



## Fulton Teachers' Association Recognizes Students

By Mason Rowlee

On the evening of Monday, May 15, seventy-seven Fulton City School District students were recognized by the Fulton Teachers' Association for being outstanding school citizens. Out of these seventy-seven students, fifteen of G.R.B.'s own were recognized for outstanding academic and civic accomplishments.

Details were shared about each recipient and each student received a \$5 Walmart gift card from the Fulton Teachers' Association.

Congratulations to the Red Raiders who were honored!



*Pictured top row left to right are senior Jeremy Herlowski, senior David Houck, junior Mason Rowlee, and freshman Mark Tallents. Bottom row left to right are senior Aryelle Barbagallo, senior Miwa Burdick, sophomore Kylie Jones, senior Megan Nicholson, and senior Makhali Voss. Not pictured are junior Addison Billion, senior Isidoro Jimenez-Melendrez and senior Peter Otvos. Science teacher Ms. Marshall presented the awards.*

## Holocaust Survivor Visits G.R.B.

By Josiah Dahar

On Monday, May 15, G.R.B. had a very special guest, author and Holocaust survivor Marion Blumenthal Lazan. This was the third time Mrs. Lazan has visited G.R.B., but she has been active in our community as a Holocaust recountist for fifteen years.

Lazan spent much of her youth as a prisoner in Nazi concentration camps, and having survived the ordeal, she now tells her tale through her book titled *Four Per-*

*fect Pebbles*, which has also been made into a documentary and adapted into a play.

Lazan was born and raised in Germany and lived a normal life with her parents and brothers until the beginning of the 1935 Nuremberg laws. After a failed attempt to immigrate to America, Lazan and her family were taken to a concentration camp. Lazan was only nine when this happened, and she spent many years under the Nazi reign until the end of the war. In her book, Lazan recounts her complete story, including the



*Holocaust survivor Marion Blumenthal Lazan shows her book, *Four Perfect Pebbles*.*

things she saw, the events she experienced, the scarring memories that still haunt her today, and how she coped with it all.

Lazan travels around to many schools to tell her experiences first-hand because she believes in the importance of making sure that the Holocaust is never forgotten. Her generation is the last one

that will have experienced the Holocaust, and our generation is the last one that will hear the story first-hand.

According to Lazan, it is our job to tell the stories to our children, so that they never make the same mistakes. Lazan stressed the importance to never universalize any group of

people, no matter their race, religion, or ethnicity. She said there were many good Germans who died trying to protect Jews and that no matter what happens, freedom will always win as long as there are good people in the world who are fighting for it.

## **Graduation Details Announced**

**By Zoe Norton**

The school year is almost over and for the class of 2017 that means Senior Day, Senior Week, and graduation. Graduation will be at 10 a.m. on June 24 with rehearsal taking place on June 20.

Every senior must be at rehearsal at 7:30 a.m. in the auditorium at G.R.B. on June 20. If you have extenuating circumstances that would prevent you from coming, please see Principal Mrs. Parkhurst.

Caps and gowns will be distributed at this time, along with packets with paperwork and graduation tickets. You will receive five tickets. The tickets are just a memento of the event. You do not need one to enter. If you would like extra tickets, please see Ms. Louise in the attendance office.

The paperwork includes your financial obligations such as library debts, textbook debts, and lunch charges. They will be listed on the front of the envelope. All debts will be collected at tables set up

in the auditorium commons area. You should check on any debts prior to graduation rehearsal.

The graduation walk, a tradition started last year, will also take place. Seniors will board the bus for their elementary school they went to at 9:45 a.m. If you did not attend an elementary school in Fulton, you may choose one to go to. There will be a parade through the elementary school and then all seniors will head to the Fulton Junior High for a similar visit and lunch. It will end at the high school around noon. This opportunity will allow the seniors to reconnect with their former teachers, as well as inspire the current elementary students.

