



Graduation Fast Approaching

By Jazzlynn Perez

Attention, Seniors! It is time to place cap and gown orders!

Orders can be placed today and tomorrow near the auditorium. Guided Study Hall teachers have handed out cap and gown order packets with the order forms for announcements, class rings, tassels, hoodies, and hats.

If any of the items are not in your price range, you are able to order class rings online at Jostens.com to have them made by professional jewelers.

If you are just ordering your cap and gown, they are only \$34.00 plus tax for a total of \$37.80.

Seniors also have the opportunity to order a liberty package. This package includes all of the items and will save you money.

Students can pay with either cash or a check. If you pay in full for just a class ring, you will get your cap, gown, and

tassel for free.

This is a great opportunity for seniors to order everything at the same time on ordering day.

Graduation coordinator Mrs. Haney explained that for things other than a cap and gown, such as announcements or a class ring, you can start with a down payment. She said the balance just needs to be paid off before the order comes in. The items usually arrive in May.

She added that the price of a cap and gown will go up in about two weeks so it makes sense to place your order soon. Graduation is only about five months away!



Pictured is the paperwork that is included in the cap and gown order package.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPEN SKATE

Open Skate at the War Memorial continues through January on Fridays and Saturdays from 7-9 p.m. There is no open skate this Friday, January 20. Admission is \$4 and skate rental is also \$4.

THREE APPLES TEEN CHOICE BOOK AWARD

Remember to stop into the library to pick out a book nominated for the Three Apples Teen Choice Book Award. Participants must read at least three of the nominated titles to be eligible to vote in April.

YEARBOOK

It's not too late to order a Fultonian Yearbook. The cost is \$60 and a deposit of \$10 will reserve your memories forever. See Mme Honeywell in room 124 or order online.

The Fultonian Yearbook Club meets every Wednesday after school, putting together your memories from the 2016-17 school year. Please send pictures to Mrs. Honeywell or Mr. Senecal to see yourself in this year's edition.

PIN PALS BOWLING CLUB

Pin Pal Bowling Club will be starting bowling Monday, January 23. This is an 8-week bowling club. If you enjoy bowling, socializing, and having fun this is the after school activity for you. You may pick up a permission slip in room 137 if you are interested.

*We want to hear from you!
E-mail your articles, pictures,
questions, and feedback to
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Bringing Attention to Cyberstalking

By Justin Garrison



January is Stalking Awareness Month and this year the focus is on cyberstalking.

Cyberstalking happens when a person uses the internet, e-mail, or social media to harass or stalk someone. The harassment does not stop even after the target victim has asked for it to stop. Perpetrators can use technology to monitor your phone, e-mails, webcams, and social media accounts without you even knowing it is happening.

Cyberstalking can be terribly frightening. It can destroy friendships, credit, careers, self-image, and confidence. Ultimately, it can lead the victim into far greater physical danger when combined with real-world stalking. This has significant consequences for targeted individuals and can have massive repercussions both psychologically and physically.

But there are some things you can do to protect yourself online. Here are some safety tips to help to prevent cyberstalking.

*Be careful what you post. Try not to share information about your current location. Do not share your address or contact information on a public page and do not share any information on so-

cial media if it could be dangerous in the wrong hands.

*Turn off apps that track your location. When you are not using your GPS, make sure it is turned off. Check the settings on your phone and disable any that track your location.

*Do not share your passwords with anyone. Change your passwords frequently and try to set passwords that someone could not guess.

*Talk to someone. If you think someone may be stalking you, tell a parent, advocate, teacher, or someone else you trust. If you are scared, call the police.

One of the programs dedicated to helping teens is S.A.F. (Services to Aid Families), which can help with involving the police and making orders of protection to

assist in preventing stalking. One of the people in our building to assist with this problem is your S.A.F. advocate, Ms. Hoefler. She said she wants “students to just recognize that anything put on social media is out there and can end up in anybody’s hands.”

She added that students can call the 24-hour S.A.F. crisis hotline at 342-1600 to reach their school advocate or students can request assistance more discretely through the nurse’s office.

