

Fulton vs. New Hartford in playoff rematch

By Jimmy Martin

The Lady Raider softball team will face a familiar foe in the opening round of the Section III tournament on Saturday when Fulton heads to New Hartford in hopes of duplicating last year's success. Coach Lyon's squad made it to sectionals by posting an impressive 12-6 record, the best of any spring sports team, and finished in second in the OHSL Freedom League. The Spartans have a very similar record as they went 13-7 on the sea-

son and also finished in second in their league.

Last year in the Class A quarterfinals the Lady Raiders edged out the Spartans by an 8-7 count, rallying from behind as the Spartans held a 7-5 lead after the top of the seventh. It was a dramatic finish as Cassidy Kearns drove in the game winning run with two strikes and two outs. Now that the teams have a history, Saturday will be worth even more. The Lady Raiders want to advance and hold the advantage, but the Spartans will be

looking for revenge.

Many Lady Raiders have put up very impressive stats on the season that have led them to such a good record. Three different players have a batting average above .400. Cheyenne Laun leads the team with a .429, Keisha Pierce has a .411, and Hannah Jones has hit .400, but Jones will not be able to play as she tore her ACL a few weeks ago. Laun and Peirce also lead the team in runs with 26, followed by Caitlyn Chrisman who
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Fulton Public Library looks to serve teen population

The Fulton Public Library is launching a Teen Advisory Council in an effort to make the library more inviting to teens. The first meeting of the group will be June 5 at 4 pm.

The TAC will meet once a week to be a voice representing the teens in the community. The group will advise the library on young adult book purchases, software for the computers, and programming to offer. The council will also have an active book club component, and has the possibility of screening movies. The meetings will also include free lunches to attendees provided by OCO.

The group will meet at 4 pm for the remainder of the school year and then change to a 1 pm meeting time as of June 26. The TAC will hold their meetings in the young adult section downstairs at the library.

The TAC will be geared for students in

the Fulton community grades 7 to 12 and is facilitated by Vanessa Langdon who currently serves for AmeriCorps. The Oswego County AmeriCorps program focuses on services for children and families. Members mentor youth, provide fitness and nutrition education activities for youth, and manage volunteers who serve their community.

Though there is a target audience anyone who wishes to have their voice heard in regards to how the library serves teens is welcome to stop by. The group will run for one hour throughout the summer and hopefully, through student leadership, will be able to continue into the school year.

For more information check out the TAC Facebook page, stop by the Fulton Public Library, or email Langdon at vclangdon@gmail.com. An information

table will be set up outside the cafeteria during lunch bells on Tuesday, May 27 for interested students.



Former RaiderNet Daily reporter and 2013 G. Ray Bodley High School graduate will be spearheading a Youth Advisory Council at the Fulton Public Library.

Opportunities for leadership offered

Attention sophomores; Youth Advisory Council (YAC) applications are due by May 30 in the guidance office.

Freshman Leadership Oswego County Youth (LOCY) applications are due by May 30 to the guidance office.

If you want more information or need an application, see Miss Stubbmann in the guidance office.

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

All sophomores who took part in the Gertrude Hawk fundraiser are reminded that they need to turn in their money and orders by this Friday to Mr. McCarten.

Summer job information is available through the guidance office for students 16-20 years old who meet eligibility guidelines. Pick up a Summer Youth Works informational flyer today.

Summer driver education packets are now available in the guidance office.

French Club meets every Tuesday after school in room 125.

HOPE Club meets every Monday in room 119.

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

What's for lunch?

Today: Fish patty on a bun with baked beans, broccoli and whole fruit sorbet cup with alternative of tuna fish on a hoagie roll.

Tues. May 27: Popcorn chicken with sweet potato waffles, spinach and chilled peaches with alternative of chicken fajita salad with dressing.

Senioritis is a curable disease

By Alexis Lastra

Believe it or not, my teachers have caught senioritis. "I know you're seniors and you don't want to do you any work, but...â were the first words uttered by each of my teachers as I began the spring semester. In most of my classes, the homework load suddenly shrank and in some, it was eliminated. In one class, even tests were done away with.

Senioritis has become so entrenched in society's perception of high school that the term "second-term senior" has become synonymous for "slacker." In fact, seniors feel so privileged that they report believing it is "unfair" when their teachers assign as much homework as they did previously. Every year we allow "senioritis" to continue without any consequences, it gets worse.

