



Raiders face tall task tonight at 4-0 Whitesboro

The Fulton varsity football team will be a decided underdog this evening when the 0-4 Red Raiders travel to Whitesboro to face the #7 state-ranked Warriors. Coming off a pair of tough losses by a combined eight points, Fulton will have to be at its best tonight against one of the toughest ground games in all of Central New York.

Steve Almond has been a one man wrecking crew for the Warriors, averaging 10.7 yards per carry with 751 yards on 70 attempts with 10 rushing touchdowns and 13 scores overall. Running mate Adam Eberly is no slouch either, rushing for 497 yards on 52 carries for a 9.6 average that includes four scampers into the end zone.

Overall Whitesboro has rushed for 1,751 yards in four games, averaging 47 points while battling to a 4-0 start. Coach Tom Schoen's side has only thrown the ball 21 times all season, but given their proficiency

on the ground, it's easy to see why.

Likewise Fulton has only thrown 20 passes this year, relying on a rushing attack paced by sophomore Mark Pollock, who averages 7.3 yards per carry with 386 yards in 53 attempts with four touchdowns. Joe Cortese has 102 yards with two touchdowns on 24 attempts for the Raiders.

But all is not lost for Fulton, as the War-

riors, despite their offensive prowess, have also given up 29 points per game, including 34 against a Jamesville-Dewitt side that had to rally to beat the Raiders 16-12 two weeks ago. Fulton will need to play perfect football and the defense will need to be at its best tonight if the team avoid a fourth loss to Whitesboro in the past three seasons of play.

Honor Society holds first meeting

On Tuesday, September 27, G. Ray Bodley High School's National Honor Society met for the first time during this school year. Seniors who were inducted last December crowded into room 141 in order to get things rolling. Members were reminded of the monthly requirement of four hours of community service. Service hours are required for the month of October, and the four hours should be completed by the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 25.

During the meeting, co-advisor Mrs. Ryan also asked members to brainstorm ideas for some larger projects that the society could take part in during the year. Ideas were written down for consideration later in the year and included forming a team for charity walks and making blankets for hospitals.

Members are reminded that \$20 is required at the next meeting for dues. The dues help keep the Fulton chapter of NHS running without needing to rely on too much fundraising. If anyone has trouble finding service opportunities there are always sign-up sheets available in room 141.

By Dan Summerville

Due to Friday's half-day collaboration day,

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GRB Spirit Week! October 3-7



Monday: Pajama Day

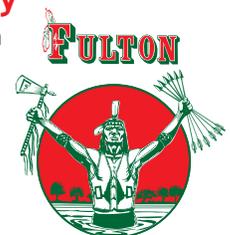
Must not reveal any undergarments, no tank tops/spaghetti straps & no lingerie

Tuesday: Two for Tuesday-Twin Day

Two people dress alike

Wednesday: Team/hat day

Optional \$1 donation to Make-a-Wish
Hall Decorating: 2:30 to 5 pm
GRB Open House: 6:30-8:30 pm



Thursday: Neon Day

Bonfire: 6:30-8 pm near the lake

Friday: Red Raider Pride Day!

Pep Assembly during school
Parade-5 pm (meet outside GRB auditorium)
Football vs. New Hartford (6 pm)
Dance-8 to 11 pm \$3

Opinion

Some staggering statistics about bullying

By Natasha Luis

“Bullies are always cowards at heart and may be credited with a pretty safe instinct in scenting their prey”

Anna Julia Cooper

Every seven minutes a child is bullied, and during this month alone, one out of every four kids will be bullied. A staggering 85% of this goes on without any intervention, just 4% has some adult intervention, while the other 11% has a peer intervention.

If the statistics read true, that means that out of 1150 students who attend G. Ray Bodley High School, 288 students were bullied. Bullying Statistics took a survey on the top five places with the worst bullying, and New York clocked in as number two, behind California and in front of Illinois.

Sadly, more than half of the kids who are bullied do not report their incidents for fear of having worse happen to them later on. A lot of these cases that go unreported, or unsolved, result in a homicide or a suicide. It is estimated that 160,000 students per day miss school because they are so afraid of being bullied. Some kids move,



and some even drop out. Statistics state that if these cases continue to be ignored or looked over, the numbers will only increase.

I personally asked a large number of the students, both male and female, to rate G. Ray Bodley's bullying on a scale of 1-10. I got a number of answers between 6 and 10, and a majority of the votes were ranged between 8 and 10. A number of students also stated that they feel G. Ray Bodley High School is not doing enough to

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prevent bullying from happening. Senior Carson Metcalf said that, “students that are bullies should have to go to an intervention and have them talk about what happened instead of them being completely dis-attached from a situation such as suspension or ISS.” Senior Michaela Best said that, “if students had a skit that showed how severe bullying can be, maybe they would think different about it.”

