

Saturday of success for Raider lacrosse

There was little to argue with Fulton's shot selection on Saturday when the Red Raider girls made nearly every attempt count in an 18-6 rout of General Brown. A 12-2 opening half set the tone as the visitors in red improved to 2-0 on the season. The girls showed deadly accuracy while making good on 18 of their 22 shots on goal for a remarkable 82% efficiency.

Hailey Carroll and Keara Patterson were a two girl wrecking crew as Carroll rang up eight goals and Patterson scored once with seven assists. Kaylin Pafumi and Mallori Kitts joined the scoring parade with three goals and an assist apiece and McKenna Chesbro also had four points with two goals and two assists. Victoria Izyk and Taylor Kesterke rounded out the scoring with solo markers.

The Lions countered with single goals from six different players including a goal and two assists from Erin Parks and goal and assist efforts from Haley Call and Kennedy Eager.

Fulton will look to make it three in a row this afternoon when the Raiders host Cortland with JV action starting at 4:30 and the varsity to follow.

The Raider boys found success in their first home game of the season on Saturday as Fulton ran past Whitesboro 11-6. The boys used three goals and an assist from Austin

Beckwith and three goal showings by Austin Wilde and Spencer Vono to even their record at 1-1. Jake McDermott added a goal and three assists and Kyle Ware also found the back of the Whitesboro goal while Brandon Batstone turned back 15 shots between

the Raider pipes.

The boys will be back in action on Thursday when they host perennial powerhouse Jamesville-Dewitt with JV action starting at 5 pm.

Weather delays softball opener

The weather will have the final say this week, but the Red Raider girls softball team is ready and raring to jump into the 2016 season. Coming off a disappointing 5-13 season where the girls were never able to string consecutive victories together, Coach Lyons and company are hoping to get off to a fast start with scheduled games against Homer today followed by West Genesee and Phoenix on Wednesday and Thursday.

Obviously, there will be no joy in Fulton today due to Sunday's freak snowstorm that Coach Lyons described as "very frustrating," adding that, "Realistically this will push us back another week. That will be really hard on the team."

That means all preparations will center on West Genesee this Wednesday. "They throw a little harder so we will be throwing a little harder in the cage the next two days."

Overall it won't be easy as the Raiders look at a schedule loaded with perennial powerhouses like Jamesville-Dewitt, Oswego and

Central Square.

But on the positive side the Raiders feature a number of returners who have seen varsity level competition. "We have been excellent in the cage this year and are looking to score a ton of runs," Coach Lyons commented. "On the defensive side of it the same returners have played in the field and know what it takes to keep runs off the board."

First baseman Brynn Waloven has shown that she can drive in runs with her ability to collect extra base hits, while Sabrina Verdoliva, another strong hitter, looks to be a terror on the basepaths this season. She joins fellow outfielders Emilee Hyde and Erika Hahn as strong defenders who can also contribute at the plate while shortstop/outfielder Mallory Harter is also tough in the field while providing much needed leadership.

Replacing pitcher Cheyenne Laun, currently playing at SUNY Brockport, will be a key for Lyons, and every indication is that freshman Camille Stevenson is poised for a great year on the Red Raider hill. "We do not have the pitching depth we have had in years past," Lyons admitted, although he has high hopes that Brittney Alton will also be able to show the type of form she displayed two seasons ago in shutting down a powerful J-D side.

A pair of eighth graders will also be looking to make their mark this season in Madison Gilmore and Kylie Ashline. Gilmore is a strong hitter who can play any position while Ashline, a shortstop, is a strong hitter who is very athletic and aggressive.

The girls are ready to put last year's disappointment behind them. All they need now is some cooperation from Mother Nature.

This week in Red Raider Sports

Today: Tennis @ Chittenango (4:30); Girls lax vs. Cortland (JV-5/V-7 pm); Softball vs. Homer (4:30)

Tues. April 5: Boys JV lax vs. Fowler (4:30); Baseball @ Phoenix (4:30)

Wed. April 6: Softball vs. West Genesee (4:30); Track @ Phoenix (4:30)

Thurs. April 7: Tennis vs. ES-M (4:30); Boys lax vs. J-D (JV-5/V-7 pm); Softball vs. Phoenix (4:30); Baseball @ Watertown (4:30)

Fri. April 8: Tennis vs. Phoenix (4 pm); Track @ C-NS co-ed relay (4:30)

Sat. April 9: Girls lax @ C.Square (JV-noon/V-2 pm); Baseball @ Chittenango (11 am); Boys V lax vs. J-E (11 am)

(schedules subject to change due to weather)



Opinion

Adding fuel to the debate that never goes away

By Kassidy Bowering

The topic that most hate is back up for further discussion, and this time you can blame Utah's governor, Gary Herbert. That's right, it is time to talk about abortion.

There are many people out there who are pro-life, and I'm not saying that their thoughts aren't valid, but maybe they should just mind their own business. It is just an idea, a crazy one of course. Utah has just passed a law that says abortions after 20 weeks require anesthesia to be administered.

