

News reporter returning to speak to Penn State Wilkes-Barre grads

Featured speaker at Penn State Wilkes-Barre's commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 14, will be Linda Schmidt, reporter for WNYW-FOX 5 News.

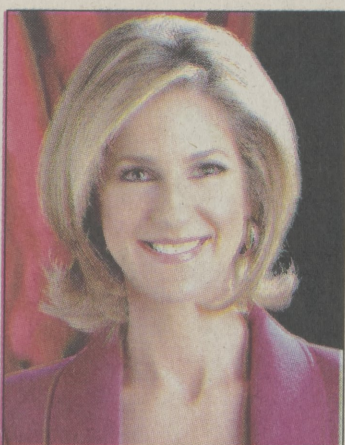
Schmidt has been with Fox for the past 12 years, specializing in investigative and consumer-related reporting. She has covered some of the nation's biggest stories, including the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the crash of Flight 800. She has reported the news for FOX from Israel, Guatemala, Costa Rica and Europe and has been nominated for 13 Emmys, winning five. Schmidt has also been honored with awards from the Associated Press, the

New York State Broadcasters Association, and The New York Press Club.

Schmidt attended Penn State Wilkes-Barre from 1979-1981 before moving on to University Park where she earned her bachelor's degree in broadcast journalism. After graduation, she went to work for Q100, a radio station in Easton.

From there, she moved to Springfield, Missouri where she worked as a reporter and weekend weather woman at KOLR-TV. Before arriving at Fox 5 in New York City, she also worked at WTNH-TV in New Haven, Conn. and in Philadelphia.

Schmidt's community volunteer efforts include reading to elementary school children,



Linda Schmidt

attending fund raising events, and hosting events and working with members of the Red Cross.

"I've always felt it was important to be involved in your community," she said. "Reaching out to others keeps you grounded and keeps you in touch with how millions of Americans are struggling. We are all responsible for one another."

Dallas High School honor students

The following students have been named to the Dallas Senior High School third marking period honor roll.

Honors with Distinction; 98-100, no C's, D's, or F's. First Honors: 93-97, no D's or F's. Second Honors: 88-92, no D's or F's.

Honors with distinction.

Seniors: Cara Bestwick, Kristen Evans, Jeffrey Finn, Scott Gay, Katherine Kupstas, Cory Patton, Coral Stredny, Megan Vodzak, Sarah Vodzak, Jered Weinstein, Leslie Wetzel.

Juniors: Joshua Anderson, Katelyn Fritzes, Caitlin Green, Samantha Griffith, Elizabeth Heintz, Lauren Lando, Justin Orlandini, Nicholas Oschman, Christopher Parrish, Daniel Savage, Hillary Smith, Nicholas Smith, Kira Szulborski, Benjamin Thomas.

Sophomores: Joshua Bowman, Rushtin Chaklader, Garritt Chrzanowski, Alicia Evans, Keysha Hennings, Debra Ketchner, Stephanie Konecke, Sarah Marianacci.

Freshman: Christopher Box, Frank Greenhalgh, Christopher Jayne, Lauren Kelly, Rachel Kesselman, Erica Lisses, Emily Polachek, Virginia Reinert, Rosemary Shaver, Diana Smith, Jillian Spring, Jordan Thimot.

First Honors

Seniors: Christopher Baiamonte, Daniel Barry, Ryan Beberus, Whitney Bolton, Matthew Brokenshire, Artin Chaklader, Kelly Corbett, Meredith Davies, Eric Davis, Lorena Decker, Samantha Decker, Nicola Gelsio, Shoshana Gitlin, Diana Glicini, Allen Gonczol, Holly Gumble, Michael Haines, Harry Hiscox, Ashley Hoover, Jason Jolley, Regina Kapral, Amber LaBar, Kaitlin LaFrance, Ryan Marascio, Caitlin McGuire, Samantha O'Brien, Rachel Orehotsky, Benjamin Rother, Sarah Rupert, Esperanza Saucedo, Megan Savage, Kayla Smith, Adam Snider, Allison Snyder, Jana Stec, Amanda Szczucki, Jill Vanderhook, Ashley Wolanski, Christine Zavaskas, Brian Ziller.

