



NYSSMA Solo Festival this weekend in Fulton

By Nick Abelgore

It will be nervy time for many musicians this weekend, May 4-5, as the NYSSMA Solo Festival will be taking place at the Fulton Jr. High. Students from all over have been preparing a music audition to perform in front of a judge to be graded.

Based on the how well the performance goes, students may receive honors such as being invited to the Area All-State Festival and possibly Conference All-State. The turn-out of students is always a considerable amount and many fine musicians are recognized for their talents here.

There are multiple steps to take when getting a solo ready. To start with, students need to have all major scales learned and memorized. The judge usually asks the player to recite at least three and may call upon whichever one he or she desires to hear.

The performance of the actual solo piece comes next. There are various songs to choose from in the NYSSMA Manual with six different levels of difficulty. In some cases, more than one movement of a multi-movement piece may need to be performed.

At the end of every audition, sight-reading is required. The judge picks a short piece equivalent to the musician's abilities that he or she allows the student to look over for a brief time. It does not have to be perfect, but it is ideal to play the excerpt as well as possible to impress the judge with one's musicality.

The scoring of a solo performed at the NYSSMA Solofest is based on a variety of factors. Accuracy of pitches, rhythms, and dynamics are some of the more rudimentary targets judges look for. Other important aspects include good tone, uses of expression, interpretation, intonation, and technique.

Those who perform well on a Level 5 or 6 solo have the chance to be a part of an Area All-State group. Judges pick only the best players who demonstrate excellent uses of all of the elements previously listed. It is also an option to pay to audition for Confer-

ence All-State the following year. Only the most elite players have a chance of making it, as student musicians from all across New York State will be competing.

Last year, trombonist Nick Abelgore scored perfectly on his Level 6 All-State Solo. Even with this, it might not have guaranteed him a spot in the band due to the large amount of perfect scores coming in from all over the state. This just goes to show how it is truly a huge honor to be a part of this function.

Following in Nick's footsteps, a number of students from G. Ray Bodley are also taking their shots at a spot in the Conference. To name a few, Julia Fisch and Katelyn Caza have been practicing a piece by Beethoven that they hope will carry them through to All-State. Nick is actually going to be accompanying them on the piano during their

auditions. Last minute preparations and run-throughs are being made before the festival this weekend.

Overall, preparing a solo for the NYSSMA Solo Festival is a lot of work. Much time outside of class must be used up to make it into the best performance it can possibly be. It is all worth it in the end, however, when the judges grading sheet is in a student's hands and they see a high score.

These auditions are great experiences to be had. If one wants to attend a college for music, they are similar to what should be expected. One will be able to evaluate their own playing and become a better musician by it. Doing poorly in an audition is not a bad thing. Only positive results can come from participating in this event, making the student more honed than they had ever been before.

Bodley Class of 2012 leaders named



Seniors Nathan Hawthorne, right, and Rachel Guernsey, middle, were named as the respective Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the G. Ray Bodley High School Class of 2012 on Thursday morning. Making the announcement was GRB Principal Mrs. Donna Parkhurst, left. (Natasha Luis photo)

Opinion

What makes an athlete successful? Confidence

By Tony Torrese

Every day you hear students here at G. Ray talking about their upcoming matches or games, followed by their prediction on whether or not they think they will win.

I ask; what makes you so confident that you will lose?

When I hear an athlete claim that they are going to “lose” their next game or match, I simply shake my head. I was brought up with a certain mentality instilled upon me by my parents and coaches that if you believe, you can achieve.

As Head Wrestling Coach Michael Connors has said over and over again over the years, “If you go into a match thinking you’re going to lose, or hoping not to lose, then you will lose. If you go out there knowing you’re going to win, then there’s a high probability that you will.” It all comes down to who wants it more.

My four years on the varsity wrestling program here at Bodley has proven such assumptions to me. My freshman year I was brought



freshman if it were possible to bring home a section title, I would have laughed at you, but now I understand that just knowing that you’ll do well is eighty-percent of the journey, with hard work and talent making up the other fifteen and five percent respectively.

