

Cheerleaders raising awareness for Komen Foundation

Nearly everyone has been affected by Breast Cancer in some way. On Friday, October 11 the Fulton cheerleaders will bring that sad fact to light by hosting a Breast Cancer awareness night at the varsity football game against East Syracuse-Minoa.

Wednesday through Friday during all lunch

breaks there will be a fundraiser going on to determine a teacher or administrator who will be pined in the face. Friday night at the game the cheerleaders will be selling pink ribbons for a dollar to celebrate or remember the lives of people who have been affected by Breast Cancer. The cheerleaders

will also be wearing pink Susan G. Komen Foundation t-shirts and pink bows. All money and proceeds will go to the Susan G. Komen Foundation in Search for a Cure.

Listen to the daily announcements for more information about the fundraiser.

By Jessica Vaccaro



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Are Parisians rude? It depends who you ask

By Tevin Simard

It is the common American way to say that the French, particularly Parisians, are unfriendly. But is this group simply misunderstood due to a linguistic barrier or do they really deserve to be vilified?

Fulton native Christopher Dean discussed his experience with this common American point of view. The nouveau Parisian as of 13 years ago said, "The common American perception of the French being rude is misconstrued in so many ways, it is often unbearable. In my years here, I have had one bad experience; given my high school level French upon arriving, it was only natural for me to want to practice every chance that I got."

"Once, while out to dinner in a not-so-busy restaurant, after merely three words, I had a waiter respond with 'We'll just both speak in English, it will be easier for everyone.' Admittedly, off the bat it was slightly offensive. But my revenge is even sweeter now as I have perfected my French and love seeing people react when I say that I was born and raised in the U.S."

"To note, unprovoked rudeness (one of my biggest pet-peeves, special wink to Frau Ruggio) is rarely experienced and is not to be confused with rudeness in reaction to rudeness. This does occur, and quite often with Americans. One of the big differences in France is that the customer is not always right. Once you know that, you understand that politeness, courtesy and minimal language 'please, thank you, excuse me' will go a long way. I like to think of the perceived rudeness as an almost normal reaction. The

oftentimes closed-minded, very singular way of thinking that Americans can have when travelling abroad, which makes them compare everything to 'how it is in the States,' is where it all goes wrong. When you are travelling, you are not at home, do not expect everything to be like it is at home and deal with it. Accept it for what it is, embrace the difference and enjoy your time discovering."

G. Ray Bodley High School French teacher Madame Honeywell thinks the same way. When asked to share her opinion on this issue, she said, "I don't think this is true. I've been to Paris a few times and often Americans who don't speak French get easily frustrated with the French and become rude. Or they speak louder, which doesn't help the

situation either."

She noted a personal experience when, "I went to a French restaurant there, the waiters were good about letting my French students practice their French while ordering. One time, while looking for a place to eat, a student said, 'isn't there anything normal to eat here?' which goes to show that most Americans aren't open to trying something new. I mean, there aren't going to be burgers and fries, it's not the U.S. However, when I would ask for directions in French, some people would reply in English. This was a little insulting because I'm a French teacher."

Despite these two points of view, French exchange student Laura Hamdan disagrees. (continued on page 3)

What's happening at G. Ray Bodley High School?

French Club will be holding an important meeting today at 5:30 pm in room 125 to reveal plans for a spring trip to Montreal, Quebec. The trip is open to all students and community members.

Driver Education information for the fall session is now available in the guidance office.

Quirk's Players will meet after school today in the auditorium. Anyone interested in the spring musical is urged to attend.

HOPE Club meets every Monday in room 119.

Future Business Leaders of America meets every Monday in room 116.

Fultonian Yearbook meets every Tuesday in room 102.

Student Senate Sign-ups for volunteers for Spirit Week activities are posted on Mrs. Ferlito's door, room 115.

GRB Journalism Club meets Wednesdays in room 102.

Environmental Club and **Science Club** meeting today after school in room 202.

Teen Writers Group meets in the LMC on Wed. Oct. 16 at 2:30. Register in advance with Mrs. Scalfaro.