"Senioritis" may be worse than ever. In fact, it has gotten so bad that some schools have abolished classes altogether, instead adopting "work-study" programs, which, in many cases, are a facade for early summer vacation.

Senioritis should not be treated like a disease that cannot be cured, taken for granted and grudgingly dealt with. Teachers should not lower the homework load and take it easy on their students. Schools should not allow students to sign up for five-hour school days or tolerate cutting classes. Letting students get away with senioritis only further feeds it by telling students that it is acceptable. More importantly, tolerating senioritis concedes the seniors' fundamental argument that education is a means to an end and that once that end has been achieved, education loses its value.

By accepting senioritis as inevitable, we not only increase the incentive to slack off, but frame four years of high school as defined by college. This means that senioritis doesn't just affect seniors; it seeps into our schools' culture and inadvertently impacts underclassman as well. For all we preach about the value of education and knowledge, students evidence a disregard for both. If teachers believe that education is inherently valuable, they should not lower their standards. Students respond rationally to incentives. If teachers demonstrate they are willing to fail their students, students will step-up their games. On the flip side, if the teachers accept



papers that are three-weeks late, students will not turn in their essays on time.

Senioritis is not a disease to be accepted and adapted to. It is a problem that strikes at the core of what it means to be a high school student, and begs the question of why we go to school in the first place. If that answer is to become better educated, intelligent citizens of the world, then schools should actively combat senioritis. This means being willing to fail students and maintaining high standards. It means retaining students with sub-par senior year report cards, because they clearly have little interest in learning. With time, senioritis can be cured.

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Quote of the day:

"Success is simple. Do what's right the right way at the right time."

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X-Men highlights holiday weekend of movies

This weekend marks the “official” start of the summer movie season, and there is something for everyone including the latest addition to the X-Men franchise.

X-Men: Days of Future Past

This newest X-Men film features Hugh Jackman as Wolverine once again, but with a new premise. Faced with a terrible future Wolverine is sent back to the past to try to alter the chain of events while the rest of the team members work with younger versions of themselves.

The director of X-Men and the

sequel Bryan Singer returned to bring this new Marvel adventure science fiction film. Stars in this include Hugh Jackman, James McAvoy as Charles Xavier, Jennifer Lawrence as Raven, Halle Berry as Storm, and Ellen Page as Kitty Pryde.

This movie was written by Simon Kinberg and Jane Goldman and is rated pg-13 for sequences of intense sci-fi violence and ac-

tion, some suggestive material, nudity and language.

Blended

This romantic comedy may be just the right film for this weekend (or senior skip day). The results of a catastrophic blind date bring a couple trapped together at a family resort. As they spend more time together their relationship blossoms by watching how their children begin to grow happier from their new relationship. This movie stars Adam Sandler as Jim and Drew Barrymore as Lauren. Other guest stars include Kevin Nealon, Terry Crews, Wendi McLendon-Covey. *Blended* is written by Ivan Menchell and Clare Sera. Frank Coraci directed this comedy. This may be a good movie to see with the family as it is rated PG-13 for crude and sexual content, and language

Heaven Is for Real

When a father living in a small town needs to find the strength to share his son’s life changing experience with the world is documented, you get this fantastic drama. This movie is written and directed by Randall Wallace with co-writer Chris Parker. Greg Kinnear is Todd Burpo and Kelly Reilly is Sonja Burpo. Check this movie out if you feel like tearing up!

Raiders, Spartans appear evenly matched

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has crossed the plate on 18 occasions. Laun and Pierce are also tied in hits with 30 while Mikayla Guernsey and Maureen McCann both have 22. Compared to past years, the Lady Raiders have had their best pitching and batting statistics as a team, knocking in 176 runs this year, which is 28 more than last year. On the defensive side, they have pitched 128 innings and only allowed 94 runs and 133 hits, right around allowing one hit per inning.

On the other side the New Hartford Spartans have similar numbers to the Lady Raiders. They are led by Emily Acquaviva and Dana Del Genio. Acquaviva has a batting average of .479 with 35 hits, and 36 runs. She also has a team leading 6 home runs while Del Genio has a BA of .427, 35 hits, 26 runs and 5 home runs. All four pitchers have an ERA of less than 3.5, so their pitching is dominant. As a team, they have only given up 66 runs and 97 hits in 105 innings. Their pitching edges Fulton, but on the offense, the Spartans have only scored 120 runs.