All over the news you hear of great athletic feats. Do you think that they are just simply that gifted despite their affliction? No, they have no sympathy for themselves and work hard for all that they have earned. Upsets happen every day and even people with disabilities can see that, so whether you’re at the junior-high level, or at the Olympic level, just know that even the best of the very best lose. Especially at the high school level, athletes are known to make mistakes.

So again, the next time you’re out there at your next game or match, just remember that on any given day anything can happen.

Bizarre news of the day: A gypsy-style funeral

Gypsies gave a relative a macabre sendoff after staging a barbeque and knocking back bottles of beer and wine at a cemetery in the village of Lunca in Lasi in northeastern Romania.

Local media said the local Orthodox Christian priest had known about the unorthodox party - and that it was not the first time that the graveyard grill-up had taken place in “honor of the dead”.

In Romania food and drink is often taken to the cemetery and left at the graveside as an offering to the dead, especially around the Easter period. Church officials even allow the symbolic food offerings to be taken by poorer members of the community, so eating in cemeteries is part of the Romanian culture.

But allowing the poor to stage a full on BBQ has taken the trend to a new level. Pictures showed empty beer bottles left on the grave side memorials, and several smoke-shrouded grills were set out on which pork chops and sausages were being grilled.

A local church spokesman said: “I am sure that the dead did not object to having a bit of life around for a while.” But Orthodox leaders are said to be looking at the case to see if such events should be banned in the future.

By Morgan Firenze

“Going out on the mat against juniors and seniors was overwhelming. I was scared and many times I lost because I simply thought that I couldn’t win.”

up to the varsity level from Modified, and believe me it was difficult, more difficult than you could imagine. Going out on the mat against juniors and seniors was overwhelming. I was scared and many times I lost because I simply thought that I couldn’t win. As I progressed over the years I became more confident. I put in the necessary training and summer clinics and camps and sure enough my senior year I won a Section III Championship title, thus attending the New York State Championship Tournament.

If you would have asked me when I was that young and scared

Reflections

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The Great Outdoors

Be on the lookout for pesky, dangerous ticks

By Daniel Summerville

The weather in Central New York has been anything but normal this spring. With record highs in March and below average temperatures in April, the weather has been fairly unpredictable for the past few months.

While the wide ranging temperatures may be only a minor inconvenience for humans, there is one creature that is thriving because of this unusual spring.

Ticks are one of the most notorious parasites that live in Central New York. Second only to mosquitos, these tiny bloodsuckers thrive in the tall grass and woodlands alike. These parasites attach to a host by burrowing their heads into the hosts body, then they begin feeding on the unfortunate animal's blood. Their small size makes them almost impossible to notice until they have been feeding for a while. The host does not feel their bite, and an attached tick can go completely unnoticed. Ticks are not usually much of a problem, but the abnormal spring has caused a massive increase in their numbers.

Ticks are a known carrier of Lyme disease, a potent disease that can cause a lot of damage to the host. Symptoms include fever and a bulls-eye shaped rash around the feeding site. If the tick is no-



ticed and removed before it has been feeding for too long, the disease can be avoided.

Dogs can get Lyme disease as well as humans, so pet owners need to keep an eye on their canine companions. Cats are thought to be immune to Lyme disease, but they still have the potential to carry an infected tick into a house. There is some controversy on the best way to remove a tick, but there is no doubt that they should be removed as soon as they are found.

Ticks come in many varieties, the most common in central New York being the deer tick. While the deer tick is most notorious for carrying Lyme disease, it can carry many others. The less common dog tick can be just as troublesome, and should be treated with the same caution. The different species do vary slightly, but for the most part a tick is a tick, and none of them should be taken lightly.

There are ways to avoid becoming a host to these undesirable arthropods, which include tucking pant legs into socks and conducting self-examinations after returning from any suspected tick infested area.

Just because there are more ticks in the woods than normal does not mean that people should not get outside. The tick issue has been blown out of proportion lately. With some knowledge of the parasite and a little bit of prevention, there is no reason not to enjoy the outdoors. Ticks should be treated as exactly what they are; a minor inconvenience.

