



Holocaust survivor tells her story to students

By Cayla Weaver

It isn't easy to keep the attention of an auditorium full of high school students, but on Monday, May 18 the entire auditorium was moved by Marion Blumenthal Lazan, a holocaust survivor, as she shared her empowering story. She first began her presentation by saying that if Anne Frank had been alive, this may have been a story that she would have told. She also said that our generation would be the last to hear her story firsthand.

As World War II broke out Marion and her family lived in Germany. They decided to leave Germany to go to America. They went to the Netherlands and waited for their time to ship out. This time, however, would never come as Germany invaded the Netherlands.

Eventually Marion and her family were forced into concentration camps where they spent six horrifying years. She said as she was on the train, she felt a twinge of excitement as at the time she was just a kid looking for to a change of scenery. She recalled

that these train cars were awful as everyone was crammed in together. Each person was allowed whatever they could cram into one knapsack.

When they arrived at Bergen-Belsen, they were greeted by guards threatening them with their rifles and angry German Shepards. She mentioned that even now she is terrified whenever she sees a German Shepard. It was from there that her family was separated. Marion and her mother were put into the women's barracks and her father and brother into the men's.

Each person was assigned one cot which had to be shared with another person. Fortunately for Marion, her mother and she shared a bed. This was their only living area. Each cot was filled with hay and contained one thin blanket. There were over 600 people in each barrack.

At first, they were all given a piece of bread and soup which contained grizzle, vegetable scraps and hot water. The bread was short-

ened down to once a week. Often, the bread was saved and given as birthday gifts to one another.

She mentioned that the stench of the camp was horrendous. They were unable to shower or even use toilet paper. The bathrooms were just benches lined up. There was also the smell of bodies being burned. The only way to warm their toes and fingers was with their own urine.

She also told a story about how wagons came by at first with what she thought was firewood to light the small oven in the barrack, but soon learned that they were dead bodies stacked up on top of one another.

She believes that the reason she was kept alive was because of her mother's inner strength and positive attitude. She also mentioned a game she would play. The object of her game was to find four pebbles all of the same size. This would represent all of her family members surviving. She would then

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Applications available for class officer elections

Students interested in becoming a class officer can pick up a nomination form in the main office. All nominations are due by Friday, May 29. Students are urged to take this opportunity too become involved in class decisions and make a difference.

Anyone with questions should talk to Mr. McCarten, Mr. Gottbrecht, or Mr. Fasulo, the respective junior, sophomore and freshman class advisors during guided study hall.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, RaiderNet Daily will not return until Thursday, May 28

Memorial Day dates back to late 1800s

Most people think of Memorial Day as a day for having a cookout, going to the parade or just to have a day off from work or school. There is a lot more to Memorial Day than just this. The real reason why this holiday is celebrated year after year is often forgotten. The true reason behind Memorial Day is that it is used as a commemoration day to remember and honor those who have lost their lives while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

Memorial Day became an official federal holiday in 1971. However, it began to be celebrated unofficially a few years after the Civil War. The name of the holiday was originally entitled as Decoration Day, and it was originally created as a holiday to decorate the grave-stones of soldiers who had passed away with flowers. The original date that was chosen for Memorial Day was May 30th because flowers at that time would be booming all over the country. Now, Memorial Day is celebrated the last Monday of every May.

The place considered to be the birthplace of Memorial Day is Waterloo, New York. This is because on May 5, 1866 the city held a ceremony for local veterans of the Civil War. On this day, the flags were flown at half-staff and businesses throughout the city were shut down.

The United States wanted to ensure that those who had served for the United States Armed Forces and lost their lives were remembered. As a result of this in December 2000 a law called "The National Moment of Remembrance Act" was passed. This means that all Americans pause on Memorial Day at 3 pm for a moment to remember America's fallen heroes.

This Memorial Day, think of the true meaning of the holiday, which is to commemorate those who lost their lives in the process of protecting their country. Take a moment at 3 pm and pause and remember them.

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BLAST from the PAST!**A trip to Montreal and a prestigious award***From The Raider, May 1990*

During May of 1990 the French Club took an adventure to the beautiful city of Montreal, a city of many amazing sights and sounds that will never be forgotten. Both students and supervisors alike enjoyed themselves as they were able to relax and enjoy themselves as well as experience Montreal tours.

On day two of the trip students took a bus tour of Mt. Royal and McGill University. Even shoppers of the group got their chance to shine as they also went shopping "Canadian Style." After the mall visit the group took a tour of Montreal's Olympic Site, home of the 1972 Summer Olympics. On day two of their trip the group made a visit to the Recreatheque, a humungous indoor recreation center, where there is mini golf, roller skating, and dancing. On the final day of the trip the group visited St. Joseph's Oratory and The Muusee Chateau de Ramzy. As the trip came to an end, it was time for the long trek back to the city of Fulton, and back to G.R.B.

A G. Ray Bodley teacher earned a prestigious award in May of 1991. Mrs. Donna Matteson was chosen for the 1991 Teacher of the Year for New York State. As well as one of the 10 regional finalists for the program. The program, sponsored by IBM as well as Technology and Learning Magazine is to identify and reward teachers who use computer technology to increase learning in the most creative ways.

To enter, one must develop a computer project, with a one to three page description comprising the basis of entry. As a result of winning the state level, Mrs. Matteson was rewarded with a personal IBM computer system complete with an IBM printer, and all the latest software. This prestigious award for Mrs. Matteson would be recognized in the June 91 issue of the Technology and Learning Magazine.

Compiled by Casey McCann

Memorial Day Fact of the Day

In the year 1968, Memorial Day was moved from May 30 to be sure that there was a three day weekend each year.

