



LEAN

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"It takes ALL the Huskies to pull the sled."

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2007 Valedictorian Katie Simon

Kathleen A. Simon is this year's Valedictorian with a 98.52 average. She will receive NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Simon. She will attend University at Buffalo for Chemical Engineering. Kathleen is a member of the National Honor Society, Model United Nations (Secretary General), President of the French Club, participated in All State Chorus, Knowledge Masters, Homeless Huskies, Up All Night and Varsity Track and Field. Kathleen has won numerous awards and honors including the Kodak Young Leaders Award, Academic Excellence Awards, the Sixty Point Award, and has been highlighted in "Business First" as a First Honors in the Community Winner. Kathleen has also received the NYSPHSAA Scholar/Athlete Award, the Industrial Management Council Award, the Zonta Club of Olean Award, and the Zonta International District 4 Award. Kathleen has received the New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence, University at Buffalo Provost Scholarship, the Robert C. Byrd Scholarship, and the NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship.

Her favorite moment in high school was conducting the select chorus in concert during her junior year. Her biggest role model was her brother, Bill. Her advice to incoming high school students is, "Get involved in school activities and enjoy high school. It goes by fast!"



*Katie
Simon*

2007 Salutatorian Meagan Griffin

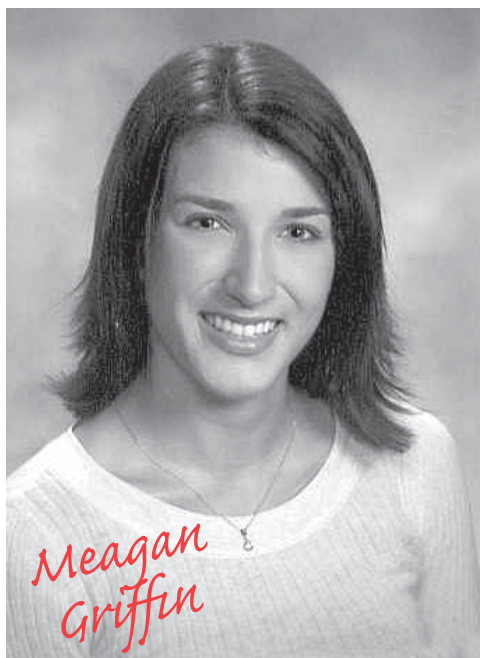
Meagan F. Griffin is the Salutatorian for the Class of 2007 with a 96.04 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jim Griffin and will attend Pennsylvania State University for Biology.

Meagan has been involved with Interact Club, Spanish Club, Ski Club, Homecoming Committee and Art Club. She is also a member of the Soccer and Track teams and participated in Softball. Meagan has received the Scholar Athlete Award and is a member of National Honor Society.

She has received the Robert C. Byrd Scholarship, the NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship and the Alcas Employees Scholarship.

Meagan says she will miss her friends and all the school spirit at Olean High when she leaves. The most memorable event in her high school career was when the Olean High School Varsity Boys' Basketball team went to Glens Falls this year for the New York State Championships.

Her role model was her older brother, Pat, because he worked so hard in high school. She looks forward to experiencing new things. Ten years from now, Meagan sees herself, "Hopefully somewhere being successful." Her advice to incoming freshmen is, "Get involved, and have fun!"

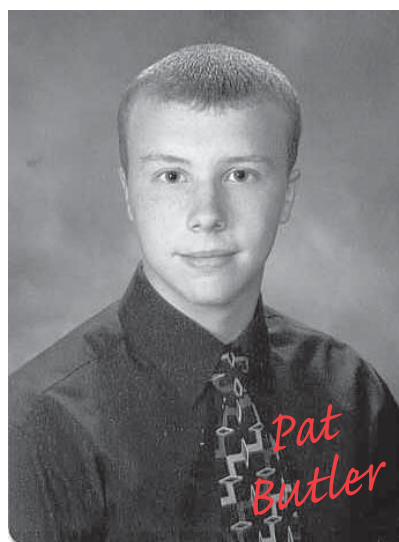


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Naomi R. Bean is ranked 3rd in her class and has a 95.37 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. Naomi is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bean Jr. She plans to attend Juniata College and is still deciding on a major. She has participated in Spanish Club, school musicals, Up All Night and is a member of the NHS. Naomi has received the NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship. Naomi's fondest memory in high school was her trip to Spain and Paris with the Spanish Club during her junior year. She will miss teachers including Miss Shields, Mr. Phillips, and Mrs. Melaro. She says her role models were Bruce Wayne (Batman) and Jane Austin. Naomi looks forward to, "Meeting new people who don't know who I am and have never heard of me." Looking ahead 10 years, she sees herself hopefully married and with two children. As she leaves the high school, Naomi has this advice for the incoming students, "Have an active imagination, or you won't survive!"

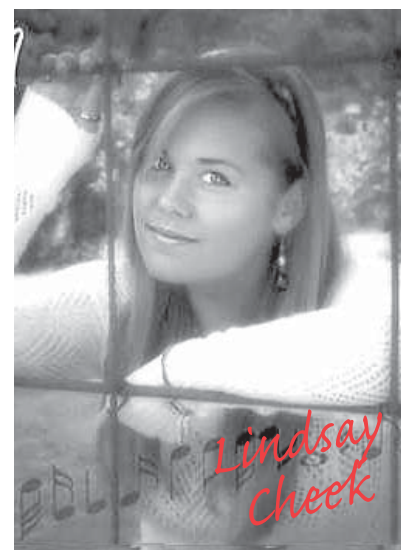


Patrick Butler is ranked 4th in his class and has 95.12 average. He will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. Patrick is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Dan Butler. He plans to attend University of Buffalo in the fall majoring in Finance. Patrick has participated in Interact Club, Up All Night, basketball, golf and is also a member of the NHS. Patrick has received the NYS Lottery Scholarship and the University of Buffalo Provost Scholarship. One of Pat's favorite pastimes, and the one he will miss the most, is just hanging out with his friends. His role models were his parents; they pushed him to do his best in school. In 10 years, Pat sees himself with a good job and a nice family. Pat most anticipates just having fun in college. His advice to incoming freshmen is, "Just have fun and do your work."

Meggan Lampack is ranked 5th in her class and has a 94.79 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Greg Lampack. She plans to attend St. Bonaventure University and has not decided on an academic major. Meggan has been involved with Select Chorus, All County Chorus, NYSSMA Solo Festival, School Musical, Art Club and National Honor Society. She has received the NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship. Meggan says that the one thing she would change about her high school career is that she would be more outgoing. Her favorite moment or activity in high school was Junior Prom. Of all the things she is leaving behind, Meggan will miss her friends the most. When asked where she sees herself in 10 years, Meggan replied, "Who knows? Anything is possible, hopefully somewhere warm!" Meggan's advice to incoming freshmen, "Keep an open mind and don't stress out."



Lindsay Cheek is ranked 6th in her class and has a 94.46 average. She is receiving a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma. She is the daughter of the Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Derek Cheek. Lindsay plans to attend Ohio University for Music Therapy. Lindsay is a member of the National Honor Society, Chorus, school plays and musicals, Volleyball and Student Activities Council. Lindsay has received the Ann Lee Hancock Konneker-Manasseh Cutler Scholarship. Dr. Wilfred R. Konneker funded the Ann Lee Hancock Konneker-Manasseh Cutler Scholars Award for Olean High School graduates to attend Ohio University in Athens, OH. This is the second time the award has been made. A Cutler Scholars Award provides full tuition and room and board for four years of undergraduate study plus stipends



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for summer experiences in Outward bound, community service, management and study or work abroad. The total value of this year's award will exceed \$80,000. Lindsay's dreams after high school are to always have music in her life (perhaps becoming a music therapist), to helping others, and to someday have a family of her own. The advice she has for incoming high school students is, "Get as involved as possible early on! And do as much as you can. It will be worth it in the end. What you put in is what you will get out of your high school experience."

Ramsha Zia is ranked 7th in her class with a 94.10 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She is the daughter of Minoo Zia and Zia Shekh. Ramsha plans to attend St. Bonaventure University for Pre-Medicine and has received the Enchanted Mountain Scholarship at St. Bonaventure. She has participated in Science Club, Knowledge Masters, Model United Nations, the Dance Team, Spanish Club and Bowling. Ramsha is excited about her change of environment. She says she will, "really miss her friends and teachers at Olean High School." Ramsha does not regret anything about her high school experience and advises incoming high school students to, "Have fun, but always maintain your grades!"

