



## Hair today, gone tomorrow to benefit charity

By Vanessa Langdon

Just in time for spring, two of G. Ray Bodley High School's own participated this year in the St. Baldrick's event. Vice Principal Mr. Buchanan and Social Studies teacher Mr. McCarten both recently participated and not for the first time.

To those not familiar with St. Baldrick's, it is a foundation to help the fight against childhood cancers. The foundation raises money through head shaving events with the volunteers getting donations and sponsors from their friends and family and they then shave their head to show support for the children suffering from the childhood cancers who typically lose their hair.

Mr. Buchanan took part in the St. Baldrick's fundraiser for the second time, but this year he was on a team for the first time as a member of a team of administrators from Oswego County including Mr. Capolla from A-P-W, Dr. Schmidt from Hannibal, and Mr. Camp from BOCES. The team had a goal to raise \$1,000 dollars and they achieved that and then some. In a testament to the generosity of the GRB faculty, "Our faculty as a group gave the most out of the team!" Mr. Buchanan commented.

Mr. Buchanan was inspired to start doing St. Baldrick's around the time of current GRB junior Tim Connors diagnosis with Leukemia two years ago, saying, "it is something I can do on a personal level, to me shaving my head is not a big sacrifice." Mr. Buchanan participated in the event last Thursday, March 22 and has been sporting a clean shaven head at Bodley this week.

Social studies teacher Mr. McCarten was also a participant this year, donating and shaving his head three weeks ago. He has been participating in the foundation for about six years and donates with a team of five friends at the restaurant Kitty Hoynes in Syracuse. This year was a little different as he and his friends did not donate at a donation center, like Kitty Hoynes their usual

place; instead they shaved their heads themselves and donated the money. In the last six years Mr. McCarten has donated about \$3,000 to the cause. According to Mr. McCarten three years ago at Kitty Hoynes at just the one event they raised \$380,000!

Mr. McCarten does not do the actual fundraiser every year, getting the sponsorships because, "I feel bad going back to the same people every year." But he does make sure to donate money every year and absolutely plans on continuing to participate in the future!



Assistant Principal Mr. Buchanan, left, and Mr. McCarten, right, are carrying less hair but bigger smiles after participating in the St. Baldrick's fundraiser. (Vanessa Langdon photos)

## Dreams come true at prom giveaway

The eighth annual Prom Dress give away organized by Melody Scanlon was a major success this past Sunday, March 25 at the Child Care Solutions in Syracuse! The event, which was by appointment only, began at 9 am and went right along with 20 minute blocked appointments until 4 p.m.. By this time all of the volunteers were tired out, but very pleased with the outcome!

The event, which helps those going through hard economic times outfit themselves for either a junior or senior prom,

Both of these faculty members have done a wonderful and selfless act to improve the lives of children living with childhood cancers. Maybe one day through the work of volunteers such as Mr. Buchanan and Mr. McCarten, along with all of the hardworking doctors and scientists, childhood cancers will no longer be in existence. Until that time we can only hope and do the little things we can to head in the right direction! Anyone interested in donating to the efforts of St. Baldrick's may do so by going to [www.StBaldricks.org/donate](http://www.StBaldricks.org/donate).

comes complete with the dress, from which there were hundreds to choose from, complete with minor alterations on site, accessories, hair and make-up! The girls even got to have manicures after they were finished with the process!

The "process" entailed an appointment averaging 20 minutes, beginning with a quick hairstyle including a tutorial teaching the girls how to do their own hair in the style themselves for their actual prom event! Next

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## Opinion

# What does your blood type say about you?

By Vanessa Langdon

With the blood drive coming up this Friday and people getting ready to donate their blood to a good cause, what does that blood they are donating, or more specifically the type of blood say about their personality?

The idea that blood type affects personality is not a new phenomenon; it has been used in Japan for centuries by employers when assessing job candidates, dating services for potential love matches and even companies for marketing soft drinks and other products for targeting optimal markets! Because of this approximately 90% of the Japanese know their blood type!

Canadian naturopathic doctor James D'Adamo and his son Peter D'Adamo also think that blood type directly affects personality and should be consulted before eating anything (they went as far as de-



termining a diet that is specified to coincide with construction of a person's blood). They have written literature about a "blood type diet" that should be followed to get the best life possible.

type B blood types scored high on intuition related topics which mean that they are generally insightful, mystical, idealistic, creative, globally-oriented, people-oriented and good at imagining. I thought all of this was fascinating especially a strange fact about type B blood types-they are most commonly found in Asia, specifically Japan, Mongolia, China and India and was believed to have been spread by the Mongols as they conquered and spread across the continent.

