

FBLA organizes for another good year

By Brenna Merry

Now that the year is well underway clubs are beginning to strengthen and begin their activities for the year. At Tuesday's FBLA meeting this became prominent to it's members.

President Kaitlyn Lauber called the meeting to order with many topics that needed to be addressed, the first of which involved celebrating advisor Mrs. Ferlito's "21st" birthday! Then, the club began to organize into a variety of committees. These ranged from activities, media design, scrap booking, all in preparation for state's to keep a place title. The vari-

ous members of the group signed up for the committees in which they felt they would be most useful. FBLA has a place for people of numerous talents and interests.

Member's of FBLA will be inducted at the Lock on October 27th. In order to enter the club there is a mandatory fifteen dollar down payment as well as an optional ten dollars in order to attend the induction ceremony. Other than getting organized, in the following month the club will take a field trip to the Fall District Meeting on October 29th to learn about NYS FBLA initiatives, fundraisers and competitions.

Getting involved in clubs not only looks good on college applications, but it also gives students a reason to enjoy their school and look forward to their days in G.R.B. For the most part a school day is picked for kids by what is mandatory. Clubs and extracurriculars allow students to do what they want to do, not what they have to do. FBLA is a club where students meet a lot of great people who work together to succeed. It gives a person a feeling of accomplishment and practice in the business world. Meetings are every Tuesday Mrs. House's room. Come, eat snacks, learn a lot and succeed with a great group of people.



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Anonymous role for ISS teacher

By Kaitlyn Lauber

Often unknown by a majority of students, Ms. Janice Sobota has been working in the Fulton City School District for over fifteen years. Currently, she is the teacher for the G. Ray Bodley in-school suspension program, and coaches JV girls tennis. She describes the in-school suspension program as, "an alternative to out of school suspension, so that a student who was being punished doesn't lose a day of school, and the teachers can be in touch with their stu-

dents."

Each school district's forms of suspension vary. Ms. Sobota takes a creative approach to the in-school suspension program at GRB, and in turn her students often feel very home in her room. When interviewed, Ms. Sobota was quite humble about her successes, and really cared and connected with every student in the

role. For instance, the students in her classroom change daily as opposed to having the same students in class throughout the school year. However, even though she isn't teaching a course, she does have to ensure that the students in her room complete their academic assignments in a timely fashion and observe the rules of the in-school suspension program.

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ISS supervisor Ms. Sobota



GRB alumnus Ms. Sobota holds down the fort for in-school suspension. (Kaitlyn Lauber photo)

room. She prides herself on building relationships with every student who passes through her door, regardless of what they did.

"I think that probably what helps me the most is, that I genuinely enjoy spending time with these students," says Sobota. "And some of them are really difficult to be around in a class, but I think that when you get them on a more one on one basis you gain a better understanding of who they are."

Students in her room are encouraged to complete schoolwork while attending the in-school program. When asked she explains that, "Students are not only allowed to do work, they're supposed to be doing their work! It's part of the rules of in-school suspension."

As one might expect, Ms. Sobota's job is quite different than a normal classroom-teaching

While Ms. Sobota is by far the main in-school suspension teacher, she does have other teachers assist her throughout the day. Mr. J. Fasulto and Ms. Erkan assist Ms. Sobota for her lunch as well as her advisory class.

She also points out that outside of school, she does have a life. Her interests outside of school include cooking; gardening, eating out, and she also mentioned that she has cats. When asked about having her cats attend a school day at GRB she replied on a humorous note, "No, they're very antisocial cats. Dogs would be much better in school than cats." With that the school bell rang, and another day in the in-school suspension program ended, leaving each student with a clean slate and ready to go back to classes the next day.

Opinion

It's nice to wake up to some good news

By Brenna Merry

Every day people across the world wake up, get their breakfast and sit down to watch the morning news. In most cases the break of day is greeted by tragedies. News of deaths, debts, and thieves are often what accompany our Fruity Pebbles. On August 5, 2010 this was no different.

