

# Quirk's Players onstage tonight with Annie!

By Noah Phelps & Camiel Heagle

Every year, the members of Quirk's Players put on their annual show here at G. Ray Bodley High School. This year, people are able to enjoy the production of Annie from Thursday, March 8 through Saturday, March 10.

The show has its first showing tonight, at 7:30 PM. There will be three more showings: Friday, March 9 at 7:30 PM, as well as Saturday, March 10 at 2 PM and 7:30 PM.

Tickets will be sold at the door. The cost is \$8 for adults (12 years old and above) and \$7 for children and seniors.

Senior Alexis Phelps (Mrs Hannigan) says, "The cast and crew have been working so hard on Annie. We are so proud to represent our community's theatre and I can't wait for everyone to see the show."

Junior Andrew Dedich, one of the ensemble members, says "We work very hard for the production of the play and try to make it as enjoyable as possible. I really hope you enjoy our efforts."



Over 70 students from all six schools in the district are part of the cast, crew, and orchestra. Shown here are some members of the cast. Row 1 Seated: Grady Marshall, Ella Halladay, Cassie Clark and Geena Abbott. Row 2: Rusty, Nicholas Brown, Wesley VanBuren, Sarah Fisch, Harper Ells, Kaylee Foster, Alex Blaine, Donald Austin, Jaya Whitehead, Ethan Abelgore, Haiden Johnson, Alexis Phelps, Ronde Wood and Alfred Arduini.



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## Safety concerns spark new entrance policy

By Mason Rowlee

The recent attacks on schools across the nation are leaving students and teachers discussing what it means to have a safe environment for learning. Here, at G. Ray Bodley (GRB), students are eager to voice their political opinions and ask Congress for further legislation to protect our schools. However, finding a medium to meet the needs of students wishing to participate in the national walk-out scheduled for March 14th is proving to be a challenge, given this would disrupt the school day.

On a regular basis, GRB Administration and Staff work to update the building's safety protocol and make improvements based on feedback from community members and events taking place around the nation to better our procedures during instances of a lockdown or a lockout. Earlier this month,

GRB administrator recognized flaws in school lockdown procedures, and worked to change these flaws to better serve our school.

The new procedure that began on Monday, March 5 will not allow all of the building doors to be open in the mornings before school. Before this change, many of GRB's doors are unlocked and used by students in the morning to enter the building.

The issue arises that with my many doors unlocked every morning, a possible threat to our school may have an easier time of going unnoticed if they are able to enter through a door not commonly used. The new plan allows only two doors to be unlocked at 7 a.m.; these doors (the building's main entrance on the face of the building and the cafeteria entrance) are the building's designated points of entry. Throughout the school day, these doors are the only doors that allow anyone in or out of the building.

Between 6 and 7 in the morning, anyone who wishes to enter the building must enter through the main door and sign in with the school office greeter. After 7, the building is open from 7 to 7:30 for all students to enter through either the Cafeteria doors or the main entrance. After 7:30, all doors will be locked and anyone wishing to gain entrance into the building must pass through the school's single point of entry.

This new safety plan helps secure the building, while still meeting the needs of students who come to school early every morning to escape the cold, get breakfast, and use any of the buildings facilities before classes begin.

When discussing the school's safety procedures with GRB Principal Donna Parkhurst, she stressed that, "the most important way of keeping our students safe is

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## Opinion

## GSH “no move days” are a problem

By Brian Trombly



Guided Study Hall (GSH), which takes place between third bell and fourth bell, is a twenty-six minute period where students have the opportunity to make up work and get help from teachers. Fridays are now a “no move” day (changed from Mondays) where students are required to stay in Guided Study Hall and cannot get help from other teachers.

For me, this is a problem. Guided Study Hall is a time meant for students to get help from teachers, not to sit in a room for twenty minutes accomplishing nothing, when we could be accomplishing something useful.

Although GRB News and Raider Response are shown on most “no move” days, those presentations usually do not even take up

half of Guided Study Hall. The rest of the bell is time that could and should be used for learning.

