

## Long GRB journey leads to yearbook dedication

A long journey in education that began at Cincinnatus Elementary School and carried on through Oswego elementary and middle school, Oswego and Pulaski high schools, the United States Air Force, SUNY Oswego, Ithaca High School and finally G. Ray Bodley High School is about to come to an end, at least for now, for Vice-principal Mr. Greene.

As the Grateful Dead once noted, “what a long strange trip it’s been.”

After a lifetime of being educated and 30 years as an educator himself, the GRB mainstay will be calling it quits when the calendar hits July of 2015. But just because he’s leaving the main office after 11 years as a vice-principal following 19 years as a technology teacher, the process of education and educating will never end for Mr. Greene.

In fact he’s already looking to continue his role as an educator, noting that, “My future plans will in some way involve education. I would like to move to a southern state like Maryland or Virginia or North Carolina and hook up with some green technologies and educate people on the value of green technology.”

Green technology seems fitting, and it goes beyond the obvious pun involving his name, as the journey began on his grandfather’s farm for the sixth child in a family of nine and the only one in the family to earn a four year degree, let alone a masters and CAS



**Vice-Principal Will Greene, left, is joined by Ful-tonian Yearbook Advisor Mr. Senecal on Thursday after Greene received the news that the 2015 Ful-tonian had been dedicated to his many years of service as a teacher, facilitator, coach and administrator.**

degree. Becoming an educator was not in his original plan, however, even though, “In tenth grade I remember we were bussed to SUNY Oswego and we did career exploration for half a day. My results were that I should be a teacher. My thinking back then, I wasn’t good enough to be a teacher.”

After transferring from Oswego High School to Pulaski during his senior year, Mr. Greene opted to enlist in the Air Force, where he, “had top-secret clearance (with the National Security Agency) and analyzed intercepted Russian radio traffic” as a radio communications specialist.

Taking advantage of the G.I. Bill, he returned to Central New York and enrolled at SUNY Oswego. Like so many other students at the time, he, “started out in the computer science field” a major that promised big money in the future. But upon finding out that computer science was not for him, a chance return to the SUNY Oswego Career Center produced the same result that his sophomore year had indicated: teacher.

The rest, as they say, is history.

“Probably the best decision I have ever made because I have been afforded oppor-

tunities to grow and learn,” Mr. Greene noted. “I just don’t think you can get that through any profession.”

As luck would have it, he entered the teaching profession at just the right time as the old Industrial Arts approach was being replaced by and renamed Technology. After two years at Ithaca High School he arrived at GRB in the fall of 1987, quickly becoming involved in coaching and later refereeing. Most present day Bodleyans do not realize his passion for basketball as he coached both the JV and then varsity girls for Fulton and was also a modified and then varsity girls basketball coach at Central Square. For two additional years he made the long trip to Utica College to serve as an assistant coach for their women’s basketball program, and along the way he has worked many camps and clinics and coached both modified and varsity girls lacrosse at Central Square before becoming an administrator in 2004.

“I believe that I still own the best JV girls basketball record that Fulton has ever had (15-4). We set numerous school records that year,” he commented, also noting a fondness

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### June GRB events

**Today, June 5-Yearbook distribution, Class of 2016 portraits in the auditorium (all day); Senior Dinner Dance**

**Mon. June 8-Bodley Bash**

**Wed. June 10-Chorus concert**

**Thurs. June 11-Orchestra concert**

**Fri. June 12-Senior trip (last day of classes)**

**Mon. June 15-Local finals**

**June 16-24-Regents exams**

**Sat. June 27-Graduation-10 am**

# Summer means new movies, and here are three



Summer recess is just a mere six schools days away and then you will not have the weekly reminder of what is showing at the local movie theaters so take advantage of this opportunity to check things out!

Released two days ago on June 3 was the movie *Entourage*, which is about a group of friends currently living in Hollywood.

Their careers seem to have hit a slump until a long lost buddy gives them call and offers them the chance to be the main characters in his newest film. All seems to be looking up for the group until a film that has a one million dollar budget goes over the intended price, leaving the four friends at the mercy of chaotic Hollywood and in a large hole of debt.

Throughout the film you will travel alongside with them and see how it is trying to survive in a large city on little to no funds. The film is a comedy and Rated R due to some language and inappropriate behavior.