On this morning people across the world were informed that thirty-three men were trapped in a Chilean mine after a horrible accident. The world was devastated at this news and hopes seemed lost when thoughts of gas leaks and poisons erupted. Soon enough it was possible to drill a hole to the miners and make contact. The world was overjoyed to learn that all of the men were safe. Through this hole these men were obtaining food and oxygen. The next task at hand was how to get the men safely out without caving the mine.

On Wednesday, October 13, was finally achieved. A secure tunnel has been created and one by one the miners are being brought back to the surface with the use of a one-man sized capsule being placed into



the tube. The process takes about an hour per man. Channel 5 News said, "After such a long period of time you would think they would be fighting over who would go first, but they were actually arguing over who would go last." This shows how truly strong and brave these men are. They have been underground so long that upon being brought up they have to wear sunglasses in order to adjust to the light! Yet, they still are worried about each other's safety first and foremost.

While living in a hole these men have become fathers and lost loved ones, among a plethora of other changes. The joy that their rescue has brought to people across the world is evident. On-site news teams report with tears in their eyes as home viewers try not to put water in their coffee. For once, there is good news to bring hope to the world. This time people will finally commute to work or school with positive thoughts in their heads.

It is apparent that most of the world news we hear is negative. However, this is also true for the news here in G. Ray Bodley. We so often hear of the negative aspects of our school and very rarely of the positive things happening in it. Not only is it nice to hear uplifting world news, but it would also be appreciated to acknowledge more of the good things happening within these walls. The good deserves just as much, if not more, credit than the bad.

Plagiarism: you're old enough to know better

By Dan Summerville

It is Sunday night at eleven o'clock. You forgot all about your English paper that your teacher said was due tomorrow. In a panic, you jump out of bed and run over to your computer. You log onto the internet and start searching Google for "Catcher in the Rye essays" When you find one that looks as if you may have written it, you click copy, paste and then print. You put your freshly printed essay into your folder.

You have an essay now, what could go wrong? A lot of things.

Taking credit for someone else's work without properly citing is called plagiarism. It may seem like an easy way out of a zero for some, but it can get you into much, much worse trouble if you are caught. Taking information from the internet, books, and encyclopedias without citing can be considered plagiarism. Even if you take the information for a research project and then forget to cite the works you took it from, it



is plagiarism. The best way to make sure that you are not going to get accused is to change the information into your own words and then give credit for the paraphrase. This does not just mean changing three words or so every paragraph, it means reading the page and possibly using some of the ideas as springboards for your own paper. When in doubt, do not use the copy button. Copying and pasting can get you into a lot of trouble.

Some students just take the easy way out, thinking that the teacher is too unintelligent to figure out the crime that they committed. Despite popular belief in spread by teen movies and television shows, teachers are a lot sharper than students think. Say that in your essay there is a particularly difficult word, or a messed up sentence. The teacher will catch that and may eventually catch on to the fact that you plagiarized. What happens if another student in the class turns in the same internet essay? That would tip off the teacher in an instant. Not only would you get a zero for that assignment, you would most likely be sent to the office to talk with administrators. Plagiarism is the lazy way out, and it is illegal.

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Major League Baseball: and now there are four

With closure on Tuesday night's game there are now just four teams standing in the race to the World Series. In the American league the Yankees seem to be on fire as they take on the rallying Rangers. Across the league lines stand the Giants, who are a hard-nose tough team giving it all they have against a powerful Philly ball club. The League Championship Series begin this Friday for the Yankees and Rangers with Philadelphia and San Francisco squaring of early Saturday.

With a 3-2 win on Monday night to close out the Atlanta Braves as well as putting long-time Braves manager Bobby Cox into retirement, the San Francisco Giants are keeping their playoff dream alive. After jumping on every opportunity on the Braves, San Francisco took three out of four games in the series. With all one run decisions 1-0 (W), 4-5 (L), 3-2 (W), 3-2 (W) the Giants are up for a challenge against the Phillies, who destroyed their first round competition, Cincinnati. In the first game the Giants look to start on the right foot and rally behind ace starter Tim Lincecum.

