

## WSYR celebrating 50 years on the airwaves

WSYR-TV, channel 9 in Syracuse, is celebrating its golden anniversary this year.

The ABC affiliate went on the air officially on September 9, 1962; nearly fifty years ago. However, the station is not waiting until September to celebrate the occasion.

A promotion that debuted on Thursday includes highlights of the station's program-

ming from its debut up through present day. This includes major news events WSYR has covered such as the crash of Pan Am flight 103, the Blizzard of 1993, the Labor Day Storm, and the Syracuse Basketball national championship. Pieces of WSYR's entertainment lineup are also included, such as Mike Price's classic character, Baron Daemon.

A story posted on the station's website says, "Throughout the year, we'll be looking back at moments from the past 50 years."

Central New Yorkers who watch WSYR's programming are sure to be interested in what this historic retrospect has to offer.

*By Carson Metcalf*

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## Bodley journalists honored among CNY's finest

Members of *The Raider* and *RaiderNet Daily* staff made their way to the S.I. Newhouse School at Syracuse University on Monday to participate in the annual High School Press Day.

The field trip began with a keynote address given by Michael Connor, the Executive Editor of *The Post-Standard*. Connor discussed the recent scandal involving former S.U. assistant basketball coach Bernie Fine, and then fielded questions from the audience of journalism students about his career.

From there, students moved on to a series of two workshops of their choice on all things journalism, from filming and editing video to the design and layout of a school newspaper.

A lot was to be learned from the keynote and workshops, however the most exciting part of the day for the Bodley journalists was the awards ceremony that the day's program concluded with.

In the "Best News Story" category, Carson Metcalf took Silver for his interview with Superintendent of Schools, Mr. William Lynch, regarding the decision to appoint Mrs. Donna Parkhurst as GRB's new principal back in January.

Our resident "lil Bodley" cartoonist, Madeline Clark, also took home the Silver Award for "Best Editorial Cartoon."

Also recognized at the ceremony was Hannah Dunsmoor, who received an Hon-

orable Mention for photography.

Journalism teacher and Journalism Club advisor Mr. Senecal was thrilled for the trio, commenting that, "I'm really proud of all three of my students, as well as the rest of the RND staff. There were some quality newspapers at this competition from some pretty big schools. We haven't been to this competition for several years, so it was nice to see GRB Journalism represented once again. We're planning to enter the state com-

petition as well, so hopefully we can make our mark there in the fall."

As always, we thank you for continuing to read and support all of what Bodley's award-winning journalism department has to offer, including *The Raider*, *RaiderNet Daily*, and the *Fultonian Yearbook*. Stay connected with us anytime on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/GRBJournalism](http://www.facebook.com/GRBJournalism) and [www.facebook.com/FultonianYearbook](http://www.facebook.com/FultonianYearbook).



*RaiderNet Daily* was well represented at the annual Student Press Day on Monday, picking up awards in three different categories. The event is sponsored by the Syracuse Newspapers and is held at Syracuse University's Newhouse School of Communications. RND editor Carson Metcalf, left, placed second in the newswriting category while Madeline Clark's "Adventures of Little Bodley" came in second for political cartoon. Senior Hannah Dunsmoor, not pictured, received honorable mention in the photography competition. (Senecal photo)

## Opinion

# Supreme effort yields supreme enjoyment

By Nick Abelgore

High school is a difficult trial to overcome for anybody. The workload does not even sum up to half of the problems that students face. In fact, the work is either easily gotten over by hard working students or pushed aside by those who do not want to have any part of it.

Dealing with the social aspect is the more trying and confusing. In the end, it all comes down to the overachievers and the underachievers. It amazes me how many people do not even try or even have the slightest interest in anything. It all comes down to pride, and some people seem to have very little of it.

I understand that there are things in life that are undesirable to do. But even so, you have to man up and push through them. On top of this, even with the “fun” things, people seem to falter in effort. I will take this into perspective as I see it. First of all, I can understand how some of the academic portions of school can be unentertaining and a little tough. Regardless, what one puts into these classes reflects and hones their work ethic throughout all aspects of life.

You cannot necessary be a hard worker in one thing and lazy in another. More or less, this attitude diffuses throughout everything one does. Outside of the classroom and where I see underachievement the most is in the music room. People constantly do not practice their parts, will not come in for extra help, or even make an effort to ask questions or figure out what they need to be doing. This just baffles me completely.

