



Final Days, Final Grades

By Jazzlynn Perez

The end of the school year is almost here! It is important to keep your grades up for the end of the fourth marking period and to keep working hard in the final days until summer vacation. Good attendance and good grades will help you succeed.

Junior Abigail Gugula said, "My final quarter grades are better than my grades were in the beginning of the year." She added, "I struggled in the beginning of the year because of my attendance, but prom changed that because I wanted to go."

Finals and Regents exams are also upon us. Some final exams are not listed on the Regents document.

The English 10 final exam and the Global 9 final exam are both on Monday, June 12 at 7:45 a.m. The Pre-Calculus final exam is on Monday, June 12 at 11:45 a.m.

The Earth Science performance tests are June 12-14. Students schedule their own times.

Monday, June 19 at 7:45 a.m. is the English 9 final exam. The Level 3 language exams are also that morning at 7:45 a.m.

All final exam and Regents exam information is posted on G.R.B.'s website.

Keep moving forward, G.R.B. There are only seven days of classes left!

Hoops for Hope Organizers Make Sizeable Donation

By Nicole Hansen



Pictured above from left to right are Principal Mrs. Parkhurst, Assistant Principal Mr. Copani, math teacher and Hoops for Hope organizer Mrs. Cretaro holding the check, senior Miranda Prosser, Jacqueline Baldwin (Carol Baldwin's grand-daughter), senior Aryelle Barbagallo, and Varsity Basketball Coach and Hoops for Hope organizer Mr. Lyons.

On Friday, May 26, the money from the Hoops for Hope breast cancer research fundraiser was presented to the Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund of CNY.

The event raised \$4,420 and organizers are hopeful they can double that amount next year.

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EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JUNE 2017

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

June 13 TUESDAY	June 14 WEDNESDAY	June 15 THURSDAY	June 16 FRIDAY	June 19 [*] MONDAY	June 20 TUESDAY	June 21 WEDNESDAY	June 22 THURSDAY	June 23 FRIDAY
7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	RATING DAY
RE in U.S. History & Government	English Language Arts (Common Core)	RE in Global History & Geography	Geometry (Common Core)	RCT in Global Studies* <small>* World Language Assessment suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint A Exam</small>	Physical Setting/ Chemistry	RCT in U.S. History & Government*	RCT in Reading*	
11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	Uniform Admission Deadlines Morning Examinations: 10:00 a.m. Afternoon Examinations: 2:00 p.m.
Algebra I (Common Core)	Living Environment	Physical Setting/ Earth Science Physical Setting/ Physics	Algebra II (Common Core)	RCT in Writing <small>* World Language Assessment suggested date/time: Locally developed Checkpoint B Exam</small>	RCT in Science*	RCT in Mathematics*		

* 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.

Students Inducted into Prestigious Program

By Calinda Ceterski

The National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) inducted 36 G.R.B. students on Thursday, May 25. The NTHS recognizes the great achievements of Career and Technical Education students. Scholarships are provided to the members to encourage them to continue their education. This will help them in the very competitive workforce.

G.R.B. students who were inducted include Joseph Aubin, Erin Baker, Aryelle Barbagallo, Suzan Bean, Miwa Burdic, Nicholas Burescia, Alexis Caruana, Lucas Clark, Colin Cornell, Breanna Debiew, Paige Drake, Stephanie Fowler, Brianna Grinnell, Mallo-ry Harter, Daniel Hotaling, Randy Huller, Victoria Izyk, Karly Kearns, Derick Lopez-Staring, Kayla Mackey, Keely Morrison, Lauren Nichols, Hannah Overton, Dustin Parkhurst, Jonathan Parish, Mackenzie Phelps, Daniel Phillips, Paige Rowlee, Rebecca Segouin, Dmitrii Simanushkin, Sabrina Verdoliva, Makhali Voss, Brynn Waloven, Taylor Wells, Cassandra Wood, and Shannon Zych.

At the ceremony, both new members and second year members were recognized for their achievements. Congratulations to all G.R.B. students who were inducted into NTHS.



