

**SCHUYLKILL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL  
CLASS OF 2015  
COMMENCEMENT AWARDS**

**3-Point Goal Scholarship - \$100**

Awarded to a senior girls' basketball player who is furthering her education and who exemplifies exceptional character and outstanding leadership. **Emily Hepner**

**American Association of University of Women - Certificate**

Awarded to the highest-ranking female in the senior class. **Andrea Behler**

**Balfour - Medals**

3D Computer Modeling: **Stratton Yatron**; Art: **Sarah Norton, Emilee Sawyer, Claire Spencer**; Band: **Leah Kellenberger, Grant Grubbs**; Business Education/Computer: **Frank Melvin**; Chorus: **Anmarie Misterkiewicz, Michael Frank**; English: **Mallory Steffey**; Family and Consumer Sciences: **Julia Bruchez**; Fitness and Wellness: **Natalie Toburen, Dustin Spatz**; German: **Emily Johns**; Spanish: **Emily Hepner**; Math: **Carter Yenser**; Photography: **Rachael Borden**; Science: **Matt Longlott**; Social Studies: **Leah Kellenberger**; Woodworking: **Kyle Smith**.

**Berks County Cheerleading Coaches' Association Scholarship - \$100 (2)**

Awarded to outstanding cheerleaders and/or mascots. **Tiana Evans, Samantha Bentz**

**Berks County Mushroom Growers Scholarship Fund - \$1,000**

Awarded to a senior who is pursuing post-high school education for agriculture, science, home economics, or food service. **Michael Frank**

**Berman Freightliner - \$25**

Awarded to the senior contributing the most to fostering school spirit. **Noah Butsack**

**Bern Township Lion's Club - \$100 (4)**

Awarded to seniors who best exemplify the "ideal high school student." **Alexis Glassmire, Emily Hepner, Dustin Spatz, Morgann Henn**

**Bob Hoffman's Garage - \$50**

Awarded to a senior who excelled in the area of journalism. **Brianna Hill**

**Central Berks Dental Center - \$150**

Awarded to the best all-around senior student. **Matt Longlott**

**Charles C. "Skip" Kennedy Memorial Scholarship - \$100**

Awarded to a senior who excelled in academics, athletics, and school activities, and who has placed service before self. **Joshua Giorgio**

**Charles Hottenstine Memorial Scholarship - \$1,100**

Awarded to a student who exhibited superior achievement and contributions in at least two varsity sports during his/her junior and senior years. Recipient must have maintained an exceptional academic record. **Emily Hepner**

**Christopher J. Ottaviani Memorial Award - \$350**

Awarded to a senior who will pursue a career in the field of education and who has participated in a varsity sport. **Olivia Hammond**

**Director's Award for Band - Plaque**

Awarded to a senior who displayed outstanding commitment and dedication to the high school band. **Emily Hepner**

**Douglas S. Miller Memorial Scholarship - \$3,900**

Awarded to a student pursuing a four-year degree in the field of engineering or science. Recipient is in the top ten percent of the graduating class and has demonstrated strong leadership qualities. **Matt Longlott**

**E. J. Breneman Art Award - \$50 (2)**

Awarded to seniors outstanding in VisualArt. **Emily Sadowski, Alexis Glassmire**

**Elias A. Esposito Scholarship - \$325**

Awarded to a graduating senior who plans to pursue a career in education; has compassion for fellow students; and has exhibited dedication and commitment in assisting fellow students with the learning process. **Rebekah Rissmiller**

**English Department Award - \$175**

Awarded to the best all-around English student. **Brianna Hill**

**Eric P. Ulrich Award of Excellence Scholarship - \$750 (2)**

Awarded to a male and female senior who have the highest GPA; have played volleyball for at least two years (including senior year); and are furthering their education. **Emily Hepner, Frank Melvin**

**Foreign Language Award - \$50 (3)**

Awarded to seniors who excelled in the foreign language of German. **Emily Johns, Leah Kellenberger, Nathan Wiemann**

**Gerald Lynn Ciraulo Scholarship - \$550**

Awarded to a senior who plans to further his/her education after high school. **Rebekah Rissmiller**

**Girls' Soccer Senior Award - \$50 (5)**

Awarded to senior girls' soccer players who have shown dedication and passion towards the Schuylkill Valley Soccer Program. **Caitlin Bendigo, Rachel Greenwood, Emily Johns, Tara Kirk, Melany Montes-de-Oca**

