



Students climb Algonquin Peak

What did you do for excitement last weekend?

For one group of G. Ray Bodley High School students it was a Saturday and Sunday to remember as they travelled to the Adirondack Mountains to climb Algonquin Peak. Their fundraiser raised \$255 for the American Cancer Society.

The students who attended the trip were David Johnson, Dan Summerville, and Devon Viscome. Mr. Garber is the teacher who runs the club. Mr. Garber said "It was quite an accomplishment for a late fall hike and it was also one of the steepest heights in the Adirondacks at almost 1,000 feet per mile and it's total elevation gained was 2,946 feet". Mr. Garber also said "fortunately we were a strong group and didn't have any accidents or injuries.

On Saturday morning at 9 am Mr. Garber and his students left school for the four-hour ride to Algonquin Peak, near Lake Placid. When they got to Algonquin Peak they took an elevator to the top of a ski jump, then they watched bobsleds come down from the run. Unfortunately they didn't ride the bobsleds, which cost \$70 a person to go down a 49 second ride. They also visited the 1932 and 1980 ice rinks.

The group stayed in an Adirondack lean-to, or three-sided cabin, braving the elements as the temperature dipped to a chilly 27 degrees Fahrenheit. They got up early Sunday morning, then after a hot breakfast headed up a four mile trail to Algonquin Peak. They reached tree line at 4500 feet, where they ran into moderately icy conditions. The wind chill on top of Algonquin Peak was about 15 degrees. Unfortunately it was an overcast day while they were hiking, so visibility was limited. But despite the cold, misty and icy conditions, the three students and Mr. Garber accomplished their goal and made it to the top of Algonquin.

If you want to donate money to The Outdoor Adventure Club, you can go to <http://teamacs.acsevents.org>. Click on: "donate to a participant", then click on: "search for a participant", type in: "garber", click on: "G. Ray Bodley Outdoor Adventure Club", click on: "donate" and proceed. **By Kirstie Potter**



Neither cold nor fog could stop Outdoor Adventure Club members Dave Johnson, Devon Viscome and Dan Summerville along with advisor Mr. Garber from climbing Algonquin Peak on Sunday as the trip raised \$255 toward Cancer research. (photo courtesy Mr. Dave Garber)

C.S.I. Fulton for criminal justice students

Renee Lambertson of G. Ray Bodley High School was assaulted last Thursday, Oct. 22. Or so the story went at the mock crime scene put on by Mr. Patnode and the Criminal Justice class.

Delving into the world of crime scene investigation, the event began in the morning and lasted the entirety of the day. Students were split up into two groups including the red team, which started off as a grid search team sweeping the grounds for evidence and led by Mr. Patnode. The green team, led by Officers Lund and Burlingham, started off looking for evidence on the inner crime scene.

After a quick lunch break the two teams switched the roles and returned to the crime scene. Later the class returned back inside to have some examples done by the officers on how to look for more elusive evidence. Officer Burlingham worked with students and showed them how to dust for fingerprints and Officer Lund demonstrated how a black light works on body fluids.

When asked about how it went Mr. Patnode said, "I think it went well, it's always good to take what the textbook teaches you and apply it to a relief situation. What I really like about it is how the students are learning but at the

same time having fun and not realizing it." When asked about taking an entire day to do this activity Mr. Patnode continued, "I think you need to take an entire day because it leaves a lasting impression. It's also important because it appeals to a lot of different learning types." Mr. Patnode thanked the teachers who allowed their students to be let out for a day. Mr. Patnode and the Criminal Justice class would also like to thank Officer Lund and Officer Burlingham for dedicating their time to the mock crime scene.

The crime scene, however, did not go without attempted interference. Three people stopped to make sure that everything was ok, two of whom entered the school to say that there were officers and students out in the park. Assistant Principal Mr. Greene also attempted to see what was happening by walking through the entire crime scene. Luckily the students got his name and the picture of his shoe, so that he can't be accused of the crime.

All the evidence that was collected by the criminal justice class will be presented before a mock jury of other students, in a full out mock trial, which will be held on Friday, Nov. 13. In the spring when the second criminal justice

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Opinion

Where are your manners?

By Courtney Falanga

“Where are your manners?!” Is what I would hear my Nana exclaim every time I displayed any slight disrespect to anyone. My family and parents have always taught my sister and I to be polite to everyone, and that no matter whom they are, respect is always key. And at all times, we have tried our best to follow through with what my parents have taught us, but now I’m wondering where a lot of other people’s manners are.

