



Halloween has origin with ancient Celts

Halloween arrives with the thought of candy and costumes, but it wasn't always about carving pumpkins and visiting haunted houses. As people prepare to walk the streets begging for sweets, some take the time to remember what this holiday is all about.

Once upon a time Irish and Scottish immigrants brought over different variations of the holiday in the 1900s. Halloween originated from an ancient Celtic festival known as Samhain. The festival of Samhain is the celebration at the end of the Gaelic harvest season. Ancient pagans would use this time to take stock of food and supplies for the coming winter.

The ancient Gaels believed that on October 31st the veil between the world of the living and the world of the dead was thinnest. They believed that the dead would come back to the land of the living and wreak havoc, such as rotting crops and causing sickness. They also believed that the dead would exact revenge on those who had wronged them. People wore masks and costumes to mimic or appease the dead.

When a child goes "Trick-or-Treating," he or she is actually threatening the homeowner or his or her property whose door he or she knocked on. As "Trick-or-Treating" has become one of the main traditions of Halloween, the social norm of purchasing sugary treats to hand out on Halloween was born.

The tradition of Halloween has become extremely popular in the United States, Ireland, Canada and the United Kingdom due to increase in American cultural influence. "Trick-or-Treating," has also been on the

rise in many European countries. In Ohio, Iowa, and Massachusetts the night designated for costumes and candy is actually referred to as "Beggars Night." "Trick-or-Treating" resembles the medieval practice of "souling" when the poor people would go door to door on Hallowmas (November 1st) asking for food in exchange of prayers for the dead on All Souls Day (November 2nd).

The practice of "souling" originated in Britain and Ireland, but was soon found as far

away as Italy. The carving of pumpkins is usually looked on as a fun and messy project for parents and their children, yet in the past people would carve pumpkins to ward off the evil and demonic spirits they believed to be haunting them.

Halloween is a fun time of year for people of all ages, yet most don't even think about the origins of this fantastic and intriguing holiday.

By Kimberlee Bennett



G. Ray Bodley High School student Joseph Paulich was all smiles after "giving the gift of life" on Thursday at the GRB Student Senate sponsored blood drive. Students and staff alike filled the large group instruction room to make their donations. (Carly Williams photo)

Yearbook deadlines are approaching fast

Several important deadlines are now just days away for the Fultonian Yearbook.

Seniors are reminded that Tuesday, November 4 is the deadline for turning in baby and prom pictures. It is also the deadline for submitted senior portraits and parent recognition ads. All pictures should include the name and GSH of the person submitting them as well as the names of the people in any group shots. Pictures may be submitted online at www.hjeshare.com with the code fultonian, or given to Mr. Senecal in room 118 during guided study hall. Recognition ad forms are available in the main office, and from Mr. Senecal.

Yearbook presage is also underway and once again students will have the chance to save \$10 off the price of the 2015 Fultonian by ordering prior to Christmas.

Due to today's shortened schedule

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will not return until Tuesday, November 4

Opinion

Halloween is a night to keep safety in mind

By Hope Williams

Halloween is a popular holiday, and the second highest grossing holiday in the United States after Christmas. In 2010, 72.2% of those surveyed by the National Retail Federation said they would hand out candy, 46.3% would carve a pumpkin, 20.8% planned to visit a haunted house, and 11.5% planned to dress up their pets. Many people get caught up in all the excitement and completely forget to be cautious.

What many people do not realize is that Halloween is also the most dangerous night of the year, as children are twice as likely to be hit and killed by a car on this night. With that in mind, here are some tips on how to stay safe on the night of Halloween.

1. Make sure your costumes are bright and reflective, that way other



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people walking and oncoming traffic (if there is any) can see you easily.

Not-So-Fun Fact; A 9-year-old child was shot and killed one Halloween because her relative thought she was a skunk. Make sure you do not dress as a skunk.

2. Carry around a flashlight so you can see what is going on around you.

3. When carving pumpkins, make sure the pumpkin is sitting on a steady table so that the candle inside the pumpkin is safe.

4. Young children should be accompanied by an adult.

5. Always go to houses that are well lit and never enter a house or a car for candy, no matter how old you are.

6. Carry a cellphone for quick communication.

7. Never walk through someone's yard, or use alleys.

8. Always stop for oncoming traffic, even if you have the right of way. You never know if they will stop for you or not.

9. If any suspicious activity is seen, notify law enforcement authorities right away.

10. Check for open candy. If it is open, spoiled or suspicious looking, just throw it away.

Though people already know these tips, they will still overlook them. What people do not know is that on average, children are twice more likely to get hit and killed by a car on the night of Halloween than on any other night of the entire year. Be safe, be smart and HAVE FUN.

