

**SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY  
THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009 - 7:00 P.M.**

The following students have achieved **perfect attendance for FOUR consecutive years:**  
**SANA KHAN**

The following students have achieved perfect attendance for **SIX consecutive years:**  
**KEVIN FOLDI**  
**ALEXANDRA MILLER**  
**KASEY LABARGE**

The following students have achieved perfect attendance for **SEVEN consecutive years:**  
**ANGELA DEFRANCESCO**

## **HONOR GRADUATES**

**These students placed in the top 5% of their class.**

MICHELE ACHEAMPONG  
PARKER ARMSBY  
ERIN BURKE  
MATTHEW CAPELESS  
MEGAN CHENEY  
ANDREW CHOI  
NICOLE CILLIS  
ALEXIS DALCOL  
ANTHONY FARRELL  
BRITTANY FARRON  
ALLEN FERRIS  
NICOLE FOSTER  
ELIZABETH HENNESSY  
MICHAEL HOVISH  
YIQIAN JIANG (“YEE KIN JANG”– TRACY)  
QIN JIANG (“KIN JANG” – RANDY)  
SANA KHAN  
HAILEY KOPP  
ARIN KUTEY  
SARAH LEE  
JOSHUA MALKIN  
ELIZABETH MANTEY  
MATTHEW MCNEILL  
ADAM MORGAN  
SEAN OGDEN  
ANJALI PUTTACHI  
ARIELLE RAY  
CATHERINE RICHARDSON  
KIRA ROSI-SCHUMACHER  
DAVID ROWLEY  
ROTEM RUSAK  
EMILY SCAMPINI  
MATTHEW SCHWENZFEIER  
ROSE SILBERMAN-GORN  
MELISSA SIPPEL  
RICHA TANEJA  
CHRISTOPHER VANZETTA

**NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP - LETTER OF COMMENDATION**

Commended students scored in the upper 2% of those students in the entire country.

**ERIN BURKE  
ANDREW CHOI  
ARTHUR DEFRUSCIO  
JONAH DWORKIN  
MATTHEW EARL  
ADAH HETKO  
HAILEY KOPP  
JOSHUA MALKIN  
ANJALI PUTTACHI  
ARIELLE RAY  
ROTEM RUSAK  
MASHAL SHAIKH  
RICHA TANEJA**

**NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP COMMENDED**

**MICHELE ACHEAMPONG  
GERALD PINCHINAT**

**NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP FINALIST**

**ASHLEY KIPPINS**

**NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS**

Finalists scored in the top 1/2 of 1% nationally.

**ANTHONY FARRELL  
MELISSA VOZZO**

**UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY AT WEST POINT**

**RILEY SCHMIDT**

1. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATION STUDENT AWARD

Criteria: To a high school senior who has shown dedication to the field of business. This award is given by the Business and Marketing Educators' Association of the Capital District.

**GREGORY BONOMO**

2. FRIENDS OF MUSIC LINDA WAGNER PERFORMANCE AWARD

Criteria: To the senior student who has demonstrated superior musicianship in performance, and exceptional dedication to the music department.

**STEVEN MUSSO & ARIELLE RAY**

3. LOUIS ARMSTRONG JAZZ AWARD

Criteria: For exemplary dedication and achievement as a member of Shaker High School Jazz Ensemble.

**TIMOTHY FARRELL & ARIELLE RAY**

4. FRIENDS OF MUSIC JOHN MALTHOUSE FRIENDS OF MUSIC SERVICE AWARD

Criteria: To the senior student who contributed time and effort through participation and service to the Music Department and the school.

**DEREK ODOM & DANIEL PINTO**

5. JOHN PHILIP SOUSA BAND AWARD

Criteria: In recognition for outstanding achievement and interest in music, for singular merit in loyalty and cooperation, and by nomination of fellow band members.

**STEVEN MUSSO & MOLLY GODFREY**

6. "THE PRINCIPAL'S OWN" SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND AWARD

Criteria: To the senior marching band members who through their time, effort, and dedication have contributed to the success of the program.

**JENNIFER HULTS & REBECCA WOLF**

7. SHAKER THEATRE AWARD FOR DEDICATION AND SERVICE BACKSTAGE

Criteria: To the theater member who has exhibited dedication and service behind the scenes.

**BRIAN HINES & DANIEL PINTO**

8. NATIONAL SCHOOL ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION AWARD

Criteria: In recognition of their outstanding contributions to the success of the school orchestra.

**SERENITY GILES**

9. SHAKER THEATRE SENIOR AWARD

Criteria: To the graduating senior who has made the most significant contribution to the theater program.