**Gold Schuylkill Valley Award - SV Gold Pin**

Recipients must rank in the upper twenty percent of the senior class and must be outstanding in: leadership, citizenship, character, scholastic achievement, service, and extra-curricular activities. Limited to a maximum of ten percent of the senior class. **Andrea Behler, David Brickey, Alexis Glassmire, Morgann Henn, Emily Hepner, Leah Kellenberger, Cydney Lawrence, Matt Longlott, Madeline McDevitt, Rebekah Rissmiller, Dustin Spatz, Mallory Steffey, Moriah Webb, Carter Yenser.**

**Gudrun R. Wilson Schuylkill Valley Middle School Memorial Scholarships - \$600 (4)**

Awarded to students who are pursuing a degree in the field of education and who have overcome adversity in their life. **Andrea Behler, Rachael Borden, Rebekah Rissmiller, Mallory Steffey**

**Gwen Wentzel Kunkel Memorial Scholarship - \$1,200**

Awarded to a senior who is planning to enter the medical field. **Christopher Yeshulas**

**Hamburg Area/Schuylkill Valley Association of School Retirees Scholarship Fund - \$300 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who have been accepted to a four-year college and whose planned major is in the field of education. **Rachael Borden, Rebekah Rissmiller**

**Historical Society of Berks County - 1-Year Membership**

Awarded to a senior who excelled in social studies. **Kyle Latshaw**

**James Rieser Memorial Award - \$200**

Awarded to a senior who excelled in the creative and performing arts. **Carter Yenser**

**John Philip Sousa Band Award - Certificate**

Awarded to a senior for his/her outstanding instrumental performance. **Andrea Behler**

**Josh Scolastico Class of 2009 Memorial Scholarship - \$50**

Awarded to a senior who has overcome adversity to graduate and is furthering his/her education. **Francis Davitt**

**Kenneth R. Lerch Memorial Scholarship - \$200 (2)**

Awarded to an outstanding senior female and male athlete pursuing a post-secondary education. **Emily Hepner, Frank Melvin**

**Larry Ferraro Award - Silver Bowl**

Awarded to a senior who has shown the determination to succeed. **Francis Davitt**

**Leesport Farmers Market - \$200 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who are pursuing a career in agriculture, farming, or food processing. **Bailey Seip, Michael Frank**

**Leesport Gun Club, Inc. - \$100**

Awarded to a senior who is planning to further his/her education in an environmentally-related field. **Dillon Riley**

**Leesport Odd Fellows and Lady Colfax Rebekah Lodge Assistance Grant - \$500**

Awarded to a senior who has been accepted into a post-secondary educational program. **Jeffny Etienne**

**Meadowbrook Country Club Award - \$100**

Awarded to a senior who is planning to enter the military and who has the highest GPA. **Cydney Lawrence**

**Mervin Seisler Memorial Fund - \$25**

Awarded to a senior who is actively involved in community activities. **Tabitha Schappell**

**Mickey Silverman Memorial Scholarship-Schuylkill Valley Athletic Boosters' Association \$250 (2)**

Awarded to outstanding scholar-athletes who are pursuing further education. **Rebecca Hauser, Edward Shuttleworth**

**National School Choral Award - Plaque (2)**

Awarded to seniors who displayed outstanding commitment and dedication to the high school chorus. **Rachael Borden, Allyson Latshaw**

**Ontelaunee Grange #1617 - \$100**

Awarded to a senior interested in pursuing a career in agriculture, political science, or an environmentally-related field. **Leah Kellenberger**

**Ontelaunee Grange #1617 - \$100**

Awarded to a senior enrolled in the area of Family and Consumer Science as a major subject. **Emilee Sawyer**

**Otis S. Rothenberger Memorial Scholarship - \$3,500**

Awarded to a senior in the top fourth of the graduating class who has been accepted by an accredited four-year college or university; has enrolled in a four-year course of study leading to a Bachelor's degree; and is recognized for leadership ability and good character. **Leah Kellenberger**

**Panther Mat Club - \$100**

Awarded to the wrestler/manager with the highest grade point average. **Joshua Giorgio**

**Pantherette Award - \$50 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who excelled in the school newspaper. **Caitlin Bendigo, Mallory Steffey**

**Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame-Berks County Chapter - \$500 (2)**

Awarded to a senior male and female who have made significant contributions to varsity athletics at the high school; have made contributions to community/high school service; are ranked in the top 25% of the graduating class; and have committed to attend a post-secondary institution. **Emily Hepner, Matt Longlott**

