

## GRB mascot survey due out next week

By Adam Wolford & Morgan Mirabito

After months of waiting the mascot issue is finally being brought to light in the community. Members of the mascot committee are finally releasing the survey they have been working extremely hard to produce. People throughout the community are asked to partake in the survey, as everyone's opinion is valuable. In order to accommodate everyone, the survey will be conveniently placed in many locations throughout the community, as well as being available online.

The survey will be available at many restaurants throughout the community including Mimi's Drive-In, Foursome Diner, Dunkin Donuts and Sweet Inspirations. It will also be placed at many stores such as Strupplers, Price Chopper, Wal-Mart, K-Mart, Sunshine Produce, B&T Sports, Uniforms Etc., Fulton Screen Printing, and Kathy's Cakes.

In addition it will be at others locations like Lakeview Lanes, YMCA, CCC and Fulton Savings Bank. If you are unable to get to one of these locations the survey will also be available online at *RaiderNet Daily*. Also it will be published in the local *Valley News* and *The Fulton Patriot*. However, it cannot be submitted online and community members will be asked to either drop it off in any of the boxes located in the locations above, or in the superintendents office at the Board of Education.

The survey will be available starting April 5th. The survey will be available all the way through April 25 when it will be collected, then the results will be tabulated. If everything goes according to plan the committee will present

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to the board some time in May then the mascot, whatever it may be, will be revealed to the class of 2010 at graduation. The ultimate goal

of the committee will be to supply some identity to the class and the community at large before the end of the school year.



Ben Davis, left, and Brandon Teetsel display their entry in Saturday's SUNY ESF Bridge Building competition in Syracuse. The pair will find out their fate later this week when the final results are released. (Danielle Smith photo)

## Lacross opening tonight vs. Westhill

Fulton will take another shot at an opening day win this evening when the Raiders travel to Central Square to face Westhill in a 7 p.m. start.

Coach Halladay's troops were originally scheduled to meet Jordan-Elbridge this past Friday, but the severe cold weather prompted a cancellation of the season opener for both sides. The teams will meet later this season on May 1 at a time and location to be announced.

Tonight the Raiders will face a stern test in Westhill, regarded by many to be one of the favorites to claim Class C honors along with Skaneateles. Fulton hopes to get off to a strong start in the quest to qualify for the Section 3 tourney in the always tough Class B ranks.

## GRB Photo Club Contest

Theme: **SPRING**

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contest deadline is **May 7**

## Opinion

# College education carries a hefty price tag

By Emily Rothrock

As spring approaches, most seniors are making their final decisions as to where to attend college. For juniors, many are beginning to think about where they might attend in the fall of 2011. High school students often see college as a time to have fun and finally be able to make their own decisions. However most do not realize the price tag that comes with this freedom.



College tuition is extremely expensive and students can expect to pay about \$172 to \$1,096 more than last year for this year's tuition and fees, depending on the type of college. As a senior myself, I will be attending Nazareth College in Rochester, which costs a little over \$36,000 per year. Nazareth, a private college, is the median for colleges of this type. St. John Fisher, Elmira College, and Utica College are all priced about the same.

For people who need help financially, a community college is the cheapest way to go. The cost of attending Cayuga Community College is a little under \$5000. Although CCC is a great way to save some money, especially for people who don't know what they want to do, for those students who want to get away from home, Onondaga Community College is a great alternative. OCC costs a little more than CCC only because of on-campus living.

On the other hand, if you wanted to attend a big school such as Syracuse University, Cornell or the University of Rochester you must be willing to give up some big bucks. These schools are charging over \$50,000 to attend. A popular option for high school students are the SUNY schools. SUNY schools allow students to get away from home

for a reasonable price. SUNY Oswego, SUNY Brockport, SUNY Geneseo, SUNY Potsdam, and SUNY Canton and most other SUNY schools are all priced around \$18,000.

Although these costs may seem ridiculous, working hard in high school can really pay off. Teachers are always telling kids to do their homework and most kids think homework is stupid, but doing an hour of homework every night is worth it when you get a couple thousand dollars in financial or scholarship aid. Most schools will give a good amount to those with good grades, however, these usually do not cover all costs. Alicia Vann, a senior states, "Due to the cost of college, I cannot go to my dream school." Alicia was accepted into the Albany College of Pharmacy, which is in the \$40,000 per year range, but will not be attending in the fall of 2010.

