



Hoops For Hope Was A Slam Dunk

By Nicole Hansen

Friday, April 28 was the first ever Hoops For Hope breast cancer awareness basketball fundraiser and the night was a huge success. Overall, the event raised \$4,000 for breast cancer research.

The night started with the student basketball tournament that many students participated in. Six student teams were involved and each team included at least one girl. The main gym and the back gym were utilized for the tournament with the championship game being played in the main gym. The winning team was the “Ballers.”

The highlight of the night was the Teachers vs. News Channel 3 charity game. The game was very interesting to watch and the students enjoyed being able to see

their favorite teachers playing basketball. Teachers who played in the game had a fun time, as well, and saw it as a worthwhile experience.

The gymnasium was filled with students and community members wearing pink to support the cause. Outside the gym, there were raffle baskets and concessions that helped raise money, as well.

Thank you to everyone who participated and helped raise money for breast cancer research!



Pictured is the winning student basketball team, the “Ballers.” In back from left to right are junior Cole Cotton, junior Austin Fleming, junior Savanna Runeare, senior Frank Barbagallo, and senior Connor Broderick. Seated on the floor from left to right are seniors Kyle Perry and Jared Marden.



Pictured are the teachers and News Channel 3 teams before the tip-off on April 28.



Pictured is the News Channel 3 basketball team at the start of the game on April 28.

Freshmen Receive Playwright Award from Syracuse Stage

By Mason Rowlee

On Monday, April 24, freshmen Mark Tallents, Nate Archer, and Kyle Hotaling received an award from Syracuse Stage for their play *War for the Aisle*. The three ninth-graders are playwrights from Ms. Florio's Honors English class and were finalists in the Young Playwrights Festival.

Tallents previously explained, "It's a story about a war between gummy bears and gummy worms in a supermarket and the journey of three gummy bear companions."

At the event, the play was performed by Syracuse Stage in conjunction with Syracuse University. Ms. Florio said, "At the end of the program, they had the playwright kids assemble on the stage and be asked questions by the au-

dience about the rendition of their plays."

Each of the playwrights received an award and was given six tickets to see future Syracuse Stage productions.

The boys should be very proud of this accomplishment!



Pictured above are the Syracuse Stage actors performing War for the Aisle, a play by freshmen Mark Tallents, Nate Archer, and Kyle Hotaling.

Alumni to Join G.R.B. Band at End-of-Year Concert

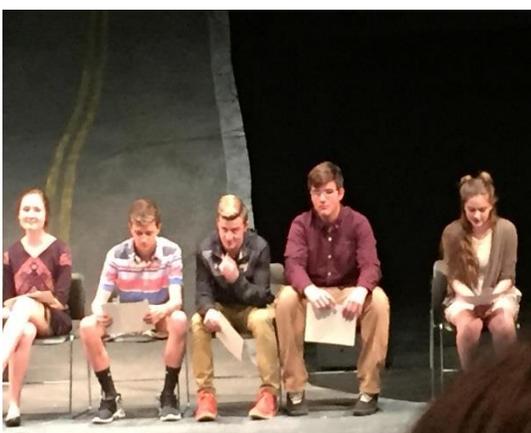
By Skyler Miller

The G.R.B. band is inviting alumni and faculty to join them for the final concert of the 2016-2017 school year. During the concert, there will be current students playing alongside teachers and other adults who used to play in the school's band. The band will be performing "Red Rock Mountain" by Galante and "The Fairest of the Fair" by Sousa.

The concert is Wednesday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium. The alumni/faculty rehearsal will be from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Caviness gave a link to the website where the PDFs for the sheet music can be found. The address is fultoncsd.org/districtpage.cfm?pageid=1238. Recordings can also be found on YouTube or JWPEPPER.com. He said people can print the part they want to play and e-mail him (tca-vines@fulton.cnyric.org) to tell him they are performing.

Mr. Caviness noted this is a non-threatening, fun event. He said he will order some pizza and that everyone "can go to the cafeteria and chat until the concert starts. We hope to see you there."



Pictured above from left to right are Nate Archer, Mark Tallents, and Kyle Hotaling holding their awards. The three freshmen playwrights had their play War for the Aisle performed by Syracuse Stage in conjunction with Syracuse University.

