



Weather can't stop Science, Environmental Clubs

By Vanessa Langdon

Cold and wind and rain were no match for the enthusiasm of some 80 G. Ray Bodley High School students on Saturday as the Science Club and Environmental Clubs sponsored the annual spring clean-up to beautify the school grounds. The clean-up, while not on the best of mornings, was still a success. The GRB student volunteers braved the element such as the wind, rain, and chilly temperatures to successfully rake, plant, and mulch the school lawns.

The groups of students, led by teacher volunteers, broke up into groups to tackle the large landscaping areas in front of the school, by the cafeteria, and in the back of the school. In addition to the general planting students picked up countless bags of lit-

ter from around the grounds.

The students who volunteered received community service hours for their time as well as celebratory pizza at the conclusion of the event. There was plenty of pizza for all of the hardworking students. On behalf of all those who donated their time to make the school shine like a new penny, please walk around all the new plants and dispose of any trash in the trash cans. Students are

encouraged to enjoy the scenery as the clock winds down on this school year and to admire it while awaiting regents. Stop and truly "smell the roses" after successfully completing all the dreaded final exams.

The conclusion of the big event of the year for the Science Club marks the end of Mr. Gillard's time advising the Science Club. The club, as well as the rest of the staff and faculty, will truly miss him.

Youth Court applications available

Oswego City and Youth Court will be holding a training for new Youth Court members from July 8-12. Participants will be able to hear real cases of youthful offenders and decide on real punishments. Members will hear cases of young people who have been charged with a crime and will get to decide on what punishment the offender will receive.

Students are encouraged to come to the training to earn community service hours as well as learning skills in writing, public speaking and legal issues. Deadline application is July 3. See Miss Stubbman in guidance for more details.



Despite less than ideal conditions, the annual spring cleanup, hosted by the Science Club and Environmental Club, was a great success. A hearty band of students and teachers took part, helping make G. Ray Bodley High School a nicer place for everyone. (Vanessa Langdon photo)

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It was a Saturday morning well spent for a number of G. Ray Bodley High School students as they braved the elements to take part in the annual spring clean-up. Junior Paul Reynoso, left, works on a mulch bed while seniors Katelyn Caza, Alexis Pawlewicz and Mary Morrison (left to right) deliver flowers with a smile. The end result was a much nicer GRB campus that greeted everyone coming to school on Monday morning. (Vanessa Langdon photos)

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Senior Dinner Dance tickets currently on sale

By Kylie Clifford

The Class of 2013 cordially invites its members to attend the upcoming senior dinner dance. Tickets are now on sale for \$45 until June 6. To purchase your ticket, see senior class advisor Mrs. Hallatt in room 117 (next to the downstairs copy room) or ask any of the senior class officers.

The Class of 2013 steered away from the traditional buffet at senior dinner dance. This year it will be a casual sit down dinner and your choices for dinner are sirloin beef, chicken cordon bleu and broiled fish.

The senior dinner dance contract for agreement to school rules and regulations must be signed and returned to Mrs. Hallatt by Monday, June 10, 2013 in order to attend the event, which will be held on Friday, June 14, 2013 at Wysockis Lake Park Manor, 6574 Lakeshore Road, Cicero, NY 13039, (315) 699-7828. The dinner dance will be held from 6-11 pm on this date. No after party has been scheduled this year.

Students who are bringing a date who is not a student here at G. Ray Bodley must complete a guest application form (Guests must be in grades 9-12 or ages 18, 19 or 20). Guest applications can be obtained from the main office and must be completed and returned to G. Ray Bodley High School one week in advance of the event, along with a copy of photo ID. No late applications are accepted. A guest from another school must be approved in advance and guests must also have an ID and sign a contract.

Another reminder is for seniors to get any pictures they want in the senior slide show to Mrs. Hallatt ASAP. Students may drop off physical copies of pictures in her room, as well as pictures on a flash drive. Photos

may also be e-mailed to her at thallatt@fulton.cnyric.org. Any pictures from elementary school to junior high to high school may be submitted.

The school year is winding down and the seniors are looking forward to these fun events. Seniors should take the opportunity to make their senior year spectacular.

Big inning fuels Raider upset

In a season of that has seen far more lows than highs, the Raider baseball team was looking for redemption on Monday. Unlike many of their previous outings, they got all of that and more in a 5-2 win over Homer. After losing to the Trojans 9-2 in a game that saw them give up seven unearned runs with two outs in the same inning, Fulton bounced back in a big way.

Riding pitcher Jake Crucitti's best performance of the season, the Raiders turned the tables when they scored five times in the bottom of the fifth inning to erase a 1-0 deficit. Unlike previous games when the team was unable to hold a lead, Fulton stood tall behind their senior hurler and relief pitcher Pete Ravesi to claim a 5-2 win. Crucitti scattered six hits on the day while Ravesi earned the save by striking out two of the five batters he faced. Freshman Mike Boslter had a monster game in centerfield with eight putouts and was also a key figure in the offensive charge.

Boslter's two run double plated the tying and winning runs while Cody Dick socked a double and drove in a run for the Raiders. Jon Cummins collected two hits and an RBI and Ravesi also counted an RBI knock as the Raiders secured their second win of the season at the expense of the high-flying Trojans.

The win came on the heels of a disappointing 19-7 loss to Cortland last week that was far closer than the final score would indicate. Trailing 11-0, Fulton scored seven times in three innings to crawl back into the game, only to watch the Tigers plate six of their own in the sixth to pull away for good. Dan Coant, Chris Jones, Adam Briggs, Cody Dick and Jon Cummins rapped out two hits apiece as part of a 14 hit Raider attack with Cummins hitting a home run and driving in three runs while Dick knocked in a pair.

