

## Mock DWI provides students with a grim reminder

By Morgan Mirabito

As junior and senior students at G. Ray Bodley High School traveled into school on Wednesday, most were unaware of the morning they were going to undergo. Since January Bodley Safety Officer Lunn has been working with different organizations throughout Oswego County to make the Mock DWI Crash as real as possible for the students.

Everybody knows, "do not drink and drive, no matter how much or little you've drank," but until you see or feel it first hand, some cannot truly appreciate it. This is true, however Officer Lunn has hopes that the memories of yesterday will stick with students when making such decisions.

The crash indicated a head on collision, at speeds of approximately 55 mph, throwing student Brett Williams from the car and killing him instantly. A drunk driver, Joshua Drake, with a BAC of .15% caused the crash at around 6 a.m.. As the Fulton City Police, MENTERS ambulance, Oswego County RACES, Fulton City Fire Department, Foster's Funeral Home, and the Coroner, Donald Todd came to the site, students got a real feel of a crash scene. As these organizations arrived, speaker Jeff Bizdik from the Oswego County Stop DWI program narrated, giving the students information about crashes like this. "These things happen on days like today, wet, cold, dreary days," Mr. Todd commented. But in reality a drunk driving accident can happen at any time, in any conditions. The crash cars were lent to Officer Lunn by Don's Garage.

As the students entered the building, emotions were starting to sink in. Students were spotted crying, upset, and talking with each other about the realness of the situation outside. Judge Spencer Ludington arraigned Josh Drake on many different counts. Some of these counts consisted of Vehicular Manslaughter in the second degree, Driving While Intoxicated, Driving While Intoxicated with a BAC greater than .08%, failure to keep right, speed not reasonable or prudent as related to reasonable speeds in the weather, and he passed a stop sign.

Drake received a minimum of three years,



Rescue workers attempt to free an injured student at Wednesday's Mock DWI presentation at the high school. With prom and graduation just ahead, the students received a grim reminder of the consequences involved with drinking and driving. For more photos, see page 4. (Sarah Allee photo)

and maximum of nine years. As a speaker from Oswego County COCO talked of all the opportunities Drake has taken away from himself, realization sunk in to the students about the effects of drunk driving. Not only has Drake taken another life, but he ruined his own.

And when it had ended and students returned to classes, one could tell that the message had come through loud and clear to many of them. The hope is that they will still remember this message on prom night, and every other night throughout their lives.

## Rare sweep for Raider track sides

The long ride to Cortland proved to be well worth it for the Raider track teams on Wednesday as both the boys and girls teams claimed twin victories over Cortland and Fowler.

The girls track team came out victorious once again, ending their season with a 3-5 record. This record is the best for the girls track team in a few years. The Lady Raiders won multiple events to dominate the Fowler Falcons 94-41, and beat Cortland 75-65.

Junior Morgan Cooper and sophomore Anna McKay led Fulton with two wins apiece, one individual and one relay. Cooper won the 400

with a time of 1:03.5 and McKay turned in a time of 1:15.9 in the 400 individual hurdles. Then these two girls paired up with sophomore Kayla Distin and freshman Hannah Geitner to win the 1600 relay for the Raiders. Freshman Mary Morrison ran to a win in the 800 with a time of 2:54.5. Freshman Courtney Beckwith won the only field event for the Raiders in the pole vault with a height of 7'6".

The Fulton boys ran to their fifth and sixth consecutive wins on Wednesday night over the Purple Tigers from Cortland and the Fowler (continued on page 3)

# Students hear first-hand account of Holocaust

By Kelly Ormsby

Everyone has heard of the Holocaust that took place during World War II when an estimated six million Jews were annihilated in one of the worst genocides of all time. On Monday, May 10, Mrs. Windsor and student teacher, Ms. Malc, took their 10th grade English, and 12th grade Young Adult Literature classes on a field trip to Roxboro Road Middle School in Mattydale, where they would get to hear a first-hand account on the horrors of the Holocaust of World War II.