Bizarre news of the day:

A pretty lousy sense of humor

“I have Ebola, you are all screwed,” a man recently yelled aboard an International Airport of Punta Cana flight. This then led to the isolation of the aircraft and the intervention of the medical team that ran to the aircraft in hazmat suits.

After grabbing him, they took the man to the medical health area where he was submitted to a rigorous check up. Then The Ministry of Public Health confirmed that the person suspected of being infected with the Ebola virus was a false alarm.

Eduardo Rosario Bourdierd, the communications director for Public Health said “It is absolutely false the information that states that through the Punta Cana Airport a person suspected of being sick with Ebola arrived in our country.”

There was no information available about what charges, if any, the man faced.

Compiled by Jackson Truong

Halloween Fun Fact

According to tradition, if a person wears his or her clothes inside out and then walks backwards on Halloween, they will see a witch at midnight.



Quote of the day:

“Don't let life discourage you; everyone who got where he is had to begin where he was.”

-Richard L. Evans



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Head to the movies for a good scare this weekend

Did you know the first movie ever filmed was *The Round Hay Garden Scene* in eighteen eighty eight? The film was shot in Leeds, West Yorkshire, England. Parts of it can be viewed on Youtube and it can still be ordered if you happen to be curious about what the very first movie ever created was like. Now that you know some background on the first movie ever made why not treat yourself to some new releases showing this weekend.

The arrival of Halloween brings a plethora of scary new releases such as *Ouija* which recently came out on October 24 and was the top grossing film last weekend. The film centers around a group of friends who have to confront their fears when they disturb the evil inside an ancient Ouija board. This movie is most definitely a heart pumping thriller and has already reached a profit of twenty million

dollars in sales and is continuing to sky rocket.

If you are interested in a thriller however not entirely comfortable with the horror try seeing a movie such as *John Wick*, which was also released on October 24. An ex-hitman comes out of retirement to find the thieves that stole everything from him. He returns to New York City in hopes of finding his targets and taking back what was rightfully his.

Night Crawler is another thriller coming out today, just in time for Halloween. Lou Bloom, a young man in need of work who takes interest in the world of L.A. crime journalism, is the main character. The form of journalism he takes interest in is a field where a group of camera crews film crashes, fires, murder and other disasters, now Lou has entered a world where each police siren wail equals a possible

windfall and victims are converted into dollars and cents. However in the never-ending search for footage, he becomes the star of his own story.

Halloween is a great time to see a scary, thrilling movie so dress up, go out, spend the weekend with your friends and have fun!

Halloween Fun Fact

A lot of animal shelters will not allow for black cats to be adopted around Halloween.



What's happening at G. Ray Bodley High School?

Would you like to learn to ski or snowboard? The GRB **Ski & Snowboard Club** still has openings for this coming winter. See Mrs. Downing in room 212 or Mr. Ward in room 210 for details. Beginners are welcome and encouraged to give this sport a try.

The **Senior Class** officers meet every Monday after school in room 125 and all seniors are welcome to attend.

The next meeting of the **Fultonian Yearbook** will be Wednesday after school in room 102.

Any boys or girls interested in trying out for **basketball** should sign up with Mr. Leece in room 204.

Anyone interested in signing up for **wrestling** please see Mr. Popper in room 126 to receive the needed paperwork.

Hockey signups are taking place all this week after school in room 213.

What's for lunch?

Today: There is no lunch today due to school ending at 10:30 am.

At the Movies With Chelsie Knopp

Seniors take note!

Prom and baby pictures must be turned in by Tuesday, Nov. 4
Bring them to Mr. Senecal in room 118

Submitted senior portraits are also due by Nov. 4

Order your 2015 yearbook by Monday, Dec. 22 and save \$10

Pay \$50 instead of \$60 and save some \$\$

A minimum \$10 down payment

reserves your book at the reduced rate!

See Mr. Senecal in room 118. Order forms will be included with five-week reports and are also available in the main office.

Submit yearbook photos online at www.hjshare.com our school code is: fultonian Spirit Week & Fall sports photos needed!

