

## *National Honor Society inducts record number*

By Alicia Vann

The Joseph Compolieta Chapter of the National Honor Society held their Induction Ceremony last Thursday, inducting 48 new members.

National Honor Society revolves around four precepts; scholarship, leadership, character, and service. To be inducted, each member must have an average of at least 89.5%, have shown prior instance of leadership positions, have a history of community service, and be deeply involved in extracurricular school activities. The current 26 members have lived up to these requirements and have passed along the spirit of National Honor Society to the new 48 members.

The ceremony started out with a welcome statement from president, Adam Wolford. He passed the spotlight over to senior members Katelyn Gilbert, Kasey Parkhurst, and Alicia Vann, who sang the National Anthem and Alma Mater to open the ceremony. G. Ray Bodley High School Principal Mr. Buchanan gave a short speech about the members and about what the society means to the school.

This speech was followed by speeches about the four precepts read by the current officers. The four candles (one for each precept) were lit prior to each reading, and president Adam

Wolford lit the candle of knowledge. Historian Daisy Ruiz read about scholarship, Parliamentarian Amanda Copps read about leadership, Secretary Alicia Vann read about character, and Vice President Taylor Harvey read about service. The chapter officers proceeded with the induction of the 48 members. Treasurer Ben Davis recognized the current senior members. The new inductees pledged under the National Honor Society Oath and the ceremony was complete. The evening concluded

with a reception including refreshments in the lobby.

The new members must now maintain an 85% average in order to maintain their position in National Honor Society. They also must be available as tutors for other students and they must participate in four hours of community service each month of the academic school year. Overall, the ceremony was a success. The new members have been inducted and now have some big shoes to fill.



NHS Vice-President Taylor Harvey lights the candle of service as fellow officers Adam Wolford, Amanda Copps, Ben Davis, Alicia Vann and Daisy Ruiz (left to right) look on during Thursday's induction ceremony. (photos courtesy of Mr. Nami)



The National Honor Society welcomed 48 new members to its fold on Thursday night. NHS members are listed on page 4.

## Opinion

# Some sound advice to the Class of 2011 and beyond

By Alicia Vann

As my days at G. Ray Bodley dwindle, I have some keen advice for you juniors to take into your senior year.

1. Stay organized! Senior year is hectic enough with college plans, SATs, ACTs, senior dinner dance, senior trip, caps and gowns, etc. Make sure you keep your planners organized and homework sorted to help your senior year better fall into place.

2. Start your scholarship search EARLY! There are scholarships out there for every club, organization, and quality you possess. No matter how much or how little the amount of cash, apply apply apply! Any amount of cash can help you throughout college. You never know what you could win. Frequently visit the guidance office's scholarship center to keep up on the most recent scholarships. Fastweb.com, scholarships.com, and schoolsoup.com are just some of the many online databases to start your search online. Start today! There are many scholarships open to all age groups.

3. Make a deadline list! The last thing you need is to miss a deadline. Keep an organized list of all your deadlines and dates to remember. This could include college applications, money deadlines, scholarships deadlines, test dates, and college visit dates.



4. Stay on top of your schoolwork! After receiving their acceptance letters, most seniors catch a case of "senioritis." Do not fall into this treacherous trend! Keeping up on schoolwork can only help you later. Plus, some colleges will check in on your first or second quarter grades before deciding whether to accept you or not.

5. Camp out in the guidance office! Visit your guidance counselor frequently to make sure you stay up to date on everything you should be doing when it comes to the college preparation process. Your guidance counselor is only there to help you. Take advantage of your resources!

6. Have fun! Come on now, it's your senior year! Take some time for yourself. Spend time with your friends. Don't stress over the little things. Live up your senior year, it'll pass you by before you know it.

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## Students stay hopeful of a snow day or delay

By Brandon Teetsel

As we all know, Central New York gets an abundance of snow each year, making our winter season last from November to March, if not longer. Every student, along with many teachers and staff members, hopes for a lake effect snowstorm to delay, if not close, school. There's nothing more disappointing than getting 16 inches of snow in one night, and waking up to find that school is open and on time.

Many people are upset that we have not had a snow day yet this year, especially because we all have to clean off our cars and shovel our driveways anyway. Our school district gets five snow days each year,



and if we do not use them all, we get an extra day on Memorial Day weekend. Last year we only used two snow days, unlike this year. From elementary students to high schoolers, everyone hopes for a snow day when we hear about a lake effect snowstorm.