Walleye season opening this weekend

By Ashlynn Palmitesso

This Saturday will be a day eagerly awaited by walleye anglers of New York State. This year's hotspot is the same as last year's, Oneida Lake. This lake is a reproduction factory for walleye.

Other locations with a good walleye population are Allegheny Reservoir, Black Lake, Carry Falls Reservoir, Chautauqua Lake, Great Sacandaga Lake, Lake Champlain, Lake Erie, Lake George, Lake Ontario, Oneida Lake, Owasco Lake, Saratoga Lake, Tupper Lake, and Upper Saranac Lake. Streams and rivers following out of lakes typically contain walleye also.

If you are a beginner in this sport, here are some tips for catching your first walleye.

New York walleye spawn in the course of the spring months and typically reproduce in a feeder stream or clean bottom surfaces nearby deep water. The unusually warm weather in March has caused walleye to already spawn. The typical walleye coloration ranges from olive-brown to golden brown to a paler yellow background. The younger walleye tend to have vertical bands across the back.

When you decide you want to go walleye fishing, the timing and location is crucial in walleye success. Most experts say primetime is from sundown to midnight. Whenever I go fishing with my fam-



ily, our luck sets in just as the sun goes down around 8:30-9 p.m. However, you can go walleye fishing during the day. We use the method of trolling with a zigzag motion.

Ray Brown, a fishing guide from Auburn said 25 percent of anglers on the opening day use a trolling method. However he stated, "It's effective, but it's not active fishing" (involving casting and retrieving). You can even try jigging, but if you are a beginner, I wouldn't recommend that route.

As far as location goes, you can cast from shore. But with this year's heavy algae and weed growth it might be a hassle, especially for lure entanglement. Three expert anglers suggested deeper water, as opposed to the mouths of streams. If you are drift fishing, you should target areas around buoys or rocky areas in 30-40 feet of water.

The top six recommended walleye lures for this year are perch-colored deep-diving crankbait, black and silver Rapala, XPS Minnow, silver and blue crankbait, bucktail jig and Heddon's Sonar blade bait. The three recommended lines for walleye anglers are Berkley NanoFil, Berkley FireLine and Suffix Lead Core.

Now your tackle box is prepared and you have a location and time interval, the only thing left is the law. The statewide minimum walleye size is 15 inches. There are limits on each lake, so be sure to check. Oneida Lake has a three fish per day limit. On the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario, there is a minimum size of 18 inches and a daily limit of three. If you're after the state record, good luck reeling in a walleye over 16 pounds and 7 ounces.

Spice up Cinco De Mayo with some tasty salsa!

By Natasha Luis

This Saturday, is Cinco De Mayo, literally the fifth of May, a Mexican holiday that celebrates The Battle of Puebla that took place in 1862.

France was angry with Mexico because of the war debts Mexico refused to pay back, so France sent a massive army to invade them. The Mexican army was small compared to the French army, which was better trained and equipped than the Mexicans, who struggled to defend the road to Mexico City.

When the French reached Puebla, the Mexican army had had enough. They took a valiant stand and won! Fortunately, they had an outstanding and unexpected victory against the French. It was short-lived, as the French



army regrouped and continued; eventually taking Mexico City, but the euphoria of an unlikely victory against overwhelming odds is remembered every May fifth. Ever since then this day has been celebrated with a huge feast!

Zesty Salsa:

Nothing says "Happy Cinco De Mayo!" like a fresh bowl of salsa with tortilla chips to scoop and dip them with!

Ingredients:

1 (10 ounce) can diced tomatoes and green chilies, un-drained
 1 tablespoon seeded and chopped jalapeno pepper
 1 tablespoon chopped red onion
 1 tablespoon minced fresh cilantro
 1 garlic clove, minced
 1 tablespoon olive oil
 Dash salt
 Dash pepper
 Tortilla chips

Directions:

In a small bowl, combine the tomatoes, jalapeno, onion, cilantro, garlic, oil, salt and pepper. Refrigerate until serving. Serve with tortilla chips.