It was senior night this past Wednesday for varsity baseball. The team honored captain Cody Dick as well as Jake Crucitti, Ron Smith and Adam Briggs for their contributions to the 2012-2013 season.

By Adam Briggs

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Streaking Raider tennis improves mark to 6-6

By Todd Oakes

After a slow and frustrating start the Fulton boys tennis team has suddenly caught fire, and on Monday the Raiders completed an impressive turnaround with a 4-3 win over Cortland. Seemingly headed nowhere after starting the season 1-5, Coach Goodnough's net crew evened their count at 6-6 by winning for the fifth time in six matches.

Big wins over Chittenango (6-1) and Syracuse West (5-2) along with a 4-3 triumph against ES-M have carried the team back to respectability, as Fulton has reversed an early season trend that saw them lose three times in a row by a 4-3 margin.

Winning a close match for the second time this season, the Raiders gained revenge against the Tigers following an earlier one point loss.

Against the Tigers, the evening started with a familiar scene as senior Mitchell Lalik picked up another singles win with straight set victories of 6-3, 6-2. Following the seniors impressive performance was Javier Pajaron with set scores of 6-4, 7-6. Benjamin McKay and Zach Perry scored a victory with scores of 6-3 and 6-4 in doubles while Joel Monaghan and Brad Crofoot brought the Raiders home with the winning match point, beating the Comets 6-1, 7-6.

Girls denied by ES-M rally

First place looked firmly within Fulton's grasp, but East Syracuse-Minoa had other ideas on Tuesday when the Spartans claimed the OHSL Freedom American Division title with a 5-3 win over the Raiders. Three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning helped propel the Spartans to victory as the host side improved to 8-1 at the expense of the 8-4 Raiders.

The loss snapped a four game winning streak for the girls as Fulton was held to only five hits in the game. Fulton's bright spot on offense came from Keisha Peirce, who went 2-3 from the batters box and scored one time. Ashley Cummins, Mikayla Guernsey and Anna Guernsey also collected hits for the Lady Raiders. ES-M had a pair of perfect performances on offense as Maggie Kelly went 3-3 from the box and Brittany Evans went 2-2 for the winners.

Despite the setback, the Raiders' confidence is at a high heading toward the sec-

tional playoffs. Last Friday Fulton won its third straight one run game by easing past Jamesville-DeWitt 3-2. J-D totaled 11 hits but not could not solve pitcher Mikayla Guernsey, who pitched for a complete game triumph. The Fulton defense also came up with multiple big plays as shortstop Cassidy Kearns was involved in 14 outs. "They don't give up. They don't ever give up," Fulton coach Derek Lyons stated to Syracuse.com. "It's impressive how the team has come together."

Trailing J-D 2-0, Fulton picked up clutch hits to score two runs in the bottom of the fourth inning on Courtney Parker's two-run single. They added the winning run in the fifth on Keisha Pierce's single up the middle. Fulton's offense was paced by a perfect performance in the batter's box from Pierce, who went 3-3 and drove in the winning run. Cheyenne Laun also contributed, going 2-3 and scoring once. With the win against 28th ranked J-D Fulton improved to 8-5.

Fulton came into the Homer game prepared to keep their three game winning streak alive and they did just that, dominating and shutting out the Trojans 8-0. Fulton was paced by a strong pitching performance from sophomore Cheyenne Laun who went the distance and pitched a complete game two hitter.

She also gave herself some extra cushion by going 2-3 from the batters box and scoring once. Courtney Parker also contributed to the win, going 2-4 and hustling out two triples and driving in one run.

Fulton's record is now 9-6 overall, good for second place in the division behind the Spartans. Fulton concluded the regular season on Thursday, facing Mexico for senior night.

By Dan Henkle

Tough finish for Raider lax

It was a tough season for the Fulton Raider lacrosse team as they limped across the finish line with a seven game losing streak to end the season and begin the off-season sooner than expected.

The boys welcomed in the New Hartford Spartans on Monday afternoon, hoping to send the seniors out in style. Senior night came for Craig Fountain, Daniel Bateman, Brandon Lockwood, and Steven Hanczyk. All four were honored at halftime during the game.

Junior Josh Plonka's two first period goals kept the Raiders in the game and Fulton only trailed by a goal after the first period. The pesky Spartans spooked up on the Raiders and a four goal second period sent the teams into the half at 7-2 in favor of New Hartford.

The four seniors were honored during half-time and they hoped that a spark could be lit for Fulton, but it did no such damage.

Junior Carson Vono and Hanczyk each scored once in the third period, but it was too late as New Hartford netted two in the fourth and came out on top 10-4, making Fulton 3-12 on 2013 campaign. Freshman Brandon Batstone recorded 10 saves in the loss.

The following day Fulton headed to the inner-city to face the Corcoran Cougars and hopefully get one more win and send the seniors off on a high note. But Corcoran's two headed tandem of Alex Monaghan and Alex Waelder had plans to spoil the senior's last game.

Corcoran got off to a quick start and led 6-2 at the end of the first quarter. Limiting the Cougars to three goals in the second period, kept the Raiders hopes high and they trailed 9-4 at intermission. A five goal third period sealed the fate for the Raiders and a final score 15-6 sent Fulton heading home frustrated and wondering.

Hanczyk and junior Seth Deslile each registered three points apiece and Batstone netted 13 saves in the losing effort.

Fulton will look to improve next season as they return their two leading scorers in Josh Plonka and Matt Nelson. Goal keeper Scott Hughes comes back as well as midfielder Seth Deslile, and defensive standouts Mark Pollock and Noah Sorbello come back to try to help protect the nets and help the Raiders make another run for sectionals.

By Casey Ware