(Information provided by Ms. Hoefler.)



Pictured is G.R.B.'s S.A.F. advocate, Ms. Hoefler.

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
Office of State Assessment
Albany, NY 12234

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JANUARY 2017

Students must verify with their schools the exact times that they are to report for their State examinations.

JANUARY 24 TUESDAY 7:45 a.m.	JANUARY 25 WEDNESDAY 7:45 a.m.	JANUARY 26 THURSDAY 7:45 a.m.	JANUARY 27 FRIDAY 7:45 a.m.
RE in Global History & Geography Physical Setting/Physics* RCT in Reading*	Living Environment Physical Setting/Chemistry RCT in U.S. History & Government*	RE in U.S. History & Government Physical Setting/Earth Science RE in Geometry (Common Core)	RE in Algebra II (Common Core) RCT in Global Studies*
11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	Uniform Admission Deadlines
RE in English Language Arts (Common Core) RCT in Science*	RE in Algebra 2/Trigonometry (2005 Learning Standard) RCT in Mathematics*	RE in Algebra I (Common Core) RCT in Writing	Morning Examinations – 10:00 a.m. Afternoon Examinations – 2:00 p.m.

* Available in Restricted Form only. Each copy of a restricted test is numbered and sealed in its own envelope and must be returned, whether used or unused, to the Department at the end of the examination period.

Regents Exams will take place January 24-26 at G.R.B. There is no school on January 24, but school is in session January 25-27. Morning exams begin at 7:45 a.m. Afternoon exams begin at 11:45 a.m.

-Opinion- Making and Keeping New Year's Resolutions

By Skyler Miller

With the new year comes a fresh start and the ability for a person to reflect on the previous year and change something or do something different. A resolution is made in hopes you're going to do, or not do, whatever you come up with. You can also make more than one resolution, as I did.

The resolutions I have made for myself are important to change or improve in for the new year ahead. I'm going for being a bet-

ter equestrian (horseback rider), working on socializing more with people, keeping my day organized better by using a calendar, and improving in my skills as an artist and guitarist. I created these resolutions to help better myself in these areas and to help me become better at something I enjoy.

NBC News says the top new year's resolutions for 2017 were to get healthy, get organized, live life to the fullest, learn new hobbies, spend less/save more, travel, and read more.

Many people have the same repeat resolutions because they do not ever go through with them the year before. Not everyone creates a resolution because they never really think about it.

Library Aide Mrs. Wilmot said, "I did not really think of creating a resolution this year."

On the other hand, Junior Matthew Trapasso stated, "To stay more organized was my resolution."

H.O.P.E. Club Continues to Help Other People Everywhere

By Jazzlynn Perez

H.O.P.E. Club is a club at G.R.B. that helps the community become a better place. Special education teacher Mrs. Cronk is the club advisor. With the help of others, she sets up and coordinates ways for staff and students to help their school and community. They raise money for fundraisers and trips and they have special guests come in to talk with students about their jobs and life experiences.

Mrs. Cronk said, "H.O.P.E. Club stands for Helping Other People Everywhere. It is a club where we try to make the school a better place, make the community a better place, as well as extending to

the world around us. Some years it depends on the students that come. It really comes from them."

Mrs. Cronk enjoys seeing students help their community. She wants to get more students to join H.O.P.E. Club and then get more ideas for more events in the future.

Every year, H.O.P.E. Club puts on a school talent show. Students audition to be in Bodley's Got Talent to showcase their skills and talents.

Mrs. Cronk said, "Bodley's Got Talent is a great show. Many of our students showcase their talent. We pack the house. We also

educate those in the audience. We tell them about Helping Hounds and other organizations. It is a great way to showcase ways that we can help the world around us."

Mrs. Cronk said she and members of the club are now at a point of figuring out what they are going to do next. As a result, Mrs. Cronk would like to have more students be a part of H.O.P.E. Club to help the school's environment and the world around us.

To join H.O.P.E. Club, all students need to do is go to Mrs. Cronk's room (119) on Mondays. Meetings will soon be changed to every other Monday after school.