NFL Picks

NFL hits midseason with some big match-ups

**Baltimore @ Pittsburgh**

Sunday night will provide a key NFC North match-up as the Ravens invade Heinz Field to take on the Steelers in a battle between a pair of 5-3 teams. Making this game all the more important is the fact that the NFC North is the NFL's only division where all four teams

Mr. Senecal**Last week: 9-6****Overall: 51-45**

sport a winning record, and if past performances hold true both league-leading Cincinnati (4-2-1) and up and coming Cleveland (4-3) will be favored as they face the 1-6 Buccaneers and the 1-7 Jaguars respectively. As if the Baltimore-Pittsburgh rivalry isn't incentive enough, the loser could find itself in last place in the division.

The game features a pair of rugged quarterbacks in Baltimore's Joe Flacco and Ben Roethlisberger of Pittsburgh, with Big Ben enjoying a strong start to the season with 16 touchdowns against just three interceptions. After swapping wins and losses through the first six games, the Steelers seem to have hit their stride with two straight wins including a surprising 51-31 blowout of Indianapolis last Sunday. Baltimore felt the sting of a last second pass interference call that cost them a victory over Cincinnati, and with two losses to the Bengals this season cannot afford to fall further off the pace in the NFC North.

Antonio Brown is Pittsburgh's go-to receiver with seven touchdowns while the Ravens have spread the wealth far more evenly as both Steve Smith and Jeremy Smith have four TD hauls apiece and Owen Daniels has pulled in a trio of six pointers. On the ground Lorenzo Taliaferro has been good for 226 yards and four touchdowns while Justin Forsett's 104 carries have included three end zone trots. LeVeon Bell has rushed for 691 yards on 141 tries for the Steelers, but has just one touchdown to his credit. Both teams can play defense and both sides stand at 2-2 within the division. In what could be a real barn-burner, look for the men in black and gold to hold serve on their home

field.

Mr. S. says:
New Orleans
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Arizona
Kansas City
San Diego

Minnesota
Philadelphia
San Francisco
Denver
Seattle
Pittsburgh
Indianapolis

**Mitch Woodworth****Last week: 9-6****Overall: 51-45****Arizona @ Dallas**

The Cowboys suffered a double defeat on Monday night when they were up-

set in overtime by Washington and also lost star quarterback Tony Romo to a bad back contusion. Their backup will need to be ready for some playing time, and it's his chance to shine for the Cowboys. One positive is that he will be able to hand the ball to the NFL's leading rusher, Demarco Murray while Dez Bryant will be a major factor at receiver. The Cowboys also have to have a good defense in order to stop the passing game of the Cardinals, who are led by all-pro receiver Larry Fitzgerald.

The Cardinals have a solid defense and a pretty solid offense if they can work the run game a little bit. I believe this will be a very close game and maybe even go into overtime with the Dallas Cowboys winning. I say that Dallas will win 28-20.

Mitch says:

Carolina
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Dallas
Kansas City
San Diego

Washington
Philadelphia
San Francisco
Denver
Seattle
Pittsburgh
NY Giants

Pete Ravesi**Last week: 6-9****Overall: 48-48****New Orleans****@ Carolina**

This week The Saints can overtake Carolina for the top spot



in the weak NFC South by avoiding an eighth straight regular-season road defeat Thursday night against the struggling Panthers.

While the Saints (3-4) have reason to feel confident following their most impressive performance of the season, they have also maintained perspective. The Saints have been competitive this season away from the Superdome. New Orleans ranks 29th while yielding an average of 31.3 points in its four road contests, Carolina hopes to benefit from the return of running back DeAngelo Williams, who has missed six games due to injuries, including the last four with a bad ankle. Williams, who gained 72 yards on 14 carries in a season-opening win at Tampa Bay, is expected to share time with Jonathan Stewart.

Pete says

Cincinnati
Tampa Bay
Dallas
Jets
Chargers

Minnesota
Houston
San Fran
Denver
Seattle
Baltimore
Indianapolis

Malachi Manford**Last week: 8-7****Overall: 48-48****Oakland****@ Seattle**

Going into week 9

Seattle has an easy win waiting for them. Oakland is 0-7 going into week nine against the 4-3 Seahawks. Statistically Seattle's offense blows Oakland's offense out of the water, but Oakland's defense is pretty decent. I don't think the defense is going to match up well with Seattle's offensive game.

If Seattle's offense performs as well have they have been then they will have no problem taking home the win on Sunday. The chances of Oakland upsetting Seattle are slim to none. Seattle 32 Oakland 0

Malachi says:

Carolina
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Dallas
Kansas city
Miami
Washington

Philadelphia
San Francisco
Denver
Seattle
Baltimore
NY Giants



In the News

Remembering Wallie Howard Jr.