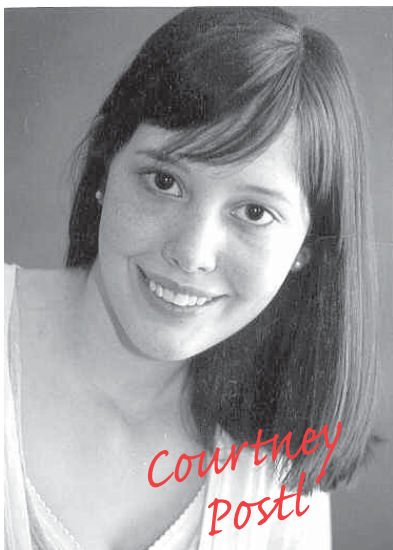
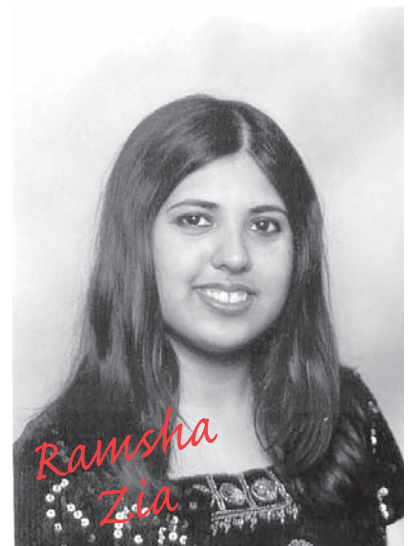
Deborah McDowell is ranked 8th with a 93.91 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. Deborah is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Daniel McDowell and plans to attend Youngstown State University for Music Education and Horn performance. She is a member of First Priority, Bel Canto, Jazz Band, Marching Band and Pep Band. She is the Band President, Alto Section Leader, a member of the Band Committee, and Co-Leader of First Priority. Deborah has received numerous musical awards and honors. She has participated in Professional Symphonies/ Youth Orchestras, and Regional Festivals. Deborah has received the President's Scholarship and the Cattaraugus County Music Teacher's Association Scholarship. She says one of the best memories she has about her high school experience was playing her French horn for the play, "Beauty and the Beast" during her junior year.

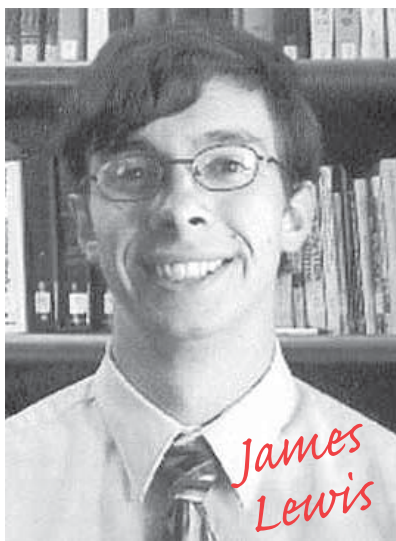
Elizabeth Lehman is ranked 9th in her class with a 93.89 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lehman and plans to attend Baldwin-Wallace College in Cleveland, OH, for Education. She has been a member of Art Club, Select Chorus, Interact Club, Model United Nations, National Honor Society and Homecoming Committee. She will receive the Baldwin-Wallace Presidential Scholarship and the Robert C. Byrd Scholarship.

Although she is looking forward to the independence she will experience at college, Elizabeth admits that she will miss seeing her friends at Olean High School everyday. Her dreams are to one day become a teacher and start a family. Elizabeth's advice for incoming students is for them not to, "stress out over the small things ... they're really not that important."

Courtney Postl is ranked 10th in her class with a 93.05 average. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Dan Hirt and plans to attend SUNY Fredonia for Childhood Education. Courtney is a member of the National Honor Society and has participated in the Yearbook Club, Chorus and the Interact Club. Courtney says, "Your senior year is the best of all four years. Dances are more

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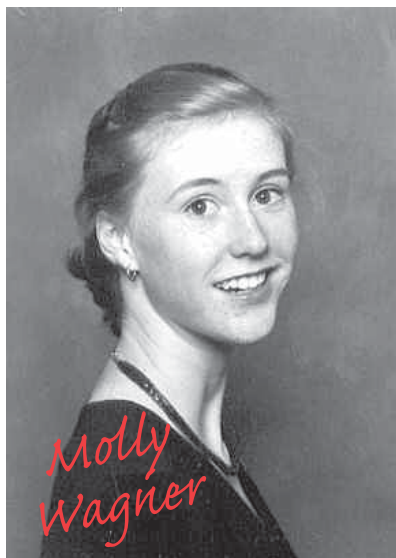


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fun and having more freedom with senior privileges is a plus.” When asked who her role model was in high school, Courtney could not have been quicker to respond, “My Aunt Laurie because I would hate to see her disappointed.” In 10 years Courtney sees herself at a steady job, “well established.” She encourages incoming high school students to relax but still focus on their work and make sure to have priorities set.

James Lewis is ranked 11th in his class and has a 92.95 average. He will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Paul Lewis and plans to attend Baptist Bible College. James is a member of the Interact Club, National Honor Society and Tennis. In Mrs. Abdo’s advanced course-college credit United States History class, James and his friends Andrew Carucci, Josh Witruke, and Reuben Lehman created a Civil War movie for extra credit. He will always remember the experience they shared while creating their movie in the middle of winter. James believes he will miss high school as a whole, except for the homework. Words from the departing senior to the incoming freshmen, “If you enjoy taking a foreign language, don’t drop it, even if you think you need a study hall in place of it. Take Spanish or French for four years!”

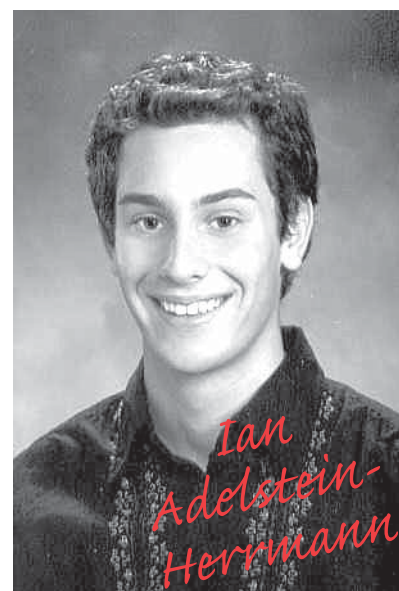


Molly K. Wagner is ranked 12th in her class and has earned a 92.84 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ed Wagner. Molly will attend the University of Michigan for Environmental Science. She has participated in Select Chorus (Treasurer), Bel Canto, Ski Club, National Honor Society, Knowledge Masters, School Musicals and served as the Orchestra Librarian. Her freshman year was one of her favorites in orchestra with Mr. Whitney. Molly cannot think of anything she’s not looking forward to in college: freedom, new friends, and starting a new chapter in her young life are all pre-eminence to moving forward to the next step. In 10 years, she sees herself somewhere “far, far away.” Molly would like to give some icy advice to incoming high school students. “The coldest drinking fountain is on the 2nd floor, 4th Street side. Use it!”

Carrie A. Burgess is ranked 13th in her class and has a 92.64 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. Carrie is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Burgess and plans to attend St. Bonaventure University/LECOM School of Pharmacy – Dual Program – Biology/Pharmacy in the fall. Carrie has participated in cheerleading, Spanish Club, Model UN, Interact Club, Homeless Huskies, Up All Night, senior class officer, committees and is a member of the NHS. She has received the St. Bonaventure Enchanted Mountain Scholarship, the St. Bonaventure Olean High School Scholarship and the St. Bonaventure Endowed Scholarship. Her mom, Cathy, Aunt Diane, cousin Amanda and sister Nicole have been inspirational for Carrie because, “They’ve always been my sisters through thick and thin.” In 10 years, she sees herself working in Virginia at a locally owned pharmacy. Her advice to incoming freshmen, “Try to get as much done ahead of time because hard work pays off in the end.” She also encourages newcomers to attend formal dances and SAC events.



Ian Adelstein-Herrmann is ranked 14th in his class with a 92.19 average. He will receive a



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NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. Ian is the son of Fern Adelstein & William Herrmann and plans to attend the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, PA, in the fall for Jazz Performance. He has participated in Jazz Band, Track & Field, Model UN, Tel-O-Scope and Youth Court. Ian has received the Robert C. Byrd Scholarship and the NYS Academic Excellence Scholarship. Ian's most memorable high school moment was when he told his English teacher, Mr. Ventura, that he had "pretty" eyes. Ian says that he is going to miss his "sweet eighth period calculus class" and Mrs. Ring, whom Ian says was his role model throughout high school. When asked where he sees himself in 10 years he replied, "I'll probably be living in a big city like New York or Philadelphia going to school for physics."