Both of these teams have records above .650 and have dominated

many teams throughout the season. It should be a very close matchup and both teams do not want to lose. The winner goes on to the Class A semifinals and will be one step closer to the ultimate goal of becoming section champions.

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of the
Red Raiders
in action**

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“Weekly GRB video announcements”**

The Fugitives part 17: let the battle begin!

By Neal Burke

Last time on The Fugitives: Lupo and the others were forced to split up after a vicious attack by Junk Arachnoids, Lupo and Silver heading into the working part of the facility while Ordin and Crystal went to find the boilers. Lupo and Silver battled a few more Junk Arachnoids before being confronted by two subjects of Bala's Project Legion. Crystal and Ordin have located the boilers but will they too meet up with a P.L. soldier? Find out now.



Crystal continued down the hallway that turned left in a half circle until she reached a reinforced door with a keycard slit next to it. Placing a finger to her ear, she activated the communicator and contacted Ordin.

"I'm at the door," she told him. "Where are you?"

After some brief static, she got his answer.

"I've just reached the door," he replied. "I'll have to smash the keypad to get in."

"That's fine." Crystal said. "I have to do something to this keycard slit."

Inserting her claw extended finger into the slit, she dragged it down until she reached the center. Stabbing the claw inward, sparks flashed and she felt a brief jolt of electricity before the door slid open. She looked inside and saw many Korbians operating the various boilers, their intense heat giving the room an orangish tinge.

"You in?" she quietly asked Ordin through her communicator. Seconds later she heard a crashing noise-which got the attention of most of the Korbians-and saw the door on the other side of room slide open.

"I'm in." Crystal heard him reply, the tone of his voice telling her that he was grinning.

"Then let's do this." she told him, she herself grinning and they both charged into the room, firing their AC-73s at the Korbians.

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Meanwhile, Lupo and Silver were preparing to fight against the two mystery warriors from the tanks. The hooded one let out a low guttural growl before charging at Silver, his two red blades scraping the floor and leaving vicious scorch marks. Silver had just enough time to hold up his broadsword in defense as both bloody blades came down, their electric hum increasing in pitch and frequency as they moved. The hooded warrior pushed down with more strength than Silver had anticipated and was actually forced to his knees. He growled with effort as he tried to force the two blades away.

Lupo ducked as the snake woman fired an arrow that split into three as it flew through the air. Changing her Whip Blade into a whip, she lashed it out at her opponent but she slithered out of the way with relative ease, laughing to herself as she prepared another arrow.

"You'll never defeat me." she hissed, pulling the bow string back and letting the arrow fly, this one on fire.

Lupo rolled out of the way just before the flaming arrow could

take out her eye and lashed out with the bladed whip again. But just like before, the snake woman slithered out of reach. She cackled to herself as she began to prep another arrow.

Finally managing to push the blades away, Silver lashed out with his own in a slashing movement to try and slice his opponent across the belly. However, his blade struck armor with a loud clang, and the hooded warrior laughed.

"It will take more than that to hurt me." he snarled in a deep guttural voice before lashing out again.

Silver held up his blade again and again to block the intense assault, now realizing how clumsy his broadsword was. Sparks flashed as their blades clashed and the two combatants circled around one another, trying to find the "chink in the armor."

Lupo ducked under an electric arrow before once again lashing out with her weapon, this time at the bow itself. The snake woman was slow to dodge this attack and Lupo's weapon wrapped around it. With a simple tug, Lupo managed to snap the bow in half, but made the snake woman very angry by doing so. She hissed with rage and bared her fangs before slithering toward her, her wrist blades ready.

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Lupo struggled against the strength of the snake woman's coils but could not break free. She still had a grip on her Whip Blade but given that her arms were pinned, it was useless. Lupo's eyes widened with fear and horror when she saw the look in the snake woman's eyes change from one of rage, to one of hunger. She barely had time to let out a cry, which was then cut off as she was thrust head first into the snake woman's flexible maw.

