

Power pitching, big bats carry Lady Raiders to win

By Alicia Vann

An impressive 6-0 win for the Lady Raider softball team over the Mexico Tigers puts the Raiders at 8-4 for the season. The team finally is starting to put the whole package together, wrapped in strikeouts and decorated in hits.

This was an all-around great game for the Raiders. The team's true backbone for the game came from senior Jessica Palmitesso at the mound. One week after notching a career and school record total of 18 strikeouts in a game, Palmitesso went one better as she struck out 19 batters.

She also carried a no-hitter into the top of the seventh inning before a two out double by Alyssa Grove foiled the no-hit bid. Palmitesso not only controlled the game defensively, but she also recorded a double, an RBI, and a run for the Raiders. Boosted by her 37 strikeout effort in her last two starts, the Fulton fireballer now has 924 career strikeouts in her career, also believed to be a Fulton school record.

The bats were on fire all night for the Raiders as they scored three times in the second inning and added two more in the third to pull away early. Mexico pitcher, Brianne Vincent, only recorded four strikeouts against the Raiders, who tallied 12 hits, with doubles coming from sophomore Lindsey Larkin and seniors Jackie LoCastro, Heather Reed, and Jessica Palmitesso. Recording RBI's for the Raiders were seniors Meghan McCann (2), Palmitesso (1), and senior Alicia Vann (2).

The Lady Raiders look to keep the momentum moving as they travel to Christian Brothers Academy tonight. CBA has recently lost twice to the Chittenango Bears, with scores of 8-4 and 1-0 respectively. The Lady Raiders lost to CBA earlier this season, but beat Chittenango earlier this season also. The Raiders look to avenge CBA tonight, first pitch being thrown at 4:30 p.m..



Less than a week after establishing career and school records for with an 18 strikeout performance, Fulton senior Jessica Palmitesso, left, went one better on Monday with a 19 strikeout, one hit performance against Mexico that was also fueled by a big effort from the plate including senior Meghan McCann, right. (Taylor Harvey photo)

Red Rams too much for Raider girls lax

What started well proved to be another long night for the Fulton girls lacrosse team on Monday when Jamesville-Dewitt stormed into town for a 15-4 triumph. Handing the girls their thirteenth loss in 14 starts, the Rams used five goals from Tori Nies to run past the Lady Raiders.

Fulton came out strong in the first few minutes, scoring the first goal to make it 1-0. But J-D fired back with three to make it a score of 3-1 before the Raiders prevailed to put in another one. That was as close as they could come, however, as the Red Rams kept going and notched another six to make it a halftime score of 9-2. The second half was no different as J-D put in another six goals to Fulton's two to make it a final score of 15-4.

Leading the Raiders was sophomore Jordan Rizzo with two goals followed by freshmen Alannah McClellan and Erica Knaub with one each. Emily Rothrock also tallied an assist. Junior goalie, Kara Pafumi recorded a total of 20 saves in the net, one of her highest this year. Tara Prosak had 7 saves in the net while Maire Prosak had one for J-D.

The team will be back in action tomorrow against Whitesboro. Come out and support the Lady Raiders lacrosse team as they will be celebrating their two seniors, Emily Rothrock and Hannah Watson. The game is set to start at 5 p.m. at the Junior High field. *By Emily Rothrock*

**Track, tennis post
wins on Monday
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Opinion

Raider track teams run to victory

By Eric Belair

The boys track team continues to roll as they ran to two more wins and their fourth straight last night, bringing their record to 5-1. These wins came against the Mexico Tigers and host Chittenango Bears. The Raiders handled Chittenango by a score of 81.5-59.5 and had a closer time with the Tigers as they won over them 74-67.

The senior led Raiders won eight events on the day. Senior Noah Carroll was a part of four wins; two individual and two relays. Carroll won the 1600 and the 800 with times of 4:46.3 and 2:04.3 respectively. He also took part in the 3200 relay team of seniors Noah Carroll and Dylan Coppola, along with juniors Zach Howell and Craig Weaver. This team ran in a first place time of 8:50.9.

The 1600 relay team won with a time of 3:42.2 with seniors Noah Carroll, Ryan Shue and John Strong, along with junior Jim Ireland. Senior John Strong stayed undefeated at the 400 Intermediate Hurdles with a time of 1:00.7. In the field Fulton won three events as senior Ryan Shue was victorious at the triple jump with 38'7.5". The long jump was won by senior Cody Whelsky with a leap of 18'5" and junior Nick Morse threw the shot put 38'2" for the win.

The boys track team had a great night running and in the field to give them a balanced win.

Girls claim first win

The girls track team literally ran to their first win of the season as all of their wins were running events. The Lady Raiders beat the Mexico Tigers 72-68 in a close one, but lost to the Chittenango Bears 87-54.

Junior Morgan Cooper was a part of two of the team's three wins; one individual and one relay. Cooper won the 400 in 1:03.1. Cooper's relay team ran the 1600 and won with a time of 4:29.3. The team consisted of Cooper and sophomores Kayla Distin and Anna McKay, along with freshman Hannah Geitner. Adding to the victorious total was junior Brittany Lamie, who won the 3000 with a time of 12:22.7.