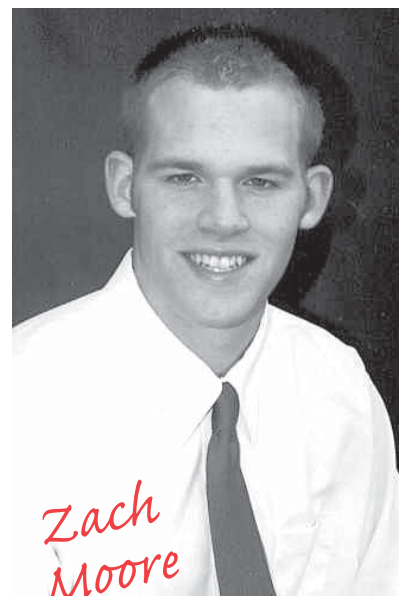
Zachary Moore is ranked 15th with an average of 92.14. He will receive an Advanced Regents Diploma. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Andy Moore and plans to attend the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford for Communications. He is an active member of the Basketball team and the National Honor Society. Zachary has received the Panther Scholarship. His best high school memory was making it to the New York State Boys' Basketball Final Four in Glens Falls and playing with some of his best friends. "Lunch," was Zach's reply when asked what he would miss most about high school. His biggest role model was Mrs. Melaro because they have a great relationship because they are able to talk about everything. He is looking forward to playing basketball at UPB for another four years. Zach's one piece of advice for incoming students is "to work hard and to not take everyday for granted."

Matthew Hardenbergh is ranked 16th in his class and has a 92.13 average. He will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma. He is the son of Lynn Hardenbergh. He plans to attend the University of Buffalo for Electrical Engineering. He is a member of Ski Club, Homeless Huskies, Up All Night, Class Competitions, Bowling, Soccer and Track and Field. Matthew is a member of the National Honor Society. He has received the Sportsmanship Award, Coach's Award, Cattaraugus County Track All-Star Award and Sectional Track Athlete. Matt will miss all of the senior skits and the scholastic challenges in which he participated during high school. His track coach, Mr. Ksionczyk, was his biggest role model through high school because his coach motivated him constantly. When asked if he had any advice for incoming high school students, Matt said "make the best of your high school careers and don't be intimidated by the seniors, they're just big freshmen."

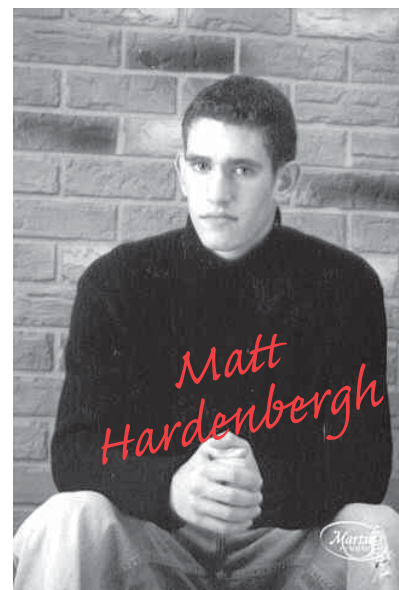
Reuben Lehman is ranked 17th in his class and has a 91.51 average. He will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Lehman and plans to attend Jamestown Community College for Social Sciences. Ruben then plans on studying law and hopefully attending Baylor College in Texas. He has been involved with the New York Youth Leadership Forum on Law, is a member on the National Honor Society, Soccer and Boys' Volleyball. Reuben said that he wished he would have gotten involved quicker as a freshman, but that he would not change any of his experiences. He is looking forward to getting away from home to test his independence and making his own decisions. In 10 years, Reuben hopes to be living near the Capital and working in politics. Reuben says that he will miss his chemistry class with Miss Shields because she's a great teacher who always made things fun. His advice for incoming freshmen is to "Not stress as much because it's not as bad or as hard as it seems."

Ann Forness is ranked 18th and has earned a 91.34 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Forness. Ann will attend Jamestown Community College for Criminal Justice. Ann is

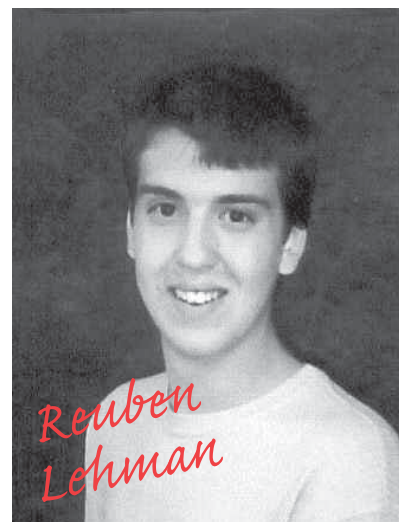
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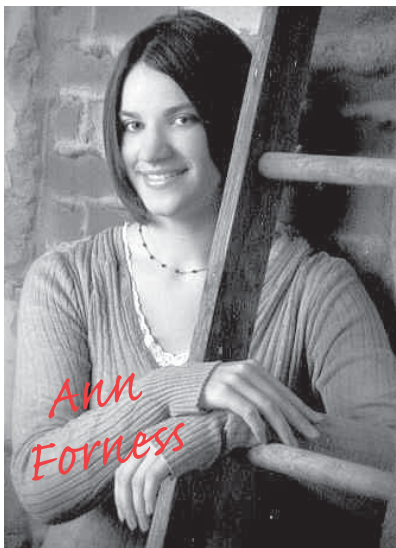
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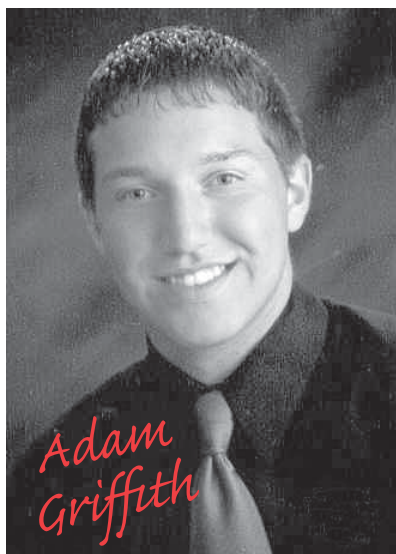
a member of the Art Club, Winter Weekend Committee, Prom Committee, Homeless Huskies and National Honor Society. She has received the USA Scholarship through Jamestown Community College. Ann's most memorable moment in high school was when she came back to school after getting her braces off. Ann wishes she would have broken out of her shell earlier. For Ann, the greatest part of high school was being able to see her friends and talk to them every day. Her advice for incoming students is to "try to accomplish as much as they can in the short time they have here."

Megan McKeown is ranked 19th in her class and has a 91.31 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Paul McKeown. Megan plans to attend SUNY Geneseo for Elementary Education. She is a member of Interact Club, Art Club, is the SAC Vice President, a member of the Soccer and Basketball teams, Homeless Huskies, Up All Night, Class Competitions and National Honor Society. Megan has also been named a Scholar Athlete. She is looking forward to making new friends in college. Her best high school memory was going to Glens Falls when the boys' basketball team made it to the New York State final four. Megan also said she will miss Mr. Stetz when she graduates. Her advice to new students is to get involved. Megan's biggest role model in high school was Dana Maria Demarest. In 10 years, she sees herself teaching somewhere outside of Olean.



Megan
McKeown

Adam Griffith is ranked 20th in his class and has earned a 91.03 average. Adam will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Michael Griffith. Adam will attend SUNY Brockport and has not decided on an academic major. He is involved in the Interact Club, Bel Canto, Homeless Huskies, Class Competitions, Soccer and Tennis. Adam is a member of the National Honor Society and is a Senior Class Officer. He received the Bausch and Lomb Science Award and will receive the SUNY Brockport Dean's Scholarship. In ten years, Adam says it doesn't matter what he does; he just hopes that he will be happy doing his job. Adam will miss seeing his friends every day although, he is looking forward to meeting new people and trying new things. His advice to incoming students is to work hard, but never pass up an opportunity to have fun. He said his biggest role model in high school was Miss Shields because she has fun doing her job and that's what he wants.



Adam
Griffith

Dana Demarest is ranked 21st in her class and has a 90.79 average. Dana will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors. She is the daughter of Maria Demarest. Dana plans to attend Daemen College for Business Administration/Marketing. She has been involved in the Interact Club, Art Club, Ski Club, Track and Field, Homeless Huskies and Up All Night. Dana is a member of the National Honor Society and serves as our Treasurer and is also the Treasurer of the Student Activities Council. She has received the Daemen College President's Scholarship. Dana's best memory of high school was going to the New York State Boys' Basketball Championships at Glens Falls. In 10 years, Dana sees herself still missing high school. She advises incoming high school students to "be loud, be proud, be positive." Her biggest role model in high school was Megan Rose McKeown. Even though she is going to miss her friends from high school the most, she is looking forward to making new friends.