Pictured above from left to right are seniors Erin Baker, Brynn Waloven, and Aryelle Barbagallo after they received their awards.

Yearbook Distribution Ahead

Members of the Ful-tonian Yearbook got a sneak peek at this year's edition, We Could Be Heroes, at a recent yearbook meeting. The rest of the school will have to wait until Friday, June 2, when yearbooks will be available from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. outside the auditorium.

Pictured from left to right are Addison Billion, Hannah

Burlingham, Sammy Tanner, Sabrina Verdoliva, and Jessica Kleiman. There will be some books available for sale for \$60.



Wrestlers Not Slowing Down

Fulton Wrestling is hosting a week-long training camp at G.R.B. from June 26 – 30. Fulton alumnus Ron LaBeef will be the head clinician.

In July, the wrestlers will be traveling to Pennsylvania for a week to train with World Champion Olympic Wrestler Ken Chertow. In August, they head to the Thousand Islands to compete in the biggest dual meet tournament in New York State.

In addition, the team will continue to run practices on Mondays and Thursdays at the wrestling club located at the CYO next to Pizza Hut from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

For more information on what is going on with Fulton Wrestling, you can visit Fultonwrestling.com or join the Fulton Wrestling Facebook group. You can also stop in and see Coach Gilbert at the Junior High or Coach Waldron at the high school.

It is never the wrong time to join New York State's number one wrestling program.

(Information from Coach Waldron.)

-Opinion- The Effect of a Changing Environment

By Skyler Miller

The global environment should be a top priority for world leaders and governments. The extreme burning of fossil fuels is not just a problem that one community or country faces, but one that is a worldwide issue. Many scientists would agree that other forms of energy such as wind, solar, hydropower, and thermal energy can help stop the worldwide environmental changes. I believe that it is possible to save money and the environment if we make the switch to cleaner energy sources.

Global warming has increased since the Industrial Revolution. Global warming occurs when the atmosphere is thick with Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) and absorbs heat that warms up the earth's surface.

The pace in which CO₂ has been released into the warming atmosphere has been quickened by the burning of fossil fuels. CO₂ creates a thick atmosphere that makes infrared heat energy hard to escape, which warms the earth's surface. If we used the cleaner energy sources such as solar and wind energies, we could reduce the amount of CO₂ in the atmosphere.

Years of data have been collected by scientists to show how the environmental changes have proceeded over time. Even though I have been alive only eighteen years, I have noticed the strange change in weather and the environment. It is all over the news, and we really should start taking the environmental changes seriously.



*Extreme burning of fossil fuels creates CO₂ build-up.
Picture from ProProfs.*

-Opinion- Senior Trip Was Busy and Exciting

By Ashlea Kemp



Pictured are members of the Class of 2017 at Morey's Pier amusement park during their senior trip.

Early morning on Friday, May 19 students of the senior class got ready to hit the road for their senior trip to Wildwood, New Jersey. The first stop the seniors made was to Cape May Zoo where we ate some lunch and saw many animals.

After the stop at the zoo, we went to our hotel, Blue Palm Resorts, in Wildwood. The hotel was a block away from the boardwalk and the Jersey beach. After arriving to our hotel, students had a choice whether to stay at the hotel and swim in the pool and just

hang out or go to the beach, play games, and swim in the ocean.

Senior class advisor Mrs. Killian sent everyone a text to meet at the hotel so we could all get ready to go bowling. Later Friday night, we walked down the road to the bowling alley. We bowled, ate at least 14 out of 20 pizzas, and brought the leftover pizzas we had back to the hotel.

We got back to our hotel around 10:20 p.m. and Mrs. Killian said we could go out on the boardwalk if we choose to, but that we had to be back in our rooms by 11 p.m.

for a room check. Sadly, it started to downpour, but she did let us sit in each other's rooms until the time of our curfew.