-Opinion- Fake News in the Headlines

By Skyler Miller

Journalism is news. One person could cover a topic or hundreds of people might cover the topic. Journalism helps uncover truths or get information out in the open when it hides away from public view or knowledge. It does not necessarily mean covering dangerous or complex stories, but it helps bring information forward. Yet, we must be careful about the journalism around us.

There is sports journalism, science journalism, and investigative journalism, to name a few. But recently, news satire or “fake news” has gotten out of control.

Buzzfeed created a news article against President-elect Donald Trump and CNN published the article, which later received the label “fake news.” During Trump’s press conference, he was arguing with a CNN reporter over taking the article from BuzzFeed that they thought was real.

The article was about blackmail the Russians may or may not have on Donald Trump relating to the election. During his press conference, Trump got into a defensive, heated argument, calling CNN fake news as they asked him for a question. If this is the way our president will act over a single accusation, imagine him with our military if another country’s leader talks badly about him. Trump,

with his short temper and constant tantrums, does not have the attitude capable of being in politics.

It is very likely that the alleged blackmail Russia has on Trump is very real. He was quick to dismiss Russia of alleged hackings against the United States, and it might just be because he is trying to cover for them. He seems to wage war on his own country, which is terrible for someone who is going to run it.

Anything labeled fake news helps because other journalists now have an opportunity to find the truth in the news and it creates an environment of people racing to uncover what the truth really is.

I believe that a journalist

should list his or her sources, unless the source asks to remain anonymous. By doing this, a journalist can have someone review the source and see if what he or she wrote matches what the source says. To me, having sources is very important because it helps when verifying a story.



Pictured are President-elect Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin. Picture from slate.com.

Sudden Death for Hornets

By Calinda Ceterski

Friday, January 13, the Raider hockey team beat Fayetteville-Manlius in a close game 4-3. The Raiders had more control over the game with 43 shots on goal to only 18 from FM.

The game was very physical, including the demolition of a Hornets player by junior Nick Dingman.

The Raiders started the game strong with 18 first period shots and a goal scored by junior Nolan Bonnie. The Hornets scored twice soon after, including once with a Raider in the penalty box, making the score 2-1. Bonnie scored again in the second period off a

strange deflection, bringing his team back in the game.

The Raiders went into the third period with the score tied 2-2. Senior Austin Vashaw scored the team’s third goal on a short side snipe. Not very long after Vashaw’s goal, FM tied the game.

The game went into an intense five-minute sudden death overtime. Seth Cooney, a senior from Central Square, scored the game winning goal for Fulton on a wicked backdoor pass by Dingman.

The whole team left the bench to mob Cooney to celebrate together on the ice.

Girls Basketball Faces Rival

By Nicole Hansen

On Thursday, January 12, the girls basketball team traveled to Oswego to play the Bucs for the second time this season. The Lady Raiders lost 61-38 after fighting harder than they have in a while.

At the end of the first quarter, Fulton was down 14-12 after doing a great job of exposing Oswego's gaps in their two-three zone. The wheels fell off the wagon in the second quarter when the Raiders were outscored 15-5 making the halftime score 29-17.

The biggest difference in the game was Fulton only had four players make it onto the score sheet. Junior McKenna Chesbro was the high scorer for the Lady Raiders with 15 points.

The Bucs had seven players make the score sheet including Adaline Benjamin and Clara Culeton, both with 21 points.

After the game, Coach Derek Lyons said, "The girls have nothing to hang their heads about. We fought harder this game than we have in a while and I'm proud of the way they played this game."

Junior Erin Nicholson said, "It hurts to lose against Oswego, but our team showed a lot of improvement this game and I'm excited for the second half of the season."

Another Loss for Girls and Boys Basketball

By Nicole Hansen

The girls and boys basketball programs shared the home court Tuesday, January 17. The girls played Christian Brothers Academy and the boys played Chittenango. It was a rough night for both Raider programs and ended in two losses.