**LAUREN SCHROEDER & ARIELLE RAY**

10. PAUL HERVIEUX AWARD

Criteria: This scholarship is awarded to a member of the senior class who has chosen to further his/her education in the performing arts.

**JACQUELINE BOUCHARD**

11. SHAKER THEATRE AWARD FOR THE BEST PERFORMANCE IN A DRAMA

Criteria: To the actor and actress for the best performance in a drama.

ACTRESS: **GENEVIEVE MAILLOUX**

12. NATIONAL SCHOOL CHORAL AWARD

Criteria: In recognition of singular merit, ability and achievement, of outstanding contributions to the success of the school vocal program; and of an unusual degree of loyalty, cooperation and high qualities of conduct.

**STEVEN MUSSO**

13. SHAKER THEATRE SENIOR AWARD FOR ARTISTIC DEVELOPMENT

Criteria: For the senior who has shown the most significant artistic growth while involved in the theater program.

**KIRA ROSI-SCHUMACHER**

14. AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICS TEACHERS' AWARD

Criteria: To the senior who has obtained the highest average in Regents Physics in this academic year.

**MATTHEW SCHWENZFEIER**

The National Honor Society awards are given to students who demonstrated academic excellence in each of the subjects taught at Shaker High School.

15. GERMAN SANA KHAN

16. MUSIC STEVEN MUSSO

17. ART MEGAN BARRA

18. ADVANCED STUDIO ART ROSE SILBERMAN-GORN

19. SPANISH CHENUSA YOMOAH

20. ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS MICHAEL HOVISH

21. PHYSICS KIRA ROSI-SCHUMACHER

22. ADVANCED PLACEMENT MATHEMATICS ALEXIS DAL COL

23. ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE STEVEN FRINK

24. ADVANCED PLACEMENT U.S. HISTORY ERIN BURKE

25. FRENCH MICHELE ACHEAMPONG

26. ADVANCED PLACEMENT POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT ROTEM RUSAK

27. CHEMISTRY RICHA TANEJA

28. STATISTICS ANTHONY FARRELL

29. EARTH SCIENCE SARAH LEE

30. MATHEMATICS ROTEM RUSAK

31. ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH ADAH HETKO

32. BIOLOGY ELIZABETH MANTEY

33. RUSSIAN ROTEM RUSAK

34. TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION DEREK ODOM

35. ACCOUNTING **CHRISTOPHER FERRACANE**

36. FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE **HARLIE WILCOX**

37. PHYSICAL EDUCATION **Boy:** OLUEBUBE ABARA **Girl:** HAILEY KOPP

38. ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY **ELIZABETH HUMMEL**

39. BUSINESS: **BRITTANY WALTON**

40. HEALTH **PARKER ARMSBY**

41. LATIN **WILLIAM SCHANZ**

42. COMPUTER SCIENCE **STEVEN FRINK**

43. ADVANCED PLACEMENT WORLD HISTORY **ADAM MORGAN**

44. ADVANCED PLACEMENT ART HISTORY **BRENDAN MALONE**

45. ENGLISH **ARIELLE RAY**

46. SOCIAL STUDIES **HAILEY KOPP**

47. ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY **LUKE WALSH**

48. ALLIANCE FRANCAISE de SCHENECTADY AWARD

Criteria: To an outstanding student of French. **ANTHONY FARRELL**

49. THE SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL REGENTS EXAM AWARD

Criteria: To the senior girl and boy who have earned the highest averages on Regents exams during four years of high school.

Boy: **MICHAEL HOVISH & SEAN OGDEN** Girl: **HAILEY KOPP**

50. LATHAM KIWANIS CLUB SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Criteria: To the student whose membership within a school or school-oriented service organization has made significant achievements; the achievements have shown perseverance, versatility and the willingness to volunteer time and effort.

**SANA KHAN**

51. KEY CLUB SANDY NININGER AWARD

Criteria: To the senior Key Club members who have made the most of their ability, personality, and circumstances between the time they entered high school and graduation.

**SANA KHAN & CRISTA STURGEON**

52. PATANIAN AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who has been an outstanding member of the school community and plans a career in a business related field. This student must be attending a New York State college.

**CHRISTOPHER CLEMENS**

53. ELEANOR ANAMEIER AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who is an outstanding student of business who will be pursuing a career in that area.