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Along with the scholarship from the college, local scholarships can really help financially and there are lots of them. One of the most frustrating things about the whole situation is that in today's economy, in order to get a good job one needs to go to college, but once they are out of college and have a job, people need to use their paycheck to pay back all the student loans. For most high school students it is hard to grasp the concept of how much college costs, but with some hard work, local scholarships and determination attending your dream college can become a realistic dream.

## Why do nice girls stay with lousy boyfriends?

By Julie Allen

Why do girls stay with guys even if they are treated like dirt? Is it because girls tend to feel quite inferior to guys, or could their reasoning be something deeper?

Some girls grow up with negative complexes of themselves that are totally wrong. Some are even told their whole lives that they will never amount to anything or that no one will ever love them. This could be why they often settle for far less than they actually deserve. Some girls have fathers who are abusive or emotionally harmful, scarring their love lives forever. When an important male figure makes you feel less important you tend to genuinely think you are less.

Another reason could be because the guy in the relationship makes



the girl feel inferior to men in general, talking down to them or making them feel bad and unwanted by others. Most of the time girls don't even realize that their boyfriend is giving them low self esteem or a negative self-image. Some girls will even be quick to jump to their boyfriends' defense when friends try to tell them they are treated badly.

Girls will often go to great lengths to try and please their boyfriends, giving up friends, families, or school activities. Some even take this to the extreme, drastically changing hair and clothing styles, to even losing weight, all to please someone else. Junior Brenna Merry commented, "I think girls won't leave the relationship because they feel like they need to be in one, or need to be with that specific guy, regardless of how they are treated."

What these girls fail to realize is that they are not giving up things, they are giving up their lives. Boys in these relationships will beg to differ, saying that they treat their girlfriends like princesses. Really what's going on is a girl losing everything, even herself in most ways, to please one boy.

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**Auditions are  
March 30-31!  
Get your ACT  
together!**

## The NCAA Road to Indianapolis

# Dance card is set after exciting weekend of action

By Eric Belair

And things just keep getting more exciting during March Madness. This past weekend was the Sweet Sixteen and the Elite Eight in the NCAA Tournament. As a result the Final Four is set for next weekend, as four teams have punched their tickets to Indianapolis: Butler, Duke, Michigan State and West Virginia.

With the favorite being sent home early in the Midwest Region, the #5 seeded Michigan State Spartans took advantage of the favor. After a seven-point victory in the Sweet Sixteen over the upset-minded Panthers from Northern Iowa, it was a date with #6 Tennessee. The Volunteers had knocked off the two seed, Ohio State, in the previous round. The Spartans fought hard to earn a 70-69 win over Tennessee. This game was back and forth all day, Tennessee had a 41-39 advantage at halftime but they could not hold off the determined Spartans from dancing on to their second straight Final Four. Spartan's Raymar Morgan hit a free throw with 1.8 seconds left on the clock to advance Michigan State. Another impressive statistic is that this Final Four appearance is Michigan State's sixth in twelve years.

The Bulldogs are going home, but in a good way. Butler is advancing to their first ever Final Four. They are going to play in Indianapolis, which is only seven miles away from their college. The West Region proved to be a wild one as Butler is a #5 seed and representing in the Final Four. The Bulldogs are quite deserving of this because they defeated the #1 and #2 seeds in the Sweet Sixteen and Elite Eight respectively, in Syracuse and Kansas State. In these last two rounds the opposing teams have played right into the hands of Butler. Both Syracuse and Kansas State played out of their element due to Butler's style of play, especially their defense. Thus far in the tournament the Bulldogs have not given up over 60 points in a game, their tenacious defense is one of their major key components that carries them to victory.

There was a showdown in the East and the West Virginia Mountaineers have come out on top. The #2 seed West Virginia beat a pesky



Washington team on Thursday night in a 69-56 victory, which was not decided until the end of the game, which gave them a match-up against the #1 seed, Kentucky Wildcats. This was one of the most highly anticipated games of the tournament. A #1 vs. #2, in the Elite Eight, this was the only 1 vs. 2 of the tournament and it lived up to expectations. The Mountaineers had a 28-26 lead at halftime; the crazy thing was that West Virginia did not make a two-point field goal in the first half. They made eight 3-pointers, and were 0-16 on shots from inside the arc. But the second half was the complete opposite as they only made two 3-pointers. The Mountaineers slowed down the surging Wildcats for a 73-66 win. Kentucky was not the same team on Saturday night as they had a hard time making their shots and West Virginia capitalized on all the Wildcat mistakes. Big East player of the year Da'Sean Butler led the way for the Mountaineers with 18 points, including four 3-pointers. This will be West Virginia's first trip to the Final Four since 1959.

