



Prom advice: “just go with it and have fun”

By Lexi Abelgore

The Junior Prom will be here in just a few short hours. We have all seen the movies, but what should juniors expect when they arrive at Bayshore on Saturday night? The 2014 Prom King Shelby Drake and Queen Erica Pawlewicz have a few words of advice for juniors who are looking forward to “the best night of their lives.”

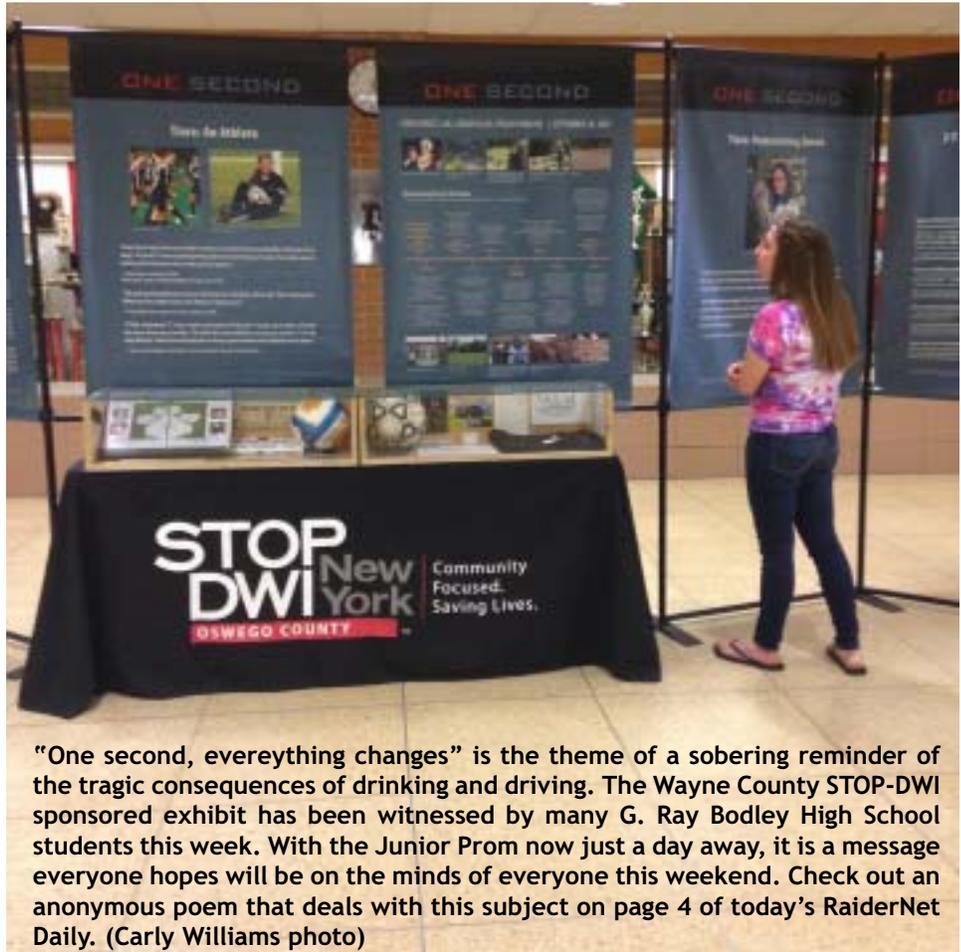
Both Shelby and Erica agreed that prom is all about having fun. It is a time to go crazy with your friends and even share a dance with your classmates that maybe you do not get a chance to talk to as much. Erica commented, “Prom is one of the few times

**2015 Junior Prom
Saturday, 8 pm
Bayshort Grove
Oswego**

that your entire class is together, so make the best of it and just have fun.” As far as what to expect goes, Shelby tells juniors not to expect anything, saying, “Just go with it and have fun.”

The best part about prom for Erica was getting dressed up. She says, “Make sure to take lots of pictures with everyone because you’ll want to remember your high school prom.” She added, “Be optimistic and have fun!”

Shelby shared a great piece of advice when he said, “Don’t worry about who is on prom court or who has the better dress and who is dancing with whom.” Instead he recommends doing your best to make it a drama free night so that everything will flow so much smoother. As Erica said, prom king and queen are just a title. Instead just have fun with your friends and it will certainly be a night to remember. “Before you know it, prom will be a distant memory and you will be about to graduate, so just enjoy the night.”

