

## GRB Chorus enjoys weekend trip to Pittsburgh

By Alicia Vann

The weekend trip to Pittsburgh proved to be a great success for the G. Ray Bodley's Women's Choir, Concert Choir, and Orchestra. All of the members on the trip had a wonderful time, and the students were complimented on their actions and behavior.

The students and chaperones left the school Friday morning around 4:30 am. Although the day was young, the students seemed to be full of energy and ready for the adventures to come. After a long bus ride, the students arrived in Pittsburgh around noon. The day began with a visit to Station Square for lunch and shopping. Station Square resembles Quincy Market in Boston, containing many vendors and food locations. Station Square's main attraction to the students was the Station Square Mall that contained many shops, including the famous freight-house shops, which were shops that were contained in freight cars.

After lunch, the students went to the "Carnegie Museum of Art," and the "Carnegie Museum of Natural History." The museums included many different skeletons of animals, including a Tyrannosaurus Rex and a Pterodactyl.

The day concluded with a murder mystery dinner at the Spaghetti Warehouse in Pittsburgh. Each table contained a clue, and the students and chaperones were instructed to gather clues from other tables in order to help solve the mystery. All the actors visited every table, and the students were allowed to ask questions about the mystery.

Saturday began with a continental breakfast at the hotel. The students first visited the Cathedral of Learning, a tower that was built in the 1800's in order to create a landmark that would represent the University of Pittsburgh. The Cathedral contained over 25 different Nationality Rooms that the University still uses today to teach classes in. A duck tour on the coveted duck boats of Pittsburgh was taken after the visit. The tour was an hour and a half long journey throughout Pittsburgh, on water and land.

The students quickly changed after the tour and performed at the Heartland Health Center. The attendants were very appreciative of the

visit and the students were pleased with their performances.

The night ended with a beautiful dinner cruise on one of the many rivers that runs through Pittsburgh. The students, teachers, and chaperones danced the night away aboard the ship. The beautiful view aboard the top of the ship was accompanied by warm weather and a clear sky that captured the Pittsburgh skyline wonderfully.

Day three included laser tag and cosmic

bowling at Funfest lanes outside of Pittsburgh. Even with the rainy weather, the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium were still enjoyable for many students, as the animals endured the rain. The day concluded with a mining trip at Tour-Ed mines and a luscious buffet dinner at Golden Corral in PA.

The students arrived back at school around 1:30 am. Even though many of the trip members came to school tired and dreary on Monday, overall the trip was definitely worthwhile.



One of the many stops during the recent chorus field trip to Pittsburgh was a visit to the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. (Kelly Ormsby photo)

## Record setting day for boys track

What a weekend for the boy's track and field team! On Friday they headed up to the Oswego County Meet to compete against the best in the county. Let it be heard that Fulton is a force to be reckoned with. With several near and or record setting performances, Fulton showed they are a dominant team.

Most of the success was found in the sprints, despite some very strong performances in the field. Sam Stevens had a fantastic double, nearly setting the school record in the 400-meter dash with a blazing time of 50.8 seconds. An elated Stevens was in heaven after overcoming a sickness that has plagued him for several weeks. He later came back to finish second in the 200-meter dash with another blistering time of 23.8 seconds. In between Stevens' two races, senior John Strong made some jaws drop running a Section 3 leading time in the 400-meter-hurdles. Winning by over two seconds, John's time of 56.9 breaks his previous school record by over a second! Strong then later teamed up with Stevens, Ryan Shue and Jimmy Ireland in the 4x400-meter relay to make up a 30-yard deficit to win by more than three seconds. Although there was no team scoring, the Fulton boys would have been top contenders for the team win.

On Wednesday the boys and girls will head to East Syracuse-Minoa to race the Spartans and Homer in a tri-meet. Homer should be a team that both the boys and girls should beat, while E-SM will be a hit or miss with both.

By Noah Carroll

## Opinion

# Santa Clara takes aim at childhood obesity

By Julie Allen

How many people would agree that child obesity is a growing problem in the U.S.?

Probably a good 90 percent.