I have a nice job at the Jr. High with the seventh and eighth grade students where they play active games, do their homework and do all

is what I hear a lot instead of, “Can you please take this,” which is preferred. Simple manners, thank-you, no thanks, yes please, may I, have all gone out the window and I’m curious as to why. Maybe it is a lack of nurturing at home, or possibly people think they are too cool to be polite. Who knows, but it’s not nice.

Although this is happening in our school district, it is happening in other places as well. If you visit any public place, you will see that there are people who luckily have not forgotten their manners, but there is also an increasing majority who think it is fine to talk to the cashier as if he or she were insignificant to oneself. The idea that the louder and ruder the

our differences aside, right?

Wrong.

I unfortunately have not really noticed a variation in the way some students have treated, talked to, pushed around, and picked on others from eighth grade all the way up to now, senior year.

I do not expect all the mean people in the world to become respectful overnight. But the reason I wrote this is to hopefully have people realize that you may be cool now because you are mean, but in the long run, people like people who are nice over those who are rude.

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sorts of activities, which should be fun. But since they are rude to each other, it is kind of hard to follow through with the fun part sometimes. Why do I have to continuously remind them to be nice to each other? I’m not asking them to move mountains for one another, but a little niceness along with manners would be great. I love my job and I am not complaining about it. I am just curious as to why people think it is ok to be so unkind toward one another, which happens every day.

This problem isn’t unique to the junior high, it exists at the high school as well. And not only are select students rude to each other, but also to teachers whom we are supposed to respect. I have noticed that there is not much of a significant maturity difference with the way students communicate with one another in the junior high compared to the high-schoolers. Students at the Jr. High and GRB alike will tell each other what to do, rather than make a simple suggestion or merely ask. “Hold this”

better for getting one’s way has become all too prevalent these days.

Along with a lack of manners, picking at one another is what I also have an issue with. “Just to let you know your hair looks like crap today,” or, “Do you know that you have ompalompafet?” all may be heard, and I do not understand why a few people get happiness from picking out slight flaws in one another and making them known.

But people are not only picking at others they do not really know, many are talking to some of their best friends like this as well. If one of my friends ever talked to me as if I were lower than them, they would not be my friend for long and I would expect them to feel the same. So of course I would never imagine talking to any of my friends the way I hear others speaking to their friends.

Coming into the new school year I was expecting that since my classmates and I are all seniors now, we are all mature enough to put

Pillars of character:

The G. Ray Bodley Character Education Committee brings you quotes and thoughts about different character traits, including conflict resolution: What causes conflict? “Poor communication.” William Kreidler

Many conflicts can be attributed to misunderstandings, or the misperception of others’ intentions, feelings, needs, or actions of others. How can we learn to express our emotions or needs more effectively? Can we arrange to have a forum where all can express their needs and/or emotions in safety, with no need to be afraid? How can we learn to listen and observe carefully?

Jr. candy sale starts today

Any juniors interested in selling Gertrude Hawk chocolates stop by Mr. Reale’s room, 114, to pick up a fundraiser booklet after school on Thursday, Oct. 29. All money raised will go toward defraying the expense of this year’s prom. Helping raise money for the junior class will help make your prom ticket cheaper!

If you are unable to attend the meeting and are still interested in helping out, see Mr. Reale or class president Katelyn Holbrook for more information.
By Drew Harmon

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Halloween traditions have Celtic origin

By Brenna Merry

October 31st, is a day where we let the youth of America run through the streets, shove our head in buckets of apple water; use carved food for lights and do all such acts while dressed in a ridiculous costume.

If an outsider were to look at these actions they would think the world was nothing less than a group of crazy fools. However, the traditions of Halloween are brought upon us at an early age and, therefore, seem normal to the people of this world. Even though we spend year after year celebrating Halloween with such bizarre traditions, nearly no one knows why we do the things we do on this day or even where the celebration came from. Many would be surprised to know that Halloween in America has European and Celtic roots. It all began with the Celtic people, who celebrated their new year on November 1. This day represented the end of summer and was often associated with human death, represented by the beginning of the dark cold winter. The Celts believed that on the night before the New Year, the boundary between the worlds of the living and the dead became hazy.

Such belief explains where the tradition of dressing up on Halloween came from. On Halloween, when it was believed that ghosts were able to return to Earth, people thought that they would come across ghosts if they were to leave their houses. To avoid being recognized by these ghosts, people would wear masks when they left their homes after dark so that the ghosts would mistake them for colleague spirits. When you put on your costume

this Halloween for fun, take a moment to reflect on why exactly you are doing such a thing and remember the Celts.