Being released is *Insidious: Chapter 3*. This is indeed a horror film and you go through the experience of when teenager Quinn Brenner gets the feeling that her late mother is trying to contact her, when she does she seeks help from a psychic by the name of Elise Rainier. However, Elise's tragic past makes her reluctant to use her abilities. After Quinn is attacked by a spiteful entity, her father pleads with Elise for help. With support from two parapsychologists, Elise ventures deep into the unknown world where she finds a powerful demon with an insatiable craving for human souls. Despite this being a horror film it is only Rated PG-13.

Another movie being released for the first time tonight is *Spy*. Despite having solid field training, CIA analyst Susan Cooper played by well-known actress Melissa McCarthy has spent her entire career working from the position of a desk rather than in the field little does she know this is all about to change, working hand-in-hand with dashing agent Bradley Fine played by actor Jude Law. Susan now has to go undercover as a sort of guardian angel who helps Bradley avoid danger.

However, when Bradley is assassinated by weapon dealer Rayna

Boyanov played by actress Rose Byrne, Susan wrangles her way into her first high risk undercover assignment to help capture Boyanov in attempt to avenge Bradley. This film is also Rated-R due mainly to inappropriate language.

As noted in the summaries of each movie showing, two of the films are Rated-R and those who intend to bring younger viewers should take caution.

## Dinner dance attendance policy noted for seniors

Seniors who plan on attending Friday's Senior Dinner Dance are reminded that they are required to be in school on Friday until at least 11:30 am, which is the end of bell 5. Any student who leaves school prior to the end of fifth bell will not be permitted to attend the dinner dance and will not receive a refund.

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

**Class of 2016 take note!** Schedules are currently available for yearbook portraits, which conclude today the auditorium. See your guided study hall teacher for your schedule.

**Senior trip paperwork** must be given to Mr. Lacey by Monday, June 8.

The Fulton Rotary Club is seeking **host families for exchange students** for the 2015-16 school year. To host a student from a different country contact Judy Young at 593-1888.

Students interested in **varsity golf** this fall should sign up with Mr. Ascenzi in the Guidance Office.

**Physicals for working papers** only will be available free of charge from June 8-11. Stop at the nurse's office this week to make an appointment.

### What's for lunch?

**Today:** Grilled cheese sandwich with tomato soup, steamed broccoli and fresh fruit sorbet.

**Monday:** Meatball sub with peas, baby carrots and mixed fruit.

## Spring is here!

A new season, a new look

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Class of 2015

## Reflections

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# Teacher, coach, administrator, Greene has done it all

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for the coaching side of education in saying, “Unless you’ve coached you don’t get the coach/athlete relationship because it’s a very special one. I’m still in contact with athletes I coached years ago.”

But once he had made the move into administration, something had to give, and in this case it was coaching. “I absolutely missed being a teacher and coaching,” he said of his move to the main office. “There’s that teacher part in me that just wants to educate people so that they focus on the solution instead of the problem.”

As for the transition from GRB faculty member and Technology Department chair to Bodley vice-principal, Mr. Greene commented that, “the transition is that there is a learning curve, and then there is a lot more time that needs to be invested if you’re going to be successful.”

“The good thing was I had established relationships in the building that made it easier to deal with students and staff,” he added, also complimenting longtime main office secretary Mrs. Ingersoll in saying, “Thank God I had a great secretary.”

Among his many accomplishments over the years, Mr. Greene said that, “I am most proud of working with a colleague of mine, Donna Matteson, to change the perception of industrial arts and technology. Together we started offering classes that gave college credit and we brought Project Lead the Way to GRB, and within two years had 144 stu-

dents taking Project Lead the Way classes.”

“Students could get credit from a very prestigious university, RIT, at a very reasonable cost,” he added. “When Project Lead the Way first started in the United States I was the very first teacher to have a student get college credit through RIT in the entire nation (digital electronics).”

As someone who has worked from both sides of the educational spectrum as a teacher and then an administrator, he has seen the role of the school change drastically over the past 30 years. “The biggest change I see (in education) is that they’re asking everyone to do more with less,” he stated. “And society has put the burden on the school to be not just educators, but parents, social workers, mediators and the moral barometer for society.”

