

Sign up this week for Bodley's Got Talent!

By Amanda Wood

In less than a month, the exemplary talents of the students and faculty at G. Ray Bodley will be on display. For anyone who wants to get in on the action, sign-up with your special talent all this week in front of the cafeteria during every lunch bell.

Members of the H.O.P.E. Club and advisors Mrs. Barton and Mrs. Pawlewicz will preview all acts for appropriateness next Tuesday, March 30 and Wednesday, March 31 after school. If you have a conflict with those dates, don't turn away from this fun opportunity. Simply speak with either Mrs. Barton or Mrs. Pawlewicz to make special arrangements. Any and all talents are encouraged to come out and

strut their stuff.

The rules for the event will mirror last year's show. There will be three, soon-to-be-announced judges, and Mr. Senecal will once again emcee the event along with club vice-presidents Dylan Rizzo and Taylor Daniels. Each act will have up to five minutes to perform.

All acts will be judged on their creativity/originality, preparedness, and overall talent,

among other categories. Prizes and trophies will be awarded to the first, second, and third place winners. New to this year's program is that some special awards will be given out as well.

The 2010 edition of Bodley's Got Talent! will take place on Thursday, April 15 from 7 to 9 pm. A \$3 donation will be taken at the door.

And if you're still not convinced that this show is for you, maybe you'll reconsider since all proceeds from the event will be going to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. For one evening of fun, our school can help make a child's wish come true.



Trip to M.O.S.T. exposes students to science

By Lindsay Navagh

Recently, students from Mr. Frawley's technology classes went on a field trip to the Museum of Science and Technology also known commonly as the MOST. During this trip, the students were shown a film in the Bristol IMAX Omni Theater, entertained with demonstrations, and allowed to explore each exhibit while learning about technologies used in everyday life.

After the students arrived at the MOST, they were shown a film called Hurricane on the Bayou, filmed by Greg MacGillivray. Throughout the film, they not only discussed the history and geography of New Orleans, but also the devastating blow Hurricane Katrina had on the great city. The movie followed the story of four musicians named Amanda Shaw, Allen Toussaint, Tab Benoit, and Chubby Carrier, who made their Cajun Blues style even more famous. For these musicians, New Orleans was home. They loved their home so much; they all became activists who tried to save it.

The man-made levees and canals built in New Orleans were causing the forests surrounding the wetlands and the wetlands themselves to become less and less. When the movie began to film, their objective was to show the depletion of the wetlands, spreading awareness and trying to fix the problems that have arisen. But

during production, a tragedy struck. This tragedy came in the form of a Hurricane named Katrina. Hurricane Katrina ripped through all of New Orleans leaving only flooded streets among the rubble. For these musicians this hurricane became a nightmare. They had to flee their homes, leaving their lives behind them. Many homes and buildings were completely destroyed including those of the Cajun musicians. Katrina not only affected lives but also took them. Hurricane on the Bayou was a compelling story showing the damage and feelings of the citizens of New Orleans.

Next the students watched a Liquid Nitrogen demonstration. One of the MOST's employees used the liquid on a few different objects including a balloon, marshmallow, and a rubber ring. These objects showed the freezing power of Nitrogen. They began pouring the liquid on the objects, allowing the marshmallow to become crunchy, the balloon to deflate and become hard, and the rubber ring to be broken. They also showed its ability to evaporate and boil. She demonstrated that when poured into a bottle, the liquid would begin to boil because the boiling point of Nitrogen is that of room temperature. She also proved that when poured into mid-air, the liquid would evaporate right before your eyes, leaving only a cold misty cloud behind.

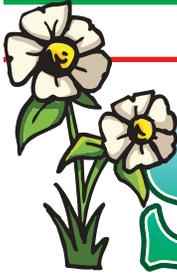
After that, the students experienced a dem-

onstration on nano-technology. When most people think of the word nano, they think iPods or a generally small item. But nano-technology is also being looked at for its water resistant abilities. They used the leaves non-permeable characteristics to configure products that are affected the same way when they come into contact with water. You can see this characteristic in things like magic sand and Nano Fabric. This characteristic is being used to make clothes that are stain resistant. Nano-technology is becoming more popular and more advanced with every minute.

Lastly, the students were allowed to walk around the floors of the MOST, looking and learning about all the exhibits the museum has to offer. There are many exhibits ranging from space travel to the human body. You can find out your weight on each planet while learning about why your organs act the way they do.

When Technology teacher Mr. Frawley was asked why he thought a trip to the MOST would be a good idea for students he said, "Students will forget 80% of what they hear; they will never forget their day immersed in science and technology," showing his love for all things technical. Many, if not all of the students walked out of that trip learning something they would not have known if they didn't take this trip.