Another main reason that Halloween is such a popular holiday in America is that it gives kids an excuse to chow down on massive amounts of candy for free. The youth of America should thank the Celts for this tradition as well. On the day that the Celts thought ghosts returned to Earth, in order to keep ghosts away from their houses, people would place bowls of food outside their homes to appease the ghosts and prevent them from attempting to enter. Now that children have taken the place of such ghosts, many people hand out candy so as to not get their houses egged or their trees filled with toilet paper. Even though the tradition is much different than that of the Celts nearly 2,000 years ago, the Celtic origins of Halloween in America are very clearly seen when looking upon this night.

Dressing up for Halloween is a tradition that no one questions, merely because who would not want to be something else for a night? However, there are other Halloween customs that are much more peculiar, despite the fact that they are indeed enjoyable. Such a custom is the act of "de-gutting" a pumpkin and carving a face into it, followed by placing a candle inside of it and using placing it on your doorstep. Sounds strange, yet, on Halloween it is rare to find a set of stairs not lit by the glimmer of these vegetable lamps.

One may be shocked to discover that this custom has not always been used to have fun getting your hands dirty and creating a Halloween decoration. This tradition has Celtic

roots as well. It was said that on the nights that the ghosts returned to the real world, it was necessary to leave food outside for them. However, the consequences of not doing so were far greater than getting your house egged.

The ghosts are said to have chosen certain children to be burned alive on bone fires (bonfires), as offerings to the sun. The fat left over from the child was fashioned into a candle, and placed into a carved-out pumpkin, or a hollowed out vegetable with a round sun shaped design. The victim was called "jack of the lantern." And to think that in today's time making Jack-o-lanterns is an act of enjoyment, and when children view these pumpkins their hearts usually swell with excitement. Another peculiar act of our time is bobbing for apples. At Halloween parties it is not unusual to see kids shoving their heads into buckets of water and coming out with an apple wedged between their teeth. They do so without thinking why on Earth they would do such a thing, other than getting soaking wet and because it just sounds fun. One may be in awe that this act used to be used for the telling of the future. When a person pulled out an apple, it was said that the apple peel would form the shape of their lover's name. October 31st, a day of merriment and an enjoyment in partaking in peculiar American traditions that were adapted from serious Celtic beliefs.

Criminal justice

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class comes in they will again do a mock crime scene followed by a mock trial. The only difference this time is that the evidence they collect will be sent to Mr. Burdick's forensics class to be processed. Hopefully these students will be able to catch the suspect who "assaulted" poor RenEe, and bring justice back to G.R.B.

By Ian Giovannetti

Ski & Snowboard Club gears up for winter

As the trees become bare and the air becomes nippy students are reminded that winter is just around the corner. And while that may bring a sense of dread to some people, for others it means the start of winter sports and activities.

The G. Ray Bodley High School Ski & Snowboard Club held its first meeting of the season on Tuesday, October 27 and the members received information about the price, mountain and rules. This year the GRB Ski & Snowboard Club will be embarking on six trips to Labrador Mountain at a price of \$220, which includes their lift ticket and transportation. Payments will be due by December 4.

Members are reminded that they must ride the bus to and from the mountain and those riding in terrain parks or the half-pipe must wear a helmet. Orders for hoodies and zip-up fleece jackets are due by Friday, November 20 and anyone interested in creating an alternative logo should submit a design to Mr. Hill as soon as possible so that the design can be decided upon and the orders filled.

Seats on the bus will be sold on a first come, first serve basis, encouraging students to place their payments earlier rather than later. Anyone who missed Tuesdays' meeting can see Mr. Hill in room 100 for a full list of rules, order forms for hoodies or zip-up fleece jackets and a permission slip with deadlines and detailed information on price and the number of trips.

By Alexis Semeraro

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Raiders drub Carthage, face Whitesboro next

By Eric Belair

Fulton rolled off another victory over the Carthage Comets in the opening round of the Section 3 Tournament. The Raiders ran over the Comets 34-15 to inch one game closer to a sectional title.

This game was supposed to be a dogfight, but it turned out to be nothing more than a walk in the park for the now 7-1 Raiders, who dominated their familiar playoff foe in many aspects of the game.

The Comets opened up the scoring with a 37-yard field goal which was quickly erased when senior fullback DJ Ingham blasted in the end zone on a 3-yard run. The Raiders never looked back after this as Fulton scored two more touchdowns before the Comets could get back on the board. Junior quarterback Brett Williams ran in a one yard run, followed by senior linebacker Antonio LeBron, who had an interception return for a touchdown. This gave the Raiders 22 unanswered points and a stranglehold on the game.

