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Sayre cheerleaders compete



SHS cheerleaders include, front row from left: Lea Scopelliti, Shelby Darrow and Kate Ciavardini. In the second row from left are: Krista Ammerman, Abby O'Hara and Brea Vought. In the back row are: Brittany Bostwick, Traci Banfield, Katie Sealander and Gabby Sealander. The adviser is Michelle Pettit.

On January 19, Sayre's competition cheerleading squad competed at Bradford Central School's Cheerfest.

Members of the squad were girls from grades 7 through 12 including Krista Ammerman, Shelby Darrow, Lea Scopelliti, Traci Banfield, Brittany Bostwick, Abby O'Hara, Gabby Sealander, Katie Sealander, Brea Vought and Kate Ciavardini.

The routine consisted of a combination of jumping, stunting, dancing and cheering events. In the category they competed in, Sayre received sixth place.

Ciavardini, a senior, competed in an individual event, while juniors Gabby and Katie Sealander, Abby O'Hara and Brea Vought competed in a stunt competition earning a sixth place.

The team was coached by Michele Pettit with assistance by Stephanie and Katie Yanuzzi.

Letters lead to kitchen upgrade

A letter-writing lesson has resulted in tangible rewards for students in Mrs. Cinda Nudge's special education room. Last year, Mrs. Nudge and her students wrote letters to local businesses asking them to help update the kitchen area of the classroom, located in Room 25 in Sayre High School.

On January 31, the school celebrated the completion of the project with the help of Mills Pride, Rynone Kitchen and Bath, Lowe's and district personnel.

Mills Pride plant manager Bob Hawthorne said the project was the type his company likes to support. He enlisted the help of a Lowe's designer to help plan the installation.

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CALENDAR

Friday, March 21 through Tuesday, March 25—Easter break. No school.

Monday, March 31—End of third marking period

Friday, May 23—Give Back Snow Day. Possible Closing

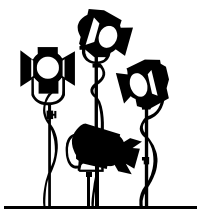
Monday, May 26—Memorial Day. No school.

Wednesday, June 4—Academic Awards Night (7 p.m.)

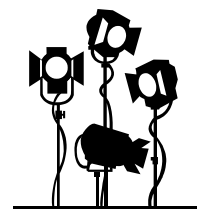
Thursday, June 5—Baccalaureate (7 p.m.)

Friday, June 6—Graduation

Saturday, June 7—SAT testing (7:30 a.m.)



Redskin Spotlight Awards



The following individuals have been awarded “Redskin Spotlight” awards for their efforts on behalf of the school district:

Cinda Nudge (assistance with a medical emergency); Stacy Richmond (preparation for and assistance during the PDE Safe and Drug Free Schools visit; Becky Thornton (assistance with a medical emergency); Douglas Ault (cross country team to states); James Biery (assisting students in need of medical attention); Dan Bloss (girls soccer team to districts); Edward Bustin (boys soccer team to districts); Mary Cole (Rusty Rail food drive); Randy felt (cross country team to states); Frank Galizia (Rusty Rail food drive); Richard Krall (success with the junior high soccer team); Lucy Lyons (support and extra effort with Study Island training; (Michelle Pettit) work with cheerleaders and Rusty Rail food drive); Ron Prados (success with boys JV soccer team); Rebecca Thornton (Rusty Rail food drive); Gary Webster (girls soccer team to districts); Michelle Bennett (assistance with medical situation); Lonnie Hicks (assistance with girls soccer program); Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McQuay (donation to weight room); James Mullen (assistance with boys soccer program); Diane Nobles (extra effort with fall sports program); and Ted Pinkard (assistance with the boys soccer program).

SPELLING BEE WINNERS



Elementary School Spelling Bee winners are shown above. In the front row (from left) are: Kaitlyn Victor (6th grade) and Doug Tobbe (5th grade). In the back row from left are: Stacey Mooney (5th grade), Rachel Leed (5th grade), Amanda Klovekorn (6th grade), Jared Layton (6th grade), and Tanner Reynolds (6th grade). High school winners were Brandon Reynolds, Austin Willis and Brent Heil.

The word is advance, a-d-v-a-n-c-e. That’s what several Sayre students did following the written portion of the *Morning Times* Gene Paluzzi Regional Spelling Bee.

Those Sayre students advancing to the March 15 regional finals are: Amanda Klovekorn (first place qualifier), Jared Layton, Brent Heil, Kaitlyn Victor, Stacey Mooney and Brandon Reynolds.