Dana
Demarest

Jonathan Reed is ranked 22nd in his class

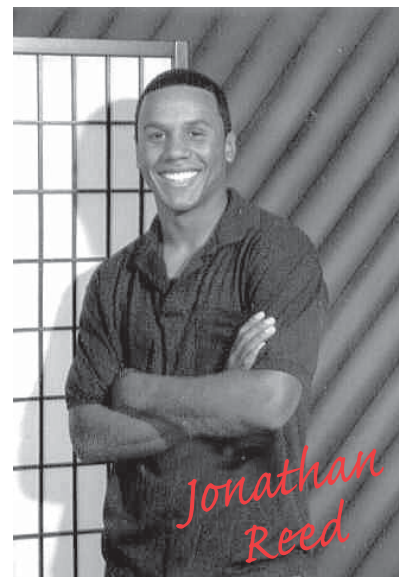
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and has 90.31 average. He will receive a NYS Regents Diploma. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Reed and plans to attend Jamestown Community College for Business Administration. He has been a member of the Football and Basketball teams and participated in Class Competitions. Jonathan has received the USA Scholarship through Jamestown Community College. His best high school memory was going to the New York State Boys' Basketball Final Four at Glens Falls. If Jonathan could change anything about his high school experience, he would not have taken it for granted. He says that he never had just one role model in high school; it was his family as a whole who helped him. The advice Jon offers to incoming high school students is to, "Just enjoy high school while you still have the chance."

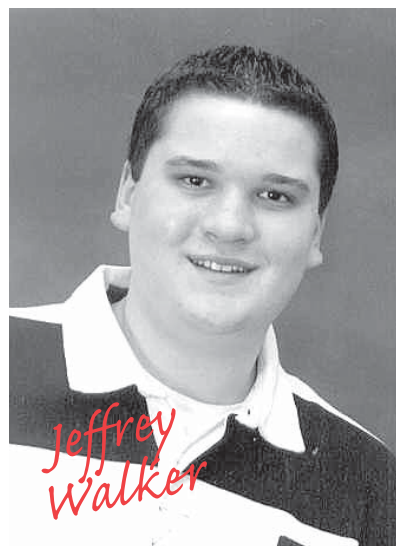
Jeffrey Walker is ranked 23rd in his class and has a 90.26 average. He will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma and is the son of Lisa Ouderkirk and Timothy Walker. Jeffrey plans to attend Niagara University for International Business. He has participated in TV Studio, Up All Night, Homeless Huskies, Rotary Youth Exchange, Class Competitions, Soccer, and SADD. Jeffrey has received the Niagara University Presidential Scholarship and the Fr. Dunne Scholarship. In 10 years, Jeffrey hopes to be traveling the world, working for a large company, and making multi-million dollar deals. Jeffrey's most memorable moment during his four years at OHS was going abroad to Brazil his junior year. He will miss his friends and the laid-back life style he has right now. The advice he would give to students entering the high school in 2007 is, "Be yourself, have fun, and stay in school."

Emily Cradduck is ranked 24th in her class and has a 90.19 average. Emily will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma. She is the daughter of Peggy Cradduck and Brad Cradduck and will attend Cape Fear Community College. She has participated in Yearbook, Homeless Huskies, Chorus and Ski Club. Ten years from now, Emily sees herself "happy, successful, and living in Wilmington, NC." Emily would not change anything about her high school experience because she says she would not want to change her journey. Throughout high school, Emily's mother was the most influential person in her life because, "She would bend over backwards to do everything for me." Emily really looks forward to college because she wants to begin a new chapter in her life and meet new people. Her advice to incoming students is, "There are a lot of changes in high school, but do not lose sight of who you are and who you want to become."

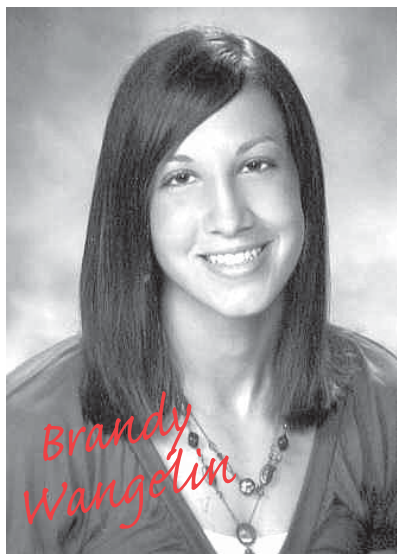
Brandy Wangelin is ranked 25th in her class and has a 90.08 average. She will receive a NYS Advanced Regents Diploma and is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wangelin. She has received a full scholarship to LeMoyne College for basketball and plans to study Elementary Education. Brandy has participated in SAC, Homeless Huskies, Up All Night, Class Competitions, Basketball, Soccer and Track and Field. Brandy has received numerous athletic awards including the Scholar Athlete Award, Sportsmanship Award, CCIAC Varsity Basketball 1st team All-Star Award, to name a few. Brandy will miss her classmates and all the activities at OHS. The moment she will cherish most is her senior prom. Brandy would not change anything about her high school journey. The most influential person in Brandy's life in high school was Mr. Kane. He always pushed her, and she admires him because he has been through a lot; he's strong. The advice she would give to the upcoming freshmen is, "Get to lunch early!"