New school year means plenty of changes

By Mariah Munger

Throughout the G. Ray Bodley High School years there have been numerous school modifications. This year has so far spared students from the demolition and construction of the past few school years, but the building is always changing. While students enjoyed their summer vacation, teachers and other staff of GRB were busy improving the school.



In the previous years the advisory system worked well for many students because they could use it as a study hall or a time for extra help. But this year, due to budgetary restraints, the advisory program was cut. Instead the substitution is an eight minute homeroom

before first bell which is basically for attendance purposes and expectation reinforcement. With the advisory system absent there is now more time for academics, as classes are now 40 minutes long instead of 38.

But there was also an immediate reaction from a large number of students when their schedules arrived, lacking advisory. Senior Ashly Smart said, “I feel not having advisory is a waste of time, it was time for students to get their work done and stuff, but now we spend eight minutes in homeroom and get nothing done.” The school budget will hopefully improve without advisory, although there were many students who benefitted from the interactions with their advisor and their peers.

Within the first week of this school year some students walked into classrooms decorated with posters of a different subject! With

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The lighter side of life

By Madeline Clark



This week in Raider Sports

Today: Golf vs. Chittenango (3:30); V'ball @ J-D (4:30); V tennis vs. M-PH (4:30); JV tennis @ M-PH (4:30); V football @ Whitesboro (7 pm).

Sat. Oct. 1: V Boys soccer @ Bishop Grimes (4:15); JV V'ball @ B'ville Tourney (8:45 am); JV football vs. Whitesboro (10 am); Cross-country @ McQuaid Invitational (9 am).



Plenty of changes

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the loss of several teachers from last year due to lay-offs and retirements that were not replaced, there has been some classroom swapping. Integrated/Applied Algebra and Applied Geometry teacher Mr. Lacey was asked if his move from downstairs in the language wing to upstairs was a problem and he said, "I don't sweat the small stuff, it was not a big deal." Though the students might have to get used to certain teachers new locations, the moves, by and large, were not a hassle.

There are many small changes to the school rules and expectations this year at GRB as well. But the same motto will stand, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe. One thing that will never change is the perseverance of the entire school to improve every year.

Bizarre News of the Day:

Croc of a different color

A crocodile living in England has turned a bright color of orange. The crocodile, named Snappy, turned the odd shade over a number of days, causing owner Tracy Sandstrom to fear for his health.

Sandstrom, who owns a mobile reptile display called Roaming Reptiles, said of Snappy's color change, "I thought he was really sick. I thought he was dying."

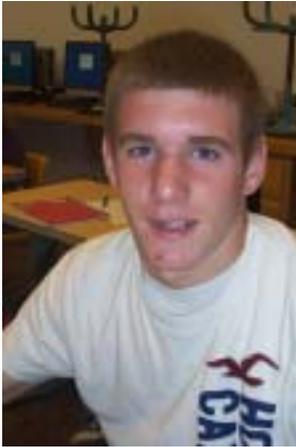
Luckily, Tracy was able to stop worrying once she learned that Snappy was perfectly healthy, and that he had turned himself orange by chewing on the water filter in his heated tank. After damaging the filter, the crocodile was then affected by red algae from fallen leaves, which are normally kept out of the water by the filter.

Reptile experts predict that Snappy will change back to his normal green-brown color with time, but his owner recognized that he has become a bit of a celebrity because of his orange hue.

She said, "It's a collector's item now. Everyone will want one. I should have put him on eBay." She went on to say that, "there's no change in his behavior, his aggression, or his territorialism. He's still a really nasty crocodile."

By Morgan Firenze

NFL Picks

**Mark Aldasch****Last week: 11-5 Overall: 11-5*****New England @ Oakland***

The New England Patriots and Oakland Raiders are coming into the game with a 2-1 record, and the loss for both teams came against the Buffalo Bills, both by three points in the game's final moments. This will be a very exciting game for fans of both teams.

The Patriots are led offensively by quarterback Tom Brady who has 1327 passing yards in three games. With the help of wide receiver Wes Welker and tight end Rob Gronkowski, the Patriot offense is ranked first in the NFL in passing yards per game.

For the Raiders, their offense is led by running back Darren McFadden who has almost 400 rushing yards in three games, which is why the Raider offense is ranked first in the NFL in rushing yards a game. The Patriot offense has averaged 35 points a game while the Raiders offense has averaged 31 points a game. I think that this game will be very close with the Patriots winning the game 31-28.