The role of the teacher has also undergone a major metamorphosis, and for that reason the vice-principal said that, “My advice to someone who is new to education would be to think long and hard because unless you get a lot of satisfaction out of seeing students succeed, you’re going to have a rough road to tread on. You have to be able to show young adults that you care because they don’t care what you know until they know you care. If you can’t find a way to show that, some students are going to be very, very difficult.”

In his case there have been many satisfying moments along the way, but topping the list is that, “there is nothing that brings a smile to your face quicker than running into an old student that you know you had a profound impact on, and you know that they are grateful for your contributions to their success.”

When he leaves his office for the final time

at the end of June, Greene said that he will miss, “the energy and youthful enthusiasm of the students, and I will miss a kind, caring and compassionate staff that always stepped up to the plate and delivered when things got tough.”

“I’m not going to miss the royal treatment I got in the office,” he added with a laugh.

Along with continuing a life in education in some manner, the vice-principal looks forward to “doing whatever I want. My plans after I retire are that I will play golf, ride motorcycles again, fish, hunt, garden and get back to reading my favorite authors. I’ve always loved travelling, so I’ll try to travel and cross things off my bucket list. I also plan to enjoy more SU football and basketball.”

Spending more time with his two sons and daughter are also in his future plans. “All three of my children have college educations,” he stated proudly, and he is about to become a grandfather for the third time in the very near future.

And how does he hope to be remembered after all is done and dusted at GRB? “In four years nobody’s going to remember me besides staff,” he joked before saying that, “I would want to be remembered for what I gave to students and student-athletes, and that I was fair and respected.”

As parting words to the students at G. Ray Bodley High School, the lessons first learned on his grandfather’s farm and from his father so many years ago still ring true. “There isn’t anything in life worth having unless you work for it,” he concluded. “Half of the satisfaction of getting to the end of the journey is knowing what you did along the journey’s way.”

*By Mr. L. Senecal*

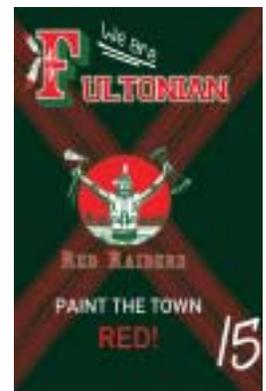
## Summer Fact of the Day:

“The Dog Days of Summer” are the period between July 3 and August 11.

## The Yearbooks Are Coming!

Yearbooks are be available  
for pick up & purchase today  
Friday, June 5 outside the GRB gym

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## What is your favorite place to swim and hang out in the summer?



"Home with my wife and kids."

Mr. Waldron



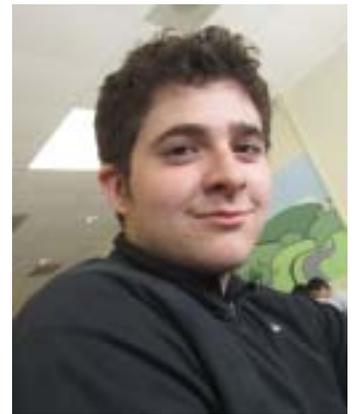
"My aunt's pool."

Mr. Wilmot



"My house and spend time with my family."

Mrs. Parkhurst



"My backyard."

Connor Broderick

# Meteorology and you

Today:



Cloudy

75°

Average: 75°  
Record: 94° (1934)

Tonight:

Partly cloudy

53°

Average: 53°  
Record: 36° (1964)

Tomorrow:

Scattered storms.

68°

Average: 75°  
Rec. high: 92° (2008)

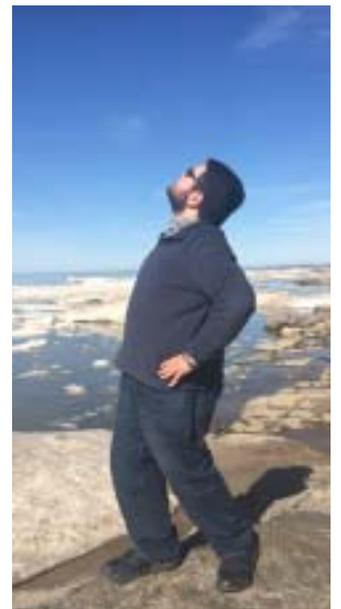
Sunday:

Partly sunny

76°

Average: 75°  
Record high: 94°  
(1999)

By Carson Metcalf



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