In my opinion, what can be more instantaneously rewarding or entertaining than performing music live for an audience? It is there and in the present that people will see you and judge you on the spot. It is a choice; show off and play well or look like a slob. The lack of pride or caring is unbelievable. If someone performs at their absolute best and it still comes off a little bit rocky, people will overlook the flaws and appreciate the attempt more. Unfortunately, a lot of kids do not realize this and give up halfway or choose not to start at all. It is okay to have a bad day, but that does not mean that



one should quit in order to avoid all of these bad days, which will certainly happen.

The same concept can apply to sports as well. Parents are constantly on their kids to play well in athletics. It can be very stressful for some students in certain situations. But when left to the kids themselves, will they be willing to put in the maximum effort for themselves and their team or is it just because people are watching them? You would not want to have a team filled with star players lose to a horrible team over stupid reasons. Having a large ego does not help either because then a person may perform under their excellence bar because they think they are better than everyone else.

The work that is put into preparation beforehand is what will come out the other end as a successful result. This theory is no different than what has been impressed for all of time. Hard work and effort gives way to positive outcomes. Also, if you score well on an AP test, who is really going to see or care besides you and a few other people? I am not at all discouraging doing well in academics, because this part of school is the most important. Rather, I am trying to impress that activities such as music and sports yield more immediate and impacting effects on the student than classwork.

As an 18-year-old in high school, I am assuming that my most of my peers also find music and sports to be more entertaining than say math or English. They know that a large percentage of the community pays more attention to these activities than say some of the other ones. If this is the case, then why do people still fail to put forth a minimum amount of effort into these undertakings?

High school is just a backwards realm in society. Kids who are really the “tools” get all the attention by being flashy and acting like idiots. The “good kids” are just as capable of doing all of these things as well, but they just choose not to. As a result, they sometimes get pushed under or are just unable to speak for themselves. It does not really matter though. This section of the world is only a small fraction of what is really out there.

After high school, students will go off into life and fall into their respective places. Things will work out in the end. It is a shame that some people do not have the pride or resolve to be achievers in life. Starting out early can really be beneficial for ones future years. But then, what can you really do except to keep your head down and continue working?



## Reflections

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# The Adventures of 'lil Bodley

By Madeline Clark (this comic is drawn on reused paper!)



## It's swimsuit season! Shop carefully before you buy

Every year as soon as the summer comes around girls of all ages go running to the mall to pick out a new swim suit. With all the places to shop, sometimes it's hard to know if it's a good deal or not.

This year try and look around. Instead of buying the first bathing suit in the window, look at a variety of stores such as Kohls, JC Penny or Target. There is always the option of going to name brand stores such as American Eagle where the cost of a bathing suit is around \$60. Buying a new bathing suit every year can get expensive.

Senior Sara Erwin stated that she used to get a new bathing suit every year. It got to the point that she had so many that she decided that it was no longer necessary to go out and spend money every time the weather got warm. She also stated that she was not picky about the cost of the suit and tended to just buy whatever was appealing to her. Sara, just like many students as well as many adults, go out and buy a new swim suit every year. In today's economy it is not as easy to go out and spend money on a new suit. Although

many cannot afford to purchase a new suit every year, there are places to go to get a swim suit cheaper.

This year one place to look for a cute swim suit is the local JC Penny in Oswego. There is a variety of swim suits to pick from at a great price. Most of the bikinis are \$15 and full piece suits are around \$20. Also, Kohls always has sales on the best brand names. So this summer before another overpriced suit is sold, look around at the other businesses in the area. It's amazing how much someone can save.

*By Jeanette Bartlett*

### Quote of the day:

"Here is the test to find whether your mission on Earth is finished: if you're alive, it isn't."

*Richard Bach*

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## Raider Sports

## Raiders charge into playoffs with 14-9 win

For the first time in a decade, the varsity boys lacrosse team has reached the seven win mark and qualified for sectionals on the way. A 14-9 win over the Whitesboro Warriors propelled the Raiders into the sectional tournament for the first time since 2008 and with one game to play; they look to finish .500 for the first time in over fourteen years. They rose to 7-8 on the season and 5-5 in league play while Whitesboro falls to 2-13 overall and 2-10 in the OHSL.

"It's a relief," Captain Joe Sutton stated. "Now it doesn't all hinge on senior night tomorrow and we can just play our game." The team celebrated with keeper Colin Blake when the horn went off and the Fulton faithful knew that their team was in the playoff field and it was surely a long time.