These “no move” days also hurt students who may have tight schedules or have quick deadlines on assignments. They may not get an opportunity during the day to get help or to make up work at anytime other than Guided Study Hall. If an assignment is due later that day, students may be needing teachers’ guidance and they are unable to get help.

I do appreciate the district’s desire to highlight the GRB News and to teach students about many important aspects of life. I think that both presentations should stay and it would be a difficult objective to fit them into a period not including Guided Study Hall, but the lack of opportunity for students to complete missing assignments or to consult teachers on these days could damage students’ grades and put them severely behind their peers.

## People MUST consider their news sources

Nowadays, people can access the news through various mediums and outlets, including on the internet, on television or in the newspaper. Information is always at our fingertips. The problem that seems to be arising, however, is the lack of initiative by the American people to check the sources of their news.

If the news is politically biased, is it really a reputable news source? Or is it just feeding on your beliefs or your party affiliations to spread information that might be false, but might also jive with your beliefs? Is an internet news source really reliable in fact-checking? Or are they using “Clickbait” titles and made-up statements to profit off your gullibility? These questions should be considered by everyone after reading or watching something from a news source. Always try to delve deeper and see if you can uncover the truth of the situation.

The more people find the facts, the more likely they will make an educated decision on something. This deep dive has to take place by the reader/viewer. Although something on a news source may seem like it is truthful, especially if it goes in line with your beliefs, it may be false or skewed. More in-depth research and searching for first-hand sources will show if the news you heard earlier is really true or just based on opinion.

Most people, when listening to or watching the news, want to

know or be informed about a situation. They should be getting factual information, but, sadly, in our current environment that is more

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difficult to come by. So, as a reader, you must do your own research and your own fact-checking. Sometimes the information may not be what you want to hear, but what you as the reader really need to hear.

*By Brian Trombly*

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## School safety a concern

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by being aware of our environment and working hard to have good relationships with those in our school community.”

With many new protocols to protect students in a time of crisis, GRB is working to actively open discussions with students about safety and how best to keep students in a safe and healthy learning environment. On March 14, there will be a nation-wide student-led walkout scheduled to take place at 10 a.m. and last for seventeen minutes to honor the 17 lives lost at the recent Parkland school shooting.

The walkout, which Women’s March YOUTH organizers are saying is, “to pass legislation to keep us safe from gun violence at our schools, on our streets and in our homes and places of worship,” is facing repercussions from schools across the nation, GRB included. GRB will follow the Code of Conduct for students who leave school without permission for the walkout.

This has prompted a healthy amount of discussion between students and GRB Administrators on how to open up the discussion on gun violence in schools, and show local legislators that young voices at GRB wants to be heard and want to keep our schools safe. The proposed ideas were holding a letter-writing campaign during those seventeen minutes or possibly inviting local legislators to meet and discuss with students what they are doing to keep our schools safe.

The discussion of how to keep our schools safe is hitting close to home for many schools around the nation. Early next week, the GRB Social Studies Department will offer a mini-lesson on civics to teach the proper avenues for students to voice their opinions. In these discussions, each teacher will address current Supreme Court cases and will teach students how to write to Congressional representatives. Ideas from every side of the aisle are being acknowledged and discussed at GRB, and students are asked to continue to remain politically active and voice their opinions in a healthy and positive manner.

## GRB Chess Club open to new members

Chess Club is one of G. Ray Bodley High School’s extra-curricular activities that is open to anyone.

Social studies teacher Mr. J. Fasulo is the club advisor.

Chess Club is not a club in which you are required to know the game of chess, nor does this club require any equipment.

Chess is a game of strategy and quick thinking. Every move must be calculated and carefully thought over.

Mr. Fasulo said, “Some years a lot of students play chess. Some years kids will play video games or other board games. It really depends on the year.”

Chess Club is in need of new members who are willing to learn the game of chess.

Mr. Fasulo explained that he teaches students the basics of chess, which would be basic moves and rules of the game.

Although students do not compete against other schools in this club, there are tournaments held within GRB.