Prom Fever is Upon Us

By **Calinda Ceterski**

Prom Fever is quickly spreading throughout high schools across the country and G.R.B. is no exception. G.R.B.'s prom is May 6 at Bayshore Grove in Oswego.

The junior class voted on a prom theme and song the week before spring break. They decided the theme will be "A Night Under The Stars" and the song would be "Faithfully" by Journey.

Junior Hannah Gigliotti commented that she wished "Can I Have This Dance?" from *High School Musical* had won the vote to be the prom song, but obviously many students are happy their choices won.

Promposals are something teens look forward to seeing on social media every year. Promposal is a fairly new term used to describe the way a student asks someone to the prom. This year, there were some epic promposals that made national news. Here at G.R.B., there were also some cute promposals that happened. Promposals varied and included simple questions, posters, and Dum-Dum lollipop bouquets.

The one downfall of prom is the cost. Between the tickets, the limo, dinner, and other expenses, it all adds up. For girls, prom tends to be a bit more pricy between the dress, shoes, hair, makeup, and jewelry. Girls often spend between \$300 and \$500.

Senior Nicole Hansen has spent \$200 on prom, but noted she was able to save money because she has her accessories from last year. Junior Josh Compson has spent \$470 on prom including his tickets, tuxedo, the limo, and other expenses. Junior Sammy Tanner shared that she has spent about \$700 on prom.

Also, the amount of time that is needed to get ready for prom for girls is a lot longer than it is for boys. Some boys have enough time to take the SAT the same day, but for many girls, they would not even try to do both.

RaiderNet hopes that everyone has a fun and safe prom!



Junior Nolan Johnson asked senior Nicole Hansen to prom with this fun Dum-Dum bouquet.



Pictured above is Puck, junior Camiel Heagle and senior Ethan Cimino's puppy. Heagle asked Cimino to prom by hanging a huge poster after one of his hockey games. Cimino had to check off his answer on their puppy.

Bring Your Child to Work Day Brings Fun For All

By **Zoe Norton**

Thursday, April 27 was "Bring Your Child to Work Day" and many teachers participated. There were events planned all day for the children.

First bell was an art project with Mrs. Williams. The kids customized a paper mask. During second bell, the kids played computer games in Mr. Thurlow's room and Mr. Heindorf had the kids in his room during third bell for a reader's workshop.

During Guided Study Hall, the children stayed with their parents. In fourth bell, they played in the

gym with Mr. Stalker. Fifth bell was lunch and sixth bell was science fun with Mr. Mainville. During seventh bell, the students were with Mr. Leece doing other fun activities. Mr. Lescarbeau played theater games with the kids during eighth bell and during the last bell of the day Mrs. Kent got the kids all sugared up with cupcake decorating and board games, while other children were with Mrs. Taormina for computer games.

Many students helped teachers with the children during their free bells. Since there was a faculty meeting after school, there were also manicures and a movie for the girls and games in the gym for the boys.

The day was successful once again this year and everyone had fun!



Mr. Mainville with his son, Andrew



Mr. Heindorf with his sons, Jake and Ben



Mrs. Williams with her son, Kyle



Mrs. Halladay with her daughters, Ella and Mia



Mr. Pasho with his sons, Joseph and Patrick, and his daughter, Scarlet

5/23-24: Coleman, French 2
 5/31: Coleman, Spanish 1
 5/23-24: Honeywell, French 3
 5/25-26: Ruggio, German 3
 5/22-24: Halladay, Spanish 2-3
 5/25: Piraino, Spanish 2

Above are the dates for the speaking portion of the LOTE exams.

LOTE Exams Approaching

By Zoe Norton

The time is almost here for final exams and Regents exams and Languages Other than English (LOTE) exams start sooner than most.

LOTE final exams consist of four parts. The exam includes speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The speaking portion must be done before any other part and is worth between 20-24% of the total exam. It will be administered May 22-31. It will be conducted by the student's teacher during the school day. There will be a schedule handed out in advance. Students are required to

go to the library at their scheduled time. If students know they can't make their time, they will need to talk to their teacher to make other arrangements.