Marion Blumenthal-Lazan was one of the millions of Jews to face the hardships of a German-Nazi concentration camp. She spoke of her experiences along with her mother, father and brother, Albert. She is an accomplished author and lecturer. She began telling her story publicly in 1979, and since then she has traveled around the world speaking on her troubles to hundreds of people. Her award winning memoir, *Four Perfect Pebbles*, is available in not only, English, but also German, Dutch, and Japanese. It was published in 1996. Marion's *Triumph*, a documentary by John Chua, which aired on PBS, is based on her experiences, and is narrated by Debra Messing, star of *Will & Grace*.

Mrs. Lazon is a holocaust survivor. This, as you should know, is an immense feat. At a very young age, her family was taken from Holland just a few weeks or so before they were to take a boat to America. They were placed into Westerbork, in Holland. A few long years later, her family was transported to the notorious Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in Germany, the same camp where Anne Frank died. "In a Nazi concentration camp, you see things that no one person should ever have to see," she commented. Something that Marion stressed was that there is no way of putting the hardships and horrors she and her family faced into words.

Being only a small child, Mrs. Lazon spoke of having made up games

to occupy her time in the camps. Her favorite game was one she called, "four perfect pebbles," (hence the title of the book). In this game, she was to find four exactly identical pebbles, representing the four members of her family. If she could find all four pebbles, then her whole family would survive through the camps.

Along with speaking about experiences that one would imagine in even their worst nightmares, Mrs. Lazon spoke about the immeasurable importance of tolerance to all people, no matter the size, shape, religion, color, race or national origin. She asked that everyone who listened to her lecture not stereotype individuals.

She also asked that students share her story with anyone that they can. She impressed upon them the importance of sharing a story like hers, so that history would not be doomed to repeat itself. It has been noted that today's generation, our generation, will be the last to hear these horrific, yet educational, accounts first-hand, as the survivors of these terrible incidents will not be around much longer. Marion said that it was, "up to you" to continue teaching the stories to others.

Ms. Malc, student teacher for Mrs. Windsor who will be greatly missed after this week, stated "I thought it was really great for her to share her story with so many people. And she goes all around the world telling people her story and even if one person gets something out of it, they could be that one person to make a difference. It's important for people to hear the story because you guys are the last generation to hear a first-hand story like that." And of course, listening to a story of that nature is bound to touch a nerve in the hearts of many. Brandi Lehtonen, a Young Adult Literature student claimed, "it was really inspiring."

The students left the lecture motivated, and after hearing a story like that of Marion Blumenthal-Lazon is one to be told again and again.

## Fulton plays host to NYSSMA Solo Festival

By Alicia Vann

This past Friday and Saturday marked the annual NYSSMA Solo Festival for Orchestra, Band, and Chorus students. This year, the festival took place at the Fulton Junior High School. Mrs. Farden, Mrs. Walrath, and Mrs. Chirello were the main organizers of the festival this year. Participants in the festival came from many different counties, specifically Oswego, Oneida, and Herkimer County. Some of the participating schools included Fulton, Phoenix, Hannibal, Oswego, Mexico, APW, Camden, schools from Syracuse, and a school from the Adirondack region.

NYSSMA is an acronym for New York State School Music Association. The objective of the members of this association is to advocate for and improve music education throughout New York State by promoting and producing appropriate activities and programs for its membership and students in member school music programs. NYSSMA is considered the largest and most successful MENC (National Association for Music Education) state unit in the country. 100,000 students participate annually in spring adjudication held in New York State.

There were around 1000 students who came for the NYSSMA Solo Festival last weekend. Around 35 of those students came from the Fulton City Schools. Students prepare a classical piece of music for the Solo Festival. The students are assigned a specific time to perform for the judges. They receive a grade and comments so the students can improve at either their instrument or vocals.

Students who audition on the highest level (level 6) and achieve a high score can possibly attend an Area All-State concert next fall. Area All-State includes Oswego, Oneida, and Herkimer counties. If students achieve a perfect score (99-100%), they can attend an All-State concert in Rochester. All of New York State is included except for New York City.

