

**Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame Club 2010
Jack Keeley Memorial Scholarship Award**



Rachel J. Meyers

The Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame Club is proud to announce the 2010 \$500 Jack Keeley Memorial Scholarship Award to Rachel J. Meyers. A Saugerties High School senior. Rachel has not only distinguished herself in sports participation, but much—much more. She is the daughter of the proud parents William “Bud” and Michelle Meyers.

Her academic achievements are quite impressive. She is currently ranked 21st. among the 226 Saugerties seniors while, maintaining a 95. Grade average. Other school activities includes: Student Government Social Director and Student Government Representative Grade 10, Student Council Secretary Grade 11, Student Council President Grade 12, Student Representative for Board of Education Grade 12, National Honor Society Grades 11 & 12 and Vice President Grade 12, Soccer Club Grades 8-12, President grade 12, Basketball Club Grades 9-12 , Treasurer grades 11 & 12, Softball Club Grades 9-12, Vice President grades 11. She was selected as a member of the Mum Bowl Court and has additionally been awarded The University of Vermont Presidential Scholarship.

Coach Hank Smith who is a Saugerties Sports Hall of Famer said “ Rachel is a young woman who has contributed much to her school and community. A young woman who has made her school and community a better place because of her great attitude and caring about all people. Rachel is indeed worthy of the Jack Keeley Memorial Scholarship. She is a young woman who is a roll model for other young athletes and young people in her life. He also stated that Mr. & Mrs. Meyers can be proud of their daughter’s achievements and success. Thank you for being great parents. Rachel’s love for life and success is because of your love for her.”

Rachel’s sports activities include Modified Soccer Grade 7, Modified Basketball Grade 7, Modified Softball Grade 7, Jr.Varsity Soccer Grades 8 & 9 (Captain grade 9), Jr. Varsity Basketball Grades 8 & 9 (Captain grade 9), Jr. Varsity Softball Grades 8 & 9 (Captain grade 9), Varsity Soccer Grades 10, 11 & 12 (Captain grade 12), Varsity Basketball Grades 10, 11 & 12 (Captain grade 12), Varsity Softball grades 10, 11 & 12 (Captain grade 12).



As a Saugerties Varsity Soccer player, Rachel scores a head shot goal.



Rachel playing Varsity Softball, fielding a Ground ball from her Shortstop position.



Rachel shooting a foul shot during a game against Ellenville HS.

Rachel said “her most valuable high school experience was playing three sports in all three seasons in grades 7 thru 12. During my high school career I have seen many peers not participate in sports because it was too much for them, but I feel if I had not made that choice I would have been disappointed. Being a three season athlete I have met new people and made lasting friendships through the love of sport and those sports have made me who I am today. Specifically sports have taught me that an act as simple as motivating someone else can push them to heights they never could have fathomed. Just as victory is equivalent to success in life, loss with all effort and heart can occur also. Those losses have molded me into someone who works hard for the next success and realizes that defeat does not mean failure, but rather a bump in the road leading to my ultimate goal. I strive to do my best on the sports field and in the classroom. This combination of tenacity, motivation and focus that I relied upon during my successful participation in Saugerties High School will be the same combination I utilize in college and ultimately life.”

Rachel plans on attending the University of Vermont in the fall of 2010, in pursuit of an athletic training degree. Her ultimate career goal is first to obtain a Masters Degree in Athletic Training, and ultimately acquiring an Athletic Training position with a Division I College sports team.

The Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame Club congratulates Rachel for being our Jack Keeley Memorial Scholarship Award winner. We are very proud of Rachel and wish her well in all of her endeavors.

During the Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame Clubs history some very unique things have occurred. For the very first time both of our scholarship winners, Nate and Rachel Meyers who are brother and sister (Twins) have been awarded our prestigious scholarships in the same year. To our club this has been an unbelievable

occurrence. We are very proud of Rachel and Nathaniel's accomplishments and their parents, William and Michelle Meyers, What an unbelievable story of what can happen within a caring and loving family.