

## Blood Drive continues GRB tradition of success

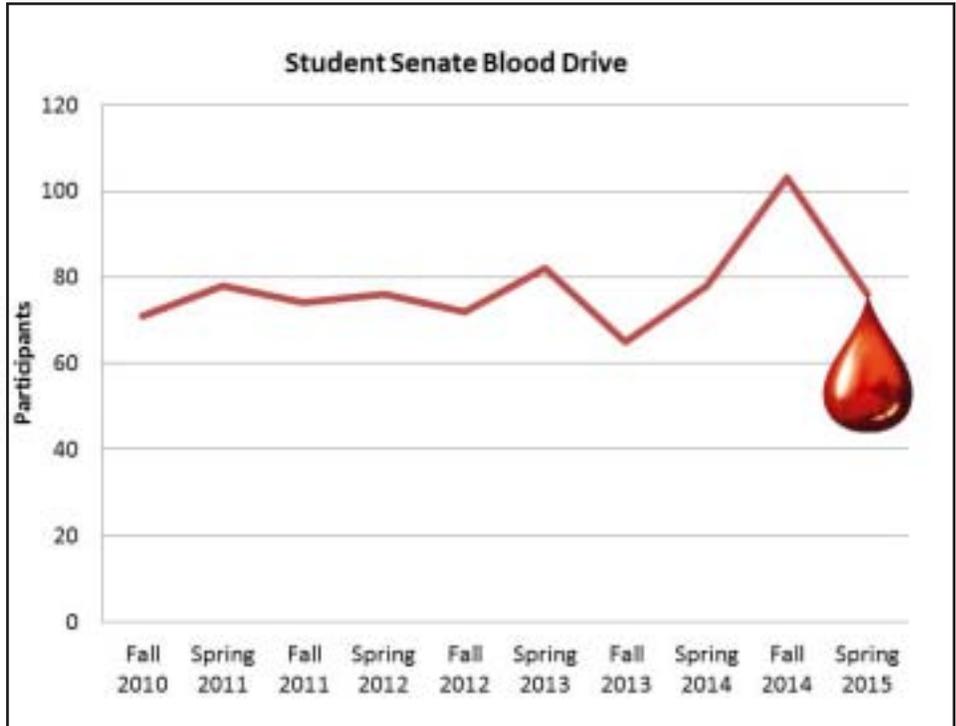
By Maggie Williams

As many students were thinking about Spring Break, other students had a total different focus on Wednesday, March 2. These students offered not only their time but their blood as well at the Red Cross Blood Drive that was held in the large gymnasium instruction room.

There are many factors that determine whether or not students could donate and it is definitely not an easy thing to do, but many of the students at G. Ray Bodley High School were brave enough to donate, bringing their arms for a good cause.

According to Student Senate Advisor Mr. Ferlito, the blood drive was very successful. There were around 90 people who donated blood, which resulted in 76 useable pints. The average number of pints for GRB drive is around 68, she noted, saying, "The people that donated were definitely there to help people."

The event capped the most successful year of GRB blood drives in a five-year period as the combined fall and spring total reached 179 useable pints. While the school has been fairly consistent with 143 in 2013-14, 154 in 2012-13, 150 in 2011-12 and 149 in 2010-11, the decision to go with extended hours in the fall meant a GRB record total of 103



Figures for the past five years show the string of successful Blood Drives hosted by the G. Ray Bodley High School Student Senate. The 2014-15 school year produced the largest combined total in the last five years with 179 useable pints. (RND graph by Kyle Buck)

pints at the first drive of the current school year.

This year there were also more double red donations than in the previous years that Mrs. Ferlito has been involved with the Red Cross Blood Drive. Double red donations take much more time than a regular donation and take out twice as much blood. "It was one of

the smoothest blood drives I have ever been a part of and I am pleased with the behavior of the students," one of the Red Cross workers noted.

Hopefully as the years go on, the blood drive will receive more and more people willing to donate. Each donation can save up to three lives.