But how many are taking action in these times to help decrease the problem? The County Board of Supervisors in Santa Clara County agreed to do something about the issue. They recently passed an ordinance with a 3-2 vote banning happy meal style toys, unless the restaurant meets the nutritional guidelines. Ken Yeager, the sponsor of the measure, was cited as saying that the ordinance prevents restaurants from, "preying on children's love of toys" to sell unhealthy food.

Dr. Dan Delgado agreed with Mr. Yeager, saying that, "yes toys encourage the unhealthful eating which in turn is a factor helping to increase childhood obesity." An opponent in the matter, Donald Gage, said that parents should be responsible for their children who actually aren't the ones with the purchasing power. Although many people had



different views on the subject most would agree that the toys do lure in the young children to fast food.

Everyone knows that fast food is not good for anyone, young or old. But, parents should also influence their children on what to eat and that fast food is all right in moderation. As could be expected, a spokesman for McDonald's was very angered by all the comments, saying that the food served at the chain restaurant does offer many nutrients that children need daily.

Apparently Santa Clara County, among many others do not agree with the spokesman. Surely we can expect to see other counties follow in Santa Clara's footsteps with the idea of getting our kids healthier.

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## Record setting horse born in New Hampshire

By Erica Lamb & Morgan Mirabito

As many people know, Clydesdales are the biggest horses, and mini's are the smallest. However, these measurements have been brought to an extreme by a "tiny mini-horse" named Einstein. Einstein was born to owners Rachel Wagner and Charles Cantrell on a New Hampshire farm this past Friday, April 23. The family was expecting a mini, but did not expect what they received.

The average newborn mini is 21 inches tall, and weighs 18 pounds. However, this little guy weighed 6 pounds at birth, and only measured 14 inches tall, becoming the world's smallest mini-horse, who does not show signs of dwarfism. The record holding smallest mini was Thumbelina, who was 8.5 pounds at birth, and 11 inches. Thumbelina's extraordinary size has been called dwarfism, due to the fact that her body is unproportioned. Her head is relatively larger than the rest of her body, along with having stumpy legs. In Einstein's case, he does not hold dwarfism traits, his head is proportionate to the rest of his body, nor was he a premie. Einstein was born three days after his due date, leaving him just naturally tiny.

Since a horse this small is very rare, Wagner and Cantrell feared death would soon strike the little guy. Farm owners, and family friends Judy and Larry Smith watched over Einstein the four hours following his entry into the world. However, to their surprise within 15 minutes of birth, Einstein was wobbling to his feet. The Smith's, who have bred 10-15 mini's a year on their farm for over 20 years say they have never seen a mini this small.

As Wagner and Cantrell attempt to keep the mini safe, they plan on taking out an insurance policy on Einstein. As of right now, the possibility of breeding Einstein in the future has not been ruled out. However, it will depend on logistics. For now Einstein will enjoy roming the lawns with the dogs, as Einstein prefers the company of the dogs instead of the other horses. The farms annual open house will be held May 8, when adults and children can interact with Einstein and the other miniature horses.



## Meet the Reporters

**Taylor Barrett,  
Senior**

**Taylor's role in journalism is to cover current events at G. Ray Bodley High School.**

**Her outside interests are volleyball, art and music.**

**Something people don't know about Taylor is that she loves to read.**



*Compiled by Christina Yanock*

## Chittenango bursts past Lady Raiders for 12-6 win

Last night the Lady Raiders Lacrosse team found themselves on the losing side of a 12-6 game against the Chittenango Bears. The Bears came out strong in the first half, scoring their first goal in less than a minute from the start of the game. From there on, they never looked back, scoring seven goals in the first half to Fulton's three.

Although the Raiders knew that they were not out of the game, yet it was not enough to keep the Bears out of the Raiders end of the field. Leading the Raiders was freshman Alanah McClellan with three goals followed by junior Kirsten Francis with two. Senior Emily Rothrock contributed one goal and two assists while freshman Erica Knaub recorded one assist. Junior goalie Kara Pafumi tallied 11 saves in the net.

The Bears were led by senior Jenna Barber's three goals and two assists, followed by Shannen Sweeney with three. Goalie Jocelyn Nowak recorded four saves in the Chittenango net.

