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*Cheerleaders wear pink as part of research fundraiser*



As part of a fundraising effort for the Susan G. Komen Fund, SHS cheerleaders dressed in pink. Left to right are: Laura Janosko, Lea Scopelliti, Shelby Darrow, Kayla Miller, Krista Ammerman, and Jade Bradley. In the back row from left are: Sierra Innicki, Lizzie McCutcheon, Traci Banfield, Felicia Bussiere and Brittany Bostwick. (Photo by Kacey Ammerman)

## Bookmark the web site!

For up-to-date announcements of school-related activities and events, be sure to go to the school district website at [sayresd.org](http://sayresd.org).

The web site is maintained by the school's technology department and students Marlia Douglas, Jon Sargent, Chris Whittaker and Dan Weber.

## Calendar of Events

**March 24**-End of third marking period  
**April 1**-Give Back Snow Day  
**April 2 through 5**-Easter/Spring Break  
**April 6**-Give Back Snow Day  
**April 7**-Give Back Snow Day  
**June 4**- Graduation

## *FBLA students qualify for state competition*



**The following Sayre students have qualified for state competition. In the front row left to right: Sarah Hurley, Alex Middlebrook, Haley Luvison, Peter Eller, Lea Scopelliti, and Sarah Skerpon.**

**In the middle row, left to right, are: Brent Heil, Lorenzo Servedio, Lizzei Crews, Laura Janosko, Rose Velazquez, Ross Wilmot and Doug Hickey.**

**In the back, left to right, are: Miss Jennings (adviser), Mr. Selleck (adviser), Mark Hickey, John Sargent, Dom Villanti and Taylor Skerpon. Missing from photo: Celeste Smith**

## **SHS senior named ‘Individual of the Year’**

Sayre High School’s Frankie Galizia has been named the Individual of the Year by WATS/WAVR in recognition of his outstanding community service.

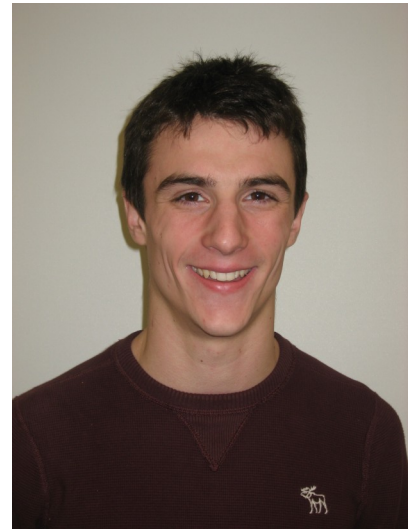
The annual award is presented in memory of the late Joe Wolf, Sayre businessman and civic servant. This year’s award was presented to Galizia during halftime of the Sayre vs. Northeast Bradford basketball game by station manager Chuck Carver.

In his remarks, Carver noted Galizia’s mobilization of the community for such events as the Salvation Army Food Pantry, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the Make-A-Wish Foundation and the annual Christmas Is For Kids toy drive.

The Sayre senior is active in academics at Sayre as well as athletics and other school organizations. In addition, Galizia is active in his church and works part-time.

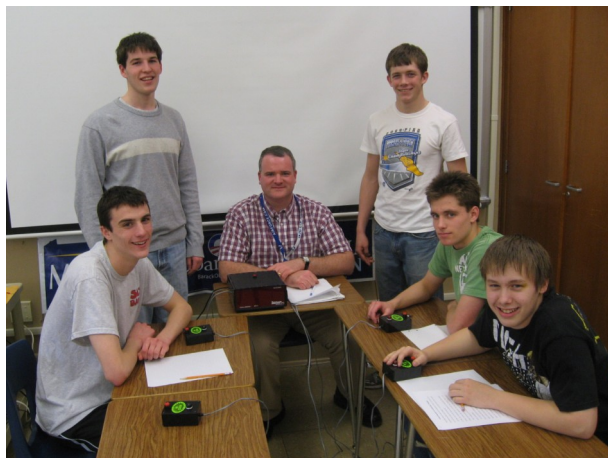
The presentation this year marks the 32nd year the radio station has made the award and the first time the award was presented to a student.