The last three parts of the exam for the Level 1 and 2 languages will be given June 6-9 in class. Level 3 exams will be on June 19. This includes listening, reading, and writing.

Review classes will be offered prior to exams and students will be told when they are.

Good luck, LOTE students!

Boys Baseball Topples State-Ranked ESM

By Nicole Hansen

The Raider varsity baseball team had a 4-1 home win against the East-Syracuse-Minoa (ESM) Spartans on Thursday, April 27. The Spartans were ranked sixth in the state for A-schools before they played the Raiders.

Senior Will Caster was the starting pitcher for the Raiders and pitched the whole game until junior Josh Vanhorn came in during the seventh inning to close the game.

Fulton was the first to score in the first inning with ESM answering in the second inning making the score 1-1. The highlight of the game for the Raiders was the sixth inning. Fulton took full advantage of ESM's tired pitcher and gained three easy runs. Junior Nolan Bonnie had a perfect rip over the Spartans' shortstop, bringing in a run and having two other runners in scoring position. Due to smart base-running by junior Cole Cotton, he got himself to second base while making ESM look like a little league team. Cotton batted 1.000 for the game and was a big contributor to the Raiders' win.

Fulton held ESM in the top of the seventh inning giving the Raiders a 4-1 win.

The next JV and varsity home baseball game is Friday, May 5 against Central Square with both games starting at 4 p.m.



Pictured is starting pitcher, senior Will Caster, at the baseball game against ESM.



Pictured during the S.T.E.A.M. showcase on Wednesday, April 26 are juniors Jake Geitner, Matt Borrow, and Madison Lang with their project.



Pictured at the S.T.E.A.M. showcase from left to right are sophomore Mike Newton, sophomore Kyle Raneiri, sophomore Ryan Denson and freshman Brian Mitchell showing off the canoe they made.



Pictured from left to right are freshman Nate Young, senior Austin McDonald, sophomore Jaymes Garrison, and senior Tanner Trovato in Mr. Sievers' classroom during the S.T.E.A.M. showcase.

Fulton Wrestlers Travel to the Netherlands and Beyond

By Josiah Dahar

Over spring break, when most people tend to rest, the Fulton Wrestlers were traveling and putting in more work. Practice sessions were held at the wrestling club and some wrestlers were competing at the international level.

Three wrestlers traveled to the Netherlands and competed in Europe's largest youth wrestling tournament. One senior, Wyatt Willis, and two freshman, Andru Walts and Cole French made the trip. Walts placed 4th, while Willis and French wrestled well, but lost close matches and fell short of placing.

Two wrestlers travelled to Ohio for one of the largest tournaments in the U.S. Sophomore Thomas Hughes and freshman Andru Walts both attended the Ohio Tournament of Champions. One of Fulton's most decorated wrestlers, Alumnus Dave Hall, travelled with them. For Walts, there was only one day of rest between the two events. Hughes placed 4th and while Walts won matches, he fell short of placing.

Thomas Hughes, freshman Camrin Galvin, and eighth grader Cuinn Burlingham all attended the Virginia Beach Nationals the weekend of March 25. Burlingham placed 6th, earning him All-American status.

On April 8 and 9, a handful of Fulton Wrestlers competed at the eastern Nationals at the SRC arena. Hughes placed 1st, eighth grader Sam May placed 3rd, junior John Parrish placed 3rd, Walts placed 6th, seventh grader Aiden Scaringi placed 2nd, and Micah Collins (Peewee Wrestler) placed 2nd.

If you are ever interested in what the Fulton Wrestlers are doing, you can follow them on the Fulton Wrestling Facebook group or visit our website at Fultonwrestling.com. The next home event is the Fulton Spring duals on May 20 at the Fulton War Memorial/Ice Rink.



Sophomore Thomas Hughes (second from left) placed first at the Eastern Nationals.



Pictured above are CNY's youth wrestling stars who traveled to the Netherlands.

V.I.P. Students Enjoy Taco Lunch

By Jazzlynn Perez

On Monday, April 24, students received a V.I.P. pass during Guided Study Hall for meeting the third quarter V.I.P. criteria.

The V.I.P. criteria was to have 95% attendance, be on time to school 95% of the time, have no major referrals, and have all grades 80% or better for the third quarter.