Opinion



SPRING

time for a fresh start

By Brandon Teetsel

As the weather becomes gradually warmer, the flowers start to bloom, the trees start budding, and we begin to see more and more birds flying around. For many of us, at least one of these events is a sign of spring. The official start date of spring is March 20 or the 21st, only a few days ago. The vernal equinox is the start of spring and fall, though astronomically it should be in the middle of spring, but due to thermal latency on the Earth the equinox lags behind.

As the snow finishes melting and the rain continues to fall, we all put away our heavy winter coats, pull out the raincoats, and prepare for those spring showers. We also pick up sticks that have fallen on the ground after the harsh winter, and pick up any dead leaves we might have missed during autumn. We cover up the snow blower, dust off and gas up the lawnmower, and begin the yard work to make our property look nice.

Though doing yard work isn't the only way to make your yard look nice, nature does some of it. The perennial flowers spring up once the spring has begun, such as the snowdrop plant, which normally pops up



after the snow has melted. Or perhaps the more popular tulip, which fully grows and blooms in the later spring months. Whatever it may be, the spring is quite the show for new life and a new start.

Speaking of new life, many people consider the start of spring to be the sound of baby birds chirping, or just seeing them, such as robins, cardinals, and blue jays. Because of the robin's bright red chest, the blue jay's bright blue color, and the cardinal's bright red feathers, these birds are the most noted at the beginning of spring. Robin eggs are the unmistakable light blue color, but are sometimes preyed upon by some of its neighbors, such as the blue jay or the common squirrel.

In short, spring is a time for a fresh start, and many people enjoy it when our mountains of snow melt. Although we need to live through the rain and the mud during the first few months, a nice raincoat and galoshes will do the trick. If you're feeling glum about all the rain, remember: April showers bring May-flowers!

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Audition a requirement for some college majors

By Travis Cowart

As anyone who has experienced it knows, the college decision process can be long, tedious, and at times very stressful. One must choose a college, decide what they want to do for the rest of their life, fill out applications, look into clubs and sports, manage expenses, and most of all, prepare to live on their own. However, some majors have just a little more work required in order to achieve acceptance, and that would be known as an audition for the specific major a person is looking for.

Auditions allow a person to show their true colors right in front of college professors instead of on paper. They allow the professors to get a hands-on look at just what they're accepting. Sometimes auditions are optional, but most of the majors holding auditions see them as a requirement. For example, I myself am heading to SUNY Fredonia on March 27 for an audition required for the music education major. This



is only one of the many examples of majors that require auditions.

One of the key elements of showing that you deserve a spot in the college while auditioning is being well prepared. With my audition, SUNY Fredonia was very specific with the audition criteria. First, I sing four songs in the classical solo genre. Then, I'll need to perform sight-reading, which is when you must sing notes without prior knowledge of the song. As a final element, I must take a music theory test. It would be very good if all of the songs were memorized, and especially if I did well on the music theory test because it would show how ready I am to become a member of their school. The audition will not be as frantic if someone is prepared, and it will all pay off once you get the attention of the professors judging the audition.

Another advantage the audition process has when compared to the average everyday application process is that it gives the person performing in the audition experience for their profession. For example, music teachers must sing for most of their classes. How will they know that they can sing in front of people? The answer is and can only be auditions. These auditions will show how much that student has learned in their desired profession. Without these auditions, college professors would never be able to see the capability that a person has.

In other words, an audition is a necessity for certain college majors. They allow the professors to get a more detailed perspective on who they are accepting, as well as showing how prepared the student is for the task ahead. Auditioning is a completely different experience; one that could help or hinder ones college decision-making process. But if the audition is available as an option, auditioning for your major is the best decision to make.

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The NCAA Road to Indianapolis

Clash of juggernauts tonight in west semi-final

By Eric Belair

In a much anticipated match-up, the Syracuse Orange square off against the Butler Bulldogs in a Sweet Sixteen affair. These two teams will be gunning for each other and a date in the Elite Eight of the exciting NCAA Tournament.

The Butler Bulldogs are 30-4 under their third year head coach Brad Stevens. The Bulldogs are from the Horizon League, where they posted a perfect 18-0 record and a tournament championship. The squad played a tough non-league schedule, but fared well against it; with tough losses coming to Georgetown, Clemson, Minnesota and UAB, but quality wins against Ohio State, Xavier and UCLA. Butler is currently on a 22-game win streak and they will look to extend it against the Orange.

After the Bulldogs impressive season, they earned a #5 seed. This matched them up with the University of Texas El-Paso, UTEP, for the first round. Butler put a whooping on UTEP as they defeated the Miners 77-59. The second round brought in the #13 seed, the Murray State Racers. The Racers were hungry for another upset, but the ferocious Bulldogs had none of that on their schedule. Butler held off Murray State for a 54-52 victory.