Although we get the day off from school, many teachers dislike snow days putting them behind on their lesson plans, and having to make up the material at a later date. If the teachers decide not to make up the work in class, they may assign it for homework, along with the planned homework.

Does the break from school outweigh the extra work in class? To the students, yes, but many teachers disagree, and would rather have the extra class day. Hopefully we will be blessed with a snow day during March, breaking up the 31-day dry spell of no breaks or vacations.

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## Raiders make history with Class A title

There is no substitute for experience.

That was the message delivered loud and clear on Saturday night when the Fulton girls volleyball team cruised past Oneida 3-0 to claim the Section 3, Class A championship. It wasn't easy as the Raiders prevailed 25-23, 25-21 and 25-23, but every time the match was on the line Fulton's veteran side stepped to the forefront to pick up points when they mattered the most.

"I think the key was that they were the experienced team, they'd been there before," Fulton Coach Caroline Richardson noted. "I told them to just go out and play your game."

And that's exactly what the girls did in a balanced performance for the defending Class A champs that stands as the first back-to-back sectional titles ever for a Fulton girls team. Sabrina Sutton had eight kills and a block for Fulton while Karlee Osborn and Taylor Harvey knocked down seven and six kills respectively to go with six important digs for the winners.

Kayla Pawlewicz contributed four kills and Lindsay Navagh had 27 assists and three digs while fellow senior Emmy Molascon turned in a solid all-around effort with three kills and two digs with an ace, assist and block for good measure. Junior Kirsten Francis had three aces and five digs in Fulton's rise to 14-7 on the season.

The win also reversed the outcome in the 2007 and 2008 finals when Oneida denied the Raiders in the Class A title match. Saturday marked the fifth straight year that Fulton has gone to the championship tilt.

Oneida's runner-up effort was led by Shannon Dowling and Melissa Murawski, who contributed 23 assists between them. Rachel Kline fin-



There was plenty to smile about on Saturday night at Jamesville-Dewitt High School when the Fulton girls volleyball team claimed the Section 3, Class A title. The girls dispatched of an old rival by beating Oneida in three straight games to finish at 14-7 on the season while notching back-to-bck titles for the first time in school history. (Erica Lamb photo)

ished with 11 kills and Paige Pendleton had seven kills for the Indians, who finished the season at 13-5.

Playing their best when it counted the most, the Raiders won their fourth sectional game in a row after struggling to find consistency in the regular season. "Once they got to sectionals they were just really determined to win," Coach Richardson commented. "They worked hard in practice all year. They had their ups and downs, but they kept working hard." "Their goal was to win sectionals," the Coach said of her third sectional championship side. "And they did it."

## Swimmers show improvement

The season for the Raider swim team has officially come to an end. Despite concluding with a disappointing record of 2-8, the swimmers have still improved from last year's record of 0-8. The sectionals team also proved to be much larger this year, partially because Fulton is now considered to be a Class B school for swimming.

The Class B Championship turned out to be a success for the Fulton swimmers and divers. The 200 free relay, consisting Richard Walter, Scott Bullard, Josh Strauss, and Ben Davis, achieved top eight in the championships. Steve Hanczyk placed in the top eight for diving and Ben Davis also placed in the top eight for the 100 free. The top eight for each event are recognized at the end of their event on a podium in front of the crowd, and then pictures are taken of the champions. The first place finisher for each event also receives a Section three, Class B patch.

Out of the seven swimmers and one diver who went to the Class B Championship, five of them returned for the state qualifier meet. The members of the 200 free relay returned for finals along with Steve Hanczyk in diving. Ben Davis also competed in the 100 free in the finals. Overall, sectionals were a success for the Raider swimmers with many personal bests earned and many placing higher than expected.

*By Ben Davis*



Josh Strauss was one of several Raider swimmers to take part in the recent Section 3 Swimming and Diving Sectionals. (Dave Bullard photo)

## In the News

## Bodley welcomes new home and careers teacher

As you walk down the halls of G. Ray Bodley you may not recognize some of the teacher's faces. This year we have acquired a number of new teachers including the new Family and Consumer Science teacher Mrs. Hawley. Here in Fulton the students like to know their teachers on a more personal level to better connect and educate themselves.

