

Assembly sheds light on key Bodley figure

By Lexi Abelgore

The uprising problems of the misuse of cell phones and electronic devices was the important topic presented to students and teachers alike recently when school attorney, Mr. Joseph Bufano visited G. Ray Bodley High School for a schoolwide assembly.

During his talk he gave light to situations that students are all familiar with but seldom think about when using cell phones. Bufano was also able to further explain the criminal consequences that can follow poor choices people make with electronics.

Additionally, he included information on bullying and briefly mentioned the schools Dignity Act Coordinator. While he answered several questions, he also raised an important one- who is GRB's Dignity Act Coordinator?

There was plenty of confusion in the au-



Ms. Weston has been at GRB for nine years as the home-school liaison and in 2012 became the school's Dignity Acts Coordinator. (file photo)

ditorium at the mention of Ms. Weston's name, but she is in fact a lot closer than one may think. Her office is straight ahead from the entrance to the guidance office.

Ms. Weston has worked at GRB for the past nine years as the school-home liaison. She says, "My role is to help students with

training on bullying and how to handle it in a school setting.

Ms. Weston wished to point out that although she is officially named the Dignity Act Coordinator, every other administrator in the building can help out when it comes to the problems of bullying and harassment.

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School-home Liason/Dignity Act Coordinator Ms. Weston

non-academic issues that are impacting their education, such as personal issues, family issues or lack of attendance." She works with students to develop a plan to help get them back on track. She can also be used as a link to outside agencies that may be able to further help students solve any problems they may be facing.

Ms. Weston spends a lot of her time monitoring student attendance and she focuses on solving the issues that are keeping students away from school. "I spend a lot of time speaking to parents on the phone and also making home visits to the homes of students who are not attending school," she noted.

Along with serving as GRB's school-home liaison, Ms. Weston was also deemed as the school Dignity Act Coordinator in 2012. She, along with one staff member from each building in the school district, was given additional

She notes, "Students can report bullying or harassment issues to any of us [administrators], not just the Dignity Act Coordinator."

For anyone who is seeking help with a problem involving bullying or any other issue that may be affecting their education, do not be afraid to talk to Ms. Weston. She will work with you to solve the problem and if the situation is out of her hands, she can make references to an outside agency that can provide the needed assistance.

In response to the confusion at the mention of her name during the assembly, she commented that, "students may have been reluctant to raise their hands at the assembly if they felt like they would be considered a student who is having an 'issue.'" Above all the message is clear: it is not a shame to have a problem. Help is a lot closer than you think.

Swimmers post fast times in opener

Defending Section 3 champion New Hartford proved to be a little too much to handle, but it was a strong showing for the Fulton swimmers on Tuesday in a 101-84 loss to the Spartans. A total of 14 different Red Raiders qualified for sectionals in their first meet of the year while Fulton took first place points in both the 200 freestyle and 200 medley relays. Andrew Distin and David Tallents took part in both winning sides while Caleb Almeter and Zach Perry joined forces in the victorious 200 freestyle relay. Justin Grower and Tim McAfee rounded out the winning 200 medley relay.

Fulton scored second place points in nearly every event paced by Distin's runner-up showings in the 200 IM and 100 butterfly along with second place efforts from Tallents in both the 50 and 100 freestyle races. Diver Lorcan Murphy fell just .4 short of winning his

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Indoor track needs you!

Fellow students athletes! Have you gotten involved in a winter sport yet? If not then you should definitely consider joining the varsity indoor track team and help take our school's team up the ladder this season. The turnout is much smaller than it has been in past years and it would be great to see other students getting out there and trying a new sport.

If you are interested you can contact Mr. Galik in the Science Department or any one of the team members. They would all be happy to help you get involved.

Indoor track is a great way to get in shape and have fun at the same time. The team is all very close like one big family and they work together in helping one another stay motivated. The meets are held at Onondaga Community College in the SRC arena and usually start around 4:30 pm.

It's not too late to join! There are no tryouts for our team, just be sure to come to practice with a motivated attitude and put forth your best effort. In order to compete in the first meet you must have at least 10 practices and have the proper uniform, which will be given out after the first two weeks of practice.

So, give it some thought and grab your running shoes and plenty of warm weather clothes! Just because there is snow outside that doesn't mean we stop running. However, on the days that it is too cold or snowy to complete workouts outside we will be running in the hallways. On those days please be sure the bottom of your sneakers are dry to prevent slipping and endangering yourself or other team members.

By Breanna St. Onge

Bizarre news of the day:

Nothing like a man with a plan

A Florida man found himself on the wrong side of the law recently when he was seen putting a chainsaw worth more than \$600 down his pants. The man was caught on a surveillance video from Treasure Coast Lawn Equipment in Port St. Lucie. Police told Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers that the man had first come into the store asking for \$1 worth of change.