Blood type A, on the other hand, favors structured, rhythmic, harmonious life, surrounded by a positive, supportive community. Personality wise Blood type A's generally are sensitive to the needs of others, good listeners, detail oriented, analytical, creative and inventive. Blood type A's are also receptive to unnaturally high levels of stress! So beware, and try to relax.

Dr. D'Adamo suggests limiting crowds of people, smoking, negative emotions, strong smells of perfume, overwork, violent TV and video games, lack of sleep, and extreme weather conditions, like fluctuating hot or cold temperatures, as they all can add to stress levels. A strange suggestion from Dr. D'Adamo is that anyone with blood type A should be asleep no later than 11 pm and sleep for at least two hours a night!

Now if you are blood type O you tend to have traits such as leadership, extroversion, energy and focus. But along with the beneficial traits there are the more unfortunate ones; when stressed Type O's response can be one of anger, hyperactivity, and impulsivity. Type O's generally describe themselves as responsible, decisive, organized, objective, rule-conscious, and practical. Type O's beware, as you are susceptible to bouts of extreme anger, so try to keep a level head!

Blood type AB is unique in that it is the most recently developed blood type, only evolving in the past 10 to 12 centuries with only 5% of the population having this particular strain! The evolution of the blood type from the intermingling of blood types A and B instead of developing from the environment lead those with this blood type to have a mixture of personality traits from each specific blood type, both A and B.

This results in AB types tending to be drawn to other people and

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I looked into this theory after google-ing my own blood type, B positive, and found out some interesting information that seemed to be right on! According to Doctor James D'Adamo's website, type B blood types generally have subjective, easygoing, creative, original and flexible personalities. Along with those personality traits

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# The Great Outdoors

## Early spring helps farmers get a jump on work

By Daniel Summerville

Spring is a busy time for farmers in Central New York. Spring is when farmers start planting their crops and fixing up fences in preparation for the upcoming year. Most of the time fields are still covered in snow this time of year, but the early spring has allowed for farmers to get a head start on their spring jobs.

Most farmers are still holding off on planting too many crops. It is March after all, and no one can say for sure whether or not winter is really over. It would be disastrous if newly planted corn or beans were killed in a frost or late snowfall. However, there is one crop that is already starting to grow. Alfalfa comes up year after year without too much interference from farmers. Every four or five years a new seeding is required, but other than that Alfalfa grows well without any help. At this rate, the first cutting of hay silage will be much earlier than it normally would.

All winters, no matter how mild they may be, take a toll on pasture fences. Wind, tree-branches, snow, and ice all destroy fences, making it imperative that farmers take the time to fix them before letting their livestock out. Fence fixing is tedious work, but any job



worth doing is worth doing well, as no one wants to have to chase loose cows just because they slacked while fence fixing. A lot of times the cattle never really get to go outside until at least May, but this year might be different. Fence fixing usually starts in mid-April, but many farmers have already been taking advantage of the warm weather by fixing fences. In a few more weeks, the local pastures will be filled with happy cattle.

Farmers are busy year-round, but spring is perhaps the busiest time in agriculture. Between getting ready to plant and fixing fences, farmers have little time to spare during the spring months. Once the fences are fixed and the crops are planted, farmers can breathe a sigh of relief. But they cannot relax for long, a farmer's work is never done.

## Blood type and personality

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are generally friendly and trusting, but they have a side that feels alienated from the larger community. The mixture creates numerous contradictions in the personality of those with this mixture blood type; they have strong convictions in their beliefs while at the same time wanting to be liked by others. They are self-described as emotional, passionate, friendly, trusting and empathetic. These contradictions make AB blood types generally the most interesting of people; both John F. Kennedy and Marilyn Monroe were blood type AB!

Whether you believe in it or not, knowing this information can either be very eye opening, perhaps even allowing yourself to truly see who you are and maybe slightly concerned that blood type can really affect your personality in such a way! If not, well perhaps it was good for a chuckle! Either way it is nice that our blood type won't be inhibiting anyone from achieving their dreams regarding any career path here in the United States!