Throughout the season and the tournament Gordon Hayward has led Butler. The 6-9 sophomore swingman is averaging 15.4 ppg and 8.5 rpg. Hayward was named the Horizon player of the year; he has recorded twelve double-doubles this season, including five in the last eight games. Fellow sophomore Shelvin Mack is second in scoring with 13.9 ppg. Mack displayed his shooting skills as he drained seven 3-pointers against UTEP in the first round. Also averaging double figures is junior Matt Howard with 12.3 ppg. All three of these guys earned first team all-league honors.

Syracuse had a tremendous season under Hall of Fame coach Jim Boeheim. The Orange had a 30-4 overall record and a 15-3 record in the Big East conference. Syracuse was the regular season Big East champions with their only losses coming against Pittsburgh, Louisville (twice) and Georgetown in the conference tournament. Upon the squad's great success in conference play, they also had wins against California, Florida and North Carolina.

When the season concluded, the selection committee rewarded Syracuse on their impressive season by naming them a #1 seed in the NCAA



Tournament. The Orange faced #16 Vermont in the first round and Syracuse dismantled the Catamounts 79-56. They did the same to #8 Gonzaga, 87-65, in the second round. In the first two games, the Orange is averaging almost a 23-point victory.

The Orange is led by Big East player of the year Wesley Johnson. Johnson has emerged as one of college basketball's superstars. You can't talk about SU basketball and not mention the name Wes. He does a little bit of everything; and it all starts with him. Johnson is averaging 16 ppg and 8.4 rpg, both team highs. Throughout this tournament Johnson has filled up out the stat sheet with 18 points, 6 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 steals and 2 blocks against Vermont, but then he outdid that performance in the second round with 31 points, including four 3-pointers, and 14 rebounds.



Syracuse has many weapons to complement Johnson, such as Andy Rautins. The former J-D standout is a deadly outside shooter from behind the arc; he is shooting around 40% for three-point range. He is averaging 11.7 ppg. Coming

off the bench is Kris Joseph, the Big East sixth man of the year. He is playing valuable minutes in the tournament with the absence of center Arinze Onuaku. Joseph does a lot of his damage from close range as he averages 11.3 ppg.

These two teams have identical records, but they have different methods of achieving their success. Butler plays a sound and fundamental game of basketball while Syracuse is a tough team to beat with their top shelf scoring ability. Also in the Orange's favor is their 2-3 zone

NCAA Sweet 16
West Region Semi-final
#1 Syracuse (30-4) vs. #5 Butler (30-4)
7:07 p.m. tonight on WTVH-5

defense. This defensive scheme can mess up opposing teams and cause problems shooting. The Bulldogs are not excellent outside shooters, but any one of their players are capable of getting hot. This could be a game changer, and also it depends on whether or not Butler can slow down the scoring of Syracuse. But a factor that is favoring the Bulldogs is that they will not have to worry about Onuaku inside because he is figured to sit out again and has not participated in practice all week. Therefore Butler will not have to account for the big body inside. Syracuse forward Rick Jackson will have to avoid getting into foul trouble and back-up DaShonte Riley will need to play smart when he is called upon to play. Butler will look to take advantage of this scenario that the Orange is faced with.

This will be an interesting game to watch because there are many factors that are being thrown around for each team to capitalize on. The intriguing part will be to see which team does it. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:07 pm tonight on CBS-5. Wear your Orange proudly to support Syracuse.

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How do you think Syracuse will do against Butler tonight?



"I think Syracuse will win the National Championship, Butler is a joke."

Mrs. Ryan



"They will do amazing!!"

Sean Leonard



"They will definitely win."

Jim Ireland



"I think they will beat them easily."

Dakota McGraw

Morning announcements for Thursday, March 25

Science Club tips fees are due by this Friday so that the group can pay for the bus and hotel. Make checks out to the G. Ray Bodley Science Club. See Zach Froio, Alicia Vann or Mr. Gillard to pay and for any further questions.

Get your act together and sign up for Bodley's Got Talent. Sign-ups are taking place this week during all lunch bells, with auditions scheduled for March 30th and 31st.

Attention seniors! Order forms for senior shirts are now available in room 125. The shirts will cost \$10 and money is due by April second, so don't delay.

Senior guys, do you have what it takes to become Mr. GRB? All senior boys interested in competing for this coveted title need to attend the informational meeting on Wednesday, March 31 during seminar in room 125.

Please bring in dresses, shoes and bags for the Junior Prom dress sale, which will be held April 12th through 16th. The dress you wore once can make the prom memorable for someone else. See Ms. Crucitti or Ms. Vicat for more details.

The next meeting of the Library Club will take place on Wednesday, March 31st at 2:20 in the LMC.

Buying lunch today? You'll have a choice between brunch lunch Colby cheese omelet with biscuit, or ham and egg patty with cheese on a whole grain biscuit.

Meteorology and you

by Carson Metcalf

Today: Sun and clouds with some afternoon rain showers possible. High in the low-50s.

Tonight: Rain or snow showers tapering off. Low around 30.

Tomorrow: Sun and clouds. High in the upper-20s to near 30.

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