

# **ISSUES AND PROGRAMS**

## **1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER 2023**

**WATS (AM) Sayre, PA 960 kHz**  
**WAVR (FM) Waverly, NY 102.1 mHz**  
**WEBO (AM) Owego, NY 1330 kHz**  
**WTTC (FM) Towanda, PA 95.3 mHz**  
**WTXW (AM) Towanda, PA 1550 kHz**  
**WOKN (FM) Southport, NY 99.5 mHz**  
**WELM (AM) Elmira, NY 1410 kHz**  
**WLVY (AM) Elmira Heights-Horseheads, NY 1600 kHz**

### **FOR THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT:**

#### **GOVERNMENT**

##### **PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE**

Emergency Alert System (EAS)—Weather warnings, Civil Defense Warnings, and Amber Alerts were relayed through the EAS decoder during the period covered by this report. By relaying these EAS messages over the air, stations kept residents of the Tioga County-NY, Chemung County-NY, and Bradford County-PA area apprised of the latest National Weather Service warnings and vital information.

##### **PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE**

##### **ALL CATEGORIES (IN NEWS CONTENT)**

###### **News Coverage**

Several daily newscasts relevant to residents of the Tioga County-NY, Chemung County-NY, and Bradford County-PA area, during the period covered by this report. These newscasts aired daily Monday-Friday at 6:00am, 6:30am, 7:00am, 7:30am, 8:00am, and 8:30am. Additional news reports were aired as needed for breaking news coverage.

#### **GOVERNMENT**

##### **PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE**

###### **Local Weather Coverage**

Thirty-second weather reports, hourly (24/7), every day during the period covered by this report. Weather covered the Tioga County-NY, Chemung County-NY, and Bradford County-PA area.

CIVIC, NEIGHBORHOOD, AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

CHARITIES

PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE

Community Calendar

PSAs for various local non-profit organizations during the period covered by this report. The Community Calendar aired once-per-hour Monday through Friday from 12:00am to 6:00am, 9:00am and 11:59pm, and once-an-hour Saturday through Sunday. One event was announced per hour in rotation with all other current events happening at that time.

A partial list of significant issues interviews conducted are listed below, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues/events for the period listed above. The listing is by no means exhaustive.

The order in which the issues appear does not necessarily reflect any priority or significance.

The public is encouraged to send local events, topics, and stories of interest specifically pertaining to the Tioga County-NY, Chemung County-NY, and Bradford County-PA area. Such inquiries should be directed to [News@MyHometownToday.com](mailto:News@MyHometownToday.com) for future coverage.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Radigan

April 4, 2023

# # #

## Scholarship Challenge

DATE: February 4, 2023

TIME: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

RE: Scholarship Challenge – Qualifying Round 1

The FCCB 43rd Annual Scholarship Challenge presented by Williams Toyota of Sayre live from the Sayre Theater. High School Students from New York and Pennsylvania compete for the Kwasnoski Cup and \$6,500 in prize money by answering questions in this popular quiz show broadcast, created by Chuck Carver and hosted by Dave & Irene Radigan. Scholarship Challenge began in 1981 and to date, 6,200 students have answered more than 36,630 questions on a program that has been repeatedly recognized for excellence by state and national broadcast associations as well as The White House. This year's purse of \$6,500 will bring the total prize money awarded to over \$238,275.

Round 1 saw Sayre – Blue go up against Sullivan County, with Sullivan County advancing. Then Waverly – Red went against Wyalusing with Wyalusing advancing. Grace Christian Academy then went up against Sullivan County with Grace Christian advancing. In the final match of the day, Grace Christian went up against Wyalusing with Grace Christian Academy advancing to the Finals on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Wyalusing finished in fifth place and earned \$250 for their school district.

## Scholarship Challenge

DATE: February 11, 2023

TIME: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

RE: Scholarship Challenge – Qualifying Round 2

The FCCB 43rd Annual Scholarship Challenge presented by Williams Toyota of Sayre live from the Sayre Theater. High School Students from New York and Pennsylvania compete for the Kwasnoski Cup and \$6,500 in prize money by answering questions in this popular quiz show broadcast, created by Chuck Carver and hosted by Dave & Irene Radigan. Scholarship Challenge began in 1981 and to date, 6,200 students have answered more than 36,630 questions on a program that has been repeatedly recognized for excellence by state and national broadcast associations as well as The White House. This year's purse of \$6,500 will bring the total prize money awarded to over \$238,275.

Round 2 kicked off with Athens – Silver going up against Spencer Van Etten with Spencer Van Etten advancing. Sayre – Red then went up against Notre Dame with Notre Dame advancing. Montrose then went up against Spencer Van Etten with Montrose advancing. Montrose and Notre Dame went head to head in the final match of the day with Notre Dame advancing to the Finals on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Montrose finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place and earned \$250 for their school district.