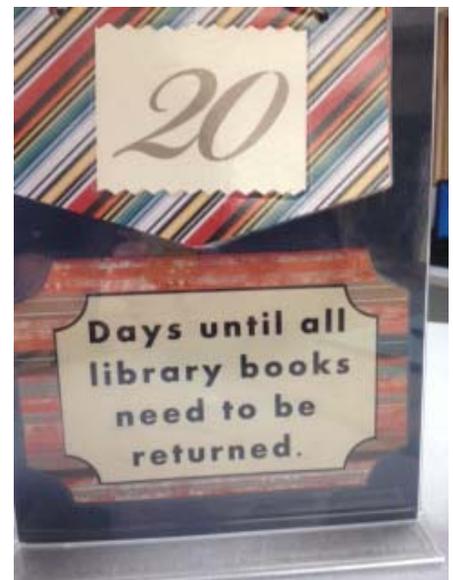
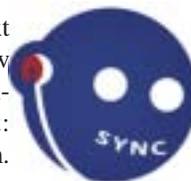


“One second, everything changes” is the theme of a sobering reminder of the tragic consequences of drinking and driving. The Wayne County STOP-DWI sponsored exhibit has been witnessed by many G. Ray Bodley High School students this week. With the Junior Prom now just a day away, it is a message everyone hopes will be on the minds of everyone this weekend. Check out an anonymous poem that deals with this subject on page 4 of today’s RaiderNet Daily. (Carly Williams photo)

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Opinion

Seniors: savor the final weeks of high school

By Cayla Weaver

As the last day of school draws nearer and the 2014-2015 school year is coming to a close, there is a buzz in the air at G. Ray Bodley High School. For the seniors, there is both excitement and a twinge of sadness as they prepare to say goodbye to high school.

For some of the seniors, saying goodbye will not be as difficult as it will be for others. Everyone in the class of 2015 has their own futures ahead, and in these coming weeks this could be the last opportunity for all of them to be together as a class.

After these next few weeks, everything will change. The place that we are so familiar with, we will not return to this coming fall. This is a place which we have all become used to coming back to year after year, however that will never happen again. The next time we walk these hallways, we will not be students but visitors. Whether we like it or not, everything is about to change. This brings both fear and uncertainty because there is nothing as scary as the future.



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As the last few weeks of school approach us, enjoy it while you can. After we leave this place we will not be considered children anymore. You can think of these next few weeks as your last few weeks of your childhood and having no responsibilities. When we graduate, all of this will change. Instead of arguing and letting the drama continue, this is a time where we should all come together as a class.

These are some of our last moments together as a class and also our last few weeks in high school. Whether we like to admit to it or not, this school has helped shaped us into who we are. You discovered who you were in these halls and in this place. You built friendships with people that will hopefully last a lifetime. Rather than making the last few weeks of your time here miserable and sulking

around, try and enjoy them as much as you can. You will truthfully regret it if you do not. Taking advantage of the moment while you can is a very important thing to do. High school only happens once in your lifetime. After it is over, it is over, and there is no going back. You can say you hate school, and while that may indeed be the case for some people, remember that you are not here for much longer. It is best to let the drama go and try and enjoy what is left in your high school career. Before you know it, the year will be over and if you do not take advantage of it while you can, you will seriously regret it.

We have spent four years here. That is a very long time to spend in a place, and though you may not admit it, saying goodbye to this place will be harder than you think it will be. Instead, it will be a challenge. That is why it is best to take advantage of the moment and take advantage of your high school career while you can.

Seniors, you are almost there, just a few more weeks to go. You have already survived four years, you can survive the next few weeks as well. Take advantage of the moment and do not waste your remaining time with useless things such as drama. Try and enjoy it as much as possible because things will never be like this again.

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

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

Senior dinner dance tickets are currently on sale for \$55 from Mr. Lacey. The dinner dance will be held on Friday, June 5 at 7 pm at Alex's on the Water in Oswego.

Class of 2015 members planning to attend the **senior trip** need to give their roommate selections to Class Advisor Mr. Lacey as soon as possible. Final payment is due no later than May 15.

Science Club will be hosting the annual **Spring Clean-up** on Saturday, May 9. Bring a rake, shovel or wheel barrow and some friends and help out from 9 am until noon. See your Science teacher for more details.

What's for lunch?

Today: Turkey taco with filling, baked beans and peaches.
Friday:

Prom special!

