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Parking lot transformed into barbecue for “prank”

By Tevin Simard

Members of the senior class of 2014 put together a senior prank for one last hurrah on Thursday, turning the senior parking lot into a class barbecue. Participants brought food, beverages, a grill from home, and even a basketball hoop to take full advantage of this day. The barbecue officially began at noon, but students ventured to the site as early as 9:45.

A few minutes before noon Assistant Principal Mr. Greene found out about the “celebration” and shut it down. Individuals in the parking lot promptly evacuated the area, some running from the scene. Many members of the upperclassmen group were upset, yet were quick to regroup in the park in front of Lake Neatahwanta, just off school property.

Almost as swiftly as Mr. Greene acted, Principal Mrs. Parkhurst, Officer Dempsey, and Assistant Principal Mr. Charles did as well. The relocated group appeared smaller than the previous one at the other side of the school, but the revelry continued.

When Mrs. Parkhurst and Officer Dempsey told students that they should leave the premises and questioned whether the students were legally excused, some participants countered that they could be there, legally, as the recreation area was not owned by the school. Like the previous group, this one eventually dispersed and searched for another place to take their barbecue. Several sources say that the seniors ventured off to Foster Park.

The senior prank was the brainchild of Steven Gilliland, a G. Ray Bodley senior, who chose not to partake in yesterday’s events. Initially, Gilliland thought “it’d be a good idea to get everyone together, for one last hurrah, and have a laughable time.” He made it clear that having an enjoyable time did not necessitate doing any harm to the

school. The deciding factor in Gilliland’s choice not to attend the gathering was because it was set up in the senior parking lot, an idea which was not his and he viewed as “amateur work.”

His last thought on the matter was that the day’s event was not worth engaging in, despite the “free food [they] got out of it, but I don’t think it was worth it...for the punishment, if there is one.”

Junior Sean Martin voiced his opinion on the senior prank commenting that the cook-out was “safer and I think it’s a little bit more respectful than an actual prank, something that’s a little less extreme. I think it’s better than putting gasoline on doorknobs.”

It seemed as if the prevailing sentiment among observers was that what occurred was not actually a prank, but rather a separate affair altogether, as it was not an activity

done purely out of humor. Martin was able to take something away from what happened, saying that that occasion, “inspires me not to like play pranks on freshmen and underclassmen...I wouldn’t go as far as that.” The Class of 2014’s barbecue left an impression on younger students and may well have some effect on next year’s senior prank which could include a stricter policy on end of the year senior activities or will perhaps encouraging a comparable event to take place.

Class of 2014 news:
Senior trip to Hershey Park on Sat. June 7
ticket sales end on Wed. June 4
Senior Dinner Dance tickets \$35
contracts must be turned in at time of purchase

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

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.

Girls tennis will hold a sign-up meeting on Monday, June 2 after school in room 113. If you have questions see Coach Goodnough in the guidance office or Coach Sobota.

Summer job information is available through the guidance office for students 16-20 years old who meet eligibility guidelines.

Seniors: **dinner dance contracts** must be completed at time of ticket purchase, which ends on Thursday, June 5.

French Club meets every Tuesday after school in room 125.

Signups are currently underway for any girls interested in playing volleyball in the fall. See Coach Richardson to sign up.

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

HOPE Club will hold its final meeting of the school year on Monday, June 2 from 2:30 to 3 pm to celebrate this year’s accomplishments. The meeting is open to current members as well as those thinking of joining next year.

Today is the last day to place your order for Class of 2017 merchandise. All orders should go to Mrs. Crisafulli in room 218.

What’s for lunch?

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

Mon. June 2: TBA.

Program offers opportunity to study abroad

By Tevin Simard

For anyone interested in learning foreign languages and doing a cultural exchange program, there is a free opportunity waiting for you. The National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y) program is sponsored by the United States Department of State, provides merit-based scholarships for eligible high school students and recent high school graduates to learn less commonly taught languages in summer and academic-year overseas immersion programs, the website (<http://www.nsliforyouth.org/>) says.



souvenirs. There are many people at G. Ray Bodley High School who have never left New York State or the United States, so this program could be a chance to see that there is life beyond what we know, beyond Fulton. If you succeed in your language and cultural learning during a summer, NSLI-Y does allow students to study and live (again) with a host family in the country your language is spoken for an academic year.

I received a NSLI-Y scholarship to spend this summer in Amman, Jordan, located in the heart of the Middle East, to study Arabic. I started learning Arabic by means of a textbook and CD-rom two months ago, so that I would know the basics of Arabic before learning more of the language in a classroom environment in my host country. This process has been challenging to do alone, but I have had support from other NSLI-Y students I will be embarking on my journey with. Learning a language that you can only speak with the fluency of an infant can be intimidating at times and because of this, you have to be dedicated to the cause, and set aside time each day to practice your skills. Nevertheless, I am convinced that learning Arabic and Arab culture will positively affect me.

There were several motives I had for applying to NSLI-Y, and by extension, to the Arabic program as my first choice. For starters, I have been mistaken for Middle Eastern and North African my entire life, I am interested in the region's history and culture, and felt as if it would be an invaluable move to learn, given American relations with MENA (Middle East & North Africa).