**JAIME BASHAW**

54. SEVERYN ZBOROWSKI AWARD

TECHNOLOGY **MATTHEW NIGHTINGALE**

BUSINESS **KAITLYN DELUCA**

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE **EMILY DINGLEY**

55. HAROLD SHORKEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Criteria: To a student who has demonstrated determination and commitment to reaching his/her goals.

**THERASE FAULKNER**

56. FRAME OF MIND STUDENT ART AWARD

Criteria: To the senior who most embodies the creative spirit.

**CHRISTOPHER WILSON**

57. 40 UNDER 40 BUSINESS AWARD

Criteria: To a high school business education student who is a promising business leader of the future. This award is given by the Capital District Business review.

**ERIC JOHNSON**

58. COLONIE ART LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Criteria: To the senior who has demonstrated outstanding artistic ability and creativity.

**SUZANNE GEARY**

59. NEW YORK STATE ART TEACHERS' AWARD

Criteria: To the student who exhibits outstanding imagination, creative problem solving and technical skills and who has chosen an art career.

**KATE WASSERBACH**

60. STUDENT GOVERNMENT AWARD

Criteria: For outstanding leadership and service to the Student Government.

**MICHELE GRENIER & MELISSA GRENIER**

61. JOSTENS PUBLISHING COMPANY AWARD

Criteria: For outstanding leadership, service and creativity in the production of the Shaker High School Yearbook.

**MEGAN CHENEY, EMILY SCAMPINI & ERIN BURKE**

62. JACK MCDONALD MEMORIAL AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who has embraced the educational opportunities afforded him/her throughout his/her academic career. This student attended Forts Ferry Elementary School where Mr. McDonald taught for many years.

**VANESSA SPICKERMAN**

63. HUDSON VALLEY BOOK AWARD

Criteria: A senior in good academic standing who will attend Hudson Valley Community College next year.

**MARC MORANO**

64. ROBERT LETTIERI MEMORIAL SOCIAL STUDIES AWARD

Criteria: To a student who has demonstrated effort, participation and achievement in the social studies and in school and community life and attended Loudonville Elementary School where Mr. Lettieri taught for many years.

**MEGAN CHENEY**

65. TOWN OF COLONIE YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Criteria: To a graduating senior who has excelled scholastically and athletically in addition to making significant contributions to the community.

**ERIN BURKE**

66. DR. ROSE J. JACKSON SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: To a graduating senior who has shown positive character traits and serves as an example to fellow students. This student attended Blue Creek Elementary School where Dr. Jackson served as Principal for many years.

**SHANNON RIVENBURG, DANIEL DENNIS, STEVEN MUSSO**

67. LOZMAN ORTHODONTICS OF LATHAM AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who has taken full advantage of his/her educational opportunities at Shaker High School and has demonstrated both personal and academic improvement.

**JILLIAN SOLEK**

68. LATHAM WOMEN'S CLUB AWARD TO A MEMBER OF THE STUDENTS' ORGANIZATION FOR SERVICE CLUB

Criteria: To the individual who has contributed the most to the club.

**ERIN BURKE**

69. JAMES H. BOGUE AWARD

Criteria: To the student who best emulates the qualities of kindness, humility, good sportsmanship and service to others as exemplified by the highly respected soccer coach, James H. Bogue.

Boy: **MATTHEW SCHWENZFEIER** Girl: **TAYLOR HOM**

70. SCHOOL SYSTEMS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION AWARD

Criteria: To a student who shows a willingness to help others and has made efforts to better his/her community.

**MELISSA GRENIER**

71. CHARLES G. HOUGHTALING SERVICE AWARD

Criteria: To the senior who has given his/her time working with students or adults with handicapping conditions in the school or community.

**EMILY SCAMPINI**

72. JULIA O. WELLS MEMORIAL EDUCATION FOUNDATION AWARD

Criteria: Awarded to a senior who is pursuing a career in the nursing profession.

**SARAH NICOL**

73. ALBANY CITY LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who has a significant involvement in extra-curricular activities and/or community endeavors.

**MATTHEW MCNEILL**

74. MAPLEWOOD AMERICAN LEGION AWARD

Criteria: TO a former graduate of Maplewood School who is hardworking and has shown positive character traits.

**LAUREN GRADY**

75. COLONIE POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

Criteria: This is a \$500 award given to a senior who is pursuing a career in law enforcement.

**BRIAN MCCONKEY**

76. DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND INTEREST IN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Criteria: To a senior enrolled in AP Politics and Government who has demonstrated an interest and achievement in social studies and who has contributed to the school community.

**ARIELLE RAY**

77. CHRISTINE CURLEY MEMORIAL AWARD

Criteria: To the student who displays interest and potential in creative writing, as determined by works published in "Visions".