Avengers assemble! Super-heroes hit the screen

Marvel's The Avengers: There is only one movie coming out this Friday that is worth my time talking about it; *Marvel's The Avengers*.

This looks to be one of the greatest movies of all time and possibly the best of the superhero pictures. This is the sixth installment by Marvel Cinematic Universe, the others being *The Incredible Hulk*, *Thor*, *Iron Man*, *Iron Man 2* and *Captain*

America. After producing these hit superhero gems individually, it was time to bring them all together to face a common enemy. The

directors of the espionage group S.H.I.E.L.D., Nick Fury, and his second in command, Maria Hill, decide to recruit some of the greatest heroes around to help save the planet.

The cast of *Marvel's The Avengers* is full of some of Hollywood's biggest names. Nick Fury will be played by Samuel L. Jackson and Maria Hill will be played by Cobie Smulders. Robert Downey Jr., Chris Evans, Mark Ruffalo, Chris Hemsworth, Scarlett Johansson and Jeremy Renner star as the heroes Iron Man, Captain America, The Hulk, Thor, Black Widow and Hawkeye, respectively. Tom Hiddleston will portray the role of Loki, the main antagonist and the brother of Thor.

This movie has been highly anticipated for years, and looks to thrill many superhero fans in its debut this weekend.

At the Movies

By Alex Bawarski



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Raider lacrosse hosting car wash this Saturday



The Fulton boys lacrosse program will be hosting a car wash along with bottle and can drive on Saturday, May 5 from noon to 2 pm at Sweet Inspirations. Please come and help support a great bunch of boys and the program. All donations are accepted and very much appreciated.

Raiders set for Oswego County Invitational

Oswego County bragging rights will be on the line this weekend when the boys and girls varsity track teams seek a good performance at the annual Oswego County Invitational. After coming off an even split between ES-M and Mexico on Wednesday, the Raiders look to gain the upper hand rights against local squads from Central Square, Mexico, Phoenix, Oswego, and Hannibal.

The boys meet is set for this afternoon at the Oswego junior high track. The girls will take on the county at Central Square on Saturday. When asked about the meet, thrower Laura Perwitz stated, "I think we have a chance of kicking some serious butt."

On the guys side distance runner Dylan Holden exclaimed, "I feel as if the guys on our team will put on a good show due to the heavy competition between Oswego County, especially in the distance events."

Some highlights on the girls side include that of thrower Jessica Race, sprinters Christina Pensibene, Kayla Distin and Erica Pawlewicz. Distance runners Calle

Beckwith, Ally, Karli and Kara Bricker will also be hoping to shine. In the jumping events Anna McKay seeks a first place finish in the high jump.

Last year's Section 3 champ Courtney Beckwith will also be tested in the pole vault. The boys team looks to gain an advantage with their distance stronghold of Bailey Lutz, Dylan Holden, Alan Cronk, and Jimmy Martin, who are undefeated in the 3200

meter relay. Sprinter Michael Lewchainin looks to improve against his recent competition of Phoenix and Mexico.

And in the field throwers Nate Hackett, Nick Reitz and Chase Halstead will be an important asset to propelling the Raiders toward a win. Vaulters Mike Holcomb and jumper Casey Holden will come in with their heads high after they have come off a win in the latest meet.

This week in Raider Sports

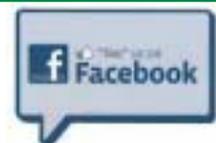
Today: Baseball @ Chittenango (4:30); Softball vs. Chittenango (4:30); Tennis vs. J-D (4:30); Boys Track @ Oswego County Invitational (3:30 @ Oswego).
Sat. May 5: JV Softball vs. Oswego (2 pm); V Softball @ Oswego Tournament (3 & 5 pm); Girls Track @ Oswego County Invitational (2 pm @ C.Square).
Mon. May 7: JV Baseball @ CBA (4:30); V Baseball vs. CBA (4:30); V Softball vs. CBA (4:30); Tennis vs. Chittenango (4:30).
Tues. May 8: V Baseball vs. B. Ludden (4:30); JV Baseball @ Ludden (5 pm); V Boys Lax @ New Hartford (6:30); Girls Lax vs. New Hartford (JV-5/V-6:30).
Wed. May 9: Track @ Cortland w/ Fowler (4:30); Tennis vs. ES-M (4:30); Baseball @ J-D (4:30); Softball vs. J-D (4:30).