Juniors: it's time to register for the **October 19 PSAT exam**. See Mr. Ascenzi in the guidance office for more information.

Looking to **travel to Europe next summer**? See Mrs. Hallatt in room 117 for information about a trip to Amsterdam, Brussels, Paris and London.

The trip is open to anyone from the community as well as surrounding school districts.

Raider Sports

This week in Raider Sports

Today: Girls soccer @ J-D (4:30); Vball vs. Mexico (JV-5/V-6:30); Boys soccer @ Mexico (4:30).

Fri. Oct. 4: V football vs. New Hartford (6:30 pm).

Sat. Oct. 5: JV Vball @ B'ville Tourney (8:45 am); X-country @ Tully Invitational (10 am).

Tues, Oct. 8: Boys soccer vs. Marcellus (JV-4:30/V-6:30); Girls soccer @ Mexico (4:30).

Thurs, Oct. 10:

Girls soccer vs. Cortland (JV-4:30/V-6:30); Vball vs. Marcellus (JV-5/V-6:30).

Fri. Oct. 11: V football vs. ES-M (6:30); Boys soccer @ Fowler (4:15).



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RED RAIDERS

Volleyball bounces back after loss

The battle for a winning season continued this week for the Lady Raider volleyball team as they dropped a tough match against Homer, but rebounded to drill Fowler in three games. As a result, the girls are now 5-4 and firmly entrenched in second place behind Jamesville-Dewitt.

On Tuesday night, the Lady Raider volleyball team played Homer and suffered a tough loss at home. They lost the first two sets 25-21 and 25-19 then won the next 25-23. But it was all Homer in the next game, as the Trojans took a 25-14 victory. It was a tough 3-1 loss and the Lady Raiders wanted to bounce back and beat Fowler on Wednesday.

At 0-9, the Falcons proved to be the perfect remedy as the Lady Raiders won in three straight sets, 25-11, 25-14, and 25-9. Turning in strong performances on Wednesday night were Donna Aiken with 20 assists, Emma Harvey with eight kills, and Sami Miller with three aces. The Lady Raiders face Mexico tonight and hope for another division win.

By Jimmy Martin

GRB Spirit Week

Today: Bonfire at the Lake, 6-8 pm with a DJ and snacks

Friday: Raider pride day
('nuff said!)

Pep assembly during school featuring the Power-puff football game

March to the game

Fulton vs. New Hartford 6:30 pm

Student Senate Homecoming Dance 8-11 pm

Education cannot be taken for granted

(from page three)

manding change. Yet, as American high school students, we ignore people like her or only give them our attention for a short period of time and then forget. We ignore the activists because they protest what we, "the privileged," already abuse. We are accustomed to our privileges and treat them like basic essentials.

Education is a necessity; a necessity that not everyone has access to. If we truly valued our education, we would not be sleeping in class, cheating on tests, or disrespecting our teachers. Trust me, if school and education were useless, then disadvantaged youth like Malala would not take a bullet for it. If we valued our education, we would be aware of the world that surrounds and affects us, the global impact of the seven billion people we share it with, and maybe, just maybe we would know of Malala.

**Welcome back
students!
Have a great year**

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Even the French find some Parisians haughty

(from page one)

The teenager responded to this matter by saying, ‘Parisians feel that they’re better than everyone else because they live in Paris. I don’t like it because it’s full of tourists and has way too many people there. [Parisians] are always busy and move too fast; they’re unfriendly. In Lyon [where I am from], people aren’t like this. We’re the second biggest city and France and are friendly.’ Last year, G. Ray Bodley had another French exchange student, Yann Taddei, from Bordeaux. He frequently stated how he hated Paris and avoided it at all costs. The university student said that the inhabitants of Paris are unnecessarily haughty and egotistical.

Recently, the Parisian Chamber of Commerce created a campaign called “Do You Speak Touriste?” to educate the Parisians on how to treat tourists visiting their city. The program is individualized according to a foreigner’s culture and customs, so that no



French exchange student Laura Hamdan, from Lyon, agrees with the American stereotype that many people in Paris are “rude.” (Tevin Simard photo)

visitor is unintentionally offended during their stay. In fact, it was established due to all the complaints so many people had with the “bad” etiquette that pervades Paris.