On Saturday, we got up early and walked to a buffet a couple blocks away from our hotel. We ate breakfast there and then walked back to the hotel. Mrs. Killian gave us a choice to sit at the hotel just to hang out or walk around the boardwalk. We all had to meet at the 2nd pier on the boardwalk to get our tickets for the amusement park. We stayed all day at Morey's Pier. Around 5:45 p.m. we all met up as a group, then walked down toward the beach to have a barbeque dinner. There was a really nice view of the ocean.

After dinner, we got a chance to ride one more ride on the pier before the ride home. After the ride we all met up and walked back to the bus.

On the way home, everyone on the bus and the chaperones signed a thank you card for Mrs. Killian. The Polaroid picture we took as a class on the boardwalk was in the card. She did shed some tears, but we all wanted to show her how we were very thankful for having her as our senior class advisor. Because of her hard work and dedication for our class, we got the chance to take this amazing trip. She is the best class advisor ever!

Reality Check Needs Student Participants

By Josiah Dahar

Over the years there have been many programs developed to help keep the students of G.R.B. safe and healthy, but very few of these programs are as important as Reality Check. Reality Check is a student-run organization that works in all regions of New York to help fight against tobacco use. Tobacco products kill many Americans every year and Reality Check wants teens to know the facts.

The main goal of Reality Check is to expose the advertising and marketing practices of the tobacco industry and prevent kids from smoking and using other tobacco products by sharing with them the truth that is known about the tobacco industry and their marketing. Reality Check is not against tobacco users. They are against tobacco distributors.

From a very young age, children are assaulted with tobacco advertisements in stores, movies, and other media, making them think tobacco is good. Reality Check fights to take tobacco out of the lives of children and teens and to teach them the harmful effects of tobacco.

Reality Check has been active at G.R.B. for about two years, but has seen a slight decline in group membership during the past six months.

Kathleen Knopp, who has been the Reality Check coordinator

since May 2015, said, “I think it’s critical for teens to have their voices heard and have opportunities for engagement in order to make their communities better for themselves and others.”

Students in Reality Check learn public speaking skills, communication skills, advocacy skills through working with local, state, and federal officials, and media skills through working with the newspapers, news stations, radio, and more.

Students will also learn about corporate tobacco, from their history to the present, about advertising and marketing, and how media impacts people’s beliefs, attitudes, behaviors, and skills in problem solving. They learn how to plan events, activities, and initiatives and how to come up with creative ways to advocate for a cause. The most important thing they learn is how to mobilize oth-

ers to take action.

Students in Reality Check will gain experience to put on resumes, scholarship applications, job applications, and college applications, and will also earn community service hours and opportunities to travel.

Students can get involved in many ways and anyone interested in joining can contact Mrs. Knopp at Co2realitycheck@gmail.com or by phone at 315-34-2344 ext. 23. Reality Check knows student schedules are busy and will work with you to find the best times for you to participate.



Pictured is the boys varsity baseball team (left) lined up for the national anthem before their sectional baseball game against Christian Brothers Academy (CBA) at Onondaga Community College on Friday, May 26. They ended their season after losing 2-0 against CBA.

G.R.B. Students Visit New York City

By Brian Trombly

On Friday, May 26, members of the Future Business Leaders of America and Quirk's Players Drama Club headed to New York City to see the critically acclaimed musical *Sunset Boulevard*. This Broadway production is one of the most popular musicals in New York and was enjoyed by the group.

The students who went on the trip were Alexis Barth, Selene Belrad, Collin Bennett, Alex Blaine, Lilly Bray, Nick Brown, Marshall Carvey, Shaylee Cealie, Julia Cieszeski, Sarah Fisch, Cloe Gagnon, Emily Gerth,

Michael Gerth, Andrew Gilbert, Cassandra Gray- Blasczienski, Jeremy Herlowski, Kayleigh Hotaling, David Houck, Nora Kingsbury, Madison Kreinheder, Arthur Lincoln, David Marlowe, Caitlin McAfee, Alexis Phelps, Noah Phelps, Alysa Rosenbarker and Karina Whitten.