The Raiders will travel to Mexico on Thursday to take on the Tigers. Mexico was their first game and loss of the season, and the Raiders are out for some revenge. The Tigers are led by senior Stevie Lombardoni with 38 points. Fulton will look to improve its record to 2-10 this Thursday at Mexico in a 4:30 p.m. start.

*By Emily Rothrock*



Fulton goaltender Kara Pafumi, battles a Chittenango attacker while teammate Hannah Dunsmoor, left, is there to help during action from Monday's OHSL girls lacrosse game. The Bears used an early surge to double past Fulton 12-6. (Taylor Harvey photo)

## Super Saver runs to Derby championship

And the Winner is Super Saver!

With the world-watching, jockey Calvin Borel made his patented move to the inside rail and rode Winstar's Super Saver to a Kentucky Derby win on Saturday May 1. Super Saver was an early morning favorite with 7-1 odds, and the only other horse with single digit odds was Lookin at Lucky whose odds were 9-1.

With the track being really sloppy after being pelted by rain early in the day, Borel knew he had to get a good start and be toward the front. Breaking from the number four-post Borel immediately went to the rail, where he stayed the whole race. Super Saver and Borel won Saturday's race with a two and a half length victory.

Making the win even more impressive is the fact that this was Calvin Borels third Kentucky Derby win in four years. His other two Derby wins were aboard Street Sense in 2007 and Mine That Bird last year. Super Savers win also helped end trainer Todd Pletcher's Derby drought of 0 for 24.

This was quite a win for Winstar Farm as well as their closest finish before Super Saver was Bluegrass Cat's second in the Kentucky Derby in 2006. Ice Box came in second to Super Saver and Paddy O'Prado came in third. This was a great win for Super Saver and Calvin Borel. Be sure to watch the Preakness May 15 when Super Saver tries to win the second leg of the Triple Crown.

*By Erica Lamb*

### THIS WEEK IN RAIDER SPORTS

**Today:** Softball @ Chittenango (4:30); Baseball vs. Chittenango (4:30); V boys lax vs. J-D (4:30).

**Wed. May 5:** Softball vs. Cortland (4:30); Baseball @ Cortland (4:45); Track @ Homer/ES-M (4:30); Tennis @ Mexico (4:30).

**Thurs. May 6:** Boys lax @ New Hartford (5 p.m.); Girls lax @ Mexico (V-4:30/JV-6:00).

**Fri. May 7:** Tennis @ ES-M (4:30);

**Sat. May 8:** Softball @ Phoenix Tourney (TBA); Baseball @ Corcoran (11 a.m.); Girls lax @ Manlius-Pebble Hill (V-noon).

**Mon. May 10:** Girls lax vs. J-D (V-4:30/JV-6 p.m.).

### Upcoming events:

**May 3-5:** Class of 2012 days at Mimi's Drive-in.

**May 3-10:** Gone4Ever display, sponsored by SADD. Exhibit open 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m. @ GRB.

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

**Raider  
Sports**

**School of Thought** compiled by Zach Froio and Max Ambuske

*What do you want to be when you grow up?*



"I want to serve and protect."

**Brandon Arigo**

"I want to be a dentist."

**Colin Shannon**

"Lawyer."

**Deserae Abraham**

"Astronaut."

**Mr. Heindorf**

**Morning announcements for Tuesday, May 4**

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.

Physicals for sports and working papers will be held on Thursday as well as Tuesday May 25th and Thursday May 27th. Students will be called from class. Please check in the nurse's office to see if you need a physical.

Buy a photo club t-shirt for \$15. Order forms are in room 120. The next meeting of the club will be on Wednesday, May 12 after school. Anyone with pictures left from the photo contest, you can pick them up in room 120. Don't forget that the deadline for the spring photo contest is next Friday, May 7.

Support the Class of 2012 tonight or Wednesday and May tenth through twelfth at their Mimi's Nights. All you have to do is give an official Mimi's Night ticket to the cashier when you pay. Tickets are available in advisory or from Mrs. Windsor. Come enjoy a meal at Mimi's Drive-in while supporting the sophomore class.

*Meteorology and you*  
by Carson Metcalf

**Today:** Cloudy with a scattered shower or thunderstorm. High around 70.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy. Low in the low-40s.

**Tomorrow:** Mainly sunny skies. High in the mid-70s.

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