



## Green passes milestone in hard fought victory

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History will remember it as the game when Cody Green surpassed the storied 1000 point plateau, and rightfully so, as the senior placed his name in rare company early in the second quarter on a steal and long range jumper from well beyond the three point arc. But in the aftermath of a hard-fought 57-51 victory over Central Square it should also be remembered as a day when the entire Red Raider team stepped up in a big way.

The stage was set for a celebration as Green entered Saturday's OHSL match-up just six points shy of the millenium mark. Instead the Red Hawks used a powerful inside game to charge in front 11-0 in the opening three minutes, much to the dismay of a stunned Fulton crowd. But just when it looked like the visitors were going to duplicate their 68-52 win in early December, Green found his mark, and everything fell into place for Fulton's sixth win in 11 starts.

After coming up short on his first four tries while his teammates could fare no better, the senior finally connected for the first Raider score of the game on a three point try from the deep left corner. Seemingly opening up the floodgates, Fulton erupted to score 14 unanswered points, capped by Green's shot with 46.7 seconds remaining in the opening quarter that brought the crowd to its feet and stopped the game. Joining all-time Fulton scoring leader Matt Cooper as just the second Raider boy to hit the 1000 point mark, Green went into the stands to share the moment with his family before play resumed, and the battle was on.

"I was nervous, definitely, but you've just got to kind of put that behind you and I just had to play my game," Green said of his slow start that carried over to the entire Fulton team. "I figured it was going to happen eventually, so I just tried to play my game and get my teammates involved early,"

Likewise Fulton Coach Matt Kimpland knew his team was uptight, admitting, "They were (nervous), we tried to weather the storm in the locker room before we came out. They wanted it bad for Cody, and obviously we



**Senior Cody Green, left, is joined by Fulton Coach Matt Kimpland following Saturday's win over Central Square that saw Green become just the second boys basketball player and fourth Raider to ever surpass 1000 career varsity points. Green fired in 15 points and now stands at 1009 during his tenure with the Red Raider varsity. (Senecal photo)**

all wanted it but we knew we had to stick to the game plan and eventually he would get it. When, we weren't sure."

But in spite of any preparations the team might have made, the nerves were obvious in the early going. "We did come out and we played a little tight, trying to force it a little bit and then we weren't transitioning on D which got that lead up there," Kimpland said of C. Square's early gallop to an 11-0 lead. Sensing that his side's man to man defense was not working, the coach switched tactics as, "the adjustment was to play zone and see if they can shoot the ball well from the outside and they struggled to shoot so we stayed in it."

As Central Square started firing blanks Tyler Shaw battled past foul trouble in a turnover plagued second quarter that saw the Red Hawks to a 22-20 halftime lead, fighting his way inside on numerous occasions on his way to a 10 point performance. Likewise Josh Hudson was a force at both ends of the court with a game high 20 points and nine rebounds including eight points in the decisive fourth quarter, despite playing the final 5:05 with four fouls.

Green hit his first shot of the second half to put Fulton on top 23-22, and from there the Raiders built a 34-28 advantage that was trimmed to 37-34 following a blocked shot

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## Oklahoma! rehearsals promise an outstanding show

By Zachary Almeter

In a little less than two months, it will be showtime for Quirk's Players as they present *Oklahoma!* and right now, things are looking very promising.

Rehearsals began in December, just like they did for last year's production of *Thor-oughly Modern Millie*, and great progress has been made in the past month. Rehearsals have moved from the Granby cafeteria to the GRB auditorium to accommodate the full cast.

Anyone who has been in the auditorium lately will notice that the foundation for a four-wheeled horse-drawn vehicle is on stage. This may turn out to be a chuck wagon, Ali Hakim's cart, or maybe even



“that shiny little surrey with the fringe on top.” Also on stage are some set pieces that are not yet complete.

Blocking has officially begun, meaning that the actors are starting to learn where to make their exits and entrances and where they will be on stage.

With the exception of Will Parker, the named characters do not have to do that much dancing-but there is a catch. The named characters have hard-to-master Southern accents (except for Ali Hakim, who is Persian). Fortunately, the extremely talented members of Quirk's Players already seem to have really gotten their character's voices down, especially Erica Perwitz and Victoria Eckhard.