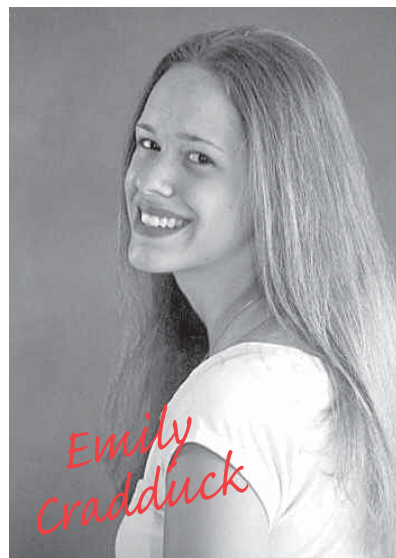
Jonathan Reed



Jeffrey Walker



Brandy Wangelin



Emily Cradduck



Future plans for the Class of 2007

Ian Adelstein-Hermann – University of the Arts

David Allen – SUNY Geneseo

Alecia Aquino – Jamestown Community College

Marcela Arichavala - Exchange student returning to Ecuador

Afia Babar - St. Bonaventure University

Demetrius Bailey, Jr. – Muskingum College

Steve Baker – Jamestown Community College

Nathan Baldwin - Bryant & Stratton College

Brett Batesky – Monroe Community College

Naomi Bean – Juniata College

Dana Bender – ITT Tech

Abram Brown – Syracuse University

Joshua Brucker – St. Bonaventure University

Carrie Burgess – St. Bonaventure University/LECOM

Joelle Burrows – Jamestown Community College

Rachel Burrows – Hilbert College

Patrick Butler – University of Buffalo

Luke Campbell – JCC

Jacob Carll – SUNY Fredonia

Jordan Carter – Jamestown Community College

Andrew Carucci – Alfred University

Lindsay Cheek – Ohio University

James Chiapuso – Pittsburgh Culinary School

Ryan Chizewick – Jamestown Community College

Christopher Corder – Youngstown State

Breanna Cottone – Olean Business Institute

Emily Cradduck – Cape Fear Community College

Sara Cummings – Employment in North Carolina

Erica Dale – Texas Tech

Benjamin DeGiglio – Jamestown Community College

Dana Demarest – Daemen College

Alexander Derwick – SUNY Purchase

Corey Dieteman – Jamestown Community College

Jeremy Dwaileebe – Employment in Tennessee

Alyssa Edwards – Jamestown Community College

Daniel Edwards – ITT Tech

David Edwards – Jamestown Community College

Robert Elizee – Air Force

Maurice Ensell – Jamestown Community College

Jessica Farmer – Jamestown Community College

Scott Fisher – Marines

Emily Flaim – Jamestown Community College

Ann Forness – Jamestown Community College

Alyia French – Olean Business Institute

Robert Frungillo – Jamestown Community College

Tiffany George – Jamestown Community College

Sarah Glover – Niagara Univ. or St. Bonaventure University

Brian Graham Jr. – Pittsburgh Technical Institute

Meagan Griffin – Penn State University

Adam Griffith – SUNY Binghamton

Brett Guntow – Jamestown Community College

Matthew Hardenbergh – University at Buffalo

Sharnel Heard – Employment Florida

Daniel Heintz – Gulf Coast Community College

Kayla Hovey – Horry-Georgetown Technical College

Lee Howard – Alfred State College

Lecory Jacobs – Pittsburgh Technical Institute

Laquia Johnson – SUNY New Paltz

Justin Joyce – Alfred State College

Brittany Kahle – Jamestown Community College

Elise Katzenstein – Grove City College

Joshua Klafehn – SUNY Purchase

Donald Kuhn – Honors Academy

Andrea Kula – Jamestown Community College

Stephanie Lacher – Mercyhurst College

Cody Lampack – Employment in New York

Meggan Lampack – St. Bonaventure University

Bryan Laverty – Jamestown Community College

Andrew Leder – Universal Technical Institute

Brandon Lee – Jamestown Community College

Elizabeth Lehman – Baldwin Wallace College

Reuben Lehman – Jamestown Community College

Bobbi Lent – Jamestown Community College



Future plans for the Class of 2007

James Lewis – Baptist Bible College

Sean Lewis - Marines

Danielle MacDonald – Alfred State College

Jennifer MacDonald - University of New England

Elizabeth McCoy – Employment in New York

Joshua Malick – University of Pittsburgh at Bradford

Jessica Marlett – Genesee Community College

Andrew Martelli – Jamestown Community College

Adam Martin – Jamestown Community College

Courtney Martin – Jamestown Community College

Jonathan Maynard – Marines

Elizabeth McCoy – Employment

Adam McDow – Jamestown Community College

Deborah McDowell – Youngstown State University

Amanda McGonigle – University at Buffalo

Megan McKeown – St. John Fisher

Melissa Mehmel – Marines

Angela Miller – BOCES LPN

Colton Monroe – St. Bonaventure University

Melissa Moore – Jamestown Community College

Zachary Moore – University of Pittsburgh at Bradford

Jennifer Mosher – Buffalo State College

Pete Mulherin – William Paterson University

Susan Muse – Jamestown Community College

Terrance Myszka – Jamestown Community College

Tiffany Nicoletta – Monroe Community College

John Northrup – University at Buffalo

Alecia Ortung – Georgia Southern University

Krysta Palmeri – Jamestown Community College

Gina Palumbo – SUNY Fredonia

Jared Parks – Winston Salem State

Jocelyn Parks – Jamestown Community College

Bradley Pletl – Employment

Courtney Postl – SUNY Fredonia

Eileen Proto – University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Alysa Putt – Juniata College

Jonathan Reed - Niagara University

Sylvia Rethmel – Employment in Virginia

Jamie Rice – Buffalo State College

Alyssa Richardson – Art Institute of Pittsburgh

James Rider – Jamestown Community College

Sherrelle Rivera - employment

Walter Ross – Army

Adrienne Sader – Niagara University

Damian Saleh – St. Bonaventure University

Carl Samuelson – University of Buffalo

Jenna Sevinsky – Jamestown Community College

Jillian Shaffer – University at Buffalo

Derrick Shoup – Employment in New York

Alexander Simon – University at Buffalo

Kathleen Simon – University at Buffalo

Lauren Simon – SUNY Brockport

Allison Sitter – Employment

Jerome Skinner – Pittsburgh Technical Institute

Cody Snyder – Employment in New York

Isaac Spaeth – St. Bonaventure University

Bryan Stanton – Jamestown Community College

Allison Stetz – Art Institute of Pittsburgh

Bryan Sweet – Jamestown Community College

Heather Thompson – Arizona State Massage School

Kaitlin Thompson – Jamestown Community College

Ian Travis – Alfred State College

Amanda Vincent – Jamestown Community College

Molly Wagner – University of Michigan

Jeffrey Walker – Niagara University

Brandy Wangelin – Le Moyne College

Kevin Welch – SUNY Oneonta

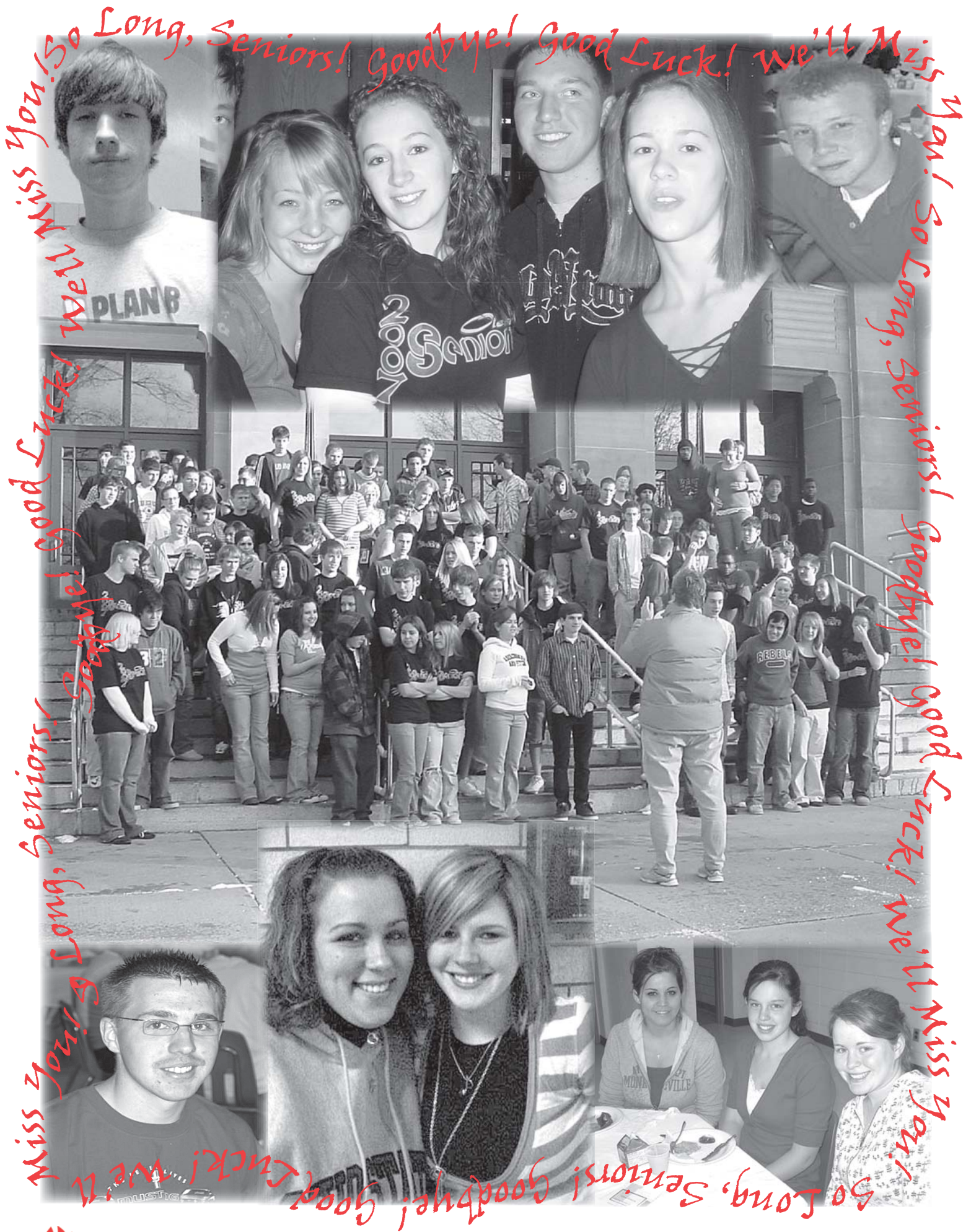
Katie Willis – Monroe Community College

Matthew Wilson - Clarion University

Joshua Witruke – Jamestown Community College

David Yardman – Jamestown Community College

Ramsa Zia – St. Bonaventure University or University at Buffalo





Mayor shares experiences with students

By Katie Wolfgang

On May 14, Mayor David Carucci spoke to students in Economics and Business classes about his experiences as an entrepreneur and Mayor of Olean. A 1978 graduate of OHS, Mayor Carucci discussed how he remained in his hometown and achieved success by starting several businesses. He reassured students that there are job opportunities for them in Olean and that several prominent business leaders in the Olean area are graduates of Olean High School.

The main focus of the Mayor's presentation was on the fiscal situation of Olean. He discussed how the budget for the City of Olean is created, where the revenue comes from, and what expenses the city has to pay. He reminded students how important it is not to spend more money than is taken in, applying this lesson both to the personal lives of the students and to the city. He discussed the tremendous financial burden the city is currently under and his plan for balancing the city budget.