Mark says:

Chicago
Buffalo
Washington
Philadelphia
Minnesota
New Orleans
Pittsburgh
Detroit
Cleveland
Atlanta
N.Y. Giants
San Diego
New England
Green Bay
Baltimore
Tampa Bay

**Mr. Senecal****Last week: 11-5 Overall: 11-5*****Miami @ SanDiego***

A good old AFL rivalry is renewed this weekend in SanDiego, but it may not be a good game when all is said and done. The Dolphins are 0-3 on the season and looking lousy in the process with last week's meltdown on the road at Cleveland just another example of why they are a team in trouble.

Miami continues to settle for field goals, and it cost them on Sunday as they opted for a 16-10 lead late in the game that turned into a 17-16 setback. The Chargers, not exactly world-beaters so far, have once again shown that they can move the ball, particularly through the air, which means that gifted gunslinger Phillip Rivers is probably licking his chops at the thought of facing a Miami secondary that has been pitiful this season.

Turnovers will play a huge factor on Sunday as the Chargers have a tendency to cough it up deep in opposition territory. If they give the Dolphins too many reprieves, even Miami is capable of pulling off a win.

Mr. S. says:

Chicago
Buffalo
Washington
Philadelphia
Minnesota
New Orleans
Houston
Detroit
Tennessee
Atlanta
NY Giants
San Diego
New England
Green Bay
NY Jets
Tampa Bay

**Ross Maxam****Last week: 10-6 Overall: 10-6*****Pittsburgh at Houston***

I am very excited for this game as a die-hard Steelers fan. Pittsburgh's defense is one of the best in the league, sitting at number one in pass defense and 12th in rushing defense. They are led by two great outside pass rushers in James Harrison and Lamarr Woodley and also have arguably the best player in the league on the defensive side of the ball in safety Troy Polamalu. On offense they are led by Big Ben Roethlisberger, a staple at the quarterback position for the past seven years.

Houston, on the other hand, is an up and coming team that has finally put their many talents together. They sit at 2-1 on the year, identical to Pittsburgh, with wins over Indianapolis and Miami.

My pick is the Steelers 27-24 in a tight one. Troy Polamalu will handle coverage of Andre Johnson and I expect Lawrence Timmons and the Steelers Linebacking core to hold down Arian Foster. Reliant Stadium will be packed to the rafters for this one as two solid teams go at it.

Ross says:

Chicago
Buffalo
Washington
Philadelphia
Minnesota
New Orleans
Pittsburgh
Detroit
Cleveland
Atlanta
NY Giants
San Diego
New England
Green Bay
Baltimore
Tampa Bay

NFL Picks



Jeriann Parker

We did not receive Jeriann's NFL picks prior to posting today's edition. Look for her return in next Friday's edition of RaiderNet Daily.



Sean Fink

Last week: 10-6 Overall: 10-6

Buffalo at Cincinnati

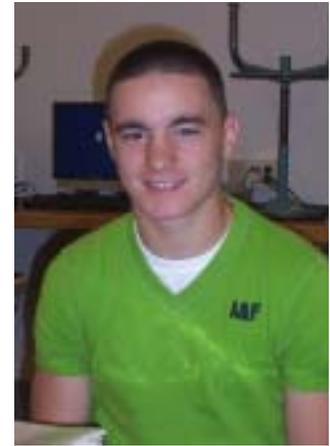
The Buffalo Bills, coming off a surprising win last Sunday, look to face a 1-2 Cincinnati Bengals team that has had some tough breaks this season. The Bills defense, after intercepting Tom Brady four times last week, looks to put the pressure on Bengals rookie QB Andy Dalton. Fred Jackson averages about 100 yards a game, and looks to trample the Bengals.

The Bengals are looking to get off their two game losing streak, but it is going to be tough with the Bills offense racking up the points. Dalton is going to have to help his team keep up with the Bills offense if they want a chance to stay in this game. He averages 190 passing yards per game and will have to step it up if he wants a chance to beat the 3-0 Bills.

The Bills will triumph over the Bengals because they don't have the skill to beat them. The Bills have that little edge after beating the Patriots, feeling they need to keep doing what they are doing to beat any team.

Sean says:

Chicago
Buffalo
St. Louis
Philadelphia
Minnesota
New Orleans
Pittsburgh
Detroit
Cleveland
Atlanta
Arizona
San Diego
New England
Green Bay
Baltimore
Tampa Bay



Tyler Terramiggi

Last week: 7-9 Overall: 7-9

Detroit @ Dallas

The resurgent Detroit Lions, starting off the season 3-0, have a tough test this Sunday against the Tony Romo led Dallas Cowboys, who are atop the NFC East along with the Giants and Redskins at 2-1.

The Lions will look to shut down the passing game of Romo as their pass defense is fourth in the league allowing only 188 yards per game through the air.

The Lions offense also has many big play threats in running back Jahvid Best and receivers Calvin Johnson, Titus Young, Nate Burleson and Brandon Pettigrew. The Lions also have the fourth best passing game in the league, mainly because of their underrated quarterback Matthew Stafford who has already thrown for 977 yards and nine touchdowns in just three games.