Therefore, we went in search of Mrs. Hawley to get the low down on who she is in and outside the classroom.

Q: Where did you work before coming to G. Ray Bodley?

A: Oswego County BOCES

Q: Why do you like teaching Family and Consumer Science?

A: It gives me the chance to educate students on the importance of food and nutrition on a personal and educational level

Q: What is your favorite thing to cook?

A: Stir Fry!

Q: How did you decide to become a teacher?

A: I had the opportunity to work with students at Volney Elementary and found how much enjoyment I got from working with them. Then I decided to further my education and become a teacher.

Q: What rewards do you feel you receive from teaching?

A: The reward of seeing accomplishments from my students

Q: What is your personal greatest achievement?

A: With the support from my family and friends my greatest achievement was graduating from college in December of 2009 with a masters



Mrs. Hawley, left, is the newest teacher at G. Ray Bodley High School, taking over for Mrs. Federici, right as the school's home and careers instructor. (Senecal photo)

in literacy.

Although Mrs. Fedarecci will be greatly missed, new teachers provide a great experience for students to meet new and interesting people. Mrs. Hawley is sure to fit right in here at G. Ray Bodley. This is shown by her student Eric Belair who stated, "She is really nice and a good teacher. We got to make cookies!" *By Julie Allen & Brenna Merry*

## GRB National Honor Society members

**Two-year members:** Sarah Allee, Eric Belair, Amanda Copps, Kathleen Curley, Benjamin Davis, Zachary Froio, Cassandra Gardner, Katelyn Gilbert, Juana Gonzalez, Elizabeth Guernsey, Taylor Harvey, Dillon Ingham, Joshua Lindsey, Meghan McCann, Emelia Molascon, Kasey Parkhurst, Brittanie Rose, Emily Rothrock, Daisy Ruiz, Alexis Semeraro, Jordan Spier, Brandon Teetsel, Alicia Vann, Raquel Vescio, Adam Wolford, Amanda Wood.



**Junior members and new inductees:** Chelsea Avery, Mark Bailey, Clare Bawarski, Megan Beckwith, Shanendowa Beckwith, Erik Bierbrauer, Scott Bullard, Helen Caster, Elyse Cianfarano,

Alexa Sugar Compson, Tyler Crandell, Bella DeGelorm, Jenna Doherty, Kristina Dopp, Philip Field, Gregory Fobes, Kirsten Francis, Hunter Gorton, Meagan Halstead, Kayla Hanczyk, Drew Harmon, Emily Higgins, Katelyn Holbrook, Nicole Johnson, Katie Jones, Kali Kearns, Olivia Knierman, Brandee LaClair, Brittany Lamie, Angelina Lewchanin, James McKay, Bridget McKnight, Brenna Merry, Abbey Mirabito, Mike Montagna, Wesley Morse, Sara Nelson, Kara Pafumi, Sarah Perwitz, Kimberly Rose, Colin Shannon, Darci Sorbello, Morgan Stafford, Nicholas Tallents, Craig Weaver, Mark Wettering, Brett Williams, Krysta Woodcock.

**School of Thought** compiled by Eric Belair and Max Ambuske

**What Winter Olympic Sport would you like to see as a school sport?**



"Curling."  
Jake Tallents



"Luge."  
Dillon Ingham



"Figure skating."  
Jesse Brewer



"Speed Skating."  
Mr. Galek

**GRB announcements for Monday, February 22**

Boys and girls track sign-ups will be held on Tuesday after school in room 207. Anyone interested in competing this year should attend.

The guidance office has received several new scholarships. If interested, come down and check them out.

Photo Club will hold its next meeting on Thursday, February 25th after school in room 118. Bring your pictures! Also a reminder, don't forget to be reporters, submit your school event shots to The Raider. See Mr. Senecal or Ms. Amerault for details.

**"Where in the world is The Raider?"**

please give photos to Mr. Senecal by Tuesday, Feb. 23

*Meteorology and you*  
by Carson Metcalf

**Today:** Sun and clouds with a chance of an afternoon flurry. High in the mid-30s.

**Tonight:** Scattered snow showers. Low around 30.

**Tomorrow:** Rain or snow showers. High in the mid to upper 30s.

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