



Despite setback, Spirit Week a success

By Vanessa Langdon

This past week's Spirit Week festivities were some to remember. From an exciting senior win in the powder-puff game on Monday October 1 to a hard fight from the boys football team on Friday, October 5, the events were memorable and ones that we are sure not to forget.

Two people who will most definitely not forget this for a long while are Tim Conners and Katelyn Caza this year's homecoming king and queen. The two were crowned at Friday's pep rally along with the big revealing of what the seniors had been spending their pocket change on all last week; Mr. Legs and Ms. Lips.

This year the honor went to Pat Fink and Haley Noel respectively. Other awards were given to the traditional most spirited. The freshman winners were Tyler Lee and Bryanna Tanner, sophomores Shelby Drake and Michaela Whiteman, juniors Jeff Waldron and Sophie Giovannetti, and seniors Pat Fink and Katelyn Caza.

In addition to the recognition of all the fall sports teams there was an event brought back after many years absent; the cheerleader mock football game. The varsity cheerleaders donned Red Raider gear to battle the junior varsity cheerleaders, who donned the dreaded Oswego Buc blue! The cheerleaders put on quite a show with the varsity cheerleaders winning it for the Raiders.

Even the referee was a sight to see as Mr. Waszac dressed in a tweedledum inspired ref uniform to officiate the event. The mock game was a welcome sight to those who remember it as a yearly tradition, but junior Savannah Bray said, "the game jinxed [the boys!]"

The most memorable part of the entire shebang was the tug of war, an exciting battle of the grades as they each pulled for their right to remain dry. The losers went into the waiting kiddie pool, complete with floaties.

The first match up between the seniors and the sophomores ended with sophomores in the pool. The next match up was the juniors and the freshman, with the former remaining dry as the poor freshmen took a swim. Then the two victors battled it out with the class of 2013 reigning supreme. The seniors only got to bask in the glory for a few moments, however, before they took on the teachers, a scary bunch that easily overtook the Class of 2013 with team members such as both Mr. Fasulos, Mr. McCarten. Mr. Halliday, Mr. Lacey, and Mr. Sievers.

The tugging and puling didn't just end there, as the teachers wanted to prove their superiority once more as they challenged all of the students participating from every

grade. This time it was not the teacher's physical strength that overtook the students, but their minds. The teachers just let go of the rope as soon as the large mass of students began to pull with all their might, leaving all the students flat on their butts. It was most definitely a hysterical sight. Sophomore Abby Field said it was her favorite part of the afternoon, commenting that, "It was very entertaining!"

All students and faculty seemed to enjoy themselves at the pep rally and the dance following the game. It says a lot about our student body and the football team specifically that even after a tough loss on senior night and homecoming, all were still able to enjoy themselves at the dance.



Bodley's Most Spirited students and teachers were noted at Friday's pep assembly. From left to right are Mrs. Clayton, Katelyn Caza, Pat Fink, Shelby Drake, Michaela Whiteman, Sophie Giovannetti, Jeff Waldron, Tyler Lee, Bryanna Tanner and Mr. Benjamin. (Vanessa Langdon photo)

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Opinion

Facebook and grades: is there a relationship?

By Kylie Clifford

Studies show that those who use Facebook while studying get lower grades.

But the question is, is this really true?

For many people using Facebook while doing homework or studying gets them off task. "Yes it is such a distraction," said senior Shelby Fravor. Any work you may try to get done will take twice as long if you are switching between Facebook and work. Facebook might seem more important at the time, but school work should come first.

"If you are on Facebook then you won't get your homework done," says senior Danielle Trail. In one specific study a team of psychologists studied 219 university students between the ages of 19 and 54, and found that those who use Facebook while studying or who even have it running in the background, get grades that are twenty percent lower than students who don't. Some students are

in denial about these findings. Three-quarters of those surveyed in this study said they don't believe Facebook has any effect on their performance. Junior Sarah Pluto agreed with the statement that Facebook makes it difficult to complete homework successfully.

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study strategy. Many do believe that Facebook doesn't have any effect on grades, and that is true if you get all your educational requirements done before you log on to various social networks. Students who put forth their undivided attention to studying will get more information out of it than those who are trying to multi-task.

Facebook users have less time to study if they are on Facebook as opposed to the non-users who have more time to study. It is not a proven fact that those who use Facebook will get lower grades, but there is a definite connection between the two. Just think, with the first five week reports arriving soon from G. Ray Bodley, your grades might be lower than you would like. One tip could be to try completing all your homework and studying before you get trapped into the social newsfeed called Facebook.

Quote of the day:

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Albert Einstein



Reflections

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In the News

Have you done something good today?

By Vanessa Langdon

Youth Advisory Council (YAC) members are participating in Project Smiles again this year and need your help to spread the good. Project Smiles is a Christmas project that sends boxes filled with necessities to young girls in homes (orphanages) in Colombia. If you have yet to do your good deed for today you can donate to the project, as it would be greatly appreciated.

Fresh Views:

Welcome to the big time

By Sage Hourian

I have been in the high school for a couple of weeks and I have already noticed major differences from the junior high. I have already received more homework in the first few weeks of high school than I did last year in the junior high.

The classes are way harder than they were last year, and the teachers are also harder. Only some of my teachers offer corrections, which is something very new as all of the teachers at the junior high offered corrections.