**PETER MOLINARO**

78. THE DAVID B. KLINGAMAN CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Criteria: To a student who demonstrates the tenets of good citizenship. This award is given by the Albany and Troy Lions Club.

**JOSHUA MALKIN**

79. THE LATHAM MASONIC SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: To the senior student who has demonstrated academic success and personal integrity.

**NICOLE CILLIS**

80. JUNIOR COLLEGE BOOK AWARD

Criteria: A senior in good academic standing who will attend a community college next year.

**RENEE ALEXANDER, SARAH BECKER, RYAN BERKERY,  
AMBER FINCH, MATTHEW LORD, PATRICK OLEYOURRYK,  
DEVIN PENDYKE, JEFFREY RUDERMAN, TIMOTHY WINNER,  
MARY WIERSMA**

81. BRYANT & STRATTON AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who will be attending Bryant & Stratton College in the fall.

**BRITTANY HANSEN**

82. NEW YORK STATE COMPTROLLER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Criteria: To an outstanding student who has demonstrated leadership potential and commitment to service.

**ARIN KUTEY**

83. NEW YORK LOTTERY LEADERS OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: To a hardworking senior demonstrating dedication to extracurricular and community activities and who has demonstrated leadership skills. This student is attending a New York State School.

**EMILY SCAMPINI**

84. THE MARYA LEVENSON AWARD

Criteria: Awarded to a senior who is pursuing a career in teaching. This award is from the North Colonie/Shaker Community School Foundation Fund.

**VICTORIA SCHROM**

85. SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION SAM MANICO MEMORIAL AWARD

Criteria: Given to a senior who, by his/her initiative, effort and diligence has taken full advantage of his/her educational opportunities at Shaker High School.

**ROBERT OSUR**

86. LINCOLN A. MARZELLO AWARD

Criteria: To the senior student who, by the efforts he/she makes to enrich his/her own life and the lives of others, contributes significantly to the betterment of human relations.

**BRITTANY FARRON**

87. MAURA FITZGERALD SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Criteria: For the graduating senior whose character, integrity, scholarship and school spirit serve as an example to fellow students.

1. Academics: a three-year cumulative average above 90.
2. Athletics: notable success and demonstrable sportsmanship in at least one varsity sport.
3. The Arts: significant effort and accomplishment in theatre, music, creative writing, or the visual arts.
4. Leadership in the school community as recognized through the highest respect of both faculty and peers.

**ERIN BURKE**

88. NORTH COLONIE PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION COUNCIL DR. PETER M. MCMANUS AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who plans to further his/her education and has demonstrated good citizenship and has served the school community.

**MATTHEW CAPELESS & CATHERINE RICHARDSON**

89. THE GERALDINE M. BURKE MATHEMATICS AWARD

Criteria: To the senior who is enrolled in calculus and who intends to pursue a career in mathematics/science and demonstrates significant accomplishment in academics, character, integrity and work ethic.

**COREY LOPEZ**

90. TIMOTHY J. WALKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: Two awards of \$1,500 are given to the graduating seniors whose integrity, athleticism, scholarship and commitment serve as an example to students and faculty alike.

**CRAIG WEISS**

91. EHRENBERG SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: To a senior who has shown positive character traits and perseverance in reaching his/her goals in the face of academic, physical, emotional or financial challenge.

**MONICA DEJESUS**

92. HARRISON CARNEVALE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Criteria: To a senior who has been enrolled in a digital art elective and has shown positive character traits.

**ELIZABETH MANTEY**

93. MARC A. STRIZZI SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: To a senior who has shown positive character traits and who looks beyond their own individual accomplishments to encourage others to believe in themselves. In addition, this student has been active in the athletic or music programs.

**CAROLINE REHFUSS & DAVID ROWLEY**

94. JAMES M. BENNETT MEMORIAL SCIENCE AWARD

Criteria: Awarded to the student who demonstrates hard work, outstanding contributions, and strong character in both science and athletics in their senior year.

**ANJALI PUTTACHI**

95. ANNE ROSENTHAL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: Awarded to a Regents level graduating senior who plans to go into the field of education and/or mathematics.

**JOHNNA MITOLA**

96. NORTH COLONIE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION SAM MANICO  
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Criteria: Each year, NCTA awards at least two scholarships, each worth \$2,000. This year NCTA is awarding two scholarships to seniors who are planning to enter a profession which will eventually relate to the betterment of humanity.

**KELLY LANDERS & ASHLEY RAPSARD**