To acknowledge the 146 V.I.P. students, a catered lunch was served on Wednesday, April 26 that included chicken tacos, chips and salsa, cookies, and bottled water.

Students who received a V.I.P. pass also enjoy the benefits of not needing a pre-signed pass during study halls and lunch bells. They also have the privilege of going outside during their lunch bell.

To meet the 95% attendance requirement, students could not miss more than two days of school for the third quarter because there were 42 days of school. This is the same for tardies, as students could not have more than two tardies.

Other recognitions took place recently, as well. On Monday, May 1, 246 students received a donut for being referral-free.

Also, congratulations to the freshman class for winning attendance wars. Freshmen received donuts during Guided Study Hall, as well.

Congratulations to all of the students meeting our school's expectations!



V.I.P. Students enjoyed walking tacos, chips and salsa, and cookies on April 26.

Job Applications Highlighted During G.R.B. Assembly

By Brian Trombly

On Friday, April 28 in the G.R.B. cafeteria, students were given a presentation on how to apply for jobs. They were also given useful tips in order to stand out during a job interview.

Business teacher Mrs. Ferlito began by stressing the basic information needed to apply for a job, such as having your resume, Social Security number, and driver's license (if applicable). Addresses of former employers, as well as starting and ending salaries from previous employment (if applicable) are recommended, as well.

Mrs. Ferlito also made it clear that "at least" three character references may be needed when filling out an application. Teachers, coaches, and neighbors are recommended for references, while

parents and other family members are prohibited.

Interviewing tips were also highlighted at the presentation. Mrs. Ferlito emphasized the importance of being mature and composed during an interview. She reminded students to always be positive when asked tough questions.

If students have questions for the interviewer, Mrs. Ferlito highlighted the questions applicants should never ask such as, "How many days will I be able to have off?" and "How often would I be able to be on my phone?"

If students have any application questions or need assistance filling out their application, Mrs. Ferlito is available to help in Room 115.

-Opinion- Patience Makes M.E.P.S. Visit Fly By

By Skyler Miller

The Military Entrance Processing Station (M.E.P.S.) in Syracuse at the Hancock Air Force Base is where people go to be processed into the military branch they choose to enter. There are various steps to getting into M.E.P.S. including taking the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (A.S.V.A.B).

The night before you enter M.E.P.S., you get to stay at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Syracuse. When you arrive, you check in on the fifth floor and sign a "contract" regarding rules and behavior during your stay. You may have a bag packed with clothes to change into and some other personal things to keep yourself busy while waiting around the hotel. I brought my drawing supplies with me and sketched some pictures.

During your stay, you are to be on time when going to the meeting, going to bed, and getting up to be bussed out to M.E.P.S. In your free time, you are able to go in and out of the hotel up until lights out or chill in the lobby or workout room. You have a roommate during your overnight stay and you are given one free meal voucher for the Redfield restaurant in the hotel to get dinner.

Breakfast is served in the morning.

It is imperative you follow all of the rules that are put in place, follow the instructions you're given, and always have your I.D. with you. When the security personnel ask for your I.D., you must present it and only speak to staff when spoken to, or if you have a question. You must answer with sir or ma'am to show respect to the staff.

During M.E.P.S., they will give you a thorough physical to make sure that you have no disqualifying issues that may cause you or your peers harm when in your branch of military. The physical is standard like a doctor gives you at home, but includes stretching, balancing, blood-work, depth perception, hearing, and speech. After the physical, you get to talk to a liaison of your branch about your job options and confirm your paperwork credentials. You will also get your fingerprints sent out to the FBI to get a full background check.

The entire day was very long, but at the end, when sworn into the military, the hard work and effort was worth the wait. It was exciting to know I made it very far with the efforts I put in.

Old Erie Restaurant Hosts German Students

By Calinda Ceterski

On Friday, April 28, German students left G.R.B. at 10:50 a.m. for a tasty lunch field trip to *Old Erie Restaurant* in Weedsport. The cost of the field trip was \$20, which included the meal with one side, dessert, and a drink, and also the cost of the bus.