There is still plenty in this musical that Quirk's Players have to cover and a few things to iron out. But all indications are that this will be yet another spectacular performance this March.

*Quirk's Players will present Oklahoma! on March 10-11-12 and RaiderNet Daily will be with them every step of the way.*

## First day of college jitters replaced by confidence

By Kim Rombough

On Thursday, January 7 I officially became a college student! I had a college orientation at Bryant and Stratton because I received the opportunity to take a class for a trimester at their campus after school starting Wednesday, January.

At orientation I received my official schedule, which tells me what room it is in, who my professor is, and when the class is. My class is Marketing Principles with Dr. Copponi on Mondays from 5:45 pm-8:15 pm.

I did not meet my professor like I was hoping, but I met the dean of the college and had a tour of the campus. I also learned what Bryant and Stratton is all about and met all the counselors. After being given a lot of information we had a scavenger hunt around campus and then had lunch, where they handed out prizes from the raffle.

Despite being nervous at the onset, when I left I was more confident about college and I had a lot of helpful information such as study techniques, how to reduce stress, and so much more. Plus I



made several new friends, won a water bottle from the scavenger hunt, and won a t-shirt from the raffle. Overall it was a very enriching experience, and I can't wait for the class to start.

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

**HOPE Club** is cancelled for Monday, Jan.11. The next meeting will be on Jan. 25 from 2:30-3 pm.

The next meeting of the **Fultonian Yearbook** is Monday after school in room 102. New members are welcome.

**Student Senate** will meet on Tuesday during guided study hall on Mrs. Ferlito's room.

There will be a **junior class meeting** in the auditorium during guided study hall.

### What's for lunch?

**Today:** Meatball sub with green beans, carrots, fruit cup

**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets with biscuit, peas, sweet potato fries, fresh apple

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# Total team effort carries Raiders to victory

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and a layup to end the third quarter. Central Square opened the fourth quarter with a three point connection to knot the count at 37 and eventually a 42-42 standoff. But unlike their first meeting when the Hawks pulled away with a 27-14 fourth quarter barrage, the visitors could come no closer than a two point deficit the rest of the way. Hudson connected on four of his five shots from the free throw line and Jake McDermott added four of his six points in the final two minutes before leaving the game on a technical foul with 23.2 ticks remaining and a 55-50 Raider lead.

The Red Hawks were only able to make good on one of two free throw tries, and the game ended on a Connor Broderick to Cody Green lay-in as the senior both started and finished the scoring en route to a 15 point night with five rebounds and three steals.

After combining for 40 points in their earlier victory, Jake Kulakowski and Dante Rogers were limited to 15 and 13 points respectively for the 7-5 Red Hawks.

Also looming large in the decisive home stretch was a key defensive play from Frank Barbagallo as he stood firm and drew a charge with the two teams tied at 42. The Raiders followed that play with a brilliant passing sequence from Shaw to Hudson to Justin Hood and an end drive by Shaw to gain a 46-42 lead that the Red Hawks challenged, but could never overcome.

The coach had plenty of praise for his entire team, especially a group of reserves who stepped up to make a major difference on Saturday. "We preach to these guys that you never know when your opportunity is going to come," Kimpland stated. "And we had Frankie Barbagallo, Gage McHenry, Ethan Dexter, Connor Broderick, all those guys who haven't had a ton of minutes really came, in weathered the storm, kept the lead or it didn't get worse so they did a very good job with that and they were ready to go today." Barbagallo's defensive stand that drew a charge and prevented the Red Hawks from regaining the lead stood tall in the final outcome, the coach calling it, "Absolutely huge. We preach all the time about doing your job and that's exactly what he had to do right then and there for the team and it paid dividends for us."

As for Green's landmark accomplishment,

Kimpland praised the four year varsity performer, noting that, "He's probably put more time in the gym than any kid that I've ever coached, I've never had a kid put more time in the gym than Cody did, so he deserves this and I'm very proud of him."