Juniors: Hillary Adams, Sam Alaimo, Elysia Balavage, Sasha Bloch, Amber Burkhardt, Chelsea Calhoun, Benjamin Chopka, Daniel Considine, Jeffrey Decker, Stacie Dysleski, Alaric Eby, Melissa Evans, Brian Feleccia, Lisa Giacometti, Brian Goeringer, Scott Grandowski, Laura Hadsall, Andrew Hanadel, Sal Infantino, Robert Justice, Jillian Keller, Shannon Kotch, Michael Kowalski, Kyle Lewis, Ashley Mihal, Michael Miller, Jennifer Mines, Laura Morgan, Joshua Mounce, David Murphy, Alyssa Novroski, Celia Pambianco, Samuel Perry, Kaitlynn Peters, Brittany Prater, Michael Race, Robin Razawich, Heather Regnosky, Carla Reino, Alyssa Retzena, Dominic Roppa, Jessica Rosencrans, Leena Sarieh,

Jessica Simon, Richard Smith, Kaitlin Stark, Kate Touhey, Kelly Vinnacombe, Rebecca Vodzak, Jeremy Weinstock, Kelly Williams, Michael Wyberski, Amy Yurchison.

Sophomores: Luisa Accorsi, Daniel Anderson, William Barnes, Abigail Bomboy, Kasey Corbett, Robin Crossley, Megan Daris, Daniel Elbich, Mia Esopi, Wesley Evans, Michael Gergel, Kathryn Gilligan, Nicholas Hetro, Sarah-Jayne Hourigan, Daniel Jacobs, Natasha Jankowski, Gregory Jerzak, Amanda Kamarunas, Kenslie Kerestes, Alexander Kish, Paige Kyle, Nicole Madden, Michael McAndrew, Lindsey McCabe, Megan McDonald, Bryan McLaughlin, Alyssa Miller, Tiffany Nicolas, Jacqueline O'Brien, Amy Perdue, Victoria Piontkowski, Robert Redinski, Paul Shaver, Adam Singer, Andrew Slocum, Desiree Spears, John Thompson, Amy Vodzak.

Freshmen: Justin Baldoni, Casey Baldwin, Michelle Banta, Kylee Besecker, Brandon Billings, David Carey, Alyssa Cybulski, Eric Danko, Erin Delaney, Tara Dombzalski, Andrew Edgar, Mark Evans, Harry Giacometti, Kelci Gibbons, Hannah Grube, David Hunter, Andrew Judge, Kristen Justice, Anna Kammen, Stephanie Kiluk, Christoffer Korsun, Danielle Krawetz, Frederick Mihal, Heather Mines, Bethany Mulhern, Kristen O'Brien, Stephen Pearson, Ryan Phillips, Clifton Pisaneschi, Joseph Pretko, Alyssa Pyros, Nicole Rave, Evan Razawich, Vitangelo Recchia, Caitlin Rhodes, Niccole Rivero, Anthony Roppa, Kimberly Scott, Paige Selenski, Erica Slocum, Joseph Stachnik, Jenna Stanish, Lindsay Szalkowski, Kasia Szulborski, Daniel Taroli, Caitlin Trainor, Bailey Van Jura, Christopher Vassello, Michael Walton, Lauren Zimniski.

Second Honors

Seniors: Alyssa Askew, Jonathan Baker, Christopher Barna, Jeffrey Bernosky, Chris Bertinelli, Jacquelyn Bren, Anita Brennan, Nina Chlubicki, Lauren Collini, Kristen Cook, Alan Coulter, Kelli Cummings, Jodi Dickson, Christina Dombroski, Joseph Frantz, Tiffany Gergel, Heather Harbester, Ryan Harvey, Karrie Horsfield, Natasha Hoyt, Matthew Kelly, Maxine Kesselman, Jessica Kostrzewski, Jacob Kovalchik, Daniel Kozar, Gracjan Kraszewski, Michelle Luksh, Nicholas Major, Samantha Mattie, Ryan McHale, Rebecca Miller, Curtis Montz, Ryan Murray, Amanda Nichols, Stephanie Perry, Stefanie Rogers, Eric Samanas, Erica Sebastian, Justin Singer, Jonathon Stephens, Kimberly Tataryn, Daniel Thimot, Adrienne Vanish, Andrew VanLoon, John Yanik, Paul Yurchak.