The Raiders scoring was rounded out by junior running back Donald Watson, who had both of Fulton's second half touchdowns. He led the Raiders in rushing with 17 carries for 112



The Raiders were a happy bunch following their big playoff win over Carthage last Friday. The team will be looking to keep the good feeling alive this Friday when they take on powerhouse Whitesboro at 8 p.m. in Chittenango. (Emily Rothrock photo)

yards.

Fulton's sectional quest continues this Friday as they take on the tough Whitesboro Warriors (7-1). This sectional semi-final contest will be played at 8 pm at Chittenango High School. Whitesboro dominated a weak Jamesville-Dewitt team 40-0, including a 26-

0 halftime lead in the Warriors rout to victory. Six different players recorded a touchdown for Whitesboro.

Fulton is going to have a tough battle on the gridiron against Whitesboro in its quest for a chance to win the Class A sectional crown, but the Raiders are on a roll they look to continue.

Nightmare finish for defending champs

The team in the Halloween orange pulled off the final trick to leave with all the treats on Tuesday as visiting Oneida stunned Fulton 3-2 in overtime in the opening round of the Section 3 boys soccer tournament.

It was one and done for the defending Class A kings when forward Sam Adams turned a David Rougeux free kick into a blistering drive into the upper right hand corner to provide a sudden and unlikely victory for the #12 seeded Indians. Winners just six times in 16 previous tries, Oneida sent the #5 seeded Raiders packing in a game that Fulton never led. The visitors built a 2-0 advantage in the opening half and then weathered an all-out Raider storm in the first five minutes of the second session to end Fulton's season at 10-5-2.

Evan Cooley's goal midway through the first half and a late marker from Tyler Miller helped the Indians silence the Fulton faithful before the Raiders finally came to life with two goals in the opening five minutes of the second half. Senior Ryan Kesterke headed the ball home on a pass from Andrew Kush off Eric Belair's throw-in to get the Raiders rolling, and two minutes later it was a 2-2 draw as Kesterke's header from Kush eluded Oneida keeper Neil Parry.

But despite the early momentum, Fulton

could find no further room in the Oneida net as Parry and a tenacious defense regrouped to send the game into overtime.

"When they scored two in the first four minutes, I didn't think we'd make it to the finish line," Oneida Coach Dewayne Clark said of the sudden turnaround that erased his side's hard-fought two goal advantage. "For us to get to the end of the game, that was the key." Once into overtime he felt that anything could happen, and it did when Adams scored a highlight reel goal to send the visitors home happy. "If you put one of those in once a season, you're doing pretty well, and to do it in this situation," the coach noted. "That was a pretty good shot."

On the other side of the field the Raiders were left to ponder what might have been following the unexpected setback to the Tr-Valley squad that barely qualified for sectionals by winning the final three games of the regular season. "We set ourselves up for failure," a disappointed Fulton Coach Dave Wilson commented. "We kept trying to pound it down the middle. We just made a lot of mistakes and they capitalized on our mistakes. We have no one to blame but ourselves." The Raider boss was quick to laud Oneida's efforts, however, saying, "they played hard, their goalie made some good

saves."

The loss marked the final performance for ten Fulton seniors including scoring leaders Kush, Kesterke and Trevor Littler. Also playing their final games for the Raider booters were Eric Belair, Judah Stoutenger, Marquise Weber, Adam Wolford, Jack Howard, goaltender Derek Bateman, and defender Derek Southworth.

And in keeping with the Halloween theme Wilson compared his team's performance to that of a famed fictional monster, saying, "we were Jekyll and Hyde all year, we played to the level of our opponent all year. I told them (before overtime) it was either going to be the happiest moment of the day or the saddest."

Unfortunately for the Raiders the day ended on a sad note, and just like that, so did their hopes of defending the Class A crown.



School of Thought compiled by Zach Froio & Judah Stoutenger

What are the students and staff of GRB Doing For Halloween?



"I will be going to a Halloween party with some friends."
Colin Shannon



"I want to go Trick or Treating."
Derek Bateman



"I will probably end up going to a party with a few friends."
Ian Giovanetti



"Scare all of the little kids, but I am going to the SU game first."
Mr. Thurlow

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"Where in the world is The Raider?"

Meet the reporters:

Ryan Kesterke, Senior

Ryan joined journalism to cover boys soccer, along with a few other people. Some of his outside interests are sports, along with drawing.

Something people don't know about Ryan is that he doesn't like jelly.

Compiled by Christina Yannock