Judges for the festival are brought from all over the state. The judges must take certified courses and earn a certain degree in order to judge at the numerous NYSSMA festivals around the state. Some of the judges include teachers, retired teachers, and private lesson teachers.

"The student assistants were very helpful to keep the festival running smoothly," said Mr. Nami of the NYSSMA festival, "Definitely an overall success. Judges commented on how highly organized the festival was."

### Upcoming events:

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

**Saturday, June 5:** Senior trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park.

**Monday, June 7:** GRB academic awards ceremony, 7 p.m.

## Sports



A Fulton batsman races toward first base while his CBA counterpart waits for gravity to take its course during action from Tuesday's OHSL contest. The Raiders continued to search for their second win of the season after falling 15-7 to the league-leading Brothers. (Taylor Harvey photo)

## Girls double past Whitesboro

Last night the Lady Raiders came ready to win and they did as they took down the Whitesboro Warriors 14-7. The Raiders won the opening draw and began to take it down and pressure the Whitesboro defense.

Fulton scored early and never looked back en route to their second win of the season. At the end of the first half the Raiders were up 7-2. In the second half, the Warriors began to roll as they put in five goals, but it was not enough as the Lady Raiders kept rolling themselves to put in another seven, making it a final score of 14-7.

Leading the Raiders was Kirsten Francis with four goals and one assist. Erica Knaub, Alannah McClellan, Caitlin LaVoie and Jordan Rizzo all added two goals each while Emily Rothrock and Kayla Hanczyk each had one. Kara Pafumi tallied 14 saves in the net.

It was an all around strong effort for Fulton as each and every girl helped to pull off the second win of the season. Along with a win, the two seniors were recognized as both Emily Rothrock and Hannah Watson were honored. The Raiders will be back in action on Tuesday at 4:30 as the take on the ES-M Spartans.

*By Emily Rothrock*

The Raider tennis team battled highly regarded Cortland right down to the wire on Wednesday before falling by a point in a 4-3 final. Fulton dominated the singles matches, taking three of the four matches led by second singles player Eric Naioti's 6-0, 6-1 win and a two set blanking of 6-0, 6-0 from Adam Wolford at third singles. Richard Reeschke was also victorious at fourth singles after his opponent withdrew due to injury.

It was a different story in the doubles competition as the Tigers snared all three points to emerge victorious. Especially tough for the Raiders were a pair of three set losses including first doubles, where Jeff Brown and Dave Russell outlasted Fulton's Nate Borden and Kyler Gardner by rallying from a 6-2 first set loss to claim the deciding third set by a narrow 6-4 margin.

Cortland improved to 12-2 on the season at the expense of a 5-6 Raider mark. The boys are back in action this afternoon when they travel to Chittenango for a 4:30 match.

## Track wins (from page 1)

Falcons. The Raiders had similar scores against each team, 80-61 over Fowler and 79-57 over Cortland. Fulton finished the regular season with an impressive 7-1 record.

The Raiders were led by a core group of seniors in their event wins, which were mainly in track events. Only competing in one event on the day was senior Noah Carroll, but he made the most of it as he won the 1600 in 4:50. Fellow seniors Sam Stevens, John Strong and Dylan Coppola turned in wins in individual running events. Stevens won the 400 with a time of 53.2 while Strong ran the 400 individual hurdles in 1:04 to remain undefeated in dual meets this season. Coppola turned in a time of 2:07 to win the 800.

Winning field events for the Raiders was senior Ryan Shue in the triple jump and the high jump. Shue leaped a distance of 39'9" in the triple jump and 5'8" in the high jump. Fulton also ruled the relays, sweeping first place points in all three events. The 3200 relay team of senior Dylan Coppola and juniors Zach Howell, Jim Ireland and Craig Weaver prevailed with a time of 9:19. Seniors Ryan Shue, Sam Stevens and John Strong, along with junior Jim Ireland ran to a 1600 relay win in 3:47. The 400 relay team is made up of seniors Dakota McGraw, Nick Millard, Ryan Shue and John Strong, who ran this quick sprint in 49.7.