Juniors: Jacqueline Arnaud, Kyle Baines, David Baldo, Matthew Buckman, Katrina Bullock, Edward Daris, Cynthia Devens, Amanda Dirs, Kathleen Dompkosky, Eric Domzalski, Kristin Evans, Michael Faszulka, Ryan Franconi, Rachael Gallup, Erin Gittens, Kristopher Hall, Alexander Harding, David Harding, Jeremy Hoskins, Casey Husted, Katelyn Kelleher, Adam King, Kristy Kravitsky, Jessica Kukosky, Allison Leandri, Kathryn Lesinski, Heather McDonald, Sean McMahon, Jessica Messina, Alyse Miller, Laura Milligan, Kelly Murphy, Jill Nutche, Mario Oliveri, Loreal Orlando, Sarah Park, Alia Pyros, Scott Rave, Marci Romanoski, Nicholas Samanas, Robert Santarelli, Brittany Sayre, Aaron Slaff, Rebecca Slavoski, Cassie Snider, Alexandra Spaciano, Sara Swebston, Katie Szalkowski, Alex Tasco, Kristen Thompson, Ian Vankuyk, Kyle Wardell, Maxwell Winters, Chelsea Yenason, Kimber Yuhas.

Sophomores: Kendra Balmer, Adam Barry, Adam Besecker, Skylar Braun, Eric Butrice, Guy Carpenter, Brianna Cybulski, William DeAngelo, Christina Dennis, Bradley Fagula, John Giampietro, Stephanie Gonczol, Sarah Gouse, Robert Greenhalgh, Jamie Heffers, David Henry, Justin Hoyt, Daniel Hunter, Cody Karalunas, Ryan Konopki, Daniel Kuligowski, Nicole McMahon, Claire Mitchell, Brian Mullen, Sarah Myslinski, Michael O'Day, Stephanie Pace, Holly Pakka, Thomas Parrish, Joshua Perry, Julianne Pettit, Erin Rogers, Thomas Runscavage, Amy Scaffella, Rachel Schaub, Kristi Stoyko, Amanda Touey, Marissa Wright, Moira Yanik, Megan Youells, Lauren Yurko.

Freshman: Ryan Baker, Michelle Berley, Peter Blanchard, Seth Brakefield, Zachary Breck, Micah Cameron, Cory Conrad, Matthew Crane, Lindsey Davenport, Samantha Elston, Nicholas Frey, Alexander Gallagher, Michelle Gibbons, James Gittens, Douglas Harding, Megan Hughes, Aaron Hogan, Kelsey Hughes-Blum, Graham Karasinski, Mallory Kern, Imran Khan, Alexa Kirk, Corrine Klug, Sean LaBar, Angela Lasky, Kimberly Litz, Chelsea Martin, Andrew Martinez, Michael McHutchison, Gretchen Mengerhausen, Myer Messinger, Kaitlyn Moran, Christopher Mozeleski, Ashley Myers, Alexandria Napierkowski, Katherine O'Brien, Daniel Persing, Ryan Regan, Lee Riccetti, Kaley Roberts, Kevin Rose, Anthony Rubbico, John Scaffidi, Christopher Shaver, Christopher Skevoflax, Bruce Sobocinski, Cody Socash, Peter Steve, Michael Strasser, Brittany Thomas, Peter Tomczyk, Shana Weinstock, Aarika Whittle, Kiley Williams, Kyle Williams, Frank Ziegler.

Frances Slocum State Park nature camps

The Youth Environmental Learning Series (YELS) will be conducted once more at Frances Slocum State Park. The programs are set to run from 9 a.m. until noon on the following dates: ages 4-5, June 14 to 16 or June 21 to 23; ages 6-8, June 28 to 30, July 6 to 8, or July 19 to 21; ages 9-11, July 26-28, August 2 to 4, or August 9 to 11.

Registration is required. Walk-in registration will be held at Pavilion #1 on Saturday, June 4 at 10 a.m.

First come, first served. There will be a \$20 non-refundable registration fee per child. For more information, contact Kathy Kelchner at 696-9105.

DHS 2005 Grad Lock-in meeting

The Dallas High School Grad Lock-in committee will meet on Thursday, May 19 at 7 p.m. in the Dallas High School library. Everyone is welcome to attend, especially parents of juniors who would like to get involved with the committee for next year. Volunteers for decorating, chaperoning and cleanup are needed for this year's lock-in party. Any questions, call Judy Dickson at 675-4269 or Kathleen Savage at 696-1657.

Davis is Phi Beta Kappa

Sarah Nicole Davis, a Davidson College senior Biology major and Chemistry minor from Sweet Valley, was recently inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa national academic honor society. Davis is the daughter of Stanford and Terry Davis of Updyke Road and is a 2001 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School.

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Local honor students named at Bishop O'Reilly

The following Back Mountain residents qualified for the honor roll at Bishop O'Reilly High School for the third marking period.

Senior High School Distinguished honors (average of 95 or above in each subject): Senior Gracemarie Mike and junior Laura DeCesaris.