This week in Raider Sports

Fri. May 22: V baseball vs. Homer (4 pm)
Sat. May 23: Boys track @ C-NS Invitational (10 am)
(all games at 4:30 pm unless noted. Due to weather conditions, this schedule is subject to change)

Spring is here!

A new season, a new look

Book now for the senior dinner dance!

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

There will be a mandatory meeting for **junior class officers today** after school during guided study hall.

The next **HOPE Club meeting** will be on Monday, June 1 for the final gathering.

Summer Driver Education packets are now available in the guidance office. Students must be 16 on or before July 1 and current seniors are NOT eligible to sign up.

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.

The Fulton Rotary Club is seeking **host families for exchange students** for the 2015-16 school year. Anyone interested in this great opportunity to host a student from a different country should contact Judy Young at 593-1888.

Seniors, it is time to order **Class of 2015 t-shirts!** One shirt without any custom design is \$11. Order forms and money are due no later than today to Mr. Lacey. Late orders will not be accepted.

The Class of 2017 will be hosting a **Dodgeball Tournament** on Thursday, June 4 starting at 3 pm. Sign-ups start May 27 during lunch bells. The cost is \$5 per person and \$3 per senior with a maximum of eight players per team. Money and team sheets are due by May 29.

What's for lunch?

Today: Soft turkey taco with side salad, baked beans and peaches

Wed. June 20: Cheese pizza with green beans and mixed fruit

Thurs. June 21: BBQ pulled turkey on a bun with spinach and peaches

Battle of the Athletes: Wed. June 3

3-5 pm @ the complex

register with Mr. Rothrock or your phys. ed. teacher

Reflections

-THE- Salon & More

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 (across from McDonalds)

Call for an appointment today!

Phone: 592-4415

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It's ice cream season and Fulton has some winners

With the warm weather finally here, the season of ice cream is upon us. There is nothing better than a Popsicle by the pool or scoops of vanilla ice cream at home on a hot day, but what if you are looking for a little more variety? Fulton is a small town, but it holds a lot of great ice cream joints.

The first noteworthy ice cream place is The Big Dipper, located just past Volney Elementary School on Route 3. They are known for their low prices, friendly service and huge portion sizes. In addition to the familiar soft ice creams, they also feature a variety of gelato flavors and flavor swirl ice creams, in addition to favorites like milkshakes and sundaes. It is a small place, but the employees are so pleasant and the ice cream is sure to be among the best you have had.

Another ice cream joint that is worth mentioning is Scoops at Lakeview Lanes. They are one of the newer businesses in town but they are doing well so far. They feature 24 soft ice cream flavors, not including vanilla, chocolate or twist. They also feature "glaciers," which is described by an employee as a slushy and ice cream mixed together. Their location is great, as they are right in front of the bowling alley and have an 18-hole mini golf course on the prop-



erty. You may recognize a few of the staff members, including seniors Kennedie Coyne, Kaitlyn Kinney, Kendra Tryniski and freshman Sam Heywood. It's a great place to spend an afternoon with friends and family.

One little known ice cream place with great flavor and a good price is Dingles Lakeside Ice Cream. It is located next to Shannon's Hot Dog Truck near Mr. Mike's restaurant. While it is a small truck, they offer a sizeable variety. Their menu includes a selection of sundaes, flurries and milkshakes, among other things. They like to lean towards giving too much rather than giving too little, so you can be sure you will always get your fill at Dingles.

Finally, a Fulton favorite, Sweet Inspirations is a great place to get a sweet treat. It is home to several flavors of hard and soft ice cream, as well as all the other delicious favorites. It is been in Fulton for years and the vintage style of the restaurant is welcoming to families.

Keep these great ice cream joints in mind when you are deciding where to get your ice cream goodies in the hot weather.

By Lexi Abegore

Holocaust survivor hopes her story prevents a repeat

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put them somewhere. She also mentioned that if she could only find three, she could always go back to the place where she first put her pebbles last and find a fourth.

The family did survive as they were liberated by the Russian Army. Six weeks after being liberated however, Marion's father passed away. From there they were sent to a special place where they were taught how to live and function in society again.

Eventually, Marion and her family were able to make their way to America. She mentioned that she will never forget passing by the symbol of America that meant freedom and liberty; the Statue of Liberty. She says to this day passing by it makes her remember the

ship that brought her here. Marion was placed in a fourth grade class due to her inability to speak English. She did, however, graduate by the age of eighteen finishing sixth in her class.

She met her husband Nathaniel in high school at the age of sixteen. The two of them currently reside in Long Island, New York.

The main message of Marion's presentation is to be kind to others regardless of religious belief, color or nationality. She wants to do her part to help prevent something as horrid as the holocaust from ever occurring again.

Every single person in that auditorium was moved by this incredible woman. Many students afterward got the opportunity to chat with and take pictures with Marion who is truly an inspiration.

The Yearbooks Are Coming!

Check the status of your order
on the list outside the cafeteria

See Mr. Senecal in room 118 during GSH for questions

Yearbooks will be available for purchase on Friday, June 5

\$60-make checks payable to Fultonian Yearbook

What are you doing over the Memorial Day weekend?



"Camping and spending time with family."

Samuel Jones



"Fishing and spending time with family."

Ben Perl



"Playing soccer."

Luke Stoutenger



"Going to the fireworks and hanging out with friends."

Amber DeStevens

Meteorology and you

Today:

Tonight:

Tomorrow:

By Carson Metcalf



Sunny skies.

62°

Average: 70°
Record: 96° (1977)



Partly cloudy.

44°

Average: 48°
Record: 33° (1906)



Partly cloudy.

58°

Average: 71°
Record: 92° (1911)



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.