Silver ducked under the blood red blades before striking the hooded warrior in the side of the head. The metal mask protected him, but the force of the impact was enough to knock him out temporarily. Hearing Lupo's cry, and that it stopped suddenly, he whipped around only to see his best friend's tail being slurped up like pasta by the snake woman. He gasped at that, for a moment

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filled with fear and grief, the next filled with rage and determination and he raised his blade and prepared to attack, hopefully even cut Lupo out of there.

The snake woman noticed him and smirked. Letting out a hiss, she slithered with great speed toward him but then suddenly stopped when a sharp pain stung her from the inside. Looking down, she saw something small bulging and poking at her from inside her stomach and each time it did, she felt pain. Silver kept his eyes on her, unsure of what was happening when suddenly Lupo's Whip Blade burst out of the snake woman's stomach, speckles of blood showering. The snake woman had just uttered a cry of pain when the blade viciously slashed downward, making a nice clean slit down her body causing the cry to escalate to one of agony. Seconds later, the blade retracted and was replaced with two silver hands with long black claws. Silver watched as the slit was pulled open and a figure covered in a mix of saliva, blood and digestive juices emerged. Silver saw that she was wearing Lupo's robe but seeing the snout, he knew that Opol had been released.

Opul growled in disgust at being covered in the bodily fluids of the abomination that had just swallowed her other self. Lupo's fear and terror had caused her to be released and Opol was now going to protect her, she could hear her whimpering in her head. Normally she would have told her to power on through, but given what had just happened she understood her being afraid like this.

"Don't worry Lupo," she reassured her. "I'm going to protect you."

Turning back to the snake woman, who was now gasping for air, Opol viciously slashed her throat. The snake woman fell to the floor, gagging up blood as she drowned in it. Then Opol turned to face Silver, who was just staring at her with a look of both relief and astonishment.

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Crystal and Ordin had finished dealing with the Korbians and were now trying to decide how to set off a chain reaction while still being able to escape the facility alive. The heat in the room was making it difficult to think perfectly clear and Ordin had already begun to wheeze, the heat getting to his cybernetics. Crystal made a mental note to upgrade her boyfriend's cybernetics when she got the chance. They both wandered the room, trying to think of some-

thing when Ordin's eyes caught a small computer.

Moving to it, he tapped a few keys and found out that it was a failsafe computer that could control all the boilers should some of the workers be incapacitated. He smiled at this discovery. With this, he could set the boilers to overheat within a certain time frame to give them enough to escape before the facility was destroyed. Just as he was about to call her over, Crystal called his name and told him to come here. Turning, he looked in her direction and saw what she was looking at. It was a large black containment tank and upon closer inspection, the letters P.L. could be seen etched on the side.

"Why would something like this need to be in a boiler room?" Crystal asked him when he came to join her.

"I'm not sure, but I... wait..." Ordin began but suddenly stopped when the scanners in his eyes picked up signs of life inside the tank. "There's something alive in there."

"Are you sure," Crystal asked him. He nodded in response. "Can you tell what it is?"

Ordin shook his head no but they both jumped slightly in surprise when the tank hissed and slowly began to split open. Once fully open, a hellish looking creature was revealed. Black leathery skin with a huge pair of bat wings protruding out of its back and white claws on its fingers and toes. Its limbs were long and slender and the arms had a single spike at the elbows. They couldn't see the creature's face or head as it was blocked by long white hair though two long pointed ears were visible. The winged beast uttered a low growl as it turned in their direction, readying its claws to strike.

Will our fugitives succeed in destroying the facility or will they fall victim to Bala's mutant soldiers? And what about Lupo? Will she ever get over the near traumatized state she now finds herself in? Find out next time on The Fugitives.

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Allister Phillips-Sherman



"The people in my family get the appreciation they need!"

Mariah Murrell



"Saying thanks to the ones who served."

Julia Lee



"Its a time to reflect..."

Mr. Battles

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Cloudy with rain.

60°

Average: 71°
Record: 93° (1977)

Tonight:



Cloudy. Chance rain.

48°

Average: 49°
Record: 32° (1967)

Tomorrow:

Cloudy with rain.

70°/57°

Average: 71°/49°
Rec. high/low: 89°
(2007) 30° (1963)

Sunday:

Partly cloudy.

75°/58°

Average: 72°/49°
Record high/low: 88°
(2007)/33° (1992)

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