First honors (average of 90 or above with no more than one grade between 90 and 85): **Seniors:** Conor Judge, Sandra Krogulski, Margaret Mathewson, Melissa Milo and Joanna Smith. **Juniors:** Mary Balavage, Allison Baur, Jennifer Bonetski, Maria Gialanella, Alyssa Gill, Brittany Grabowski, Ian Herron, Natalie Herron, Kathryn Giunta, Ann Oznik and Tara Shevock. **Sophomores:** Keith Hizny, Susan Krogulski, Kathleen Paley, Elizabeth Ryan and Justin Sherin. **Freshmen:** John Frederick and Hillary Mosca.

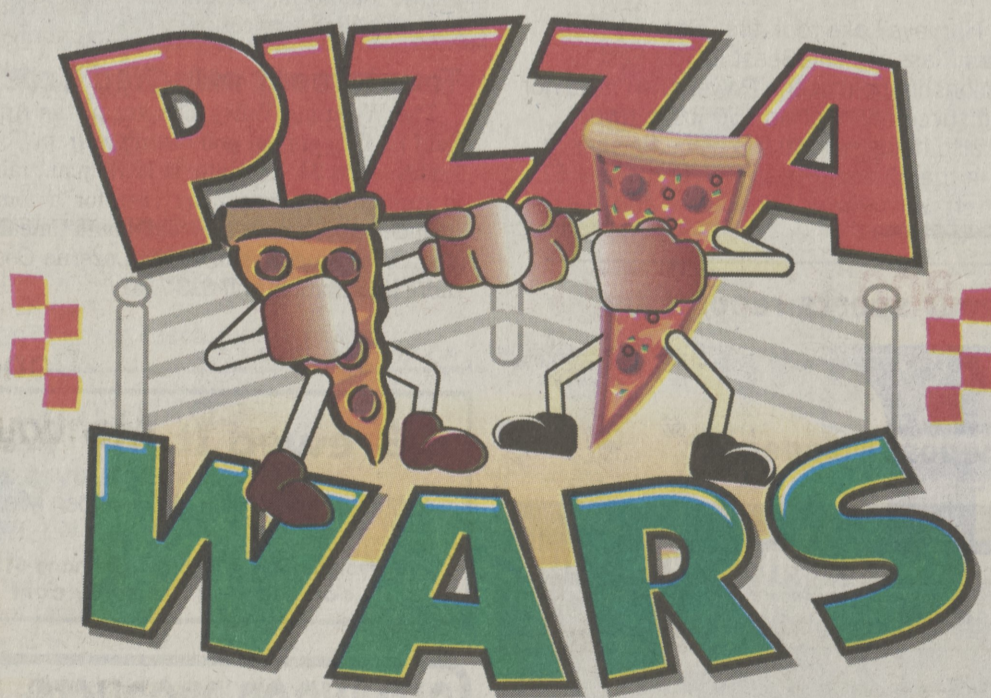
Second Honors (average of 85 or above with no more than one grade between 85 and 80): **Seniors:** Lauren Chupka, Michael DeRojas, Sarah Mentis, Jessica Ryan, Nicole Spencer, Gregory Suhocki, Sara Wolman and Janelle Zabresky. **Juniors:** Joshua Aciukewicz, Elizabeth Barry, Stephane Hennigan and Erin Tanner. **Sophomores:** Vito Balice, Christopher DeRojas, Kyle Gallagher, Kathleen Garrity, Kathleen Goode, Sean McNealis, Sara Nardone, Emily Popson, Elizabeth Seybert, Meagan Simkulak and Stephen Zubko. **Freshmen:** Devin Albrecht, Bridget Knepp, Matthew Ruch, Melissa Rukstalis and Nicholas Sobek.

Junior High School

First Honors
Grade 8: Michael Moleski and Susanna Parmelee.
Grade 7: Nikki Broody and Sara Krogulski.

Second Honors:
Grade 7: Megan Ustynoski.

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Enter as often as you like.

Entries will be collected each week and a winner will be selected. The winner's name will be published in the following issue of The Post. Select your favorites in several

categories. *Winners will each receive a \$20 Gift certificate to the participating restaurant of their choice. At the end of the contest period, all entries will be totaled and favorite restaurants will be announced. Each will receive a plaque noting their victory.

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Contestants may submit as many entries as they wish but are limited to one entry per envelope. No registered mail will be accepted. This newspaper cannot answer or respond to telephone calls or letters regarding the contest. Sponsors' employees and their immediate families are not eligible to enter.



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