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First half explosion carries girls; boys fall

By Ross Maxam

They were as good as advertised, if not better. The boys varsity lacrosse team impressed many people, however, by taking a 1-0 lead on the #5 state ranked and #23 nationally ranked Jamesville-Dewitt Red Rams. The score was even tied at one apiece through 11 minutes before the Rams built a 3-1 lead at the end of the first.

The second quarter was all J-D though, with Syracuse commit junior Jordan Evans and Harvard bound senior Deke Burns turning it on in the second quarter as the Rams lead swelled to 14-3 before the half.

The Rams continued their dominance and finished the game up 21-3.

It was clear that for the Raiders to pull off the monumental upset, no mistakes could be made, which they managed to do throughout the first period. The Red Ram onslaught proved to be too much pressure though, and the pipes burst, sending the Raiders on the bus with a loss to send them to 5-7 while JD rises to 9-0 in the league and 10-3 overall.

Senior Ross Maxam led the Raider effort with two points on a goal and an assist with Steven DeLisle and defender Mark Pollock both scoring a goal. DeLisle opened the scoring to take the 1-0 lead and Pollocks goal proved vital as well as it pulled Fulton within two goals midway through the second. The goal was Pollock's first of his career.

Jordan Evans led the Red Ram offense with a game high eight pints on five goals and three assists while Burns tallied five of his own points on 4 scores and a lone assist. McLaren Brady recorded a hat trick on the night.

It was a completely different story for the Lady Raiders as they ousted the Red Rams for the second time this year, a feat never accomplished in school history.

The Raiders were quick out of the gates by taking a 10-5 half time lead and never looking back. A 16-11 final score proved that the girls are a serious threat come playoff time.

Leading the Raider charge was junior Erica Knaub, who picked apart the Red Ram defense on her way to a nine point performance including six goals. The nine points is a season high for Knaub and the entire Raider offense is gelling at the perfect time and is poised to be playing deep into June. Class-



Fulton's Erica Knaub fires one of her six goals past the J-D keeper during Thursday's big win for the Raiders. The girls scored 10 times in the first half en route to a 16-11 victory that carried them to first place in the OHSL. (Hannah Dunsmoor photo)

mate Kate Rothrock scored on four occasions and assisted on another while midfielder Amelia Coakley joined the box score, reaching glory three times and dishing out one helper. Jordan Rizzo scored twice and had a single assist while Andrea Gould tallied a lone goal and Julia Ludington dropping two dimes.

If the team wins their remaining games,

which are against the four bottom teams in the league, they will be the regular season league champs. Ironically, they will need some assistance from the Red Rams. With ES-M currently sitting a half game back of Fulton at 7-2, the Raiders need J-D to beat ES-M to gain top honors. ES-M holds the tie breaker if they join Fulton at the top due to ES-M beating them twice earlier this year.

The league title may come hand in hand with a #1 overall seed in sectionals, something that the girls claim was their goal before the first draw of the 2012 campaign was even taken. If the girls can run the table the rest of the regular season, they will be facing favorable matchups in the early rounds of sectionals.

With only four games remaining for both the boys and girls teams, the pressure is mounting. The girls are looking to claim a title and get home field advantage for the playoffs, while the boys are looking to win three of their last four to gain a favorable seed and avoid J-D in the first round as they will likely have the number one overall seed.

The girls are in action Tuesday when they host the Spartans from New Hartford while their boy's counterparts travel to the Utica area for the OHSL showdown with playoff implications.