The presentation ended with a lively question and answer session covering such topics as the mall, crossing guards, new business opportunities in Olean and the job outlook for recent graduates.

Thank you Mayor Carucci!



Hollywood Prom huge success for special education classes

"Hollywood: Lights! Camera! Action!" was the theme for the 2007 Special Education Prom held at OHS on Friday, May 11. Can you imagine the students' surprise when Elvis made a grand entrance singing "You Ain't Nothin' But a Hound Dog?" They were thrilled!

Decorations included movie cameras, awesome movie posters, black, silver, and red balloons, streamers, with stars and movie reels hanging from the ceiling.

After students made their way down the Hollywood Red Carpet "Walk of Fame," they were seated and enjoyed their meals prepared by the BOCES culinary classes. The meatballs, chicken tenders, salads, chips and various other snacks were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Ried's Food Barn generously helped with the delicious cookie assortment.

The OHS Students Activities Council officers assisted in getting our students ready and then danced and enjoyed the festivities with everyone. Aaron Tierson was the DJ throughout the prom. The class really appreciated Aaron playing their favorite songs. He generously donated his time for the prom.

Cory German, from InterState Photography Studios, took formal pictures of each student and more pictures throughout the dance. Some of the pictures taken will be used in the high school yearbook supplement.

After much twisting and lots of memorable moments, the students all agreed that the "Hollywood: Lights! Camera! Action!" Prom was a huge success.



OHS Awards Breakfast honors achievement

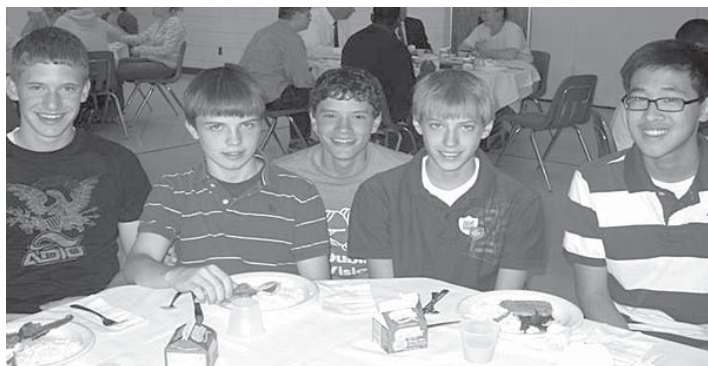
In his comments to those assembled for the OHS Annual Awards' Breakfast, Superintendent Mark Ward told the honorees to, "Give back to your community whether it is through your job or by volunteering. Be sure to challenge yourself. You have demonstrated a positive work ethic which is why you are here today."

Students received commendations, gift certificates and medals for their hard work in and out of the classroom. Everyone at OHS is proud of all of the students who were recognized for their dedication and hard work during the 2006-07 school year.

Global & History Awards

Freshmen recognized for achievements in Global History & Geography I were: Jason Mahar, Brittany Fling, Christopher Mosher, John Samuelson, Kevin Stevens, Kaitlyn Andreano, JD Olson, Amanda Lasky, Caitlin Goodwill, Reed McElfresh, Michael Liu, Heather Reed, AnaMarie Mehmel, Sarah Shembeda and James Hardenbergh. Sophomores receiving Certificates of Achievement for Global History & Geography II were: Christa Nianiatius, Michael Powell and Cameron Lewis. Sophomore Michael Witte received the Global History and Geography II Excellence Award. Recognized for success in U.S. History & Government were juniors: Megan Connelly, Kaitlee Derx and Steven Lewis. Lauren Perkins received the U.S. History Excellence Award. Seniors Patrick Butler and Meagan Griffin received the Achievement Award in Participatory Government.

A special award was given to senior Katie Simon for scoring 100 percent on both the Global History and U.S. History NYS Regents exams.



Freshmen honorees (l-r) James Hardenbergh, Reed McElfresh, John Samuelson, Christopher Mosher and Michael Liu enjoyed their breakfast prepared by OHS cafeteria staff.

Safe Driving Award

Junior Meghan Guild was this year's recipient of the AAA Driver Education Award. Instructor Mr. Anastasia nominated Meghan because of her outstanding and conscientious driving skills.

Business Department Awards

Recognized for their efforts in: Accounting - Chris Barnard and Sarah Glover; Business Communications - Alyia French and Jessica Farmer; Career & Financial Management - Shane Sisson and Cory Bullers; MicroComputers - Tenisha Myszka and Britany Kahle; Sports & Entertainment Marketing - Brett Batesky and Brandy Wangelin. The overall Business Award was presented to Alyia French for excellence.

Service to School, Community

Over the years, thousands of dollars raised by students at OHS are given directly to community members to help them through difficult times. Student Activity Council Presidents Lindsay Cheek and Jeni Mosher, Vice-Presidents Brandy Wangelin and Megan McKewon, Secretaries Rachel Burrows, and Lauren Simon, and Treasurers Dana Demarest and Jen MacDonald continually challenged everyone at OHS to give of their time, energy and money in order to make the school year a success. SAC also was able to give



Receiving 20- & 40-point letters were (front, l-r) Nicole Burgess, Megan Kane, Carrie DiRisio and (back, l-r) Kathleen Lewicki, Mark Gerwig, Andrew Stephan and Carrie Burgess.

the senior class over \$1,000 to help offset expenses for their class trip.

In addition, senior Ryan Chizewick was awarded the "Outstanding Service to the OHS Community" by Social Studies teacher Mrs. Brown.

Students Rewarded for Involvement

Involvement in high school activities paid off for the 20- & 40-point letter recipients. Recognized for participating in music, sports, student government, publications and drama were: Nicole Burgess, Megan Kane, Kathleen Lewicki, Mark Gerwig, Andrew Stephan and Carrie DiRisio.

Math Awards

Freshmen Brooke Shultz and Heather Reed were honored for excellence in Algebra. Freshmen Michael Liu was honored for his perfect score on the Math A Regents given in January. Juniors Steven Lewis, Mark Gerwig, Anna Miller and Kathleen Lewicki were noted for Excellence in Pre-Calculus. Ali Alsalman, Gina Palumbo and James Chatmon were recognized for excellence in Math A21. Billy Shafer and Brandy Crawford

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Art students put finishing touches on a busy year

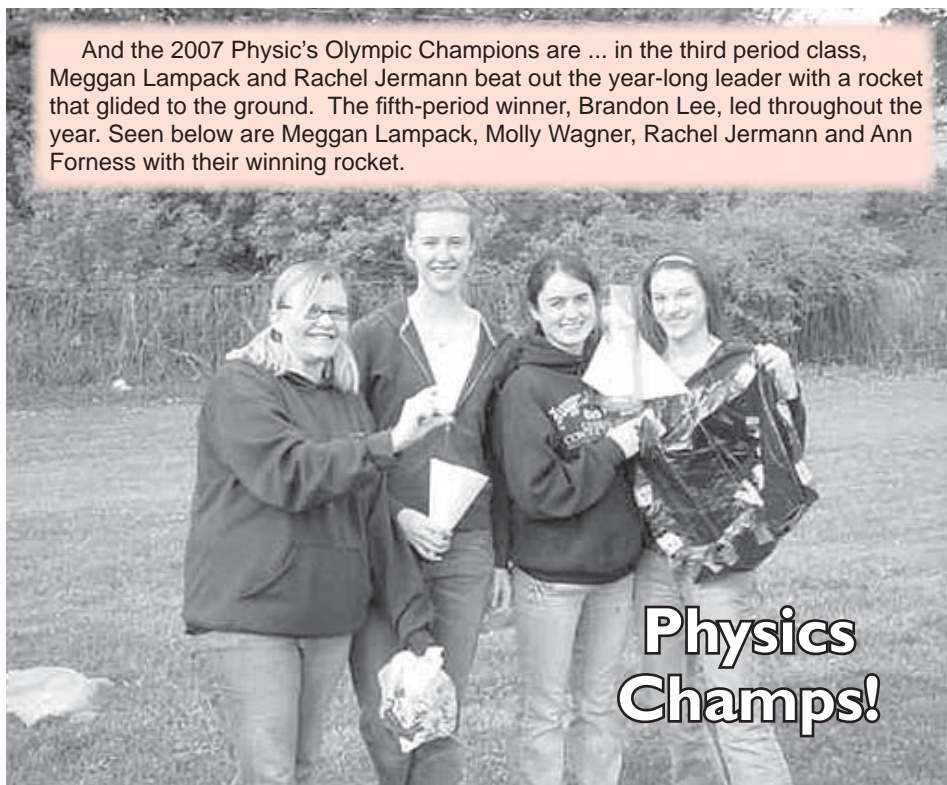
On May 10, two Advanced Art Painting students traveled to Salamanca to participate in the NYS Art Teachers' Portfolio Adjudication day. These students were: (shown at right) Cassie Bold and Kelly Ash, both juniors in Mrs. Heinz's Advanced Painting class. Both girls achieved the highest possible score, a level 4 "Distinguished" award. Portfolios submitted for adjudication were required to include eight pieces of work including: a piece in response to a particular artist or art period; pieces showing a progression of work, such as a finished piece and the preliminary sketches involved; a self-portrait; and two selections of work from the student being judged. Students also were required to create a written artist's statement and a written response to the art history piece. We are very proud of these two young ladies, and look forward to having more students participate next year.