Duke advanced on to the Final Four just like everyone predicted because of their easy bracket. The Blue Devils handled #4 Purdue, 70-57 in the Sweet Sixteen to advance into the Elite Eight and square off against the underrated, #3 seed, the Baylor Bears. This game was a close one and Baylor was ahead for the majority of the game, but as I was watching it I was just waiting for Duke to go on a run. And that is exactly what happened. Duke pulled away toward the end of the game behind their free throws and three-pointers to earn a 78-71 victory over Baylor. The Blue Devils star, Kyle Singler, had a tough day as he was 0-10 shooting, but thanks to Nolan Smith, who scored a career high 29 points, Duke keeps dancing on to the Final Four for the first time in six years.

The excitement will continue on this Saturday as #5 Michigan State will play the "home" team and fellow #5 seed, the Butler Bulldogs. This should be good game as a perennial power will face-off against a non-power conference team. In the other match-up, the Big East will match-up against the ACC, two top conferences which fight to be named the top dog every year. Second seed West Virginia against #1 Duke will be a much-anticipated game that many people will look forward to watch. March just keeps getting better and better every day.

All of the games this past weekend were close and exciting, I don't know how the Final Four will get any better, but they will as the teams take the big stage and fight for a spot in the championship.

## Former Raider hoopsters continue in college

In last weeks article pertaining to Fulton's collegiate football players, there were three left in the system. The same goes for boy's basketball, as there are three remaining from G. Ray Bodley. They are Alex Baker and Matt Vescio, both at Cazenovia College, and Mark Musumeci of Keystone in northeastern Pennsylvania.

Matt participated in seventeen games this past winter, starting in eleven. He scored 47 points on the year, shooting 38.5% from the field. This past winter was the first season he logged varsity statistics, according to the stat sheets on the Cazenovia basketball website. He ended the year averaging 2.8 points and assists per game. With another year of eligibility, he looks to raise those numbers and play into more of a role in the program.

Alex Baker did not log any varsity statistics this past winter, as he participated in an internship at Disneyworld.

Mark Musumeci logged time in 26 varsity games in the 2009/2010 season. Scoring 54 points and pulling in 64 rebounds, he was a great asset for a team that went 18-8, and was one game shy of making the CSAC championship game. He averaged 14.1 minutes per game, and made 47.5% of his field goals. He also averaged 2.5 rebounds in that time. He also made an incredible 50% of his field goals in conference play. Mark is only a freshman, and listed at 6'6", 210 pounds, he has a boatload of potential to unleash in his next few years.

The only current Raider planning on playing collegiate basketball is Jeff Crofoot. He plans on playing at either Houghton or Roberts Wesleyan. The other five seniors from the team that graduated look to hang up their shoes or compete in another sport. Good luck to all our former boys basketball athletes from G. Ray Bodley!

By Jake Tallents



**School of Thought** compiled by Max Ambuske

# What is your favorite kind of ice cream?



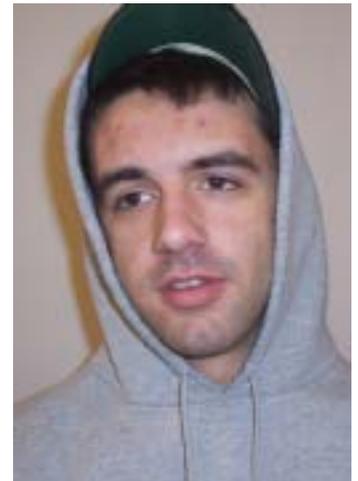
"Peanut-butter cup.  
It's very delicious."  
**Mr. Heindorf**



"Strawberry, it tastes  
amazing."  
**Sean Stevens**



"Peanut butter."  
**Kate Rothrock**



"Mint chocolate  
chip."  
**Zach Froio**

## Morning announcements for Monday, March 29

Get your act together for Bodley's Got Talent. Auditions are 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.

## Meteorology and you by Carson Metcalf

**Today:** Cloudy with a few rain showers. High in the mid-40s.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy. Low in the mid-30s.

**Tomorrow:** Scattered rain showers. High in the mid-40s.

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