## Scholarship Challenge

DATE: February 18, 2023

TIME: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

RE: Scholarship Challenge – Qualifying Round 3

The FCCB 43rd Annual Scholarship Challenge presented by Williams Toyota of Sayre live from the Sayre Theater. High School Students from New York and Pennsylvania compete for the Kwasnoski Cup and \$6,500 in prize money by answering questions in this popular quiz show broadcast, created by Chuck Carver and hosted by Dave & Irene Radigan. Scholarship Challenge began in 1981 and to date, 6,200 students have answered more than 36,630 questions on a program that has been repeatedly recognized for excellence by state and national broadcast associations as well as The White House. This year's purse of \$6,500 will bring the total prize money awarded to over \$238,275.

Round 3 began with Elmira going up against Towanda with Towanda advancing. Then Horseheads took on Northeast Bradford with Northeast Bradford advancing. Canton then went up against Towanda with Towanda advancing. Towanda and Northeast Bradford battled for a spot in the finals with Towanda securing a spot in the finals on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Northeast Bradford placed 7<sup>th</sup> and earned \$250 for their school district.

## Scholarship Challenge

DATE: February 25, 2023

TIME: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

RE: Scholarship Challenge – Qualifying Round 4

The FCCB 43rd Annual Scholarship Challenge presented by Williams Toyota of Sayre live from the Sayre Theater. High School Students from New York and Pennsylvania compete for the Kwasnoski Cup and \$6,500 in prize money by answering questions in this popular quiz show broadcast, created by Chuck Carver and hosted by Dave & Irene Radigan. Scholarship Challenge began in 1981 and to date, 6,200 students have answered more than 36,630 questions on a program that has been repeatedly recognized for excellence by state and national broadcast associations as well as The White House. This year's purse of \$6,500 will bring the total prize money awarded to over \$238,275.

Round 4 began with Athens – Black going against Wellsboro. Wellsboro was victorious and advanced. Tioga Central then went up against Newark Valley, with Newark Valley winning. Waverly – White then went up against Wellsboro with Wellsboro advancing to the final match. The final match of the day saw Newark Valley against Wellsboro, with Newark Valley winning and advancing to the finals on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Wellsboro placed 8<sup>th</sup> and earned \$250 for their school district.

## Scholarship Challenge

DATE: March 11, 2023

TIME: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

RE: Scholarship Challenge Finals

The FCCB 43rd Annual Scholarship Challenge presented by Williams Toyota of Sayre live from the Sayre Theater. High School Students from New York and Pennsylvania compete for the Kwasnoski Cup and \$6,500 in prize money by answering questions in this popular quiz show broadcast, created by Chuck Carver and hosted by Dave & Irene Radigan. Scholarship Challenge began in 1981 and to date, 6,200 students have answered more than 36,630 questions on a program that has been repeatedly recognized for excellence by state and national broadcast associations as well as The White House. This year's purse of \$6,500 will bring the total prize money awarded to over \$238,275.

The 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scholarship Challenge Finals took the air at 10:00 am. The final four teams were Towanda, Grace Christian Academy, Newark Valley and Notre Dame.

First up were Grace Christian Academy and Towanda with Towanda being victorious and earning a seat in the final match. Notre Dame and Newark Valley were up next with Notre Dame earning the win and moving to the finals.

Towanda beat Notre Dame and were presented the coveted Kwasnoski Cup by Lisa Kwasnoski Lucas who was presenting on behalf of her parents, Dan and Marie Kwasnoski and the other Kwasnoski and Lucas family members. Towanda earned the 1<sup>st</sup> place prize of \$3000 for their school district, Notre Dame took home \$1500 for their district and Newark Valley and Grace Christian Academy both earned \$500 for their districts.

### Middle School Scholarship Challenge

DATE: March 18, 2023

TIME: 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

RE: Middle School Scholarship Challenge

Back for the first time since COVID, as well as the first time airing live, was the Middle School Scholarship Challenge. Middle School Scholarship Challenge is our companion event to the Senior High Scholarship Challenge and is a relaxed, fun event for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The program was established to “whet the students appetites” for the high school event. At this age level, Challengers participate for a plaque for their school.

We had 10 teams participating, necessitating 2 sessions – one in the morning and one in the afternoon, including the finals. The morning session saw Northeast Bradford go against Athens with Athens advancing. Wyalusing then went against Montrose with Wyalusing advancing. Sayre then went up against Sullivan County and Sayre advanced. Athens went up against Wyalusing and Athens won. Athens and Sayre faced off in the final match of the morning with Sayre securing a berth in the finals match that would be played later that afternoon.

### Middle School Scholarship Challenge

DATE: March 18, 2023

TIME: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

RE: Middle School Scholarship Challenge

Back for the first time since COVID, as well as the first time airing live, was the Middle School Scholarship Challenge. Middle School Scholarship Challenge is our companion event to the Senior High Scholarship Challenge and is a relaxed, fun event for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The program was established to “whet the appetites” for the students for the high school event. At this age level, Challengers participate for a plaque for their school.

We had 10 teams participating, necessitating 2 sessions – one in the morning and one in the afternoon, including the finals. The afternoon session saw Spencer Van Etten go up against Wellsboro with Spencer Van Etten advancing. Grace Christian Academy then went up against Tioga Central with Tioga Central advancing. The match between Spencer Van Etten and Tioga Central saw Tioga clinch a berth in the final match of the day against Sayre, the winner of the morning session. Tioga emerged victorious as the 2023 Middle School Scholarship Challenge winners, earning a plaque to take back to their school.