The girls took the court first and lost 51-37. The girls played an outstanding first half leading the Brothers 24-20 into the half. Coming out of the half, a lack of effort showed on the Fulton side resulting in the Raiders being outscored 19-9 in the third quarter. The fourth quarter was no different, ending the game 51-37.

Leader of the game for the Lady Raiders was sophomore Keara Patterson who had 12 points for the game, including three three-pointers.

After the game, Coach Derek Lyons told the team, "This is a hard loss for us. We need to get our energy back. We let down not only ourselves, but our program tonight. Now we need to focus on our next game."

Senior Aryelle Barbagallo felt disappointed after the game and said, "We should have won tonight. We let this game go, but we have to move on to the next game."

The Lady Raiders play home again tonight.

On Tuesday, the boys played the Chittenango Bears right after the girls game. Fulton was outsized from the beginning starting the game in defensive tip position. The boys went into halftime down 22-28, but like the girls, started the third quarter slow and with a lack of effort and energy. The start of the fourth quarter had the game feeling like a blow out, but the boys battled back to get it within reach.

A deep three from sophomore Ryan **(continued on page 6)**



Pictured is the girls varsity basketball team before their home game January 17.

(continued from page 5) Michaels had the Raiders back into the game within four points. The game came down to the last minute, but a few air balls took the Raiders' chances of winning with them. Fulton lost 61-55. High scorer of the game for the Raiders was sophomore Jake

Gugala with 19 points, his new personal best.

After the game, senior Kyle Perry noted, "We did a lot better than I thought we were going to do tonight. It feels great to see us improve every game."

The Fulton basketball programs are in a bit of a slump, but this is nothing they have not faced before. With sectionals a month away, the Fulton basketball programs have some stepping up to do.

School Resource Officer Serves and Protects

By Josiah Dahar

In today's world of violence and danger, it can sometimes be hard to want to leave the safety of your home. With the rising number of school shootings and the constant threat from terrorist groups like ISIS, coming to school every day can sometimes make students feel unsafe.

In order to create a more safe environment for our students, the Fulton City School District implemented the position of School Resource Officer nine years ago. The purpose of the School Resource Officer is to enhance safety and security of students and staff. Officer Jeremy Hutchinson is our school's current School Resource Officer. He graduated from the O.C.C. Police Academy.

Officer Hutchinson, who is now in his third year of service at G.R.B., is also a G.R.B. graduate, and said, "I didn't think I would ever be back here." He is not the first officer to be a graduate, though. In fact, every school resource officer has been a G.R.B. graduate.

Born and raised in Fulton, Officer Hutchinson works hard to not only keep our school safe, but also to act as a positive role model, saying, "With all the things going on in the policing world, it's important to be close to the students to let them know not all cops are bad."

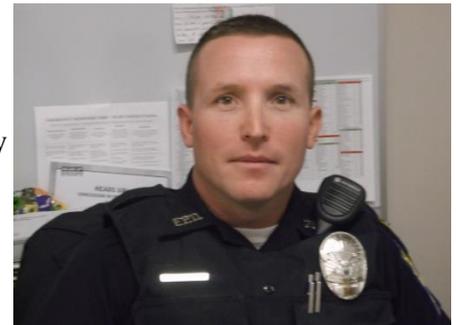
While armed and ready to tackle any danger that could threaten our students, the usual issues he resolves are things like harassment or bullying. This may seem like a boring day, but to him every day is different, exciting, and unknown. He said, "Going from 0 to 100 on some days is just one of the perks of the job."

Students say that they feel more safe knowing that we have a trained officer on duty in our school. Even though Officer Hutchinson works hard every day to aid our student body, many students do not realize how much he does.

But the fact is that our Resource Officer is also available to consult with students and staff on crime and safety matters and take crime reports. He also is a member of the Patrol Division and is assigned to patrol when school is not in session.

Officer Hutchinson is more than just a police officer to our school. Any student can go to him with any problem and he will be more than happy to help however he can.

Thank you, Officer Hutchinson.



Pictured is Officer Hutchinson, G.R.B.'s School Resource Officer.