In other art news, senior Advanced Placement Art student Alex Derwick recently displayed his artwork at the Olean Public Library from April 24 to 28. Alex's work focused on the emotional impact of loneliness and covered a variety of images ranging from portraits, objects, stories taken from the newspaper and national headlines. Alex hosted an artist's opening on April 24, which was very well attended.

Alex plans to attend SUNY Purchase in the fall and major in Fine Arts.

And the 2007 Physic's Olympic Champions are ... in the third period class, Meggan Lampack and Rachel Jermann beat out the year-long leader with a rocket that glided to the ground. The fifth-period winner, Brandon Lee, led throughout the year. Seen below are Meggan Lampack, Molly Wagner, Rachel Jermann and Ann Forness with their winning rocket.



OHS Awards

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received recognition for Algebra. Excellence in Calculus awards were presented to seniors Naomi Bean, Meggan Lampack and Patrick Butler.

Triple C Awards

In recognition of their tremendous character, commitment, and courage, seniors Jonathan Reed and Gina Palumbo were awarded the "Triple C" awards.

Language Awards

Recognized for their outstanding work were AnaMarie Mehmel for French 2, Jennifer Howard for French 3 and Kaitlee Derx for French 4. Awards for Spanish 2 were presented to Amanda Lasky, Chris Mosher, Rachel Pfeiffer, Sarah Shembeda, Kate Himes and Kevin Stevens. For Spanish 3, Angelica Carlson, Rachel Jermann, Beth Mahar and Annie Skrobacz won awards. Megan Kane was recognized for her Spanish 4 work and Meagan Griffin received the Spanish 5 award.

Science Awards

Science Department awards went to: Excellence in Earth Science - Amanda Lasky, Reed McElfresh, Caitlyn McNamée, AnaMarie Mehmel, Christopher Mosher and Brooke Schulze; Excellence in Living Environment - Elizabeth Mahar, Kara McGonnell and Michael Witte; Excellence in Applied Biochemistry - Brandon Wyche; Excellence in Environmental Science - Caitlyn Heinz and Shane Sisson; Excellence in Chemistry - Nicole Burgess, Breanne Driscoll, Meghan Guild, Megan Kane, Kathleen Lewicki, Steven Lewis, Anna Miller and Mark Powers. Junior Mark Gerwig received the Penn-York Chemistry Award; Kathleen Lewicki received the Bausch & Lomb Science Award for Excellence in Earth Science, Living Environment, Chemistry and Physics; and Patrick Butler and Kathleen Lewicki were honored for Excellence in Physics.

Art Department Awards

Recognized by the OHS Art Department were: senior Alex Derwick - Art Award for Outstanding Achievement; Emily Flaim, Don Kuhn, Liz Lehman, and Megan McKeown - Art Department Awards for Excellence.

Capital Project pieces coming together

**By Mark J. Ward,
Superintendent**

As we put the finishing touches on another school year, there is a sense of excitement and anticipation as we look to the future of the Olean City School District. Yes, our community is going through some very difficult financial times, but we cannot let that impact the future of our children.

The Board, administration and community members have been discussing a variety of "different approaches" as we struggle to find the best "option." We are continuing to work with our architect, construction manager and financial advisors to develop the best possible project that meets the educational needs of our students and the financial realities of our community. This "balancing act" will focus on modernizing our facilities and creating educational space that meets the instructional needs of the 21st Century.

We have scheduled a meeting in Albany with the officials in the Facilities and Planning Department that will ultimately determine the aidability of our project. This meeting will give us a better idea of what they will allow us to do and the level of state aid that we will be eligible to receive. The more aid we receive, the less local share that will be required and that directly impacts our taxpayers.

While we have not formally taken a vote, it is clear that the majority of the Board has been leaning toward having three elementary schools to serve our District. It would appear that the decision has been narrowed to the Boardmanville (remodeling and additions) site or the building of a new elementary school at the Middle School site. We recognize that this will be a difficult decision, but we must plan for the future keeping in mind that

our population is declining, maintaining older facilities is very costly and inefficient, and our tax base has decreased by more than 20% in the past 20 years

The Capital Project will also include the following work: handicap accessibility, safety, electrical, window replacement, technology, heating system, emergency generators, flooring and the building of some additional space at East View and Washington West Elementary schools; the High School will receive a new heating system, energy reduction, handicap accessibility, technology improvements, face lift to hallways and classrooms, additional rehearsal space for the music department, large group instruction room, and an emergency generator system.

At this writing, the Capital Project has not been finalized so its entire scope is not

known. Once we have some solid numbers from the state, we will be better able to determine exactly what we can and cannot do. We plan to bring this project to the Olean voters in November of 2007.

The Board and administration is continuing to work hard to bring forth a plan that makes sense, is educationally sound, financially reasonable, and will address the future needs of our District. Keeping the District fiscally sound, while providing our children a quality education in appropriate educational facilities, is foremost in our thinking.

We have an opportunity to plan for the future rather than to merely react when the next crisis hits. That is why we will be asking taxpayers for your support as we continue to "right size" and modernize our educational facilities across the District.



OMS dominates short story contest

When the winners of the annual Friends of the Olean Library short story contest were announced, Olean Middle School could not have been more proud of its students! In grades six and seven, the Middle School had seven students place. Even more remarkable, the top three places were dominated by Olean Middle School students.

In the sixth grade, honorable mention went to Nick Gengo and Karen Ullman. First place in sixth grade was Katie Fox. In the seventh grade, honorable mention went to Samantha Hanners, and Burgandi Rakoska; second place went to Jessica Higgins; while first place went to Connor Charles. The staff at Olean Middle School could not be more proud of our writers. Way to go!

Important upcoming dates

June 13-22 Regents Exams

June 21 Graduation Rehearsal,
auditorium, 1:30 p.m.

June 24 Graduation, auditorium,
3-5 p.m. (open at 2:15 p.m.)



High-schoolers elect new slate of SAC officers

On May 10 and 11 students in grades 9, 10 and 11 were given the opportunity to vote for next year's Student Activities Council (SAC) using a real voting machine. Special thanks goes to Steve Hamed for setting up the machine and to the City of Olean for letting us use the machine. The results are:

Presidents Mark Gerwig
Sean O'Connell

Vice Presidents Emily Sorokes
Nicole Burgess

Secretaries Kelly Ash
Megan Kane

Treasurers Jacqi Cheek
Kayt Himes

A taste of living on their own

Recently, the Olean School District Foundation awarded Mrs. Katie Wolfgang, the Senior Economics teacher at Olean High School, with a grant to purchase a software program entitled On Your Own – Coast to Coast. This program is a simulated living program, enabling students to experience the day-to-day, real life challenges of living on their own.

In order to complete the program, students must decide where to live, find a job, rent an apartment, create a budget, pay monthly bills, manage their credit, choose transportation, buy insurance and save for the future. The objective of the game is to make it through three simulated months without going bankrupt.

The program reinforces basic personal finance concepts such as budgeting, saving, investing and insuring, skills which are essential for students to establish good credit and create healthy money management habits. As our OHS Seniors prepare to enter the "real world" in a matter of weeks, they are now better able to manage their finances "On Their Own"!



Examination Schedule: June 2007

June 13 Wednesday	June 14 Thursday	June 15 Friday	June 18 Monday	June 19 Tuesday	June 20 Wednesday	June 21 Thursday	June 23 Friday
	8:15 a.m. Comprehensive English: Session One RCT in Science*	8:15 a.m. Comprehensive English: Session Two	8:15 a.m. Second Language Proficiency Exams: French & Spanish	8:15 a.m. Physical Setting/ Earth Science	8:15 a.m. Living Environment	8:15 a.m. Physical Setting/ Physics RCT in U.S. History and Govt.	RATING DAY
12:15 p.m. Regents in Global History & Geography	12:15 p.m. Mathematics A Mathematics B	12:15 p.m. Comprehensive Regents Exams: French & Spanish RCT in Reading	12:15 p.m. RCT in Writing	12:15 p.m. Regents in U.S. History & Government RCT in Mathematics*	12:15 p.m. Physical Setting/ Chemistry RCT in Global Studies*	* Available in Restricted Form only. Each copy of a restricted test is numbered and sealed in its own envelope and must be returned, used or unused, to the Department at the end of the examination period.	

