



Winter driving challenges can be met

As the last few days have broadcast loud and clear: winter is here and the roads aren't nice. Driving on roads that have loose snow and sharp corners can be hazardous, and they should be driven on with great caution and as few distractions as possible.

It is also very important to ready your vehicle and mentally prepare yourself for driving in the loose snow and ice. With that in mind, it is also important to know your car and how it handles.

In many cases it starts even before the car leaves the driveway. Clearing off the car is an important factor to consider both for yourself and for the other cars who have to follow you. No one wants to find themselves in the middle of a blizzard because you didn't clear the snow off your car.

Driving with your headlights on is another good idea when the weather gets tough so that other cars can see you coming. In cases where you have to slow down, use the four-way flashers as they will alert other drivers and are easier to pick up in snowy conditions.

When driving around sharp corners or approaching a stop sign or traffic light it is

important to remember to tap the brakes to slow down way ahead of the intersection to come to a complete stop. When taking off around the corner it is best to start nice and slow, without letting off the gas while turning.

In addition every winter many accidents are caused by not having good tires for winter. It is important to check the tread to make sure they are not worn down, and if they are it is essential to get new ones. If your car starts to slide around a corner keep your tires in the direction you were originally going in.

But even with new tires, don't be overcon-

fidant. This is especially true for those driving trucks and four-wheel drive vehicles. While four wheels means better traction, it doesn't help you stop any sooner. Be sure to drive safe and have a nice winter!

By Keegan Russell

Ski & Snowboard meeting today

There will be an important Ski & Snowboard Club meeting today during GSH in Mrs. Ryan's room 111. All members are urged to attend.

Arts Center to host Family Fun Snow Day

On Saturday, January 30, the CNY Arts Center will be hosting their 5th Annual Family Fun Snow Day at the CCC Campus in Fulton, NY. There will be a children's carnival with winter themed activities such as games, art projects and a photo op. Carnival games will also be available and all participants will be guaranteed a winning prize.

The CNY Arts Center's upcoming production of *Seussical Jr.* will be performing a preview at 11:30 am. Concessions such as popcorn, chili cheese dogs, donuts, and beverages will be available for purchase. All of the activities will be held indoors between 10 am - 3 pm. For more information contact the CNY Arts Center at (315) 598-ARTS.

By Liliana Rivera

This week in Raider Sports

Today: Swim @ J-D (5 pm); Bowling vs. Oswego (3:30 @ Mattydale); Wrestling vs. ES-M & Oswego (6 pm @ Oswego); Hockey vs. RFA (6 pm)

Thurs. Jan. 21: Boys Bball @ Camden (JV-5:30/V-7); Bowling vs. Cortland (3:30 @ Mattydale); Girls Bball @ Homer (5:30 @ SUNY Cortland)

Fri. Jan. 22: Swim @ OHSL Meet (5 pm @ Mexico)

Sat. Jan. 23: Girls Bball vs. ITC (JV-11/V-12:30); Swim @ OHSL Meet (TBA @ Mexico); Wrestling @ Sec. III Duals (10 am @ C-NS); Hockey @ Mohawk Valley (4:30 @ Whitestown); Indoor track @ CNYITA Meet (10 am @ OCC)

Swimmers honor 13 seniors in tough loss

The Red Raider swimmers had a tough meet on Friday in more ways than one. It was a 107-79 loss to Mexico and the senior meet, celebrating 13 seniors who will be leaving this year.

This was a competitive meet, but the Raiders steadily fell back, with times just short of Mexico's in most events. The swimmers did take first in the first event, the medley relay, with Justin Grower, Tim McAfee, Ryan Morehouse and David Tallents. Morehouse also took first in the 100 butterfly. Several of the races were extremely close as well. The win in the medley was only by 0.45 seconds. McAfee only missed first in the 200 IM by 0.33 seconds, and the 200 freestyle relay of David Tallents, Caleb Almeter, Sage Hourihan and Justin Grower was out touched by 0.38 seconds.

The team also honored its 13 seniors: Caleb Almeter, Zach Almeter, Andrew Distin, Justin Grower, Josh Hotaling, Sage Hourihan, Casey Jones, Grant Marriner, Tim McAfee, Dakota Stoutenger, David Tallents, Kaitlyn Trudell and Abbey Zych. This year, every one of them has made sectionals. The team will be sad to see them go, but will continue to grow and improve in the future.

