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Peace Names Valedictorians, Salutatorian

Queen of Peace High School is pleased to announce that Nicole Frederick, Allison Kirwan and Sara Seweryn have been named co-valedictorians of the Class of 2010. Senior Kelly Kosiewicz earned the distinction of salutatorian.

Each co-valedictorian earned a GPA of 4.2. Nicole Frederick consistently strives for excellence. She earned A's in all of her courses – including six Advanced Placement classes - throughout her four years at Peace. A member of the National Honor Society and the secretary of Mu Alpha Theta – the Math National Honor Society, Nicole has been active in Peace's Campus Ministry program as a retreat minister and a Veritas leader. Nicole competed on the Varsity Volleyball team for two years, played basketball as a frosh and sophomore and is finishing her athletic career as a member of the track and field team. Next year she will major in Accounting at Arizona State University, where she received the New American Presidential Scholarship – valued at \$13,000 per year.

Allison Kirwan explored many areas of interest during her four years at Peace. A St. Catherine of Siena Scholar with Distinction, Allison is involved with the Math Club, Spanish National Honor Society, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta (Math National Honor Society) as treasurer and Campus Ministry as a retreat minister. Allison, who competed in basketball and softball for four years, was named the Winter Scholar Athlete in March and selected to the All-Conference basketball team this year. In the fall she will major in Nursing at Purdue University, where she was awarded the Presidential Scholarship of \$10,000 per year.

Sara Seweryn has held many leadership positions at Peace, including secretary of Spanish National Honor Society, vice president of Mu Alpha Theta (Math National Honor Society) and

vice president of the Human Rights Task Force. Sara, a St. Catherine of Siena Scholar, has played an integral role in planning workshops for Peace's Harmony Days and competed in tennis and band (marching, symphonic and concert) for four years. She is also a recipient of the prestigious Golden Apple Scholarship and the Dean's Scholarship (\$14,000 per year) from Dominican University, where she will pursue her dream of becoming a high school math teacher.

Peace's salutatorian Kelly Kosiewicz earned a GPA of 4.15.

"Kelly has earned this honor as a result of her intellectual curiosity, her diverse interests, persistence, drive and personal commitment to be actively engaged in learning and growing in as many ways as possible," said President/Principal Kathleen Hanlon, Ph.D.

Kelly is co-president of the Art Club, a St. Catherine of Siena Scholar, a four-year volleyball player, tutor coordinator of National Honor Society and French National Honor Society and a member of Mu Alpha Theta (Math National Honor Society) and Math Club. She was a dedicated member of Peace's Robotics Team and will attend Illinois Institute of Technology, where she plans to study Computer Engineering. She has already been accepted into the prestigious Camras Scholar Program at IIT and will receive a research grant in summer 2011.

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Photo Captions:



Nicole Frederick



Allison Kirwan



Sara Seweryn



Kelly Kosiewicz