Afterwards employees chased Ballard, who ditched the tool in a wooded lot. The employees called 911 when they saw Ballard return to look for it and he was held on grand theft and burglary charges with a bond set at \$28,750.

Compiled by Jackson Truong

This week in Raider Sports

Today: Bowling vs. Chittenango @ Mattydale (3:30)

Fri. Ddec. 5: Girls Bball @ Auburn (5/6:30); Hockey @ B'ville (5:30); Swim vs. Liverpool (5 pm)

Sat. Dec. 6: Wrestling @ Andersen Tourney (C-NS 9:30 am); Hockey @ B'ville Tourney (TBA); Boys Bball vs. Phoenix (1/2:30)

(JV starting times are listed first)



Swimmers qualify 14 (from page 1)

event with a 183.3 total to join Dakota Stoutenger (200 FS), Grower (100 backstroke) and McAfee (100 breaststroke) with runner-up points.

Sectional qualifying times were also posted by Caleb Almeter, Alex Semchenko, Grace Trepasso, Sage Hourihan, Cassie Hartranft, Ryan Morehouse and Zach Perry. The Raiders will host their first home met of the season on Tuesday, Dec. 9 when Fayetteville-Manlius comes to town for a 5 pm start.

Seniors take note!

Yearbook senior poll and senior directory forms are now available in GSH or the main office

Return them to Mr. Senecal in room 118 during GSH before Fri. Dec. 5
Don't delay, late submissions will not be accepted.

Christmas Facts

1895 is when electric Christmas trees first began to be used.



Reflections

-THE- Salon & More

Welcomes GRB grad Chelsea Poyneer!

608 South 4th Street-Fulton Call for an appointment today!

592-4415

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

History Club will meet after school today in room 219.

Senior Class members are reminded that the Save Around fundraiser orders are due by Monday, Dec. 8.

Would you like to learn to ski or snowboard? The GRB **Ski & Snowboard Club** still has openings for this coming winter. See Mrs. Downing in room 212 or Mr. Ward in room 210 for details. Beginners are welcome and encouraged to give this sport a try.

The **Senior Class** officers meet every Monday after school in room 125 and all seniors are welcome to attend.

Language Club members are reminded that the annual holiday celebration is this Friday in Frau's room at 2:30 pm. The clubs will have a quick snack and then go to Michaud to sing carols. Participants must turn in a signed permission slip to their club advisor in order to take part and are reminded to bring a snack to share.

The next meeting of the **Fultonian Yearbook** will be Wednesday after school in room 102.

Attention sophomores: Today is the deadline to hand in permission slips to visit Citi/BOCES next week. Signed permission slips must be turned in at the guidance office by the end of the day.

Classes at **Citi** will not be in session on Thursday, Dec. 11. However all Citi students are expected to attend their classes at GRB. Transportation will be provided.

What's for lunch?

Today: Turkey hotdog on a roll with baked beans, spinach and mixed fruit.

Friday: Nautical fish shapes with broccoli, butternut squash and peaches.

**Send us your pictures
of the Red Raiders
in action**

theraider@fulton.cnyric.org

Check it out!

GRB News

the weekly television
program covering
all things Bodley

available on the GRB
website at

www.fulton.cnyric.org

click on G. Ray Bodley High School,
then go to

"Weekly GRB video announcements"

**The Red Raider Den
is now open for business!
stop by for a snack
during bells 8 and 9**

**Make a difference
this holiday season!**

the Red Cross seeks volunteers for
the annual Red Kettle Campaign
call the Kettle Hotline at
207-3359

**Order your 2015 yearbook
by Monday, Dec. 22 and save \$10
Pay \$50 instead of \$60 and save some \$\$**

**A minimum \$10 down payment
reserves your book at the reduced rate!**

**See Mr. Senecal in room 118. Order forms will be
included with five-week reports and are also available
in the main office.**

Submit yearbook
photos online at
www.hjshare.com
our school code is:
fultonian
Spirit Week & Fall
sports photos
needed!

NFL Picks

Playoff races shaping up for NFL's stretch run

**Mitch Woodworth**

Last week: 8-7 Overall: 91-75

Atlanta @ Green Bay

This week has a lot of interesting games, but this one really sticks out to me. The Packers have been on fire, taking out some very good teams including the Patriots last week. If they can keep Aaron Rogers on task and healthy I believe they are in the run for a Super Bowl ring as they have looked

outstanding the last two weeks.