### This week in Raider Sports

**Today:** Tennis vs. Marcellus (4 pm); Track @ C-NS Co-ed relays (4 pm).  
**Sat. April 11:** JV boys lax @ Indian River (11 am); Girls lax vs. Whitesboro (JV-11 am/V-1 pm)  
*(all games at 4:30 pm unless noted. Due to weather conditions, this schedule is subject to change)*



### Fast starting Raider girls improve to 3-1

It didn't take long for the Fulton girls lacrosse team to bury the memory of the season's first loss as the girls rebounded with an 11-8 win over visiting Mexico on Wednesday. One day after falling to ES-M the Raiders used a quick start that produced eight first half goals to improve to 3-1 overall and 1-1 in league play.

Jordan Coulon and McKenna Chesbro scored four times apiece for the winners with Coulon adding two assists for a six point night and Chesbro counted one helper to go with three goals from Althea Henderson and two assists off the stick of Keara Patterson.

Goaltender Kaylin Pafumi stood tall between the pipes with 17 saves and was a key fixture in the second half against a Mexico comeback fueled by Victoria Towndrow's four goal, one assist performance. Fulton will be back in action on Saturday when the Raiders host Whitesboro in a 1 pm start.

## Opinion

# Feeling unlucky? Give these facts some thought

On days when your luck doesn't seem so great, it's hard to remember that the world is actually an amazing place. Here are 13 facts that will (hopefully) make you happy. :)

1. Otters hold hands so they don't drift apart from each other.
2. Spiders cannot fly. That's worthy of happiness.
3. Blind people smile, even though they aren't capable of seeing other people smile.
4. There is a 1 in 40 million chance of a sperm meeting an egg, AND HERE YOU ARE.
5. The voices of Mickey and Minnie Mouse got married in real life.
6. There is an official competition in Sweden for rabbits show jumping. It is called Kaninhoppning.
7. Astronaut Gene Cernan wrote his daughter's initials on the moon. They will be there for thousands of years.

8. A group of pugs is called a "Grumble."
9. A group of ferrets is called a "business of ferrets."
10. Penguins mate for life.
11. Rats actually laugh.
12. There is still food out there that you have yet to try!
13. Somewhere in the world someone is having the best day of their life.

*By Hope Williams*

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

## Prom Dress Sale

April 20-21

Donate gently used dresses, shoes and accessories.

See Mrs. Simonds or Mrs. Meeks  
for more information.

**Time is running out!  
Get your yearbook from Mr.  
Senecal before and after  
school in room 102 and during  
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\$60 make checks payable to  
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## What's happening at G. Ray Bodley High School?

Attention all **junior class** students! Nominations will be taken on Thursday during Guided Study Hall for prom court and for the prom song. Don't forget that the prom is on Saturday, May 2 from 7-11 and prom tickets are \$50 each.

**Attention Sophomores & Juniors:** Rotary Youth Leadership applications are available in the guidance office.

**Seniors:** There are lots of Scholarships available in the guidance office during the month of April and beginning of May. Please make sure to watch for the deadline dates. Most scholarships that are posted at this time will have a Fulton student winner.

**Quirk's Players** will hold an important meeting on Wednesday, April 15 at 2:30 pm in room 104 to discuss important activities and events. All members are encouraged to attend.

### What's for lunch?

**Today:** Fish sticks with a biscuit, side salad, butternut squash and applesauce.

**Monday:** Hamburger or cheeseburger on a bun, sweet potato fries, corn and mixed fruit.

### Quote of the day:

"Destiny is no matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved."

*-William Jennings Bryan*

**Book now for  
the prom and  
dinner dance!**

## Reflections

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## Who do you think will be in the World Series?



"Dodgers vs. Yankees."

Nick Kinney



"Nationals vs. Red Sox."

Connor Broderick



"Nationals vs. Red Sox."

Mitchell Labeef



"Cubs vs. the Yanks".

Mr. Wilmot

# Meteorology and you

Today:



Cloudy with showers.

**58°**

Average: 55°  
Record: 82° (1945)

Tonight:



Cloudy with showers.

**38°**

Average: 35°  
Record: 18° (1995)

Tomorrow:

Cloudy with showers.

**45°/35°**

Average: 55°/35°  
Rec. high/low: 85°  
(2011) 19° (1909)

Sunday:

Sunny skies.

**62°/42°**

Average: 56°/36°  
Record high/low: 83°  
(1945)/19° (1976)

By Carson Metcalf



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