OHSL Freedom Standings (as of May 4)			
	W	L	GB
Fulton	8	2	-
Jamesville-Dewitt	8	3	.5
East Syracuse-Minoa	7	2	.5
Mexico	7	3	1
Cortland	4	6	4
New Hartford	3	6	1.5
Chittenango	2	9	6.5
Whitesboro	1	9	7

Thursday's results:
Fulton 16 J-D 11
 ES-M 16 New Hartford 6
 Mexico 9 Cortland 6
 Whitsboro 12 Chittenango 11

Triple-crown starts Saturday with Kenucky Derby

As many sports fans know, the first Saturday in May is a big day in the world of horse racing, Kentucky Derby day. This year's Derby is on Saturday May 5, 2012 at 6 pm. Horses will come out onto the track between 6 and 6:30 pm.

This year's field of 20 horses are Alpha, Bodemeister, Creative Cause, Daddy Long Legs, Daddy Nose Best, Done Talking, Dullahan, El Padrino, Gemologist, Hansen, I'll Have Another, Liaison, My Adonis, Optimizer, Prospective, Rousing Sermon, Sabercat, Take Charge Indy, Trinniberg, Union Rags, and Went the Day Well.

Here is a look at the horses looking to claim the first leg of the three race series.

#11 Alpha:

Alpha is a 3 year old bay colt by Bernardini and out of Munnaya, by Nijinsky II. Trained by Kiaran McLaughlin and owned by Godolphin. Colors are solid blue. Alpha will be ridden to the finish by jockey Alan Garcia. Odds: 15-1

#6 Bodemeister:

Bodemeister is a 3 year old bay colt by Empire Maker and out of Untouched Talent, by Storm Cat. Trained by Bob Baffert and owned by Zayat Stables. Bodemeister will meet his matches with jockey Mike Smith aboard. Odds: 4-1

#8 Creative Cause:

Creative Cause is a 3 year old gray colt by Giant's Causeway and out Dream of Summer, by Siberian Summer. Trained by Mike Harrington and owned by Heinz Steinmann. We will be seeing Creative Cause with jockey Joel Rosario bringing him to the finish. Odds: 12-1

#1 Daddy Long Legs:

Daddy Long Legs is a 3 year old chestnut colt by Scat Daddy and out of Dreamy Maiden, by Meadowlake. Trained by Aidan O'Brien and owned by Derrick Smith, Mrs. John Magnier & Michael Tabor. We will see Daddy Long Legs on Saturday with jockey Colm O'Donoghue. Odds: 30-1

#10 Daddy Nose Best:

Daddy Nose Best is a 3 year old bay colt by Scat Daddy and out of Follow Your Bliss, by Thunder Gulch. Trained by Steve Asmussen and owned by Cathy and Bob Zollars. Daddy Nose Best will be ridden by jockey Garrett Gomez. Odds: 15-1

#17 Done Talking:

Done Talking is a 3 year old bay colt by Broken Vow and out of Dixie Talking, by

Dixieland Band. Trained by Hamilton Smith and owned by Skeedattle Stables. Jockey Sheldon Russell will be riding Done Talking to the finish line on Saturday night.

Odds: 50-1

#5 Dullahan:

Dullahan is a 3 year old chestnut colt by Even the Score and out of Mining My Own, by Smart Strike. Trained by Dale Romans and owned by Donegal Racing. Dullahan will be reaching the finish line with jockey Kent Desormeaux aboard. Odds: 8-1

#16 El Padrino:

El Padrino is a 3 year old chestnut colt by Pulpit and out of Enchanted Rock, by Giant's Causeway. Trained by Todd Pletcher and owned by Let's Go Stables. El Padrino will be ridden by jockey Rafael Bejarano.

Odds: 20-1

#15 Gemologist:

Gemologist is a 3 year old bay colt by Tiznow and out of Crystal Shard, by Mr. Prospector. Trained by Todd Pletcher and owned by WinStar Farm LLC. Jockey Javier Castellano will be aboard Gemologist on Saturday. Odds: 6-1

#14 Hansen:

Hansen is a 3 year old gray colt by Tapit and out of Stormy Sunday, by Sir Cat. Trained by Mike Maker and owned by Dr. Kendall Hansen & Sky Chai Racing. Hansen will be ridden by jockey Ramon Dominguez. Odds: 10-1

#25 I'll Have Another:

I'll Have Another is a 3 year old chestnut colt by Flower Alley and out of Arch's Gal Edith, by Arch. Trained by Doug O'Neill and owned by J. Paul Reddam. I'll Have Another will be ridden by jockey Mario Gutierrez.

