

**District V Athletic Director's Association
2014 – 2015 Scholarship Program Winners
Each Student/Athlete received a \$1000.00 Scholarship Award**



(L-R) Craig Gindlesperger - District V Athletic Directors Association President, Emily Finnegan - Chestnut Ridge High School, Cassanadra Wentz - Windber High School, Shane Ickes - Somerset High School, Paul Tretter - North Star High School.

Emily Finnegan – Chestnut Ridge High School. Emily is the daughter of Ashley and David Deasey of New Paris. She has earned multiple letters in the three sports: volleyball, basketball and track & field. Future goals are to attend Otterbein University for a four year Systems Engineering degree; then, continue studies at the University of Advancing Technology to study Robotics. After completion, the intent is to become a Robotics Engineer.

Cassandra Wentz – Windber Area High School. Cassandra is the daughter of John and Marie Wentz of Windber. She has earned multiple letters in three sports: tennis, basketball and softball. Future goals are to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing at Bloomsburg University, then advance to a Master's degree to become a Nurse Practitioner.

Shane Ickes – Somerset Area High School. Shane is the son of Neil and Denise Ickes of Somerset. He has earned multiple letters in the following sports: cross country, swimming and track & field. Future plans are to attend a major university (multiple applications) and study in the field of Engineering/Aerospace. Desires to work for NASA or an Aeronautical Company and orbit the earth.

Paul Tretter – North Star High School. Paul is the son of James and Colleen Tretter of Boswell. He has earned multiple letters in three sports: football, wrestling and baseball. Future goals are to attend Penn State University in the field of Psychology and enroll in the ROTC program. After the completion of college, he wants to attend the State Police Academy and become a Pennsylvania State Trooper.

These student/athletes were awarded their Scholarships today at the PIAA District V Annual Meeting held at Clara's Place Restaurant, Bedford, PA. Winners and their parents were guests of the District V Committee. Each winner presented their essay to all the District V Member Schools, the District V Committee as well as Gregory G. Biller from the PIAA Headquarters and PIAA Executive Director Dr. Robert A. Lombardi.

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During the past nine (9) years, the District V Athletic Director's Association has awarded thirty six (36) total scholarships, totaling \$29,000.00 to deserving District V student athletes. Proceeds from our annual District V All Star Basketball games and money generated from fundraisers at numerous District V Championship events support our scholarship fund. The public's support of our All Star Game, and fundraisers enable the District V Athletic Director's Association to award scholarships annually to deserving District V student athletes. Thanks for your continued support!

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