Wednesday's game will not matter for seed-

ing in the tournament, but a victory would sit the Raiders at 8-8, a record that would give the team the most wins in school history. Head Coach Craig Halladay understands the situation and put it quite simply when asked about Wednesdays game, "8-8 sounds a lot better than 7-9, doesn't it?"

The Raiders dominated the game by winning each quarter on their way to a season high fourteen goals. Senior Co-Captains Ross Maxam and Sutton led the way with Maxam and Sutton recording six points apiece on three goals and three assists. Rounding out the attacks performance that included sixteen points was Steven Hanczyk, who tallied a career high five points by reaching the back of the net three times and assisting on two others.

The sophomore class continued their scor-

ing ways with Carson Vono and Matt Nelson each scoring once and Seth DeLisle reaching glory twice. Midfielder Justin Bowering tallied an assist on the night as well.

Completing the scoring for the Raiders was, believe it or not, the three starting defenders. Joe Cortese and Mark Pollock tallied assists while Brandon Lockwood scored his second goal in two games. Senior Netminder Colin Blake stopped six shots on his way to commanding the Raider defense to the win.

Scoring for the Warriors was Matt Felitto on three occasions and Ted Olney added three more points on two goals and an assist.

The team will be in action tomorrow night when they host the Cortland Purple Tigers on the Raiders senior night at 7 p.m. They will be looking to avenge an 8-7 loss earlier in the year.

*By Ross Maxam*

## Another long day for diamond Raiders

It was a long day for both the boys and girls on the diamond last night, with the girls falling 10-4 against Central Square and the boys dropping both games of a double header against Bishop Ludden.

In game one, a 10-2 setback, the Raiders (1-17) managed to rattle off just three hits. Tyler French paved the way with an RBI double, while Dan Bolster and Jordan LeClair also clipped singles. On The mound junior Ron Smith pitched all five innings allowing only five earned runs, 10 total. Tyler Dunsmoor led Ludden offensively notching two hits with three RBIs.

In Game two the Gaelic Knights bats couldn't be stopped, knocking 14 hits and scoring 15 times in a 15-3 triumph. For

Fulton, streaking Tyler French continued to lead the Raider's struggling bats with two hits. Dan Kenyon, Nick Ablegore, and Alex Bateman also chipped in a hit.

For the girls the story was much of the same. However they started off hot at the plate tallying four runs in the first inning to wipe out an early 4-0 deficit. Then the Red Hawk bats out lasted Fulton, aided by eight Raider errors to improve to 9-7 overall at the expense of the 7-9 Raiders. Emma Reakes and Sammi Loveless pounded out RBI doubles for the winners. Lauren Snyder replied with a two run triple and Ciarra Chapman socked a two run double while Maureen McCann also lashed an RBI for Fulton.

*By Tyler Terramiggi*

### This week in Raider Sports

**Today:** Girls Lax vs. Whitesboro (JV-5/V-6:30); Softball @ Cortland (4:30).

**Wed. June 16:** Girls Lax @ Cortland (JV-5/V-6:30); Boys V Lax vs. Cortland (7 pm); Baseball vs. ES-M (4:45); Softball @ ES-M (4:30); Tennis @ J-D (4:30).

**Thurs. May 17:** Boys JV Lax vs. Cortland (5 pm); Track League Meet in Fulton (4 pm); Tennis @ ES-M (4:30).

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## Sports

# NBA's second round provides interesting tests

By Nathan Deavers

The first round of the NBA Playoffs quickly came to a close this weekend. The Miami Heat beat the New York Knicks in five games and will play the Indiana Pacers in the second round after they beat the Orlando Magic in five games as well. Another matchup in the second round will be the Philadelphia 76ers against the Boston Celtics. The 76ers shockingly beat the one seed, Chicago Bulls in six games after Derrick Rose tore his ACL and Joakim Noah injured his ankle. The San Antonio Spurs and Oklahoma City Thunder will also be advancing to the Conference Semifinals after they beat the Utah Jazz and the defending champs, Dallas Mavericks, respectively in four games. Their opponents will be the LA Lakers and the LA Clippers after both teams had to play in seven games to win the series over Denver and Memphis. The Spurs will play the Clippers while the Thunder will face the other team from LA, the Lakers.