In a game of underrated against underrated, I have underrated coming out on top in this one, and the Detroit Lions will be 4-0 for the first time since the 1980 season.

Tyler says:

Chicago
Buffalo
Washington
Philadelphia
Minnesota
New Orleans
Houston
Detroit
Cleveland
Atlanta
NY Giants
San Diego
New England
Green Bay
Baltimore
Tampa Bay

Sports

MLB playoffs start today after wild finish

By Nick Abelgore

After six long months and 162 regular season games, it's finally here. The 2011 Major League Baseball Postseason kicks off today, the first time it has happened on a Friday since 1915. The playoffs are beginning in September this year to assure the World Series will not be played in November.

What an exhilarating night for baseball on Wednesday as the regular season drew to a close. Three games went into extra innings, each with their own exciting outcomes. Both wildcard spots were still up for grabs. The Rays were tied with the Red Sox in the American League while the Braves still needed one up on the Cardinals for the National League.

The Yankees entered Game 3 of their series with the Rays, heading toward a win as they led 7-0 going into the eighth inning. Yan-

kees manager Joe Girardi went through 11 pitchers during this game, trying to preserve his better ones for the playoffs.

Some even say this was a conspiracy to let the Rays win to get into the postseason, as the Yankees blew their lead in the last two innings, tying the score and causing the game to go into extra innings. If the Rays won and the Boston Red Sox lost at Baltimore, this would ensure entry into the playoffs for Tampa Bay over Boston, long-time rivals of the New York Yankees.

Evan Longoria hit his second home-run of the night in the twelfth, giving the Rays the win and the AL wildcard spot. At the same time, Boston ended up falling to the Baltimore Orioles 4-3 on two ninth-inning runs after coming off a long rain delay. This knocked Boston out of the playoffs as Tampa Bay completed the greatest September rally of all time by erasing a nine game deficit in

the final month of the season.

Meanwhile in Atlanta, the Braves were engaged in the thirteenth inning against the Philadelphia Phillies. Hunter Pence pulled through with a two-out RBI single that brought the Phillies up 4-3, preventing any additional games that had to be played. The Phillies had already clinched a spot in the postseason and this win denied admission to the Braves, as St. Louis capped an unlikely September rally by hammering Houston 8-0 in Wednesday's only game to lack drama.

The regular season being completed, the schedule for postseason is now up. On Friday, the American League features the Detroit Tigers at the New York Yankees at 8:37 pm EST and the Rays at the Texas Rangers at 5:07 pm EST. The other two games in the National League start Saturday, October 1. The Arizona Diamondbacks go to Milwaukee at 2:07 pm EST while the Cardinals visit Philadelphia at 5:07 pm EST. Coverage for all four division series games will be hosted by TBS.

Start now to get ready for winter

Even though the fall sports seasons are underway, many people are working hard in the off season to improve their skills for winter sports. For any athletes interested in improving their skills before the long hard season, there are many opportunities. The Fulton boys basketball team holds a weight lifting program after school on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 5:30 pm to about 6:30 pm. Players are reminded to make sure that their rides are on time if they plan to attend the session.

The boys basketball team is not the only one preparing for the upcoming season. The Fulton wrestling team and girls basketball teams also have programs. Wrestling has weight lifting every day after school and starting in October they will be holding Tuesday and Thursday practices. For more information on wrestling or to sign up for the team, stop by Mr. Fasulo's room 217. Girls basketball has open gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm. So to any student looking forward to playing a sport this winter, the time to get involved is now.

By Nathan Dean



Ross Maxam and the varsity boys soccer team will end a week long layoff on Saturday when they travel to Bishop Grimes to face the Cobras in a 4:15 pm start. The Raiders will look to erase a tough outing the last time around that saw them fall against Fowler. (Hannah Dunsmoor photo)

School of Thought *Compiled by Nathan Dean and Nick Abelgore*

What are you looking forward to most for homecoming?



"School dance"
Meriah Dishaw



"The bonfire."
Ashley Hamm



"The football game."
Dan Coant



"The pep rally"
Mrs. House

Meteorology and you

By *Carson Metcalf*



Today:



Mostly cloudy with a shower.

65°

Average: 66°
Record: 89° (1953)

Tonight:



Cloudy skies chance shower.

47°

Average: 46°
Record: 28° (1991)

Tomorrow:

Cloudy with showers, windy.

58°

Average: 66°/46°
Rec. high/low: 84° (2002)/ 30° (1993)

Sunday:

Cloudy with showers.

55°

Average: 65°/46°
Record high/low: 86° (1950)/33° (1997)

GRB senior Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist and the creator of the Central New York Weather Center @ www.centralnewyork-weather.com