The Phillies power and tenacity made it look like an easy series, rolling over the Reds in three straight games. Although Cincinnati might have been swept, they fell victim to two stunning performances by Roy Halladay in game one and Cole Hamels in game three. Roy Halladay not only threw a no hitter in game one, but also became only the second pitcher in history to throw a no hitter in the post-season. Cole Hamels, another ace on the Phillies stellar club, threw a gem in game three, pitching a shutout. Hamels now also holds a record from the first series as he is the third pitcher in the last 20 years to earn a shutout victory in a postseason series clincher.

First round completed, the Yankees showed they were superior as they swept the Twins for the second straight year and are now 9-0 in their last nine post-season games against the boys from Minnesota. After a seven-inning shutout pitched by Phil Hughes and two homers produced by Marcus Thames and Nick Swisher the Yankees advanced

once again to the ALCS on Saturday night. Following the win the Yankees did not celebrate, their was no party, they just shook hands in a business like manner and knew they had completed step one, looking at the big picture of the American League Championship and then ultimately the 2010 World Series Championship.

After taking the first two games of the series on the road, the Rangers then fell to Tampa Bay twice in their own ballpark. Completing the first ever best of five series where the home side did not post a win, the Rangers are finally in with Tuesday night's gem by star pitcher Cliff Lee. After big talk before the game of a team-meeting, manager Ron Washington said he had great confidence in his team, especially with Cliff Lee on the mound. Moving on the Texas Rangers look to keep their game amped up when they host the New York Yankees this week-end.

ALCS: October 15th, 8 pm. Probable Starters: Sabathia (NY) vs Wilson (Tex)

- NLCS: October 16th, 7:30pm. Probable Starters: Lincecum(SF) vs Halladay (Phi)

By Hunter Gorton and Max Fobes

This week in Raider Sports

Today: 13: Boys soccer @ CBA (5/7 p.m.); Girls soccer vs. CBA (5/7 p.m.).

Fri. Oct. 15: V football @ Cortland (7 p.m.).

Sat. Oct. 16: JV football vs. Cortland (11 a.m.).

Bizarre News

On Saturday, October 9, an Arizona woman mistakenly put Super Glue in her eye, thinking it was her eye drops. Irmgard Holm of Glendale Arizona accidentally glued her eye shut. Holm knew something was wrong when she felt a burning sensation immediately after she applied what she thought was her medicine.

Holm tried to wash the glue out of her eye, but the Super Glue dried as fast as it boasts, and sealed her eye shut. After going to the hospital so that doctors could cut the glue off, she realized that the medicine and the Super Glue were packaged identically.

"The bottles are identical. You know I'm not young any more, but I'm not senile," said Holm when interviewed by her local news station.

Glue induced eye injuries may seem rare, but there are cases dating back to 1982! **By Morgan Firenze**

Quote of the day:

"There are moments in life, where we think we have it all figured out, and then something happens, and we realize we don't. Nothing is ever set in stone, nothing is ever predetermined.

Nick Jonas

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School of Thought compiled by Jim Ireland and Don Wilmot

Who is your favorite team still in the World Series?



"Yankees Baby!"
Bobbie Bonnie



"Yankees. Isn't that the only team?"
Mr. Murray



"Yankees."
Erin Hayden



"Phillies."
Carrie Baker

Morning announcements for Thursday, October 14

The Library Club will be meeting today to talk about Coffeehouse Night. The meeting starts at 2:20.

Students interested in the song-writing contest may submit entries in room 207 until November first.

Ski and Snowboard Club members are reminded that the first payment of \$100 is due by this Friday.

The Raider's Den is now open ninth and tenth bell and also after school until 2:50. Located between Mrs. Ferlito's and Mrs. Houses' rooms on the first floor, come on in and try a slush puppy today.

Any girls in grade 9-11 who are not playing a winter sport and are interested in playing indoor lacrosse, need to see coach Rothrock ASAP. If there is enough interest, we will put a team in. You must act quickly if interested.

Submit your entry in the Photo Club's first competition of the year. The theme is animals and there are two categories: Silly, and serious. One entry per category please. Bring a printed photo, 5 by 7 or larger to Ms. Amerault in room 120 by November 12.

Meteorology and you
by Carson Metcalf

Today: Mostly cloudy with a few showers. High in the mid-50s.

Tonight: Scattered rain showers. Low in the mid-40s.

Tomorrow: Windy with rain showers. High in the low-50s.

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