**President's Award for Educational Excellence - Certificates**

**Andrea Behler, Rachael Borden, David Brickey, Colby Geisinger, Tiffany Giannotti, Joshua Giorgio, Alexis Glassmire, Grant Grubbs, Rebecca Hauser, Morgann Henn, Emily Hepner, Brianna Hill, Leah Kellenberger, Kyle Latshaw, Cydney Lawrence, Matt Longlott, Madeline McDevitt, Frank Melvin, Shantelly Pena, Samantha Porter, Rebekah Rissmiller, Edward Shuttleworth, Dustin Spatz, Mallory Steffey, Natalie Toburen, Moriah Webb, Nathan Wiemann, Tyler Wilson, Carter Yenser, Christopher Yeshulas**

**Purdon Studio Award - \$25**

Awarded to a senior who has shown the determination to succeed. **Kyle Latshaw**

**Rachel M. Trois Memorial Scholarship-Academic/Athletic - \$750**

Awarded to a senior girl who has demonstrated achievement in academics and athletics, and who maintains a positive attitude. **Alexis Glassmire**

**Rachel M. Trois Memorial Scholarship-Art - \$750**

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated achievement in art and who plans to further his/her education in the art field. **Emma Bunnick**

**Reading Musical Foundation 'Project Penske' Jazz Award - \$100**

Awarded to a senior musician who is a superb role model for other musicians; aspires toward high standards in jazz performance or composition; displays creativity; if a performer, has extraordinary improvisational skills; values ensemble or 'team playing'; and who values giving something back to other students and the community. **Matt Longlott**

**Reading Musical Foundation/Reading Pediatrics Outstanding Senior Musician Award - \$100**

Awarded to a senior musician who best represents the mission of RMF by being a superb role model for other musicians; aspires toward high standards in performance or composition; values ensemble or 'team playing'; values giving something back to other students and the community; and best represents the mission of RMF. **Andrea Behler**

**Richard J. Caron Foundation Award - \$500**

Awarded to a senior who has overcome barriers to learning and who has achieved success in the school environment. **Jeffny Etienne**

**Rocky & Virginia Santilli Scholarship - \$1,000**

Awarded to a softball player who is furthering her education. **Bailey Seip**

**Ronald L. Miller Science Award - \$100 (2)**

Awarded to graduating members of the senior class who are continuing their education in any branch of the sciences or science education. **Brianna Hill, Madeline McDevitt**

**Rotary Club of Shoemakersville Scholarship-Leesport - \$500**

Awarded to a senior who is planning to pursue a post-high school education. Preference is given to a student who has been actively involved in community service. **Christopher Yeshulas**

**Samuel Brooklyn Reed Memorial Scholarship - \$2,200**

Awarded to a student with a GPA of 3.0 or higher who intends to pursue a four-year college or university education (preferably at the University of Pittsburgh). Preference is given to a student with an interest in the field of anthropology, archeology, or history, or who has an interest in distance running. **Rachael Borden**

**Schuylkill Valley Age Group Aquatic Club - \$200 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who have participated in Age Group Swimming and have continued this participation as a member of the varsity swim team. **Alexis Glassmire, Madeline McDevitt**

**Schuylkill Valley Boys Soccer Hat-Trick Club - \$50 (10)**

Awarded to seniors who have shown outstanding achievement in the Schuylkill Valley High School Soccer Program. **David Brickey, Joshua Downs, Brian Koonce, Andrew Lash, Frank Lisa, Matt Longlott, Colin McDermott, Frank Melvin, Jacob Raudenbush, Jeffrey Stellwagon**

**Schuylkill Valley Education Association - \$1,750 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who are planning to enter post-high school education for teaching. **Rachael Borden, Rebekah Rissmiller**

**Schuylkill Valley Excellence in Music Award - \$150**

Awarded for outstanding participation in the overall music program. **Caitlin Bendigo**

**Schuylkill Valley Family Practice - \$100**

Awarded to a senior who is planning to pursue a career in the medical and/or nursing field. **Natalie Toburen**

**Schuylkill Valley Football Parent Club Award - \$50 (10)**

Awarded to seniors who have played in the Schuylkill Valley Football Program (high school or junior high) for all four years in high school. **Nicholas Braucher, Jason Burkert, Chase Grace, Dillon Riley, Connor Sausser, Edward Shuttleworth, Robert Simko, Dustin Spatz, Nicholas Sweitzer, Brandon Voelker**

**Schuylkill Valley Girls' Softball Association-The Rachel Trois Memorial Scholarship Award - \$250**

Awarded to a softball player who is furthering her education. **Bailey Seip**

**Schuylkill Valley High School Chapter of National Honor Society - \$400**

Salutatorian Award. *(To be announced)*

**Schuylkill Valley High School Chapter of Pennsylvania Youth Education Association (PYEA) - \$50 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who contributed the most to the PYEA club for four years. **Caitlin Bendigo, David Brickey**

