

## Halloween blood drive a big success

By Ruth Brown

Blood and Halloween usually mean a major scare, but in the case of the G. Ray Bodley High School Student Senate it was all for a good cause. On Thursday, October 31 Student Senate teamed up with the American Red Cross and hosted their annual Fall Blood drive.

Student Senate Advisor and blood donor, Mrs. Angela Ferlito said, "I think that the blood drive turned out very well. We had around 70 people donate, which was great. I really enjoy doing these blood drives because they are such a selfless and kind way of helping those who are truly in need."

When asked how she felt while she was donating, GRB senior, Alexis Lastra said, "I have given blood what seems to be a thousand times before this so I thought everything was going to be fine, but after the needle was in it felt like I could feel blood clots running through my veins. It was worth



RaiderNet Daily reporter Tevin Simard was one of the many Bodleyans who donated blood during the Student Senate sponsored Halloween Blood Drive.

it in the end though, by knowing that I saved lives by doing it."

First time donor senior Mattie Burdick had similar thoughts, saying, "It made me

feel good and I'm glad I could help others. It wasn't as bad as I thought it was going to be!" Another first time donor, Senior Meriah Dishaw, had a different experience, commenting that, "I felt good to be donating blood and saving the lives of others, though, I didn't like that I ended up passing out twice because of it." Donor Shelby Drake said that, "The blood drive is something I'll love to do every year. It makes me feel really good knowing that my blood could save three lives."

The next blood drive that Student Senate and the Red Cross will be hosting is this upcoming spring. Details will be released at a later date.

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

**Attention sophomores!** A representative from BOCES will be at GRB today during guided study hall to do a presentation for students interested in attending next year. Boys and girls interested in competing in **indoor track this season** need to sign up with Mr. Galek after school in room 207 today.

**Registration deadline for the December 14 ACT exam** to be given at GRB is Friday, November 8, Check with the guidance office for additional information.

**Varsity boys and girls bowling practice** will begin on Tuesday, November 12 at 3 pm at Lakeview Lanes.

**Quirk's Players** will be holding an informational meeting about this year's spring musical on Wednesday, November 13 at 2:30 pm in the chorus room, 104. Interested students are 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.

**GRB Journalism Club** meets Wednesdays in room 102.

**Today's lunch menu:** Chicken fajita wrap with cheese and salsa, refried beans, carrots, fresh apple and whole fruit cup with the alternative of tuna fish on whole grain or fish sandwich.

**College representatives** from the College of St. Rose will be in the guidance office on Wednesday at 11 am to meet with interested students.

**Boys basketball tryouts** will begin on Monday, November 11. Varsity tryouts are from 8-10 am at the high school and JV tryouts are from 10:30-12:30 at the War Memorial. Players must have an updated physical in order to participate.

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will not return until  
Tuesday, November 12

# Fires of youth should never be extinguished

By Alexis Lastra

A young person is like fire. With direction and guidance, he or she can change the very shape of the world. Without direction, the fires of youth are wasted at best, while at worst, they can become a dangerous, destructive force. To lead a meaningful life means harnessing the fires of youth, but first we must understand the purpose of youth itself.

The period of adolescence is nestled between childhood and adulthood. Teenagers are no longer content to play like children but don't yet have the knowledge and experience to be fully engaged in adult



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pursuits. Youth is one of the most precious periods of a person's life, and yet one of the most difficult.

What most young people are searching for is a meaningful cause. They are overflowing with a mixture of adrenaline and confidence “I want to change the way the world works,” teenagers often think. “I can change the world.” Adults, burdened with the pressures of everyday life, convince themselves that the world is just the way it is, but young people cannot tolerate such resignation. This is the constant conflict between the two groups, young people abhor the status quo, while adults' lives revolve around it.

Many adults simply write off the teenage years as a rebellious period that a person must simply outlast. Young people, meanwhile, often think that adults have forgotten how to appreciate the very meaning and thrill of life. Youths are rebellious, and adults see the rebellion as one step shy of a crime.