Remember you can find out your blood type in lots of various ways but one good way is to sign up for the blood drive to be held here at GRB on Friday, March 30, where after you donate you will be informed of your blood type upon receiving your donor card in the mail. You can find out something regarding your personality while saving the lives of three people with your donation!

## Music in our Schools Month!

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## Prom dress event a success for everyone involved

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each girl received their own personal shopper who guided them through picking out the dress of their dreams from the stock of hundreds donated by local and nationwide dress shops alike.

The girls got to choose two dresses at a time to bring back to the fitting rooms and were allowed to try on a total of six dresses. After choosing that perfect dress, some girls went on to the seamstresses located on site for minor alteration of hem length or strap changes, but most were lucky enough to find dresses that fit them wonderfully. After the dress was all squared away the girls parted with their personal shoppers and made their way to the land of shoes, purses and jewelry to pick out either a pair of shoes, a purse, or a pair of earring and a necklace.

Once they had chosen the perfect accessories to complement their chosen princess dress the girls got to choose two brand new, still in packaging, make-up, of which there were a plethora of mascaras, eye-shadows, lipstick, lip-gloss, and eyeliner! There was even a co-worker of the event organizer Tonia there to assist the girls in making the perfect choices for their dresses and personal look.

The final step the girls made before they each left the event gleaming was a quick manicure where they got to feel pampered and pick out a nail polish color that matched their dress and to leave the event with that specific chosen color of nail polish in tow, so they could do their nails themselves before their prom!

The event was beneficial to all the girls who participate who were nothing but grateful and appreciative. The girls who participated were from all over Central New York including Oswego, Syracuse, Jordan-Elbridge, Fulton, Baldwinsville, Camillus just to name a few. Not only did all the girls enjoy themselves but the volunteers, including this reporter, could not have been happier with what they were lucky enough to be a part of!

If anyone has either a dress they would like to donate or needs information on the event to participate next year, contact Melody Scanlon at [Mldyarnold@yahoo.com](mailto:Mldyarnold@yahoo.com) and check out their Facebook page for constant updates even a soon to be uploaded video featur-

ing yours truly *RaiderNet Daily* reporter Vanessa Langdon interviewing the volunteers, participants and even going through the process myself to get an insider's view! Hopefully the event will continue to grow and flourish as it continues; I myself cannot wait until next year to volunteer again!

### Bizarre news of the day: The train kept a rollin'

A Romanian fashion house has set a Guinness World Record for the longest bridal train in history. It took ten seamstresses 100 days to create the 1.85-mile-long ivory train which billowed high above Bucharest as it was displayed from a hot-air balloon

The creation was worn by 17-year-old model Ema Dumitrescu to promote this year's Wedding Fair in the Romanian capital. Project spokeswoman Lavinia Lascae said many of the fabrics used, including lace and taffeta, were imported from Italy and France pushing the cost up to about £4,500, or \$8688.

The previous record for the world's longest train stood at 2,488 metres, or 8162 feet, by Dutch designers. Organizer Alin Caraman took particular delight in grabbing the record, saying: "If the Netherlands does not allow us into Europe, we'll take them out of the world records book."

*By Morgan Firenze*

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### This Week in Raider Sports

**Today:** Girls Lax @ New Hartford (JV-4L30/V-6 pm); Softball @ Oswego (4 pm-scrimmage).

**Thurs. March 29:** Boys Lax vs. ES-M (JV-5/V-6:30).

**Fri. March 30:** V Girls lax @ Irondequoit (6 pm).

**Sat. March 31:** V Girls Lax @ Spencerport (3 pm).



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# To stay in school or head for the money?

By Nathan Deavers

Many of the best, young athletes leave school early, whether it is high school or college. Many young baseball prospects come straight out of high school to play in the major or minor leagues, while many football or basketball prospects leave college after one or two years.

There would be basketball prospects coming out of high school as well, but the NBA made a rule a few years ago that requires athletes attend college for at least one year. Is it really smart to leave education behind for a chance to play for a pro team or wait a few years to finish college, and then take the chance in the majors?

It is well understood that it is many young athletes' dream to play for a professional team, and that they could earn some good money if they get on a team, even if they don't play. But what will all of these young adults do after they retire or get released? They will not have a degree and will have to take average jobs like normal people. There is also the chance that a young athlete gets injured



and then their whole career in sports will be over, leaving them with no money opportunities.