Chess Club meets every other Tuesday after school in Mr. Fasulo’s room (217) until 3:30.

## What’s happening at G. Ray Bodley High School?

**LACROSSE** Students with vehicles parked in the student parking lot by the tennis courts need to move by 3:00 pm for Lacrosse practice.

**HOPE CLUB** All students interested in performing in Bodley’s Got Talent, sign up to audition next week during all lunch bells or see Mrs. Cronk in room 119. Auditions will be after school March 21st , 23rd, & 29th from 2:30-3:30.

**STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES** Show off your talents! If you play a musical instrument or can sing acapella we are looking for you to entertain at our Student-Led Conferences on March 15th and 16th! Stop in and see Mrs LaDuc (Room 231) or Mrs. Ferlito (Room 115) if you are interested!

# Annie



**Tonight @7:30 Friday @ 7:30**  
**Saturday @ 2 pm & 7:30 pm**  
**\$8 (12 and above)**  
**\$7 (under 12 & senior citizens)**

To get more information, sign up for the Remind by texting @grbchess to 81010.

*By Macean MacIntyre*



Pictured are members of Chess Club playing chess and other games.

## In the News

## Weekend of success for Raider Robotics

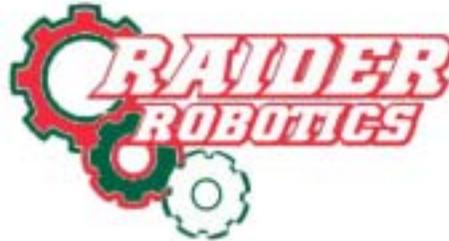
By Megan Guernsey

On February 24, the Robotics teams gathered at Rochester Institute of Technology to take on the VEX Robotics Competition.

The group had three teams entered in this competition: Twisted Axle (senior Nate Summerville, sophomore Taylor Bonoffski, freshman Brandon Hacic), Last Minute Rookie (seniors Jeremy Samson, Justin Barney, Devin Boyce and Maddi Lang), and Robo Raider (juniors Ryan Barry and Andrew Dedich).

Last Minute Rookie made it through seed-

ing rounds undefeated. The team went on to earn the title of Tournament Champions later on. Twisted Axle finished sixth in the tour-



namment, making it to the semifinals. Robo Raider took ninth.

Twisted Axle also brought home the Excellence Award, securing a spot at states. Last Minute Rookie and Robo Raider will also be heading to states. Robo Raider had qualified for states through their last tournament.

Senior Jeremy Samson says the year has involved, "hard work from all the team members and plenty of hours of work."

States will be held at the SRC Arena at Onondaga Community College this Sunday, March, 11, with 66 teams total. With all three teams from Fulton competing, it should be an interesting and exciting day.

## Safety concerns discussed at Principal's Roundtable

By Megan Guernsey

Students gathered on Monday, February 26 to discuss school safety protocols with school administrators.

This was in consideration of recent events, specifically the high school shooting in Parkland, Florida where seventeen lives were lost. Students had the opportunity to voice thoughts, concerns, and opinions on the steps our school community will take in response to this tragedy. Featured in this meeting were Principal Parkhurst and Assistant Principals Mr. Copani and Mrs. Stephenson.

The first order of business at the meeting was GRB's current lockdown procedures. There has been a recent change in these procedures. Students will no longer wait for an announcement on the overhead speakers stating that the lockdown has been lifted, but instead, students and teachers will wait for an administrator to physically unlock the door.

Along with this, the concern about building safety was addressed. Many feel as though it is easy to get into the school. As of Monday, March 5, security has been tightened with only two entrance points during bus drop-offs.

A suggestion regarding lockdown procedures was the idea of putting a line of tape on the floor in classrooms. This tape would indicate the lockdown boundaries where students would not be able to be seen through the windows and doors of the classroom. Also brought up was the concern that students are not aware of lockdown procedures in specific rooms, such as the cafeteria.

The next topic on the agenda was the Na-

tional School Walkout Day, which is on March 14. Students were asked how much they knew about the walkout, and the idea behind it was discussed. The administrators indicated that students who participate in the walkout will be disciplined in accordance

with the Code of Conduct, as walking out of school is considered truancy.