But rebellion is not the crime; the crime occurs when the rebellion has no healthy outlet. Rebellion, in fact, can be the healthiest thing for a human being, a pure energy that inspires a person to not give up easily, to refuse to tolerate injustice, to not go along with an idea just because everyone else is thinking it. The worst thing we can do with a young person's spiritual or psychological energy is to bottle it up. In fact, we must do everything we can to tap this energy, to focus it, and channel it properly.

To satisfy the needs of our teenagers in today's society, we must first recognize that their restlessness and hunger for meaning is not material, but instead spiritual in nature.

No matter how far a young person has wandered, he has a soul and a distinct mission. This is the first lesson that young people must learn, that their lives include a higher purpose, that they must use their youthful energy for good and moral purposes.

The fire of youth must be used not just to build careers, but to build homes and communities based on love and giving. It is the responsibility of adults to provide young people with a blueprint, a guide to life.

So we must say to our young men and women: “You are as alive as fire. If you complement your flame of youth with a sense of focus and urgency, you have the power to move worlds.”

When was the last time you had someone you were able to have a heart-to-heart talk with about the real issues of life? A talk about your personal issues, about our place in the world and what we are supposed to do with our lives? A talk that honestly looked at pain and failure?

It is critical that you find someone who you can talk to, a mentor to trust, who will appreciate your strengths and potential and can help motivate you to achieve your dreams.

Should we extinguish the fires of youth because of their potency? Never! We should constantly encourage our young people: “You are our hope, our most precious natural resource.”

**Look your best for  
the holidays!**

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## FBLA holding scarf sale November 12-15

During the week of November 12th through November 15th, G Ray Bodley's Future Business Leaders of America will be selling pashmina scarves to raise money toward their trip to the FBLA state competition in Rochester this spring.

The scarves are \$11 apiece (tax included) and will be sold during guided study hall, lunch bells, and after school until 3:30 pm in Mrs. House's room (Room 116). The scarves are made of 70% pashmina and 30% silk. The colors and patterns are very extensive, so there is likely a design out there for everyone.



FBLA advisor, Mrs. House, said "I can't wait to buy a scarf. They are really soft and

they will be a great accessory to my wardrobe."

Freshman Elizabeth Fredette was also enthusiastic about the sale, saying, "The scarves are really cute and I'm thinking about buying one for my mom for Christmas."

FBLA co-treasurer, Julia Warner also commented saying, "The scarves are so comfortable and really beautiful. There are so many designs to choose from, it's going to be hard for me to pick which one I want because I like them all. I really like how cheap they are too. You really can't beat \$11 for a good quality scarf!" *By Ruth Brown*

### This day in history:

## From presidents to baseball, this was a big day in history

Everyday life has changed radically over the years. The course of events the human race has followed corresponds directly with a molding of values transformed into the way every person lives life. It is important to remember these events and recognize the effects on everyday life. This passage is an attempt to help do exactly that.

This particular day in history had many significant events. In 1723 Benjamin Franklin, one of the founding fathers, opened up the first United States public library in Philadelphia. Abraham Lincoln was elected into his second term as American President in 1864. This re-election led to the Reconstruction period. Also on this day Theodore Roosevelt defeated Alton B. Parker in the Presidential election. In 1923 Hitler staged his unsuccessful "Beer Hall Putsch" in Munich which caused development and spreading of Nazi propaganda. The year 1950 brought the first jet battle ever, during the Korean War.

This was also the very same day that Yogi Berra, New York Yankees catcher, gained the first of his three MVP awards in 1951. In music history Beatle member John Lennon was officially divorced from his wife Cynthia in 1968. Cynthia stated that the cause of the break was John's excessive use of LSD.

Anna Lee Tickle Fisher, an American chemist who became the first mom to go into orbit in 1984 is 64 today.