Take a look at Antoine Walker, a basketball player who played many years with several NBA teams, he is now broke and in debt after retiring. He was going into foreclosure at one point and had to sell his championship ring for \$21,500. He was one of the highest paid players at one point and was a three time all-star, which just shows that even if you are a star making millions, you can still be sunk into debt after a career.

The dream is to become a professional sports player, so if a kid has the chance to leave college to be drafted and play for a pro sports team, they would have to consider the rest of their lives. But all too often when earning all of this money, they will overspend and not save for their future, putting them into financial troubles for the future. In my opinion, young adults should finish college, then take their chances on to the pros, if they even had the chance. If they did this then they would have other options after their sports career which could end shortly. People just have to be realistic and think about the future. It is a tough decision, but if somebody is good enough to be considered for a draft, they will most likely still be good enough to be considered after they finish school.

## Syracuse University releases 2012 schedule

Syracuse University will play three Friday games this season, including two night starts in the Carrier Dome and an afternoon game on the road.

The Big East finally released its 2012 conference football schedule, so the Syracuse University season is set. The Orange, which has only five games in the Dome this season, will play host on Friday night to Pittsburgh (7 p.m. Oct. 5) and Connecticut (8 p.m. Oct. 19).

In addition, the Orange will visit Temple on Friday, Nov. 23, for what presumably will be an afternoon game the day after Thanksgiving. The Pitt and UConn games will be televised on ESPN, and the Temple game will be on ABC, ESPN or ESPN2, according to the schedule.

With the non-conference schedule wrapped up several weeks ago, the only question left was when the Orange would play its confer-

ence games. SU was due to play on the road four times this season and host three Big East teams. SU's other Big East home date is Nov. 10 against Louisville. The Orange will travel to face Rutgers on Oct. 13, South Florida on Oct. 27, Cincinnati on Nov. 3, and Temple in the season finale.

Already set were non-conference games against Southern California, on Sept. 8 in MetLife Stadium in the New Meadowlands; Big Ten teams Northwestern (Sept. 1) and Minnesota (Sept. 22); new Southeastern Conference member Missouri on Nov. 17, and FCS opponent Stony Brook on Sept. 15.

The schedule was delayed because of the holes left by TCU's renegeing on a commitment to join the football conference last fall, and West Virginia's early exit to the Big 12. Temple was announced as the league's newest member on March 7, and the Owls were slotted into West Virginia's schedule.

By Tyler Terramiggi

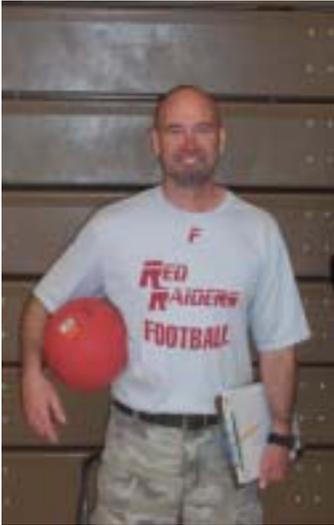
### 2012 Syracuse University Football schedule:

Sept. 1 vs. Northwestern at Carrier Dome  
 Sept. 8 vs. Southern California at MetLife Stadium,  
 East Rutherford, N.J. (ABC/ESPN/ESPN2)  
 Sept. 15 vs. Stony Brook at Carrier Dome  
 Sept. 22 at Minnesota  
 Sept. 29 open  
 Oct. 5 vs. Pittsburgh at Carrier Dome (7 p.m.,  
 ESPN)

Oct. 13 at Rutgers  
 Oct. 19 vs. Connecticut at Carrier Dome (8 p.m.,  
 ESPN)  
 Oct. 27 at South Florida  
 Nov. 3 at Cincinnati  
 Nov. 10 vs. Louisville  
 Nov. 17 at Missouri  
 Nov. 23 at Temple (ABC/ESPN/ESPN2)

School of Thought compiled by Nathan Dean, Tony Torrese and Nick Abelgore

## What are you doing over Spring Break?



"Going to stay at the casino with my kids."

Mr. Blackburn



"Playing Lacrosse"

Joe Sutton



"Spring Cleaning!"

Emily Ervin



"Going to the Movies!"

Katie Medico

# Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Mostly cloudy with rain.

**55°**

Average: 48°  
Record: 83° (1998)

Tonight:



Mostly clear.

**37°**

Average: 29°  
Record: 9° (1966)

Tomorrow:



Sun and clouds.

**45°**

Average: 49°  
Record: 79° (1986)

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