In the coming weeks, GRB has plans to address these issues as a school and effectively discuss building safety along with all concerns and thoughts.



**Meeting The President at the White House-** The lovable red headed orphan Annie (played by Harper Ells - left) visits the White House with Oliver Warbucks behind her (Alex Blaine). The two meet with President Franklin D. Roosevelt and members of his cabinet. Warbucks visits to address the financial crisis crippling the nation while young Annie encourages the President and his cabinet members to be positive as they sing "Tomorrow." Shown here with the young Annie and Warbucks are Secretary Howe (played by Ronde Wood), President Franklin D. Roosevelt (portrayed by Alfred Arduini), Secretary Perkins (played by Madison Wilson), Secretary Hull (portrayed by Marcus Doran) and Secretary Morgenthau (played by Ethan Belgore). The scene is from Quirk's Players' upcoming school musical, ANNIE, which is under the direction of Tom Briggs.

## Raider Sports

## Season ends with opening round sectional setback

By Cara Smith

On Tuesday, February 20, the Girl's Varsity Basketball team lost against Indian River during the away game with a score of 56-21, bringing their total record to 8-13.

This game was difficult for the girls because it was the last one of the season. The girls were also disappointed, as they fought hard but didn't get the outcome that they hoped for.

Senior Captain Erin Nicholson stated, "It's hard knowing that it's our last game, especially because I'm a senior and it makes me sad. I'm excited though for what's next in my future."

Senior Captain Mckenna Chesbro stated, "I've had a lot of fun with these girls and it's been a great season. I am so excited for my future at George Mason University to continue playing lacrosse."

Senior Mallori Kitts stated, "I'm definitely going to miss the coaches and my teammates but I'm also excited to have the opportunity to attend UAlbany for lacrosse."

The seniors are now looking forward to getting ready for the future. As for the underclassmen, they are excited to get back on the court during the summer basketball season.

## Youth soccer to offer teenage pickup league

Fulton Youth Soccer is kicking off its Spring season coming up at the beginning of May with a new 13-17 year old pickup league. The cost is \$30 for the season and will run about 7 weeks. Anyone interested in playing can come register at the Municipal Building Community Room on Thursday, March 15th from 6-8pm. If you can't make that sign up, feel free to come down to the Butler Soccer Park on Chase Road to sign up the first week of May. You can pay with cash or check. Check us out on Facebook @ Fulton Youth Soccer League for more information and message us with any questions you may have. Hope to see you there!

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Pictured above are the four seniors before their senior night game. From left to right: Mckenna Chesbro, Erin Nicholson, Mallori Kitts, and Cara Smith.

## Fun athletic opportunities at Great Lakes Gym

If you are looking to get in shape for a sport or slim down for the summer, you should check out the Great Lakes Athletic Training Facilities in Volney, NY. The facility is owned and operated by Guy King and Leroy Collins. Both King and Collins have been a part of the Fulton community all of their lives. As a former NFL running back, Collins has dedicated his retirement to training athletes of all ages and fitness levels at the Great Lakes Gym.

Collins has instructed multiple athletic training camps for various sports and offers personal and group training sessions as well. The classes he teaches are called Bigger, Faster, Stronger and Body Tone. Trainer Dave Halstead is also available for training and group classes. Halstead's fitness classes include Total Tobata, Ballistic Bootcamp, and Speed and Agility. The facility also employs a massage therapist, Christina Smith.

The facility includes three separate buildings. One of the buildings is dedicated to rentals for events, such as dog obedience training or parties. The main building includes professional training equipment for weight lifting and cardio. The third building is equipped with an athletic turf field and batting cages that are also open for rent.

The Great Lakes Athletic Training Facil-

ity is a great way to make getting in shape enjoyable for all. More information can be found at <http://www.glatf.com/>

By Nolan Johnson



An inside view of the athletic turf and batting cages at the Great Lakes Athletic Training Facilities located at 7 Silk Rd in Volney, NY.

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