On June 24, Graduation Day, commencement exercises are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. Commencement exercises are held in the Fulton Community Center in Recreation Park (the ice-skating rink). Graduates need to be inside the War Memorial at 9:15 a.m.

If you know that you will not be present for graduation exercises,



you must notify the high school office as soon as possible, but no later than June 23. This is absolutely necessary so that the processional can be conducted in an orderly fashion. In order to make the seating process run smoothly, guests should be seated by 9:45 a.m. The seating will be first come, first served.

Diplomas will be mailed to the graduates the week after graduation. If you are a candidate for August graduation, your diploma will be mailed after you have successfully completed summer school and after the school has received your passing grade(s) from CiTi summer school, which usually takes several days.

Graduates will receive the only copy of their diploma. Please make sure to store it in a safe place. The school cannot provide a duplicate diploma.

This is an exciting and busy time for the Class of 2017!

## Art Students Visit New York City

By Jazzlynn Perez

On Friday, May 12, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Tyler's art classes took a field trip to New York City to visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art (MET) and the Museum Of Modern Art (MOMA).

For their trip, the students first had to be at G.R.B. at 4:30 a.m. to get on a coach bus by 5:00 a.m. They arrived in New York City around 10:00 a.m. at Macy's, walked to Penn Station, and rode to Central Park West.

Before arriving to the MET all students split up into small groups with their chaperones and rode the subway train.

As the journey began, each group explored New York City, walked the streets, saw street art, and also got a tour of the MET and saw many famous pieces of art.

Some famous art included Vincent Van Gogh's "Starry Night", Salvador Dali's "The Persistence of Memory" and Jacques-Louis David's "The Death of Socrates."

Mrs. Williams said, "I had an amazing time watching the kids enjoy the art."

She also commented that she would "absolutely" go again. She said the only thing that

they would have done differently was to not go to the MOMA when there were free tickets.

She explained, "It was so full it made it hard to get through."

Overall, Mrs. Williams said, "I think it was a unique experience that students could see the artwork."

Mrs. Tyler said, "I would give it a 9 out of a 10. It was fantastic." She noted that her favorite part of the trip was going to the MOMA.

She added, "I would never go when it is quite so crowded. The artwork in the museum was just amazing and it was really fun for

me to get to see students who had researched a specific piece or a specific artist and then to see the



*Pictured is the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.*

artwork in person, and their face light up. That was just really, really fun."

All in all, the New York City art field trip was a success. Many enjoyed the artwork and students got to learn some valuable information about a few art pieces as well as explore each museum.

### Class of 2017 Top Two Announced



Valedictorian-  
Aryelle Barbagallo  
Salutatorian-  
Megan Nicholson

**Congratulations!**

## Poster Contest Winners Announced

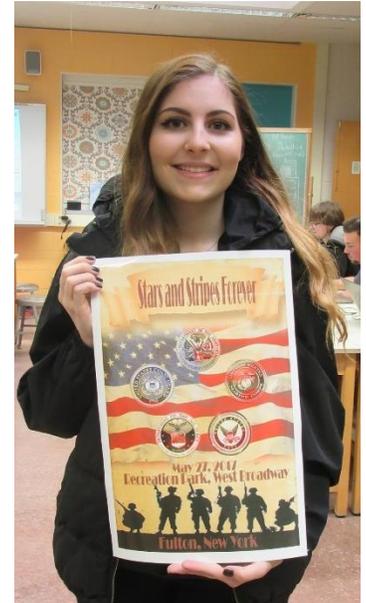
By Zoe Norton

Senior Stacey Sereno won first place in the 36th Annual Memorial Day Salute Poster Contest. Her poster will be used to advertise the Memorial Day Salute, which takes place Saturday, May 27 in Recreation Park, West Broadway, throughout the community. She won \$150 for first place.

Second place winner was senior Victoria Izyk and she received \$75. Alexis Carpenter and Madison Washburn tied for third place and split the prize of \$50. Congratulations to the winners!