Quirk's Players directors present were Mr. Briggs, Mr. Lescarbeau and Mr. Nami. Future Business Leaders of America advisors Mrs. Ferlito and Mrs. Taormina were present, as well.

The musical seemed like a great opportunity for G.R.B students to watch master actors and actresses and to see the many iconic sights of the Big Apple.



Students enjoyed the musical Sunset Boulevard.

- Opinion - What is a Hero?

By Ashlea Kemp



A hero is someone who would put someone else before him or herself no matter what the situation is. They would risk their own lives to go into battle or war to fight for what they believe in.

It is someone who does not want to talk about the war when they come back home. It is someone who is thankful for every single day he or she is alive because some war partners did not make it back home safely.

It is a person who is proud to be an American. No matter what the United States has been through, a hero is still proud to call this country home. It is someone who faces many challenges and disasters that no one should ever see.

A hero is a special someone who has courage and bravery. If you see a Veteran on the street, or at the store, or anywhere you go, take the time to stop and thank him or her for serving.

I would like to thank my Grandpa Francis W. Perrigo for serving his time in World War II as a Technical Sergeant in the Philippines. He went into war on March 6, 1943.

I would also like to thank my great uncles Ricky and Rocky Burns for their time in Vietnam. They did not come back home safely, but got honors for their bravery.

To all the war heroes and honorable veterans out there in the United States and to all the ones who could not make it back home, thank you for your service. The United States would not be the same without your courage and bravery.

-Opinion – CNN, Media Sources Need to Get Off Trump’s Back

By Hunter Hubel

Ever since businessman Donald Trump announced he was running for President of the United States, seemingly every news source has been hounding President Trump over every move he makes.

With some critics having rightful reason, too often it feels as though news anchors are fishing for a reaction or a crazy headline.

I will be the first to admit that I do not exactly “agree” with the policies put in place or the actions taken to restore the economy and faith of this great country. But when politicians and news stations constantly slander the President, and appear to want him to fail, it becomes a selfish act by the Democratic party, and a jealous act by outspoken Republicans. Although this may not be the case, headlines such as the ones seen lately were rarely produced over Democratic representative President Barack

Obama. Although some cases against President Trump are more extreme, the Democratic party has seen more than their fair share of mishaps.

Recently, CNN and TIME Magazine have gone so far as to scrutinize President Trump for being served two scoops of ice cream, as opposed to one for his journalist guests, and for being served Thousand Island dressing for his salad, while the guests received creamy vinaigrette. This is not major news. This is a way for author Dan Merica (CNN) to push out an article in an attempt to create another excuse for citizens to find a reason to dislike the President.

Whether you support President Trump or not, and no matter who is in office, we, as the citizens of the United States, owe it to ourselves to support the people who hold office. Instead of hoping they fail and wanting them to fail to prove a point, we should hope that these people succeed. This is

simply for the benefit of the country. Hoping the President fails is like hoping the pilot of a plane crashes. We are all on board, so if he fails, we all fail.

Trump gets 2 scoops of ice cream, everyone else gets 1 -- and other top lines from his Time interview



Pictured is a screenshot from CNN.com.

Five Things You Didn’t Know About... Mr. Copani

By Rich King

5) Mr. Copani has been to Scotland, Japan, Korea, Germany, Australia, England, Italy, Ireland, Alaska, Hawaii, and every other state in the country, as well.

4) He hopes to one day visit Egypt and the Middle East.

3) The most memorable moment of Mr. Copani’s lifetime was holding his son for the first time.

2) Mr. Copani enjoys his job as an assistant principal, but would also enjoy being a chef or a painter because both activities relax him.

1) Mr. Copani owns over 800 DVDs and Marvel comic books are his favorite.



Fire Destroys Oswego Building

By Josiah Dahar

On Saturday, May 27, while Fulton's firefighters were participating in Fulton's Memorial Day parade, the Oswego firefighters were battling the flames of a fire in the heart of the city. The fire started in the early morning on the corner of West Third and Bridge Street and burned into the afternoon until firefighters finally got the fire put out.