By Kyle Buck

Thursday was a day for Central New York residents to keep the name of one brave man in the back of their minds as Halloween

comes near. Investigator Wallie Howard Jr. was a member of the Syracuse Police Department, serving with the Central New York Drug Enforcement Task Force on an operation when he was fatally shot on October 30, 1990 by Robert "Bam-Bam" Lawrence.

The nine-year veteran of the force was involved in an undercover bust when drug traffickers from Brooklyn, New York attempted to rob Howard of \$42,000 that would be used to purchase two kilograms of cocaine. Wallie Howard was 31 years old at the time of his death. Through his years on the force, Howard had received three bureau commendations for his work in undercover drug operations.

There is now a Forensic Science Center named in his honor, as well as a Wallie Howard Medal that is given annually at the Syracuse City Police Awards.

Wallie Howard's case was recently brought back to light in mid-January 2014 when U.S. District Judge David Hurdís ruling gave Robert Lawrence an opportunity to parole since he was only 16 when he committed the crime. The ruling states that a juvenile's age must be a mitigating factor before sentencing life in prison, reducing Lawrence's sentence to 31 years and 5 months. Lawrence has the possibility to leave on parole on October 28, 2020. Multiple current and retired members of law enforcement are extremely disappointed in the judges decision.

Wallie Howard Jr.'s police and undercover detective work brought justice to the Central New York area. Many police officers from both the State Police and Syracuse City Police Department were in service with Howard, and still speak about his ambition as a detective to this day.

Halloween dates back 20 centuries

Have you ever thought of some of the history behind today's spooky holiday? It is quite interesting as the roots of this superstitious holiday can date back almost 2,000 years.

Originally, the traditional holiday took place on November 1, and was known as All Saint's Day. The evening before was known as All Hallow's Eve and later Halloween. Over the years, Halloween evolved into a community based festival that was characterized by more child friendly activities

Halloween Fun Facts:

* There are some pumpkins that come in white, green, and blue!

* Along with many things from Europe, Halloween is came too.

* The beloved Tootsie Roll wrapped in America.

* One of the original reasons that if they began wearing masks and costumes they would avoid being recognized by spirits as humans.

* Every year in America, average candy sales are about 2 billion dollars! (Imagine the dental bills a few months later, yikes)

* Halloween has become the second most commercialized holiday in America, Christmas being the first.

* Black cats used to be believed to be witches familiars that protected their powers from others.



kins that come in white,

brought to the new world one of many traditions that

was the first ever candy to be

sons for people dressing up ancient Celts who believed

Compiled by Breanna St. Onge

Technology group sponsoring "No Shave November" fundraiser

It is that time of year again and the G. Ray Bodley High School Technology Department is issuing a challenge to help raise money for the local food pantry.

No Shave November is the name of the event, with all the male staff members of GRB encouraged to participate.

Students will be sponsoring the staff members who are participating and any student at GRB will be eligible to sponsor whatever teacher they choose.

The students will fundraise for the opportunity to select how their sponsored teacher will shave their beard at the end of the month. Any student sponsoring a teacher will collect donations and record them on a fundraising sheet that will be submitted to their sponsored teacher.

Whichever student raises the most money will have the privilege of choosing the teachers facial hair design, and the teacher will shave that design and wear it to school for two days.

All money raised will be donated to the local food pantry and all funds will go through the technology Student Association (TSA) so the donation can be made to the food pantry. *By Hope Williams*

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School of Thought compiled by Carly Williams and Casey McCann

Why did you decide to donate blood?



"I wanted to save a life."

Ian Devendorf



"I wanted to help save lives."

Jonathon Noeller



"I like being a hero."

Greg Miner



"To save lives."

Courtney Smith

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Sun and clouds.

50°

Average: 52°
Record: 75° (2003)

Tonight:



Cloudy skies.
Chance rain.

39°

Average: 36°
Record: 20° (1925)

Tomorrow:

Cloudy with rain.

45°/32°

Average: 51°/36°
Rec. high/low: 74°
(1974) 27° (2002)

Sunday:

Sun and clouds.

42°/32°

Average: 51°/35°
Record high/low: 77°
(1982)/19° (1965)

Former GRB student and current SUNY Oswego junior Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist. Look for his daily weather forecasts for Fulton on RaiderNet Daily.