Formal styling starting at \$45

with Kami-Jo, Alex & Chelsea

Airbrush make-up with service \$15

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Raider Sports

Raiders record diamond sweep over Tigers

Scoring their runs in bunches the Raider varsity baseball team posted an 8-0 shutout on Wednesday to put the skids on a recent losing streak in a big way. Fulton struck for three runs in the top of the third inning and then added a pair in the fifth before closing out the scoring with three more runs in the sixth frame.

Winning pitcher Will Caster tossed a complete game shutout with four strikeouts as he scattered six hits for the 3-6 Red Raiders. Offensively Jon Cummins slugged a pair of doubles to drive in two runs and Cameron Clark added two hits and two RBI while

scoring three times. Mike Bolster remained steady at the plate with two hits and an RBI while Tanner Stevens had a pair of hits to lead the way for Mexico.

Softball

The girls softball team made the most of a four hit attack to end a winless slide with a 4-1 victory over Mexico on Wednesday. Scoring three times in the first inning the Raiders rode the hot bat of sophomore Brynn Waloven as she counted two of the team's three hits and drove in a pair of runs. Courtney Parker delivered a hit and crossed the plate twice while Erica Haun had the

other Fulton hit off hard luck losing hurler Kourtney Clark, who struck out eight batters but fell victim to Tiger errors that accounted for three unearned runs. Cheyenne Laun went the distance on the hill for Fulton, striking out seven along the way. Denise Czirr slapped a pair of hits to lead the Mexico offense.

Smart watches are making their mark

With Apple's SmartWatch gaining popularity, many are starting to wonder whether it is a useful product. Apple is not the only company releasing smart watches, as there are many Android types too.

So what are the benefits of combining your phone and watch together, many have asked? For starters you can connect your phone and your watch together, meaning that any missed calls you get on your phone or alert will also vibrate on your watch.

Smart watches can also help your body too. For example you can record how many steps you take and how long you have exercised for. You can also receive basic Facebook updates and even browse the dating website Tinder, along with receiving timed weather updates.

The idea is amazing but the technology used is very primitive and hopefully will catch on. All smart watches are priced between the \$100 to \$1,000 range, and most are around \$250 to \$400. Some believe it could be too early to pay for a watch in that price range, and they will probably wait for the watches to become more affordable. Although watches are not a new concept, it is nice to see technology update a timeless classic. *By Jackson Truong*

Deadline is today for CiTi forms

Sophomores and juniors who are planning on attending a CiTi program next year are reminded that parental permission forms must be turned in by the end of this week to avoid being placed on the wait list. Interested students should see their guidance counselor with any questions.

This week in Raider Sports

Today: Baseball @ Cortland; Softball vs. F-M; Tennis vs. Phoenix (4 pm); Boys lax vs. Whitsboro (JV-5/V-6:30); Girls track @ Oswego County Invitational (4:30-C. Square); Boys track @ Oswego County Invitational (4:30-Oswego Middle School)
Mon. May 4: Softball vs. Oswego; Baseball vs. Oswego; Boys V lax @ Onondaga (6 pm)

(all games at 4:30 pm unless noted. Due to weather conditions, this schedule is subject to change)



This Day in History

On May 1, 1931 the Empire State Building was first opened.



TONIGHT!

**Josh Batstone live at the
Fulton War Memorial
8 pm**

\$10 in advance \$12 at the door

**Tickets are available from Mr. Lyons, Mr. Leece or members of the Girls Basketball Team as well as Mimi's Diner, B & T Sports, Off Broadway Dance Center and Cam's Pizza in Clay
Call 591-6002 for will call information**

Split decision in Thursday sports action

The boys tennis team put a four match losing streak behind them while the varsity softball team played a game they would just as soon forget on Thursday as the Raiders topped Chittenango 5-2 on the court but fell 18-1 on the diamond.

Improving their mark to 3-5 on the season the tennis team yielded just 14 points in their five winning matches highlighted by a 6-0, 6-0 victory for Zach Perry at second singles and a 6-0, 6-2 third doubles triumph from Jesse Smithers and Robert Salerno. First doubles tandem Anthony Salerno and Eric Shear were equally as impressive with a 6-3, 6-0 win while C.J. Hyland prevailed 6-2, 6-1 at second singles and Ryan Lalik claimed a 6-2, 6-4 decision at third singles.