The Miami Heat is a team with superstar talent that includes LeBron James, Dwyane Wade, and Chris Bosh. They have this mighty "Big Three," but do not have much depth besides them. The Heat have a stifling defense and is a very athletic team, but are also a team that takes a lot of criticism. Many people believe that they should be a lock to win and came up short last year. As a result, they are looking to win this year, especially LeBron James, who is looking to win his first championship. If a team can shut down the "Big Three" then they will have a good chance of beating the mighty Heat.

Indiana is the team that will be facing the team from Miami. The Pacers are a pretty good team that has guys that know how to do their jobs to help the team win. They have Roy Hibbert, the big seven footer, who is a beast in the paint, blocking shots and rebounding. Danny Granger is their scorer and main go-to guy, while they have young players like Darren Collison and Paul George doing their part. The Pacers could stand a chance of beating the Heat in this second round.

The 76ers are also a very athletic team that consists of Andre Iguodala, Jrue Holliday, and many others. This team has not been very far in the playoffs, as of late, and is looking to keep moving on after beating the one seed Chicago in the east. Their big men consist of Spencer Hawes, leading the team in rebounds with seven a game, and Elton Brand, who leads the team with almost two blocks a game. Their leading scorer Lou Williams even comes off the bench, which says something about this team, it is not a one man show and everyone does their part.

The Celtics have a "Big Three" of their own in Paul Pierce, Kevin Garnett, and Ray Allen. They are an older team, so who knows how long they will be able to last as they keep playing, as they may not be able to stick with this young team from Philly. The Celtics do have Rajon Rondo, a monster man at point guard who does everything. He rebounds, dishes out a ton of assists, steals the ball, and can score a little. He is not much of a shooter, but he gets many triple doubles to help out his team. This should be a good matchup, but look to see how long the Celtics can last as they are an older



team.

San Antonio won their series easily and is ready to take on Kobe Bryant and the Lakers. This is a team full of veterans who know how to win with the likes of Tim Duncan, Tony Parker, and Manu Ginobili. The Spurs are a very well respected and talented team but they are older as well and have had injury problems in the past. If this team can stay rested and healthy, they will be a force to be reckoned with. Their foe will be the Lakers in this series. This team is led by Kobe Bryant, Andrew Bynum, and Pau Gasol. For this team to win, they must work from the inside out as Kobe said they did not do in one of their losses in the past series. Bynum will also need to keep his cool, as he has been known to lose his temper, and Kobe will need to take over, but not take too many shots, distributing the ball as well and being a play maker.

Oklahoma City is a very dangerous team. They are very young, athletic, and full of talent. Russell Westbrook and Kevin Durant are their two main players but the Thunder also have Serge Ibaka, a monster in the paint and was considered in the race for defensive player of the year, and James Harden, who is one of the best players who comes off the bench in the league. The Thunder led the west for most of the year and could have a chance of making it all the way.

The Clippers are a team that has not made it this far in the playoffs very many times and are a newly formed team this year. They have new players like Chris Paul and Kenyon Martin, and they are looking to make a longer run in the playoffs. This team is called Lob City with the many connections of Chris Paul to Blake Griffin but they will have a tougher time doing that against big Serge Ibaka. The LA Clippers are a pretty talented team but will have their work cut out for them against the Thunder and especially if Griffin's knee is still hurting after he scored all of eight points in game seven against the Grizzlies and played less than two minutes in the fourth quarter.

## Meet the Reporters

**Kara M. Yakel,  
Senior**

Kara joined the staff of RaiderNet Daily to inform students about the interesting things that happen at GRB.

Her outside interests and hobbies include Taw Kwon Do, lacrosse, tennis, yearbook club, FBLA, Drama Club and she is a member of the National Honor Society.

Something that people might not know about Kara is that she has grown up to be more understanding and considerate person because her brother was born with Downs Syndrome.



# What is your favorite spring time activity?



"Playing lacrosse."

Torrie Whelsky



"Wrestling in the Fulton Spring Duals."

Brennan Roberge



"Not shoveling snow."

Officer Burlingham



"Planting flowers."

Ms. Wilmot

## Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Cloudy with rain showers.

**71°**

Average: 69°  
Record: 86° (1962)

Tonight:



Mainly cloudy.

**55°**

Average: 46°  
Record: 33° (1977)

Tomorrow:



Cloudy with showers and storms.

**73°**

Average: 69°  
Record: 90° (1962)

GRB senior Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist and the creator of The Central New York Weather Center @ [www.centralnewyorkweather.com](http://www.centralnewyorkweather.com)  
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