Some think this is a great idea, that way the fetus does not feel any pain. The thing is, there is no solid evidence that the fetus has developed enough to feel pain at twenty weeks. According to an article in *The Journal of the American Medical Association* it is unlikely that a preterm neonate has the capacity to perceive the feeling of pain until at least 30 weeks. This ten week difference is huge, and is extremely limiting upon those seeking an abortion.

This law can be proven to be even more ridiculous though. The



This is just another way for the government to tell women what they can and cannot do with their bodies. Stuart W.G. Derbyshire and Ann Furedi said "Parliamentary claims that a fetus may feel pain should be viewed as a tactic in the effort to undermine public confidence in the current abortion legislation." And we, the people, are allowing this, even embracing this.

Giving people the right to an abortion isn't the same thing as killing your own child, so why are people trying to make the decision for each other? Everyone should be able to make the choice for themselves. It is a very personal matter that somehow a vast majority of people feel they have the choice to make for others. Weren't these people taught in pre-school to stay out of other people's affairs?

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

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

There will be an important meeting for **Quirk's Players** on Tuesday, April 5 after school in room 104. All members are urged to attend.

What's for lunch?

Today: BBQ pork ribbie with bun, carrots, green beans and peaches

Tuesday: Chicken patty on a roll, spinach, sweet potato bites and fresh fruit



article says "Little or no evidence addresses the effectiveness of direct fetal anesthetic or analgesic techniques. Similarly, limited or no data exist on the safety of such techniques for pregnant women in the context of abortion." So basically, by using anesthesia doctors are increasing the likelihood of complications. No doctor in their right mind wants to increase the risks for their patients when there is no evidence to back up why these risks should be added.

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In the News

Big win carries SU women into championship game

After last night's outstanding 80-59 win over Washington, the Syracuse women are heading to the championship game. Sadly they will be the only Syracuse team in the championship game after the men lost to North Carolina on Saturday night. The women will play basketball powerhouse University of Connecticut on Tuesday night, a game that will be anything but a walk in the park for Syracuse.

The Lady Orange came out from the tip last night full of energy. Most of the first quarter was a close game with Syracuse always ahead. Washington was not a deep team by any means, only seven girls were in the floor rotation. The Huskies first nine points were scored by the same player as well.

Syracuse's press is starting to become a big threat to every team they play against. It is a high pressure/ intense press that is a point guard's worst nightmare. Every time Washington's point guard had the ball there were instantly two Orange players on her. That kind of play was persistent the whole night.

Tuesday's championship game will really be a tough one for Syra-

AP exam fees are due now

All students taking AP classes, are reminded that test fees are due as soon as possible! The cost is \$92 for each test. For any students taking AP Economics, remember that it has two tests. Checks should be made to G. Ray Bodley High School, and can be given to either AP teachers or Mr. Copani.

Six-legged 5K race on Saturday

Fleet Feet Sports of Syracuse, NY will be hosting their 8th annual "Six- Legged 5K" on Sunday, April 10. The 5K will be held at Onondaga Lake Park in Liverpool beginning at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to bring their beloved canine friend as well. All of the proceeds from this year's run will be donated to the Helping Hounds Dog Rescue and the CNY SPCA.

cause. Connecticut is almost a monopoly for women's basketball, always drawing all of the best players including three time Player of the Year Breanna Stewart, a graduate of Cicero-North Syracuse.

Their average margin of victory has been at least 20 points the whole tournament and they are on a 74 game win streak. The Huskies are going for their fourth championship in a row and Stewart for her fourth MVP. The game will start at 8:30 Tuesday night and will be one to watch. Make sure to support the Syracuse women as they try for their first championship title! *By Nicole Hansen*

No hunting fatalities reported in 2015

One of the biggest fears of a hunter next to not shooting a deer during the season, is getting hurt themselves. The 2015 hunting season was the first year since the 1950s that there was not a hunting fatality in New York State. That is over 60 years of at least one person being killed by a hunting-related accident.

The Department of Environmental Conservation recently noted that New York State averaged 1.8 deaths a year within the past five years. Gradually the deaths have decreased since the 1960s, coming down from a high of 137 a year to 38 per year in the 2000s.

The 2015 hunting report released by the DEC showed only 23 hunting incidents this year, the third lowest number on record. That included 10 self-inflicted injuries and 13 with two or more hunters involved. Eight of the 13 involved were not wearing orange, as instructed by the DEC.

The 2016 hunting season has just started, so the fatality information has not yet been released. Acting Commissioner Basil Seggos gives credit to the state's 3,000 volunteers who provide hunter safety courses with bringing down the incident rates. *By Nicolke Hansen*

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How upset were you when it was snowing yesterday?



"I was not happy at all!"

Garet Roik



"I was pretty upset!"

Michael Welch



"I was feeling pretty cool ;)"

Frosty the Snowman



"I ran outside with a flamethrower to fight off the invasion!"

Scott Littleton

Meteorology and you

Today:



Snow showers

31°

Average: 52°
Record: 78° (1950)

Tonight:



Cloudy
Chance snow shower

14°

Average: 32°
Record: 10° (1954)

Tomorrow:



Sun and clouds

30°

Average: 52°
Record: 80° (1910)

By Carson Metcalf



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.