A total of 28 students attended the trip. The students were Leia Abbott, Joshua Austin, Matthew Borrow, Devin Boyce, Elizabeth Brown, Ethan Cimino, Josh Compson, Cloe Gagnon, Anthony Galletta, Trevor Hartle-Knapp, Camiel Heagle, Caleb Hogan, Korbin Hyde, Madison Kreinheider, Kayleigh LaBeef, Travis Loomis, Corey Maher, Austin Mason, Courtney Miner, Ronald Parody, Aiden Percival, Christopher Schreck, Jonathan Simpson, Alex Stoutenger, Sammy Tanner, Kaylee Waugh, Jake Willcox, and Cody Wright.

The menu options that the students chose from were *Jäger Schnitzel*, *Wiener Schnitzel*, *Paprika Hühnchen*, and *Gegrilltes Gemüse*.

German teacher Mrs. Ruggio commented that she thought her students had a great time and were pleasantly surprised about how good the food was. The group returned to school with full bellies around 1:00 p.m.

Record-Breaking Meet for the Fulton Track Team

By Josiah Dahar

On Friday, April 28, Fulton's boys and girls track teams attended the Chittenango Invitational. The team faced several challenges during the meet. The first challenge was getting there. The bus scheduled to take the team at 2:30 p.m. was cancelled and the team didn't get on the road until 3:30 p.m. when another bus could be arranged. This caused the team to be late to the meet and some of Fulton's athletes were unable to compete in their events.

Although it had a rough start, the meet got better. Several of Fulton's finest runners set new personal records and senior Kenneth Deloff set a new school record for the 3000m Steeplechase. Smashing the old record by over 20 seconds, Deloff came in fourth place at the meet. Deloff said he felt, "terrible because I had just run, but then pretty excited about the whole record thing." With a time of 10:08, Deloff qualified for sectionals and state qualifications.

Senior Tyler Samson also ran the Steeplechase for Fulton, and while his time was slower than Deloff, finishing at 11:35, he still qualified for sectionals despite this being the first time he has ever participated in the event.

Other runners who set new personal records at the meet were sophomore Andrew Hyde, who ran 5:11 in the mile, sophomore Isaac Crandall, who ran 4:36 in the full mile, sophomore Devan Ketcham, who ran the 400m in 57 seconds, junior Jon Hollenbeck, who ran it in 56 seconds, and freshman Vita Dean, who ran it in 73 seconds. All three of them set

new personal bests. Freshman Noah Allen ran a 100m in only 12.22 seconds, also setting a new personal record.

The meet was incredibly long and the team did not get back to the school until after midnight. Fulton lost the meet, but many of the team's members have shown incredible improvement over the season, and coaches Wasacz and

Demars hope that Fulton can pull out a win at tonight's senior night meet in Fulton.



Pictured, left, is senior Kenneth Deloff jumping one of the steeples in the 3000m Steeplechase.

Band Finds Victory in Florida

By Josiah Dahar

From Wednesday, April 19 to Monday, April 24, Mr. Caviness and his band students traveled on the adventure of a lifetime to the land of Florida. Leaving the school at around 2:30 p.m., the group endured a 21-hour bus ride with no stops, but reached their destination, the CoCo Key Hotel and Water Resort at around noon on Thursday. After checking in, the group, which consisted of 55 G.R.B. students and 10 chaperones, was treated to a pizza party by the pool to relax after the long trip.

But it wasn't all fun and games. Once the group recovered from the trip, it was time to practice for the big show. Their performance took place on Saturday morning and all their hard work and preparation throughout the school year paid off. Fulton won first place in their division, playing "The Great Locomotive Chase," "Military Escort," and "The Ceremony Chant and Ritual."

Mr. Caviness said, "We had a good performance despite only having four rehearsals."

When they weren't practicing or performing, the group enjoyed many of Florida's fantastic attractions. Sophomore Devan Ketcham said the trip was awesome and that they all loved the visit to Universal Studios. Other attractions the students visited were the Medieval Times Dinner Theater and Harry Potter World.

While in Florida, they also got a clinic with the Florida Atlantic University band director, who gave them several pointers on how to continue to improve as a band.



Pictured is Mr. Caviness and the G.R.B. band during their trip to Florida over spring break.