The building that burned was two stories and hosted Pauras Discount Liquor store and a vape store on the first floor and Pauras Apartments on the second floor. The cause of the fire is unknown,

but it is believed that the fire started on the second floor.

According to Oswego Police Officer Derek Jansson, who was one of the first responders, arriving at the scene in under a minute after the first call was made, there were people in the building at the time of the fire, but thankfully everyone was evacuated safely and there were no injuries.

Thanks to the Oswego Fire Department, the fire was quickly contained and did not spread to any other buildings. Now all that is left is to sift through the debris and try to determine what caused the fire.



Local residents watch as the fire rages in Oswego on Saturday, May 27.

STEM Camp Registration Happening Now

By Zoe Norton

Are you or someone you know a girl who is entering grades 9-12? If so, on July 24-28 from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. at Le Moyne College there is a free STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) camp.

Lunch will be provided and bus transportation can be provided if requested. Make sure to sign up soon because available spots are filling up quickly.

There will be team building, a coding class, drones, a field trip, tours/demonstrations around Le Moyne campus, dialogue circles, and mentoring from women in STEM fields during this camp.

This will be a great experience for young girls who are interested in STEM.

-Opinion- Dump Trump

By Skyler Miller

How can people even justify that President Trump is the best thing for America? I think that it is just complete garbage when someone says he has not done anything wrong and is going to turn this country around for the better. The question is, when will he make this happen? He is a childish, unskilled government official. He is running the country as one of his businesses and eventually he is going to run it straight into the ground.

He is creating plans to get the country out of debt, but he has not put much in place that will actually help with getting the country in a better financial position. His dismantling of scientific funding and Planned Parenthood, to name a few, was important to him and then he imposed a 10% increase on military spending. Our government already spends more money on our military than several other countries combined. Trump claims that science is just a “hoax” when it comes to the environment and he wants to bring back the coal industry. That, in itself, is a waste of money, and would be a huge boost to the problem known as environmental change. Meanwhile, he wants to waste billions on a wall rather than fight for things that actually impact my generation's future.

The wall is a huge waste of taxpayer dollars. If people want to get over the border, they will al-

ways find a way regardless of a wall being there. To me, building a wall is America saying we are not some place you should go. I thought our country was built on people looking to come here for freedom that they didn't get from their own country. People complain immigrants are taking all the jobs away from the American people. I absolutely hate it when people say these kind of things because it really isn't true. Immigrants looking to work take the jobs that people don't want to do because these jobs are available to them.

Trump said over and over again in his campaign that he would make a better health plan than Obamacare. Every plan has its flaws, but Trump's just seems to make things worse than what people said Obamacare was. All he did was talk big and use words such as “tremendous” and “big league” and people actually believed what he told them. That is how a businessman works. Trump is good at making things up and getting people to believe him, and when he sells them an idea, they take off running with it.



*Pictured is President Trump.
Photo from Business Insider.*

First Psychic and Holistic Fair to Be Held In Cicero

By Ben Kimball

On Sunday, June 25, the first Psychic and Holistic Fair will be held at *Comfort Suites* located at 5875 Carmenica Drive in Cicero, New York from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Admission is free and the event's Facebook page reads, “...We will have many different types of readers and holistic vendors to choose from. Come on out and get a glimpse of your future and check out healthy holistic options for yourself and your family! Please feel free to bring a non-perishable food item for donation.”

The event is being hosted by a local Fulton business located on Silk Road called *Psychic Impressions*. They mostly do tarot card and medium readings at their Fulton location and through the Earthbound Metaphysical Shoppe located in North Syracuse.

This event looks like it is going to be good and seems like it is going to be bigger than the annual psychic fair in Liverpool. Come on out and maybe you will learn something new.



Pictured is a crystal ball, the type of item that may be sold at the Psychic and Holistic Fair. Image from Phoenix Orion Fine Gifts.