Finally able to absorb all that had happened to him on Saturday, Green was thrilled that his efforts came in a winning cause. "It's really special, the first time we played them we lost by about 15, so this is a good team win," he said. "We got a lot of guys in the game and they got a lot of minutes, guys who don't usually minutes, so it was just a great team win as a whole."

As for surpassing 1000 career points and becoming only the second boy and fourth

Red Raider to ever make that mark, he called it, "the greatest feeling ever. Matt Cooper, that's some good company. "

"I've just got to thank my teammates, all of them over the years," he concluded. "Without them I couldn't have done it." Now standing at 1009 points and counting, Green and his teammates will have to wait until Saturday for their next game when Oswego comes to Fulton in a noon start. In joining Cooper as the second Raider boy to eclipse the 1000 point mark, Green became the fourth Red Raider, along with 1991 graduate Robin (VerSchneider) Meier and Ashlynn Palmitesso, a 2012 graduate, as Fulton's only members in an exclusive club of offensive standouts.

## Tough weekend for wrestlers at U-E

The long ride to the Binghamton area was followed by an even longer two days on the mats for the Fulton wrestlers as the Raiders had to settle for 12th place at the Union-Endicott Duals. The Section III representatives fell victim to a series of comebacks as they dropped two of three matches on Saturday and came up short again on Sunday with two more losses. Eventual finalist and tournament runner-up Hilton started the tough stretch with a 44-25 win before Rocky Point extended the misery with a 41-24 triumph. Fulton rebounded to roar past Mac Arthur 54-23 to close out Saturday competition on a winning note but fell on Sunday in a 35-19 loss to Brentwood and came away on the losing end of a 32-25 decision against Patchogue-Medford in the 11th place match-up.

The 16-team gathering of many of New York State's top teams saw Long Beach claim the overall title in dramatic fashion when 220 pounder Mark Rivera scored a takedown with just one second remaining in the final bout of the tournament to carry his side to a 34-31 win over Hilton.

In Saturday competition Tim Holden and Andrew Yablonski scored a pin and decision to start the tournament out well for the Raiders, but Rochester area Hilton proved to be too much in the long run. Hilton burst on top 28-13 before Fulton rallied to draw within 28-25 on pins from Wyatt Willis and Nick Noel only to see the Cadets claim the final four bouts. It was a similar story against Rocky Point as the Raiders led 8-0 early on decisions from Jake Bailey and Victor Runeare and built a 15-8 advantage. Seven of the next nine matches went against Fulton from there, however, as the Raiders fell despite pinning efforts from Holden and Aaron Yablonski.

The roles were reversed against Mac Arthur as Fulton charged from behind to erase a 20-6 deficit en route to their lone Saturday victory. Kaleb Carreon, Willis, Adam DeMauro and Andrew Yablonski (160) all registered pins to help pace the Red Raider rally.

Sunday's opening round also proved to be a frustrating experience as a 12-7 lead evaporated in the wake of 27 straight points by Brentwood. Jared Crucitti levied the lone Raider pin in the loss. Fulton's tough weekend came to an end in the 11th place match as P-M claimed a 32-25 triumph.

Fulton will be back in action this Wednesday when the Raiders host local rival Mexico with JV action beginning at 6 pm.

Phoenix, one of the only small schools competing at the tournament also had a long weekend as the Firebirds dropped all three Saturday matches while falling 52-24 against Monroe-Woodbury and 47-29 to Brentwood around a tough 33-29 loss to Massapequa. Phoenix rebounded with a 46-15 romp over MacArthur on Sunday but ended the tournament losing 48-31 to Farmingdale in the 13th place match.

# When, if ever, do you think we will have our first snow day?



"The first day that the superintendent decides the roads are unsafe to travel on."

Mr. Ward



"January 28th."

Deronda Scott



"Hoping for Tuesday or Wednesday."

Frau Ruggio



"January 18."

Ms. Stevenson

## Meteorology and you

Today:

Tonight:

Tomorrow:

By Carson Metcalf



Cloudy, chance snow

**25°**

Average: 31°  
Record: 67° (1975)



Cloudy, chance snow

**15°**

Average: 16°  
Record: -18° (1968)



Cloudy with snow showers

**30°**

Average: 31°  
Record: 57° (1932)



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