Maybe Laura and Yann have a point, perhaps their big-city counterparts are rude.

Ironically enough, Laura said that she enjoyed her time that she spent in New York City recently. The black-haired girl’s face lit up when she talked about The Big Apple. When prompted whether or not New Yorkers are cold and unwilling to help newcomers there, Laura said no. Upon further introspection, she said that the three days that she spent there probably weren’t enough to gauge the character of the city and its residents.

It seems that French people who aren’t from Paris feel the same way that Central New Yorkers generally do about those in New York City; they dislike them. The slower-paced way of life here, where people are usually helpful to those who want to find their way around, simply isn’t a reality in the fast-paced beat of The City.

Not everyone takes education for granted

By Alexis Lastra

I am sure you all have heard of Malala Yusefzai? No? Not surprised.

At the age of eleven, she began to speak about the necessity of education for girls in her region of Mingora, Pakistan as they are banned from attending school. She has written numerous blogs, delivered public speeches, and appeared on many television interviews. Of course, you do not know Malala, you already have an education, you do not have any essential disadvantages, and of course, girls are free to attend public schools in America.

We have enough education to be aware of ourselves and others, and yet we are oblivious to its purpose. Despite our unstable economy, our nation still funds at least 5.3% of the GDP to public education with enough resources for each student. But in Malala’s homeland, only 2.7% of the GDP is funneled in to the public education system and the public schools are incapable of sustaining the crowds of lost causes.

Just one year ago, as a 14 year-old she was shot by a Taliban man in the head and miraculously survived. Although many claim other conspiracies are responsible for her attack, the issue is not who shot her, the issue is why. The answer is simple: she is bringing change to a region where change is unwanted.

Despite her young age, her bravery is a threat because it disrupts



the traditional society and lifestyle of people in places like Pakistan. Women are often degraded and suffer because a male figure culturally provides the income. Most are dependent on a male’s salary. Those without a sufficient male figure, which makes up a significant number of women, they and their children are hopeless on the streets or forced into jobs, doomed for humiliation. There is a lack of education burdening each citizen with hardships and increasing poverty due to the inability to survive on meager jobs and businesses.

Pakistan’s religious foundation is Islam, and in Islam education, especially equal education to both genders, is crucial. Despite those who would see her dead and who tried to kill her, Malala is educated because she is aware of her surroundings and the truth. Her critics misunderstand and denounce her seemingly Western and secular beliefs, but her motive is to make education and equality a value in Islam, and not just in Westernized ideas.

The United States literacy rate is on average 95.5%, and by gender, women have a rate of 95.3%. Pakistan’s literacy rate is on average 37%, and a paltry 24% of the women are literate, compared to the male literacy rate of 50%.

Clearly something needs to change.

Here in America we have free education, the law commands us to attend school, and we have nothing to worry about besides passing high school, going to college, then getting a career...or even choosing not to plan any future.

Women like Malala are targeted for bringing awareness and de-

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Do you use a spoon or a fork to eat macaroni?



"Fork, because it's easier."

Kate Myers



"Spoon, because I can shovel more in my mouth."

Mr. Ward



"Spoon, cause I get more."

Kenzi Finch



"Fork, cause spoons scoop up clumps of cheese."

Cheyenna Hotchkiss

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



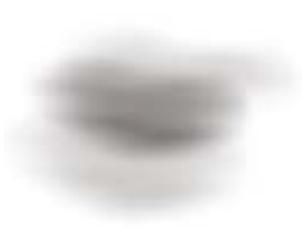
Increasing cloudiness.
High 73.
Record 86 (1951). Avg. 65.

Tonight:



Mostly cloudy with rain.
Low 57.
Record low: 32 (2003).
Avg. low: 45.

Tomorrow:



Mostly cloudy with rain.
High 71.
Record high: 82 (2005).
Avg. high: 65.

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