hanging out with friends, attending sporting events.



Sarah McSherry
 Burket
 Tippecanoe Valley High School

White Paper Title: First Steps
Education: Choice of college undecided.
Activities: KYLA, Basketball, Student Government, Sunshine Society, Varsity Club, 4-H, Junior Leaders, Student school board representative, FFA
Interests and Hobbies: Spending time with friends and family, dancing, shopping, weight lifting, designing floral arrangements, surfing the web.



Joshiekka Outlaw
 Warsaw
 Warsaw Community High School

White Paper Title: Kosciusko County Teen Court
Education: I plan to major in business administration and law and later become a corporate lawyer.
Activities: DECA, BPA, FBLA, Teen Court Attorney, Spanish Club, HOBY, KYLA.
Interests and Hobbies: Writing, computers, business competitions, travel.