The first recipient was Phil Wells in 1978. Past recipients include Dr. William Beck, Jack Rhodes, Mike Shaw, Sen. Roger Madigan and Henry Farley.



**Frankie Galizia**

## *Scholarship Challenge team*



Members of the 2010 Scholarship Challenge team are shown above with adviser Larry Templeton. From left are Frankie Galizia, Mike Setzer, Mr. Templeton, Mark Hedge-land, Peter Eller and Ross Wilmot.

## *High school implements new morning arrival schedule*

By Mikalea Hyjek

There have been several changes to the way Sayre High School runs this year, and one of the major changes was announced on January 29.

Starting Tuesday, Feb. 2, the doors of the high school have been locked until 7:55 a.m. so that students are no longer allowed to be in the halls unsupervised.

Students who go to breakfast in the morning are allowed to enter the cafeteria at 7:40 a.m. and enter through the Brock Street doors in order to have enough time to eat before their first morning class. Students who ride a bus and cannot change the time they get to school, were asked to report to the cafeteria until they are dismissed at 7:55 to go to their lockers and prepare for their morning schedule.

Students may still be dropped off at the Hopkins Street entrance by the tennis courts but the doors will be locked until 7:55 a.m., according to Mr. Handrick, school principal.

## **SHS alumni share wisdom**

By Molly Hartman

On Friday January 8, several SHS graduates came back to talk to the senior English classes about their experiences in college. These graduates included Stephen Polinski, Andy Podolinski, Heather McMahon, Katelynn Howland, Amanda Lyons, Travis Keir, Luke Skerpon, Lucas Reilly, Tyler Young and Christina Webster.

The point of Alumni Day was to give the seniors insight on what they should expect in college and how to prepare themselves for the work.

“The professors are not going to spoon feed you everything you need to know,” says graduate Luke Skerpon. Skerpon is currently attending Penn State Main Campus. His main focus was learning how to stay responsible independently. “Personal responsibility is extremely important in order to do well in college,” he said.

The seniors also learned that athletes in college have more pressure on them in the classroom than most other college students. Andy Podolinski has to have personal tutors for each class he is taking in college and the responsibility to meet them at the set time that

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is scheduled. “The tutors are not going to chase you down. You have to have enough common sense to go meet them yourself,” says Podolinski. “I struggled my first year because of being irresponsible like that.”

Each graduate got a chance to tell the students how they felt about college. Each of them stressed that it depends on what kind of a student you are right now.

“College is what you make it,” says Travis Keir, who is attending Indiana University of Pennsylvania.



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## Kindergarten registration

Kindergarten Registration and Screening for children in the Sayre Area School District has been scheduled for April 22 through April 28, 2010. This process will take approximately one hour.

Litchfield Registration and Screening is scheduled for the morning of April 27<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the school at 888-7742 to arrange an appointment for your child to be screened.

Screening for Ready-4 has been scheduled for April 8, and 9, 2010. Please note that the status of this federally-funded program is reviewed annually due to decreasing funding. Should this program be cancelled, you will be notified by the school as soon as possible.

If you wish to have your child participate in the screening process for the Ready-4 Program, please contact the school to set up an appointment for the developmental screening.

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For information regarding civil rights, grievances and/or facilities that are both accessible to and usable by disabled persons, contact Samuel Moore, Affirmative Action/ Compliance Coordinator, Sayre Area School District, 333 West Lockhart Street, Sayre, PA 18840, (570) 888-7615. For information regarding special programs and services, contact Debra Moore, Special Education Coordinator, at the same location and telephone number.

## Congratulations!

Sarah Polinski and Courtney Harmon were selected for PMEA Region Band. Sarah placed 2<sup>nd</sup> chair on Alto Sax 2 and Courtney placed 6<sup>th</sup> chair on Clarinet 3.

In addition, Sarah Polinski represented Sayre at the 2010 PMEA District 8 Chorus Festival on January 28-30.