It all starts with the quarterback, and I feel like he is like the ammo to the gun. Aaron Rogers played great last week against the Patriots, throwing for 368 yards to average 9.7 yards a completion. If they can keep ball moving and have Eddie Lacy run well like he did against the Patriots, Green Bay will be hard to beat. Eddie Lacy averaged about 4.7 a carry and had 98 yards. The wide receivers are also key for the Packers, Jordy Nelson, played very well last game and had some key catches for the Packers. If the Packers stay hot they will be hard to beat, so look out for them.

On the other hand we have the Atlanta Falcons, who are leading in the NFC South and beat one of the powerhouse teams

on Sunday, the Arizona Cardinals. So despite their poor record they are not a team to take lightly as they have a great quarterback and a decent defense.

Matt Ryan, the starter for the Falcons, has thrown for over 3000 yards and last game showed why he is one of the best around. Ryan had 361 yards and played great with two touchdowns. Steven Jackson had a good game as well with 101 yards and averaged about 5.6 yards a carry. Another key player is Julio Jones, who had 189 yards last game and a touchdown. If they want to take down the red-hot Packers they have to keep him in the mix. I still predict that the Packers are going to come out on top as they have been playing really well and been so slick with their wins. A smart team and a smart quarterback and a good running back equals great success, so the score will be 50-28.

Mitch says:

Dallas	St. Louis
Cincinnati	Houston
Indianapolis	Denver
Detroit	Arizona
Tennessee	San Francisco
Miami	Philadelphia
Minnesota	New England
New Orleans	Green Bay

**Mr. Senecal**

Last week: 11-5 Overall: 100-67

Kansas City @ Arizona

Two teams desperate to stop the bleeding meet late Sunday afternoon as the Chiefs and Cardinals both look to put an end to two game losing skids that have abruptly put their playoff hopes in jeopardy. After three straight victories had them looking

good, the Chiefs have suddenly gone ugly with back-to-back back division losses at Oakland and Denver. At 7-5, KC can ill afford another loss in what is looming as an all-out battle to the end for the AFC wildcard spots.

Likewise Arizona was seemingly on cruise control at 9-1 and the best record in the NFL, but consecutive losses to Seattle and Atlanta have made the once mighty Cardinals, who seemed destined to grab the home field advantage in the playoffs, a major question mark in the brutal NFC West.

Throw in the fact that the Cards close the season with games at suddenly tough St. Louis and San Francisco around a visit from Seattle, and the significance of this game becomes even more pronounced. Kansas City hosts the Raiders next week before finishing at Pittsburgh and then home to San Diego against a pair of fellow playoff contenders, so their margin for error is also razor-thin.

The Cardinals own an 11-game home victory streak including a 6-0 mark this season, and they will need every bit of help that the home crowd can provide to boost an offense that has sputtered since the loss of quarterback Carson Palmer. One man who needs to step up big for Arizona is all-pro receiver

Larry Fitzgerald. With only two touchdown catches all season, he is well off his pace from last year when he hauled in 10 six-pointers.

Kansas City will rely on Jamaal Charles and the run game in the absence of any kind of aerial threat as their longest pass play of the season is a measly 34 yarder from Alex Smith to Travis Kelce. With 14 sacks to his credit, KC's Justin Houston could make life miserable for Arizona backup Drew Stanton, who has been dropped eight times in just four starts compared to nine in eight games for Palmer.

Look for a low scoring game with plenty of big defensive plays. This is where the Cardinals show whether they are really a playoff team, and in the end they will have just enough to survive.

Mr. S. says:

Chicago
Cincinnati
Indianapolis
Detroit
Tennessee
Baltimore
Minnesota
New Orleans
St. Louis
Houston
Denver
Arizona
San Francisco
Seattle
New England
Green Bay



Do you think we will get a snow day before Christmas?



"Probably not."

Genesis Loetterle



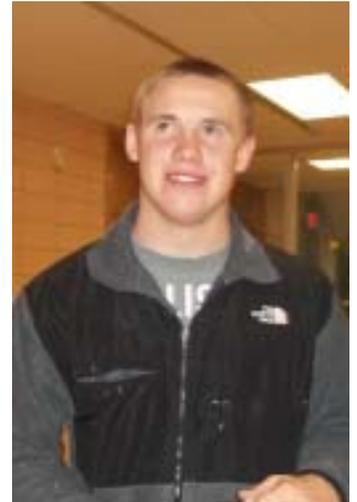
"Nope."

Jon Noeller



"Yeah, I think so."

Dillon Miller



"I know we are going to have one."

Jacob Breckenridge

Meteorology and you

By Carson Metcalf



Today:



Cloudy skies.

33°

Average: 41°
Record: 70° (2001)

Tonight:



Partly to mostly cloudy.

22°

Average: 27°
Record: -7° (1944)

Tomorrow:



Cloudy skies. Chance rain/snow.

40°

Average: 40°
Record: 69° (2001)

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