*From left to right, art teacher Mrs. Williams, third place winner Alexis Carpenter, third place winner Madison Washburn, second place winner Victoria Izyk, first place winner Stacey Sereno, and art teacher Mrs. Tyler.*



*Senior Stacey Sereno poses with her poster, which won first place.*

## Back-to-Back Wins for Boys Baseball

By Nicole Hansen



*Pictured is senior Frank Barbagallo playing center field in the game against Christian Brothers Academy.*

The boys varsity baseball team was busy last week with two back-to-back wins against Christian Brothers Academy (CBA). The Raiders played the Brothers home on Tuesday, May 9 and won 7-4 after beating the Brothers on the road 1-0 the night before.

Senior William Caster was the starting pitcher for the Raiders until the seventh inning when he was switched out for junior Joshua Vanhorn who closed the game.

Junior Nolan Bonnie hit a home-run his first at bat and had two RBIs during the game.

Fulton started to fall apart a bit in the sixth inning where a few field errors led to CBA scoring four runs, making the score 6-4, still in the Raiders' favor.

The game ended with CBA being called for play interference, ending the game with a score of 7-4.

The boys baseball team moves to 7-5 with their next home game tomorrow night, May 18, against Mexico starting at 4:30 p.m.

## **-Opinion- Lessons Learned from Crazy Horse Memorial**

**By Ashlea Kemp**



*Pictured (front) is the Crazy Horse statue and the memorial. His quote reads, "My lands are where my dead lie buried" (1877).*

During my spring break trip, I got the chance to go see Mount Rushmore and also learned about a new monument that is still being created not that far from Rushmore. The monument is called the Crazy Horse Memorial. I had never heard of the Native American called Crazy Horse, but going out to the wild west, I learned more about Native American culture than ever before.

The Crazy Horse Memorial was started in 1948 by Korczak Ziolkowski. According to Crazyhorse memorial.org, the memorial of Crazy Horse is located in the heart of the beautiful Black Hills. The Mountain is 6,532 feet tall and ranks as the 27th highest mountain in South Dakota.

The mission and reason to create the memorial is to protect and preserve the culture, tradition, and

living heritage of the Northern American Indians. I personally think we should work hard to finish the memorial. They say that finishing the pointer finger and the top of the horse head will take another fifteen or twenty years to complete.

I think this memorial should be more important to us, as Americans, than Mount Rushmore. I understand Mount Rushmore has some of our greatest men on it who changed the U.S. within their lifetime, but Crazy Horse is more valuable and close to us than Rushmore will ever be.

The North American Indians are right. We did trespass on their land and we took their homes and farms away from them, just for us to find somewhere new to live. Our ancestors should have given them half of the U.S. to be at peace with them and not start war.

Crazy Horse was a legendary warrior and the leader for the Lakota Sioux. He passed away by being stabbed while being imprisoned by George Armstrong Custer's soldiers. He was a role model to most Indians in his tribe, and still is a role model for many others. They are building this memorial to show his bravery and to honor him.

## **Wrestling Continues in Off-Season**

A group of Fulton Wrestlers did some more traveling over the last couple of weeks.

The last chance to qualify for the NYS Freestyle Tournament was held in Holland Patent on Sunday, May 7. All of the wrestlers who attended the competition qualified for the NYS Tournament in Binghamton.

Wyatt Willis did not attend the Holland Patent event, but had previously qualified.

Two Fulton wrestlers placed at the NYS Freestyle/Greco tournament held in Binghamton. Willis placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Freestyle and Andru Walts placed 6<sup>th</sup> in Greco Roman.

This weekend put Walts at 51 matches wrestled in the "off-season." He leads all Fulton wrestlers for matches wrestled in the off-season.

(Information from Coach Waldron.)