*By Logan Aubeuf*

### Into the Wild:

## Happy hunting! The rut is on!

The big mature bucks are now starting to chase does as the weather cools down and the rut activity picks up. These next two to three weeks will be your best chance to bag the big one that you've been after.

There are only seven days left in the bow season for our region and then it is time to take the gun out. Opening day for gun season has always been the day where the most bucks are killed due to the high rut activity, and the hunting pressure pushing the deer around.

Monday the 11th is predicted to be the best day of the rut this season so it would be a good day to call in sick.

Any students and/or teachers who harvest a big whitetail this season should send in a picture to

theraider@fulton.cnyric.org and get your face in *RaiderNet Daily*. For bragging rights we will be featuring the largest buck and doe this year at the end of the season in *RaiderNet*.

Happy Hunting!

*By Connor Relf & Jason Mattice*

### Quote of the day:

"I'd rather be hated for who I am, than loved for who I am not."  
-Kurt Cobain

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problem or concern you  
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## *What does Veterans Day mean to you?*



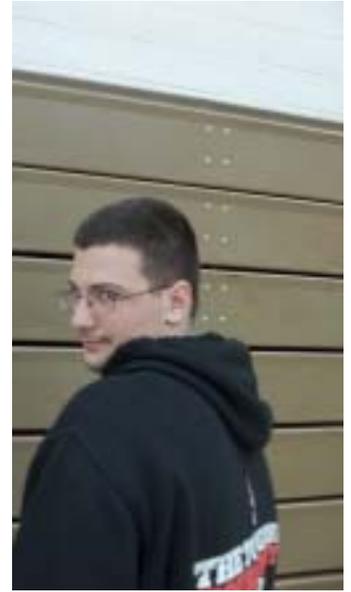
"It makes me think about my husband and how he served his country. "  
**Mrs Downing**



"Grandpa Stanley WWII vet."  
**Ryan Stanley**



"Honoring the flag."  
**Ethan Hall**



"Saying thanks to people that protect our country."  
**Nick Miller**

## **What are you doing for Veterans Day?**



"Taking work off and going to the Casino."  
**Mackenzie Grow**



"Hanging out with my friend that was a nurse in WWII."  
**Jessica Suphan**



"Grandma's house because my Grandpa is a Veteran."  
**Dilan VanSlyke**



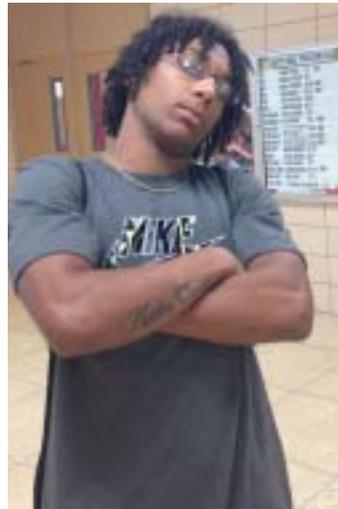
"Going to the gym with the girls."  
**L. Skulsworth**

# What are doing on your Veterans day?



"I'm working at Little Caesars."

Mr. Wilmot



"Sleep."

Keshon Carver



"Mow for the last time, Take my mower dock off and put my snow blower on."

Mr. Lacey



"Thanking a Veteran."

Cameron Clarke

## Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



**Today:**



Mostly cloudy.  
Rain showers.

**45°**

Average: 52°  
Record: 72° (1975)

**Tonight:**



Mostly cloudy.  
Rain showers.

**34°**

Average: 35°  
Record: 18° (1992)

**Tomorrow:**  
Partly sunny.

**48°/34°**

Average: 51°/35°  
Rec. high/low: 71°  
(2011)/17° (1971)

**Sunday:**

Sun and clouds.

**48°/34°**

Average: 51°/35°  
Record high/low: 71°  
(1975)/17° (1991)

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