Fulton's hopes for a second straight softball win fell by the way-

side in the wake of a 16 hit ES-M attack as the Spartans improved to 6-1 in league play and 6-3 overall. The Raiders battled to within a run in the top of the third, but the home side poured it on after that with 16 unanswered runs including a marathon eight run sixth inning. Winning pitcher Michele Burgon socked a double, triple and single to aid her own cause with three RBI while Julia Jackson went four for five with a double and four runs driven in. Amanda Goodhines crossed the plate four times and contributed two hits to the big Spartan total that was aided by six Fulton miscues.

Katelyn Ely collected two base hits to go with singles from Erica Hahn, Courtney Parker and Sabrina Verdoliva as the Raiders dropped to 3-6 overall and 0-5 in league competition.

BLAST from the **PAST!**

"Prom drama" plagued Class of 2005

From the pages of The Raider, May 2005

If you think prom-related drama is something new, then think again. The class of 2006 was getting prepared for the prom of 2005, but the junior class ran into issues before their prom.

As an article in The Raider noted, "For prom there comes a prom king and a prom queen. However students throughout the school are sometimes immature, or simply jealous of the people who got voted for." In result of these acts of disrespect the junior class of 2005 was threatened about being punished by not having a prom king or queen. And this punishment taught the culprits to respect the winners of prom queen and prom king whether they liked them or not.

Not only were their respect issues there was issues with juniors bringing their fathers' to prom. By bringing "their fathers" they

meant girlfriends or boyfriends who were 20 years old and older. Many students of the junior class stated that they weren't comfortable dancing next to an "old timer" and also said "they got to go to their prom so they don't need to go to ours"

Spring Clean-up.

Every single year students and staff of G. Ray Bodley High School participate in the annual spring clean-up. The science department held their annual spring clean-up on May 21, 2005. The spring clean-up consists of a lot of yard work, flower planting and clean up the damage that Fulton's harsh winters create. Students who did participate in the 2005 spring clean-up were provided a free lunch to enjoy while they put their time and sweat into cleaning our school up and making it look great again.

Compiled by Casey McCann

Something to consider on Jr. Prom weekend

I went to a party and remember what you said.
 You told me not to drink, Mom, so I had a Sprite instead.
 I felt proud of myself, the way you said I would,
 That I didn't drink and drive,
 though some friends said I should.
 I made a healthy choice and your advice to me was right.
 The party finally ended and the kids drove out of sight.
 I got into my car, sure to get home in one piece.
 I never knew what was coming, Mom.
 Something I expected least.
 Now I'm lying on the pavement
 and I can hear the policeman say,
 That the kid that caused this wreck was drunk, Mom.
 His voice seems far away.
 My own blood's all around me as I try hard not to cry.
 I can hear the paramedic say, "This girl is going to die."
 I'm sure the guy had no idea, while he was flying high
 Because he chose to drink and drive,
 now I would have to die.
 So why do people do it, Mom, knowing that it ruins lives?

Now the pain is cutting me like a hundred stabbing knives.
 Tell sister not to be afraid, Mom. Tell daddy to be brave.
 And when I go to heaven,
 put "Mommy's Girl" on my grave.
 Someone should have taught him
 that it's wrong to drink and drive.
 Maybe if his parents had, I'd still be alive.
 My breath is getting shorter,
 Mom. I'm getting really scared.
 These are my final moments and I'm so unprepared.
 I wish that you could hold me, Mom as I lie here and die.
 I wish that I could say "I love you Mom."
 So I love you and goodbye.
 -Poem by Anonymous

Be safe this weekend and remember that the choices you make not only affect you, but everyone around you. Do not make the choice to drink and drive and don't get in the car with someone who has been drinking. Take care of yourself this weekend. Be smart, be safe and we will see you back in school on Monday.

What advice would you give to students who are attending the prom?



"Make good decisions."

Kyle Buck



"Think twice and be careful."

Michael Lewchanin



"Don't drink and drive."

Levi Labeef



"It's not all it is cracked up to be. Don't spend \$1000 on a dress you'll wear once."

Katie Salmonsens

Meteorology and you

Today:



Cloudy. Chance shower.

62°

Average: 64°
Record: 87° (1936)

Tonight:



Partly cloudy.

45°

Average: 42°
Record: 27° (1978)

Tomorrow:

Sun and clouds.

65°/45°

Average: 65°/42°
Rec. high/low: 86°
(2001) 26° (1903)

Sunday:

Sunny skies.

70°/52°

Average: 65°/43°
Record high/low: 86°
(2001)/27° (1911)

By Carson Metcalf



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