**Schuylkill Valley High School Gay Straight Alliance Club (GSA) - \$200**

Awarded to a senior who instilled a safe and supportive environment for students of any sexual orientation or gender identity. **Jackie-Rose Greene**

**Schuylkill Valley High School Literary Magazine Club Award - \$100**

Awarded to a graduating senior who has distinguished himself or herself as an aspiring writer and who plans to undertake a writing major or minor in college. **Mallory Steffey**

**Schuylkill Valley High School Service Club - \$25 (2)**

Awarded to outstanding Service Club seniors. **Colby Geisinger, Joshua Giorgio**

**Schuylkill Valley High School Staff Scholarship - \$500**

Awarded to the Valedictorian in recognition of four years of academic excellence. *(To be announced)*

**Schuylkill Valley High School Student Council - \$100**

Awarded to the senior who excelled in student government. **Noah Butsack**

**Schuylkill Valley Music League Awards - \$625**

\$375 Junior and senior county band, orchestra, and chorus; district and regional band. **Andrea Behler**

\$100 Junior and senior county chorus. **Carter Yenser**

\$75 Junior and senior chorus and band. **Caitlin Bendigo**

\$75 Junior and senior county band. **Matt Longlott**

**Schuylkill Valley Parent Teacher Organization - \$50 (8)**

Awarded to seniors who showed the most improvement during their senior year. **Julia Bruchez, Vashti Faust, Colby Geisinger, Jessica Hughes, Emily Johns, Allison Lash, Samantha Porter, Stratton Yatron**

**Schuylkill Valley Parent Teacher Organization - \$250**

Awarded to a senior who is pursuing a career in a child-related field. **Claire Spencer**

**Schuylkill Valley Parent Teacher Organization - \$200 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who strived to fulfill their utmost potential. **Cydney Lawrence, Carter Yenser**

**Schuylkill Valley Parent Teacher Organization - \$200 (2)**

Awarded to seniors who showed a determined commitment to serve their community or school. **David Brickey, Moriah Webb**

**Schuylkill Valley Youth Soccer Player Award - \$100 (6)**

Awarded to senior soccer players for their outstanding work ethic and character both on and off the field. **Caitlin Bendigo, Emily Johns, Tara Kirk, Frank Lisa, Frank Melvin, Jeffrey Stellwagon**

**Senatorial Good Citizenship Award - Certificate (2)**

Awarded to students who showed respect for others; displayed interest in and supported the school and the community; performed volunteer service for the school and the community; exhibited hard work and self-discipline. **Morgann Henn, Samuel Mirarchi**

**Senatorial Healthy Living Award - Certificate (2)**

Awarded to students who demonstrated an understanding of the importance of healthy habits; showed respect for themselves and their parents, teachers, and peers; made good choices and decisions; and displayed an overall positive attitude. **Rebecca Hauser, Connor Sausser**

**St. John's Gernant's UCC Church - \$100**

**Rebekah Rissmiller**

**Steven C. Flammer Memorial Scholarship - \$700**

Awarded to a senior who has been accepted by an accredited college or university; is planning to enroll in a four-year course of study leading to a Bachelor's degree in one of the sciences; ranks in the top fourth of the graduating class; and possesses outstanding character. **Matt Longlott**

**Susan L. Wisniewski Scholarship Award - \$600**

Awarded to a senior who has been accepted in a teacher education program. **Olivia Hammond**

**Tomkins VIST Financial - \$50**

Awarded to the top ranking senior who excelled in business education. **Edward Shuttleworth**

**Tomkins VIST Financial - \$25**

Awarded to a senior who excelled in mathematics. **Matt Longlott**

**Vietnam Veterans of America Scholarship - \$100**

Awarded to a student who has demonstrated (through community service) a strong sense of national pride.

**David Brickey**

**Washington Camp #446-Patriotic Order Sons of America - \$350**

Awarded to a senior who best expressed their thoughts of patriotism in a composition honoring all past, present, and future patriots of this great country.

**\$200 Matt Longlott**

**\$50 (each) Andrea Behler, Victoria Bernhart, Rachael Borden**

**William E. Spatz Memorial Scholarship - \$300**

Awarded for participation in the competitive sports program. Recipient ranked in the upper twenty percent of his/her class scholastically; must be planning to further his/her education in an institution of higher learning; and must have demonstrated a high degree of leadership in both the school and community.

**Dustin Spatz**