Odds: 12-1

#20 Liaison:

Liaison is a 3 year old bay colt by Indian Charlie and out of Galloping Gal, by Victory Gallop. Trained by Bob Baffert and owned by Arnold Zetcher. Liaison will be making his debut with jockey Martin Garcia aboard. Odds: 50-1

#2 Optimizer:

Optimizer is a 3 year old bay colt English Channel ad out of Indy Pick, by A.P. Indy. D. Wayne Lukas and owned by Bluegrass Hall LLC. Optimizer will be making his debut with jockey Jon Court aboard.

Odds: 50-1

#12 Prospective:

Prospective is a 3 year old brown colt by

Malibu Moon and out of Spirited Away, by Awesome Again. Trained by Mark Casse and owned by John C. Oxley. Prospective will be reaching the finish line with jockey Luis Contreras aboard. Odds: 30-1

#7 Rousing Sermon:

Rousing Sermon is a 3 year old chestnut colt by Lucky Pulpit and out of Rousing Again, by Awesome Again. Trained by Jerry Hollendorfer and owned by Larry and Marianne Williams, Tree Top Ranches. Jockey Jose Lezcano will be accompanying Rousing Sermon this Saturday at Churchill Downs. Odds: 50-1

#18 Sabercat:

Sabercat is a 3 year old dark bay colt by Bluegrass Cat and out of Miner's Blessing, by Forty Niner. Trained by Steve Asmussen and owned by Winchell Thoroughbreds. Sabercat will be joined on the track by jockey Corey Nakatani. Odds: 30-1

#3 Take Charge Indy:

Take Charge Indy is a 3 year old dark bay colt by A.P. Indy and out of Take Charge Lady, by Dehere. Trained by Patrick Byrne and owned by Chuck & Maribeth Sanford. Jockye Calvin Borel will be taking Take Charge Indy to the finish line and hopefully to the winner's circle on Saturday. Odds: 15-1

#9 Trinniberg:

Trinniberg is a 3 year old dark bay colt by Teuflesberg and out of Bella Dorato, by Goldminers Gold. Trained by Bisnath Parboo and owned by Shivananda Racing. Trinniberg will be accompanied on the track by jockey Willie Martinez. Odds: 50-1

#4 Union Rags:

Union Rags is a 3 year old bay colt by Dixie Union and out of Tempo, by Gone West. Trained by Michael Matz and owned by Chadds Ford Stable. Jockey Julien Leparoux will be aboard Union Rags on Saturday. Odds: 9-2

#15 Went The Day Well:

Went The Day Well is a 3 year old bay colt by Proud Citizen and out of Tiz Maie's Day, by Tiznow. Trained by H. Graham Motion and owned by Team Valor International. Went The Day Well will be making his debut with jockey John Velazquez aboard. Odds: 20-1

Saturday will be the day to determine which of these twenty magnificent horses will be the winner of the 138th Kentucky Derby. Watch and see. **By Michaela Best**

School of Thought compiled by Dylan Holden and Nate Hawthorne

What was your favorite part about the music trip to Philadelphia?



"The dinner cruise and the castle."

Jeanette Bartlett



"Aquarium!"

Danielle Parker



"The arcade!"

Nick Abelgore



"I loved the laser tag and the multimedia presentation."

Mr. Nami

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Mostly cloudy.
Chance storm.

73°

Average: 65°
Record: 88° (2001)

Tonight:



Mostly cloudy.

50°

Average: 43°
Record: 27° (1986)

Tomorrow:

Sun and clouds.

67°/45°

Average: 65°/43°
Rec. high/low: 85°
(1980)/30° (2005)

Sunday:

Partly cloudy.

67°/45°

Average: 66°/43°
Record high/low: 84°
(2000)/31° (1968)

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