The Lady Raiders received their first win, but things look good for the future as the ladies are young and full of underclassmen.

Both teams are back in action on Wednesday when they face Cortland and Fowler at 4:45 before heading to Ogdensburg on Saturday for the VanDusen Invitational meet.

Tennis team blanks Fowler

It was over almost before it started on Monday for the Fulton tennis team as the Raiders blasted past Fowler 7-0. Taking advantage of three forfeits and not yielding a point along the way, the Raiders upped their count to an even 5-5 on the season at the expense of the 0-10 Falcons.

Derek Bateman and Eric Naioti both prevailed 10-0 at singles while the doubles tandems of Nate Borden with Kyle Gardner and Tyler Crandell with Brandon Sherman were also 10-0 victors. The boys will be back in action on Wednesday when they host Cortland in a 4:30 p.m. start.



Fulton's Caitlin LaVoie, left, battles for a loose ball during action from Monday's game against J-D. (Taylor Harvey photo)

THIS WEEK IN RAIDER SPORTS

Today: V baseball & softball vs. CBA (4:30); JV baseball & softball @ CBA (4:30); Tennis @ Fowler (4:45); Boys lax @ ES-M (4:30/v-5 p.m.);

Wed. May 12: Track @ Cortland/Fowler (4:45); Tennis vs. Cortland (4:30);

Thurs. May 13: V softball, JV baseball vs. Homer (4:45); JV softball, V baseball @ Homer (4:45); Tennis @ Chittenango (4:30); Boys lax @ Whitesboro (5 p.m.); Girls lax vs. Whitesboro (V-5:00/JV-6:30).

Sat. May 15: Track @ VanDusen Invitational in Ogdensburg. (due to weather conditions, spring sports schedules are subject to change)

Upcoming events:

May 10-12: Class of 2012 days at Mimi's Drive-in.

Friday, May 14: Junior Prom at DoubleTree Hotel, 7 p.m.

Meet the Reporters

**Travis Cowart,
Senior**

Travis writes articles that will attract the reader to RaiderNet Daily.

His outside interests are track, All County Chorus and Drama

and Theatre Club. Something people might not know about him is that he wants to go to college and study to become a music teacher.



Compiled by Christina Yanock

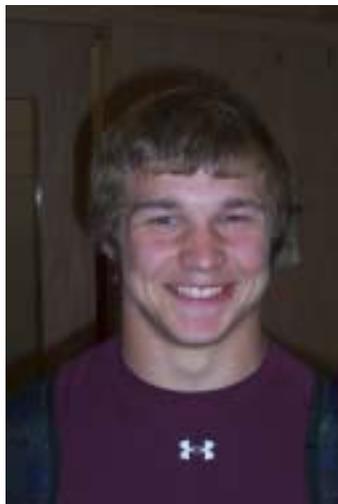
SADDest week ends with rousing concert



G. Ray Bodley High School's "SADDest Week" came to a conclusion on Monday afternoon with a performance by Long Island based Phil Accardi's Chalice. The band rocked the GRB gym and also touted an important message about making the right decisions regarding alcohol and other drugs. Even the faculty and students got into the act, left, as SADDadviser Mr. Crisafulli and science teacher Mrs. Kemper "rocked out" to Led Zeppelin's Kashmir. Also on hand were Mrs. Lisa Haggerty-Munger and her husband Mr. Joe Munger (above). The GRB SADD chapter is named in honor of Mrs. Haggerty-Munger's son, Shamus, a GRB grad who was the victim of a drunk driving fatality. (photos by Lindsay Navagh and Mr. Senecal)

School of Thought compiled by Pat Olvecky & Andrew Kush

How much money has the prom cost you so far?



"\$400-something."
Donald Watson



"None, I'm going to California."
Mat Shoults



"About \$600."
Emily Kush



"Six hundred."
Courtney Frataccia

Morning announcements for Tuesday, May 11

Attention seniors! The final due date for all cedar point money as well as paperwork is Friday, May 14th. The total cost for the trip is \$125, which includes entry to the park and unlimited soda. Seats are limited, so hurry and grab one today.

Senior shirts are in. Please pick them up in Mr. Perry's room.

Senior dinner dance tickets will be going on sale soon.

Help support Timmy Conners and others by buying an orange bracelet. They will be available for five dollars during all lunch bells.

There will be a presentation in the auditorium on Thursday, May 13 during advisory entitled "your college search-what to consider" for all juniors thinking about college. Students need to report directly to the auditorium following bell two on Thursday.

Meteorology and you

by Carson Metcalf

Today: Sun and clouds. High in the mid-50s.

Tonight: Mainly cloudy with a few rain showers. Low around 40.

Tomorrow: Rain showers. High in the upper-40s.

GRB sophomore Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist and the creator of the Central New York Weather Center @ www.centralnewyorkweather.com ...Look for his weather forecasts on RaiderNet Daily.