*Some of the wrestlers from Fulton who competed on May 7 are pictured. In the back row from left to right are Walter Crofoot, Ian Bogardus, Andru Walts, and Andrew Dunning. In the front row from left to right are Dylan Waldron, Sam Waldron, Austin Bowering, and Cole French. Not Pictured are Brandon Guernsey and Collin Parker.*

## ***Boys Lacrosse Honors Senior Athletes***

**By Nicole Hansen**

Thursday, May 11, the varsity boys lacrosse team honored its 2017 seniors during their game against the Auburn Maroons. Seniors include Nick Walberger, Nick Burrescia, Cole Rothrock, Cole Daniels, Dan Mt. Pleasant, and Matt Conn.

The night started with Fulton bringing attention to the senior athletes. Seniors were met by their parents for pictures while their speeches were being read. The Raiders then had seven minutes to warm up before the game.

Fulton was competitive with Auburn for the first quarter of the game, but the Raiders took a hit when sophomore goalie Nate Lindsey collided with a Fulton player, junior Mike Ross, in the first quarter. Lindsey was taken off the field and brought to the hospital for a broken wrist. Unfortunately, the Raiders lost on their senior night by a fairly large margin.

After the game, the teary-eyed seniors were met off the field by friends and family who congratulated them on their accomplishments throughout their lacrosse careers. For most of the seniors, this was their last time playing organized lacrosse. Senior Nick Walberger will be continuing his lacrosse career next year at SUNY Canton.

Congratulations to the boys lacrosse team on their accomplishments this season

and to all of the seniors for the time they have given to the lacrosse program.



*Pictured are the Fulton lacrosse seniors. In the back from left to right are Cole Rothrock, Nick Walberger, Austin Vashaw, and Matt Conn. In the front from left to right are Nick Burrescia, Austin Greenier, Dan Mt. Pleasant, and Cole Daniels.*



*Pictured left to right are sophomores Ryan Barry, Jenna Ruzekowicz, and Devan Ketcham, students in Ms. Florio's Honors English class, who organized a clothing drive May 16-18. Staff and students are encouraged to bring washed, used clothing in a clear plastic bag to the LGI before classes begin.*

## Seniors Excited for Senior Trip

**By Skyler Miller**

Details are being finalized for the senior trip, which will take place May 19 and May 20. About 50 seniors will be participating.

Bag check and drop off are Thursday, May 18 from 6-8 p.m. at G.R.B. Students may pack games, electronics, clothes, and personal belongings.

The bus that departs from G.R.B. leaves at 6 a.m. On the way out, students will make a stop for breakfast.

The first place they will visit is the Cape May County Zoo. The estimated arrival time is 1 p.m. Students will explore the zoo and eat lunch before boarding the bus at 3:00 p.m.

The bus will arrive at Blue Palms Resort at 3601 Atlantic Ave. in

Wildwood, New Jersey where rooms will be sorted out and baggage will be dropped off.

Students will then go to the beach, begin shopping on the boardwalk, and play games on the beach such as volleyball and Can Jam.

On Friday night, students will go to Island Bowling, where they will go bowling and have pizza. They will then return to the hotel.

Breakfast is served at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning at the Red Oak Buffet in the hotel.

On Saturday, students will have time to go to the beach. Then, students will have passes starting at noon to attend Morey's Piers and go the amusement park and shops there. At 6 p.m. there will be a beachside barbeque provided by Morey's Piers.

Students will load the bus at 7 p.m. on Saturday to head back to G.R.B. The students will make one stop along the way for food. Sometime around 1:00 a.m. the students will arrive back to the high school.

It looks like it will be a busy and fun trip!



*Pictured is Morey's Piers, one of the places the Class of 2017 will visit on their senior trip May 19-20.*



### 2017 Spring Clean-Up

- ❖ Saturday, May 20, 2017  
(8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)
- ❖ All G.R.B. students are welcome to attend
- ❖ Please bring gardening tools (if possible)
- ❖ Helping at the Spring Clean-Up can count for community service hours