The swim season is almost over as the only dual meets left are JD-CBA Today and Pulaski-Sandy Creek next Tuesday. The league meet will take place this Friday and Saturday at Mexico. Hopefully, the team can get the swimmers it has missed due to injuries and conflicts back and in good shape for a successful end of the season. *By Caleb Almeter*

Zoo photo contest deadline approaching

Attention photographers! The Rosamond Gifford Zoo at 1 Conservation Place, Syracuse, NY 13204 is holding their 11th Annual Photo Contest until January 31st. Photographers of all ages five and up are welcome to join the contest. Complimentary admission is offered to participants who show their camera at the ticket booth, phones do not count. The limit is one participant per household per day. For more rules and regulations check out their website. Entries are due by 4 p.m. on February 1, 2016. Late entries will not be accepted.

TO ENTER:

- * Fill out the online entry form which you can find a link to on their website
 - * E-mail a maximum of two images to: photocontest@rosamondgiffordzoo.org
 - * Photos must be sent as an attachment
 - * Label photos with type of animal and entrant name (ex. lion_jamesking)
- Categories: * Youth (ages 5-12) * Teen (ages 13-18) * Adult (ages 19+)
- * Most Artistic Photo - images with interesting light quality, composition, angle, or artwork-like feel — minor digital enhancements permitted
 - * Best Action Shot - animals at play, in flight, underwater, etc.

**Send your
pictures of
the Raiders in action**

theraider@fulton.cnyric.org

*** Winter sports * Candid
* Prom court**

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

* "Best Day Ever" Photo - show us what makes your visit to the zoo memorable!

* Best Winter Scene

* Best Animal Portrait

* Grand Prize

Prizes include a variety of zoo-themed goodies, admission tickets and items donated by contest sponsors. All winning photos will be featured in the spring issue of *MyZoo Magazine*. They will also appear on the website and social media and will be displayed at the zoo for one year in the windows above The Gift Shop. The grand prize winner also receives a private zoo tour, animal painting and their photo on the magazine cover. Entries are judged by a panel of representatives from sponsoring organizations. Winners will be announced February 19, 2016, at 3 p.m. during a reception at the zoo.

For questions e-mail photocontest@rosamondgiffordzoo.org

By Kim Rombough

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

Attention **boys tennis players**: there will be a meeting during guided study hall on Thursday in the counseling office during guided study hall for all boys grades 9-12 interested in playing on the varsity tennis team.

HOPE Club will meet on Mon. 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.

Physicals for sports and working papers will be available on Tuesday, Feb. 2. Sign up in the nurse's office to make an appointment.

National Honor Society will hold an important meeting on Monday during guided study hall.

Outdoor Adventure Club will meet today after school in room 216.

What's for lunch?

Today: Stuffed crust cheese pizza with side salad, butternut squash, pears, cookie

Thursday: Chicken fajita salad with corn, baked beans and peaches

New year, new you!

Book now for the
prom & dinner dance

Happy holidays!

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How many more snow days do you think we will get?



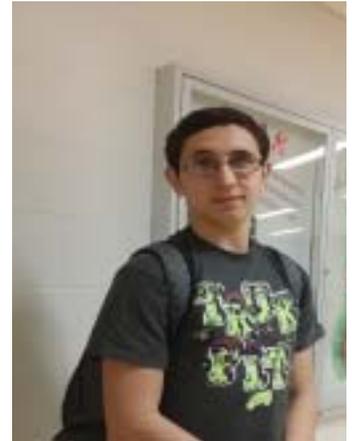
"Four."
Noel Contois



"Six."
Dylan Gorman



"Three."
Olivia Pawlewicz



"Five."
Dylan Barlow

Meteorology and you

Today:

Tonight:

Tomorrow:

By Carson Metcalf



Cloudy skies
Chance snow shower

27°

Average: 31°
Record: 61° (1951)



Cloudy skies

17°

Average: 15°
Record: -9° (1983)



Cloudy skies

25°

Average: 31°
Record: 68° (1906)



Former GRB student and current SUNY Oswego senior Carson Metcalf is an aspiring Meteorologist. Look for his daily weather forecasts for Fulton on RaiderNet Daily.