Overall the high school is not as bad as I thought it would be. There are a lot more classes to take than there were at the junior high, and many of the classes require a lot of binders or folders so it's a good thing we can carry backpacks to our classes.

Another thing I've noticed is that the hallways move really, really slow. A lot of kids like to stand and talk with their friends, making the hallways slower than they need to be. The people in the stairways don't seem to move at all. Lunch is really different as well. There are kids from every grade, whereas in the junior high you only eat with kids in your grade.

But in the end high school isn't all that different. It's just a school where you go to learn. There are just more people and more classes...and more homework!

Donations could include such everyday items as underwear, shirts, and socks as well as toiletries such as; shampoo, soap, face wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, brushes or combs, nail polish, jewelry, hair accessories, old working cell phones or iPods, hard candies, stuffed animals, small toys, lip balm, or pens and pencils.

In addition to all the goodies going to the orphans they are also in need of the wrappings! They need shoeboxes for packaging,

wrapping paper, and monetary donations to help cover the cost of shipping. Donations should be given to YAC members Hannah Gettner, Pat Fink, Amelia Coakley, Sophia Giovannetti, or Eva Jones before October 31.

Your donations will do a world of good, so dig through your old electronics and look around for all those extra school supplies and toiletries, because they can mean the world to someone less fortunate than you!



Tim Conners and Katelyn Caza were crowned as the Homecoming king and queen at last Friday's pep assembly. The duo took their place at center field to preside over the festivities. (Vanessa Langdon photo)

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Prom/baby pictures

Students at work

Students at play (hobbies)

Students with their cars

Hunting/fishing pictures

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Raider Sports

Cross-country stays unbeaten

The drive for the school's first regular season title in recent memory continued in earnest on Wednesday when the Fulton boys cross country team showed Homer its heels in a 16-46 runaway win. Bunching three runners within a three second span, Fulton claimed the top four places on the day and four of the first five runners across the finish line.

Kyle Loftus led the way in 17:35 followed closely by teammates Mitch Lalik and Bailey Lutz at 17:36 and 17:38 respectively. Jimmy Martin placed fourth in 18:26 with Scott Littlejohn rounding out the Fulton scoring with a sixth place showing of 19:39.

With the win the boys improved to 4-0 on the season, their best start in some 20 years.

The Raider girls ran hard in a 21-34 loss to Homer that saw the Trojans Jade Auchmoody run away from the pack in a winning time of 19:48. Mary West placed second to lead the way for Fulton in 21:05 with teammate Amanda Rice fifth in a time of 23:31. Also scoring for Fulton were Jessica Hudson (24:27), Johnna Lamie (25:04) and Victoria Eckard (26:38).

Both teams will be back in action this Saturday when they compete at the Tully Invitational.

Volleyball splits, now 6-4 on year

It was one step forward, one step back for the girls volleyball team this week as the Raiders downed Solvay 3-1 before falling 3-0 against Skaneateles on Tuesday. With the split the team is now 6-4 on the season, heading into the home stretch.

Against Solvay Fulton won the first 2 sets 25-17 and 25-20. Solvay picked up the third set 25-20 before Fulton secured the final set victory 25-16. Kate Rothrock had 23 assists while senior Sara Campoleita had 10 kills and fellow senior Emily Lamb added 11 kills. Kate Rothrock and Tiffany Trovato both had 10 digs.

The Fulton girls' volleyball team faced stiff competition in undefeated Skaneateles, losing in straight sets. In the first set Fulton lost 16-25, the second set 11-25 and the third set went to Skaneateles 15-25. With the win, the Lakers improved to an outstanding 11-0. Sara Campoleita had 6 kills and fellow senior Brittney Mitsiell added 5 more kills. Class leader in assists, Kate Rothrock, added 9 more assists to her tally, giving her 226 assists on the year. Monica Falanga added 7 more assists for Fulton.

For Skaneateles Sidney Lawson had an outstanding 21 assists and Julianna Augustine had 11 assists.

The girls next match is on October 15 vs. Cazenovia, when the Lady Raider are having a Dig Pink event for both JV and varsity. The teams are raising money for Breast Cancer with all the profits going to the Breast Cancer awareness fund. So come out and support the Lady Raiders in their quest for a victory and a contribution to an important cause.

By Dan Henkle

Raider Sports



Going someplace cool? Take

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Fultonian Yearbook feature

"Where in the world is The Raider?"

Playoff run starts with overtime win

The margin for error is extremely slim for the Fulton boys soccer team, but on Tuesday night the Raiders took their first tightrope step toward the Section 3 Tournament. Needing wins in four of their final five games, Fulton had to work overtime before besting Homer 1-0 in double overtime.

Fulton boys soccer is attempting to make a final hard run at sectionals and Tuesday night they started it on a good note beating the Homer Trojans 1-0 in an exciting double overtime game at Trojan field. Junior Carlos Feliciano hit the back of the net in the second overtime with an assist from fellow junior Paul Reynoso. Sophomore goal keeper R.J. Borrow registered 7 saves to record his fourth shutout of the season.

The boys have four games remaining and need to win three of them to make sectionals. Following a Thursday night home game against Cortland they head to Cortland on Saturday to face the Tigers again, and then will face East-Syracuse Minoa on senior night, Tuesday, October 16 with at 7 pm.

The boys finish their season at Mexico on October 18. Come out and support the Raiders as they make a final push at a sectional bid.

By Casey Ware

Have YOU got something to say? Do it in a letter to the editor!

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