This is a program geared toward high school students who are between 15-18 years old (by the beginning of the summer exchange) and who are passionate about learning languages, especially those less commonly taught in the United States. The language options available for students are: Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Hindi, Korean, Persian (Tajiki), Russian, and Turkish. Likewise, students, if accepted into this competitive program, can study for a summer in the countries that correspond to their chosen language such as: China, India, Jordan, Korea, Morocco, Oman, Russia, Taiwan, Tajikistan, Turkey, or other locations around the world. Of course, there are certain eligibility requirements that applicants must meet just to be considered for this opportunity.

NSLI-Y is excellent for students who love learning about exotic lands, traveling, and who are interested in a career in the foreign service. Not all NSLI-Y veterans have the same career aspirations nor interests, but all are willing to learn from others in an ever-changing world. Your experiences could make for a compelling college essay, too, as select students receive this scholarship. One of the greatest components of this scholarship, again, is that it is free, so all costs are covered besides the personal expenses, like buying

Secondly, there were (and continue to be) certain myths about Muslims and Arabs in general that I knew were not true and wanted to debunk with my own experiences, such as that both groups are terrorists, sadistic people, and that all women have to wear the traditional hijab (headscarf). I hear many inappropriate, largely misinformed comments made about people from these backgrounds that did not settle well with me. Finally, I wanted to escape Fulton for the summer, which is as valid of a reason as any. That said, there were other variables that played a role in my decision as well.

If you are interested in expanding your horizons, then I would suggest that you look into this program. I have enjoyed my experience with NSLI-Y so far and would like others to know about this incredible scholarship. If you have any questions about the program, I would be happy to talk you about it.



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The Sweet Side of Life

Try this tasty Tiramisu toffee trifle pie

Missing your long weekend? Anxiously awaiting the end of school? Finishing those last minute assignments? Take a break on the sweet side of life with this Tiramisu Toffee Trifle Pie, it has a Italian word that must count for something.

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 tablespoons instant coffee granules
- 3/4 cup warm water
- 1 (10.75-ounce) frozen pound cake, thawed
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese or mascarpone, softened
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- 1/2 cup chocolate syrup
- 1 (12-ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed and divided
- 2 (1.4-ounce) English toffee candy bars, coarsely chopped

Preparation:

1. Stir together coffee granules and 3/4 cup warm water until granules are dissolved. Cool.
2. Cut pound cake into 14 slices. Cut each slice in half diagonally. Place triangles on bottom and up sides of a 9-inch deep-dish pie plate. Drizzle coffee over cake.
3. Beat cream cheese, sugar, and chocolate syrup at medium speed



Quote of the day:

"Don't waste time looking for your style. The truth is you already have it, you may just need to create more in order to see it."

with an electric mixer until smooth. Add 2 1/2 cups whipped topping, and beat until light and fluffy.

4. Spread cheese mixture evenly over cake. Dollop remaining whipped topping around edges of pie. Sprinkle with chopped candy. Chill 8 hours.

5. Note: Tiramisu Toffee Trifle Pie may be made the day before serving. Store in the refrigerator.

Courtesy of myrecipes.com

Compiled by Tevin Simard

World Cup Soccer:

Defending champs look solid

Only 32 teams were able to qualify and compete for a chance to win the World Cup, and one team that shines above the rest and has one of the best chances of winning the title are defending champions Spain. Their dramatic 1-0 win over the Netherlands four years ago in South Africa came on a goal from Andres Iniesta four minutes from the end of extra time. Spain will remain loyal to their style of play and the players as well, and since being crowned champions four years ago the team has dominated the global and European scenes, winning the Euro 2012 title to become the first team ever to hold both the World Cup and Euro titles at the same time.

Spain has been placed in group B along with local favorites Chile, longshots Australia, and the Netherlands, who will be coming for blood this time in a rematch of the 2010 final.

Spain has qualified for the World Cup ten consecutive times, and will look to players such as Xavi, Andres Iniesta and Xabi Alonso, who will be locking down the mid-field. They have experience at goal with Iker Casillas, and the back four features standouts Sergio Ramos and Gerard Pique, who have consolidated their positions as the leaders on defense.

With Jordi Alba at left back Ramos and Alba will not have a problem attacking the opposing box if the opportunity presents itself. As for strikers David Villa and Fernando Torres struggling to find their touch, Pedro has been noticed as an attacking spearhead while being supported by Cesc Fabregas. Coach Vicente del Bosque will be the one bringing the defending champs to Brazil with a goal of keeping their title of World Cup champions.

By Jeff Waldron

Going someplace cool?

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"Where in the world is The Raider?"

School of Thought compiled by Steven Gilliland & Jack Ryan

How do you think you will do on the early Regents exams?



"Decent, I hope."

Trae Sheldon



"Pretty good hopefully."

Paul Madden



"Not good..."

Lily Hemingway



"I think I will do fine, I've done good in my classes this year."
Julia Polly

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Partly cloudy.

72°

Average: 71°
Record: 93° (1987)

Tonight:



Partly cloudy.

52°

Average: 51°
Record: 39° (1996)

Tomorrow:

Partly cloudy.

70°/50°

Average: 73°/51°
Rec. high/low: 92° (2011) 60° (1966)

Sunday:

Partly cloudy.

78°/60°

Average: 74°/52°
Record high/low: 91° (1954)/35° (1966)

Former GRB student and current SUNY Oswego sophomore Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist. Look for his daily weather forecasts for Fulton on RaiderNet Daily.