Concert Dates

Submitted by Dave Zimmerman

Students at both the elementary and secondary levels will be performing a number of music programs in the near future. As March is “Music in Our Schools Month”, it seems fitting that we will be presenting the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical “South Pacific” during the first weekend in March.

Throughout the spring, there are many musical events our students will be involved in within the school district, community and surrounding area. Please mark your calendars and plan to see our many talented students perform. The following is a list of dates for our school district events:

March 6, 7, & 8 (T, F, S) – “South Pacific” - 7 p.m. curtain at the S.H.S. auditorium

April 15 (Tuesday) – First and Third grade elementary music program – 7 p.m. at the S.H.S. auditorium

April 22 (Tuesday) – Fifth and Sixth grade Band and Chorus concert - 7 p.m. at the S.H.S. auditorium

April 28 (Monday) – Jazz Etc. - high school instrumental concert - 7 p.m. at the S.H.S. auditorium

May 7 (Wednesday) – S.H.S. junior / senior Band concert - 7 p.m. at the S.H.S. auditorium

May 17 (Saturday) – “Encore” a cabaret-style show - S.H.S. Choral concert—7 p.m. at the S.H.S. auditorium

Eighth grader wins national VFW essay writing contest

SHS eighth grader Sarah Polinski proved that the pen is a mighty thing when she won the national Patriot's Pen essay contest.



Sarah Polinski

Polinski earned a \$10,000 savings bond for capturing the top honor. She won the state essay contest last month.

The SHS student, daughter of Dan and Judy Polinski, will accept her award this month in Washington, D.C. at the National Community Service and Legislative Conference for VFW posts and Ladies Auxiliary.

Her essay was written on the topic "Why I am an American Patriot." Contestants had to write a 300 to 400 word essay.

She was sponsored by Skiff-Bower VFW Post No. 1536 of Sayre and its Ladies Auxiliary and VFW District 14. Ed McDonald is commander of the Skiff-Bower Post.

Reilly selected for district jazz band festival on alto sax

Sayre High School junior Lucas Reilly has been selected to participate in the District Jazz Band activities to be held March 13-15 at Mansfield University.

Reilly, who plays alto saxophone, was selected following an audition that required students to improvise on the saxophone.

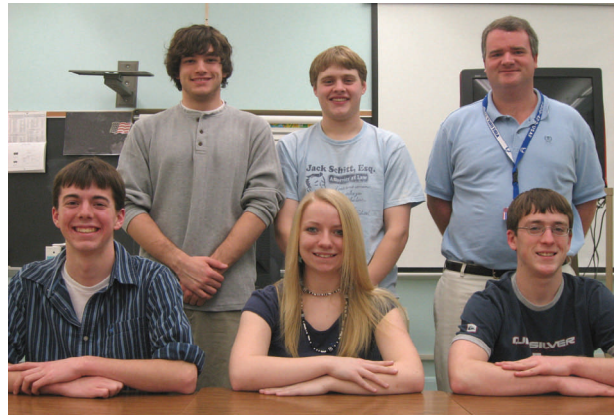
"It takes a lot of work and it's a very tedious process," Reilly said.

The SHS junior has been playing saxophone for about 8 years. He also participates in the school's marching band.

He will be accompanied by band director Amy Johnston.

Reilly is the son of Richard and Vicki Reilly.

Scholarship Challenge



Members of the Senior High Scholarship Challenge team are pictured above. In the front row from left are: Luke Skerpon, Kim Klimpel and Dan Bustin. In the back row from left are: Robert Witmer, Robert Lathrop and adviser Larry Templeton.



The Junior High Scholarship Challenge team includes, in the front row, from left: Megan Williams, John Shaw and Becca Dohmen. In the back row from left are: adviser Laurie Ludwig, Sarah Ostroski and Stephanie Wolcott. Missing from photo is Heather Cole.

LETTERS

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Cherry cabinets with brushed stainless steel hardware were chosen for the cabinets. Rynone's donated laminated countertops for the project.

Mike Barry, building and grounds supervisor, oversaw the installation along with district employees John Keiers, David Conklin, Ed Ostroski and Kevin Craig. The school purchased a sink, faucet and dishwasher to complete the project.

SADD has sobering message

Submitted by Terah Glose

For the past two years, Sayre SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) has been placing flowers and safe driving messages on all the student and faculty cars at Sayre High School.

SADD is trying to promote safe and responsible driving to every one of all ages. This year, SADD was lucky enough to be given the chance to spread that message across the community. The Robert Packer Hospital has allowed SADD to place safe driving messages on 1,100 employee cars in their parking lot.

This event is sponsored by Sayre SADD, Lookin Out Organization/Erie Insurance, and the Robert Packer Hospital Regional Trauma Center.

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