The boys will be back in action this Saturday when they look to defend their title at the prestigious VanDusen Invitational in Ogdensburg.

*By Eric Belair*

### THIS WEEK IN RAIDER SPORTS

**Today:** 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.

**Mon. May 17:** JV boys lax vs. Cortland (5 p.m.).

**Tues. May 18:** Boys V lax vs. Cortland (5 p.m.); Girls lax vs. ES-M (V-4:45/JV-6:15); Track @ OHSL Meet (TBA).

**Wed. May 19:** Softball vs. ES-M (4:45); Baseball @ ES-M (4:30).

**Thurs. May 20:** JV boys lax @ Chittenango (5 p.m.).

**Fri. May 21:** Softball @ Fowler (4:30); Baseball vs. Fowler (4:45); JV Girls lax @ Homer (5 p.m.).

*(due to weather conditions, spring sports schedules are subject to change)*

## Mock DWI



## DWI fatality in several acts



It didn't really happen...but it could. On Wednesday members of the junior and senior classes at G. Ray Bodley High School watched in silence as a potential DWI fatality was played out in front of them in the student parking lot.

The whole scenario was laid out in vivid color, from the aftermath of the accident itself to the arrival of the rescue personnel, the funeral of the student killed in the crash, and the legal proceedings against the driver.

Organized by GRB Safety Officer Lund, the event is staged every other year to remind the students of the dangers of drinking and driving, an important message considering that the Junior Prom will be held this Friday evening in Syracuse. (Sarah Allee photos)

## Prom advice from a pair of "veterans"

As all you of you juniors are well aware, the prom is right around the corner. Being prom veterans, we would like to share a little insight on the best way to have a joyful and successful prom night.

- Find a date whom you know will show you a good time and not start any drama.
- Don't drink or do drugs before. Remember the whole thing and live to tell the tales!
- Refrigerate your corsage and boutonniere.
- Bring a Tide to go pen in case you wreck your clothes.
- Bring safety pins if a girls dress needs to be saved.
- Prepare to smile all night long because

the pictures never stop.

-Rid yourself of your tux before you hit the dance floor.

-Ladies, shoes are not needed when you hit the dance floor.

-Guys, feed your date before you go so that you get the dinner she can't finish.

-Guys, tell your date how beautiful she looks or you'll never hear the end of it.

-DO NOT SIT AT THE TABLES...DANCE!!

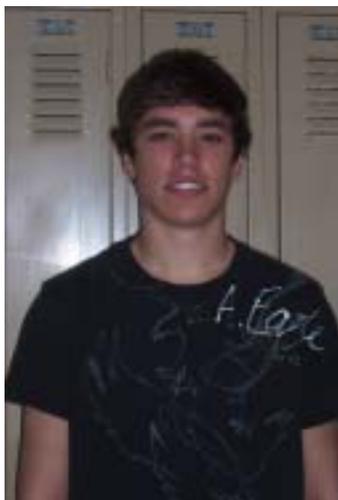
-Go straight home after prom parties are overrated.

These are just a few tips to keep you out of trouble at prom and have the best time of your life!

*By Taylor Barrett & Max Ambuske*

**School of Thought** compiled by Raquel Vescio & Crystal Kimball

*What are you looking forward to the most at the prom?*



"After prom."  
Corey Crook



"Dancing with Bryan Apa."  
Donnie Wilmot



"The food before"  
Donny Watson



"Dancing!."  
Nate Parsons

**GRB announcements for Thursday, May 13**

The freshman Avon fundraiser will be running from now until May 20th. Money and order forms can be turned in to Mrs. Hallatt by that date.

Seniors! Many local scholarships are coming due this week. Come down to the guidance office and pick one up.

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.

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.

Buy a photo club t-shirt for \$15. Order forms are in room 120.

*Meteorology and you*  
by Carson Metcalf

**Today:** Cloudy with a few scattered showers and thunderstorms. High in the upper-50s.

**Tonight:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Low around 50.

**Tomorrow:** Scattered showers. High in the mid-60s.

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