News from around the 'Middle'

BLUE TEAM HOLDS ACADEMY AWARDS

By Ms. Bergan

Blue Team students held their First Annual Academy Awards on Thursday, May 17. The awards ceremony was the grand finale to the short story unit held in English class. Students read a variety of short stories and chose one at random to write a script, with stage directions, to perform in front of their classmates. Their performances were Hollywood worthy.

An Academy was established and nominees and winners were chosen. Guest presenters handed out the awards and winners, with prepared acceptance speeches, accepted their small trophies graciously. Like Hollywood, the "Pizza Academy After-Party" was held and enjoyed by all in attendance. The Blue Team would like to thank the guest presenters: Mr. Trietley, Mr. Whitcher, Officer Jay, Mrs. Anastasia, Mrs. Klingbeil, Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. Bush and Mr. Welch for their devoted support.

Best Picture: "A Crush" – Maria Skrobacz, Abby Stavish, Kelly Hustak, Sydney

Allen and Connor Charles

Best Screen writing (script): "Thank You Ma'am" – Burgandi Rakoska, Wade Green, Ashley Murphy, Kimber Bartlett

Best Male in a Lead Role: Bobby Ackerman

Best Female in a Lead Role: Ashley Maynard

Best Supporting Actor: Matt Mowery

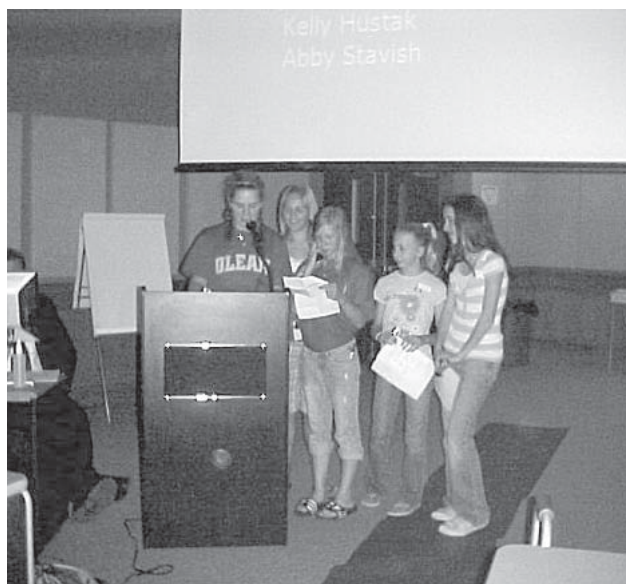
Best Supporting Actress: Brianna Scanlon

Best Music Score: "A Retrieved Reformation" – Matt Witte, Zanaid Marra,

Arthur Peterson, Jacob Schill, Storm Maynard, Marcus Dwaileebe, Alicia Broadbent, Abbie MacWilliams and Stacia Farris

Best Comedy Role: Zanaid Marra

Best Dramatic Role: Erica Barth



Best Action Role: "A Retrieved Reformation" – Jason Collins, Everett Parks, Alex Marra and Alex Caya

MODIFIED TRACK WRAPS UP FIRST SEASON

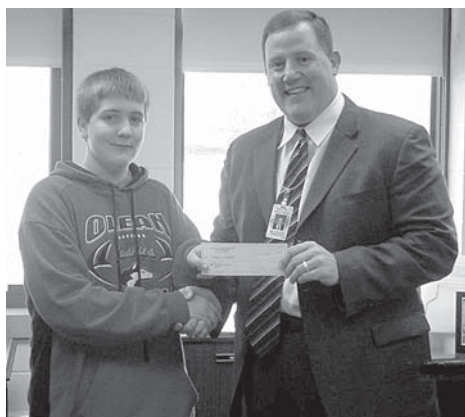
By Mrs. Perry

In its first year as an organized sport, the Olean Huskies Modified Track Team had wonderful success. The team consists of 30 girls and 16 boys in both the 7th and 8th grades under the direction of Joelle Perry and Leslie Morey. Athletes can compete in three events per meet which

include running, jumping, hurdling, throwing and pole vaulting.

The athletes have shown tremendous dedication and effort in all aspects of the sport. The skills they are learning at the modified level will better ensure their success once they reach varsity. The athletes closed out their season with an away meet

at Portville on May 21 when they faced their toughest competition. Opposing schools included: Portville, Allegany-Limestone, Cuba-Rushford, Fillmore, Franklinville, Genesee Valley, Salamanca, Scio, Bolivar-Richburg and Wellsville.



PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Matt Gardner is the most recent AIM-90 Perfect Attendance Award winner. He received a check worth \$50 from Middle School Principal Gerald Trietley. Congratulations, Matt!



FULL HOUSE AT REVIEW CLASSES

More than 50 students take advantage of final review classes offered by OASIS-21.



Creative Writing Inspiration: Two students in Mrs. Budzinski's second grade are holding a photo that appeared in the Olean Times Herald last June of a black bear that was "treed" by an orange and white cat in West Milford, NJ. Mrs. Budzinski introduced the photo and caption to her second-graders so that they can write a creative story about the incident. Mrs. Budzinski remembered seeing this photo but, unfortunately, forgot to save it. During spring break Mrs. Budzinski called the Times Herald and Cora Niver, Newspapers in Education Coordinator, very graciously sent it to the school. Now the students are currently using their imaginations to create their version of the incident.



Tabs, Tabs and more Tabs: Students at Boardmanville Elementary School collected over 250 pounds of tabs. Smitty and The Big Pig from WPIG came to collect them and to thank the students of Boardmanville. In addition, we collected enough tabs to win a DJ show by Smitty and Ron. We are looking forward to them playing some sizzling country music for us on one of our last days before vacation.

Boardmanville Elementary School



Reading about Oak Trees: First graders are busy observing and investigating non-fiction stories about oak trees. Students were finding information to contrast and compare trees that were found in their book and recording information.



Project Post Card: Fifth-grade students at Boardmanville started collecting postcards from friends and family across the USA last summer. The project has had wonderful response and continues to grow. We started plotting areas on the map as we received them until we had so many we couldn't read the map. We have moved them to the wall in the hallway in the form of a graph. We now use our social studies project to work in many math areas such as finding mean, mode, range and fractions. Postcards have been sent to us from every state. We received the most cards from Florida and California and the least from Utah.



Pfeiffer Nature Center Visit: Colleen, a naturalist from Pfeiffer Nature Center, came to visit Mrs. Stephens' class at Boardmanville. She shared real animal hide with the children. The children got to feel real skunk, bear, fox, and many other animal skins. The class will be taking a trip to Pfeiffer Nature Center for the day in June. They are very excited and can't wait to have an adventure outside!



Royal Readers: The students in Mrs. Marsfelder's and Mrs. Deibler's class have been working hard all year learning to comprehend when hearing a story. Mrs. Marsfelder and Mrs. Deibler read stories and the children have to answer questions related to what was read. After they finish a story, the teachers pick a student to be the Comprehension King and another to be the Comprehension Queen. These students get to wear a crown and tiara all day long. Many people stop by the room to honor the king's and queen's hard work.



Painting the Playground: This spring, the students at East View have especially enjoyed using the playground, thanks to the hard work of some dedicated staff and their families. Volunteering their own time, Teacher Aide, Sue Grosso, along with another Teacher Aide, Dorothy Farrington and her family as well as Building and Grounds Maintainer, Chris Lampack, painted several game areas on the blacktop sections of the playground that are used for recess. The games included hopscotch, tic-tac-toe and four square and were colorfully decorated by Mrs. Grosso.

East View Elementary School

Special Fun with Science: The students in Mrs. Schreiber's second grade class are having a blast with their new Scientist of the Week program. Each week, one student is selected to create and present a self-chosen science experiment to the class. The class has experienced presentations on such topics as suspension, flotation, and carbonation. The students' interest in scientific principles and properties has been enhanced, and the students are having fun!

Summer Reading is Important: Parents, here are some suggestions on how you can support your child's reading development during the summer months.

For younger readers:

1. Point out print in the child's environment: on cereal boxes, food labels, toys, restaurants, and traffic signs.
2. Sing songs, say short poems or nursery rhymes, and play rhyming games with your child.
3. Read aloud to your child.
4. Go to the library together.
5. Have books, magazines and newspapers around the house. Let your child see you reading.

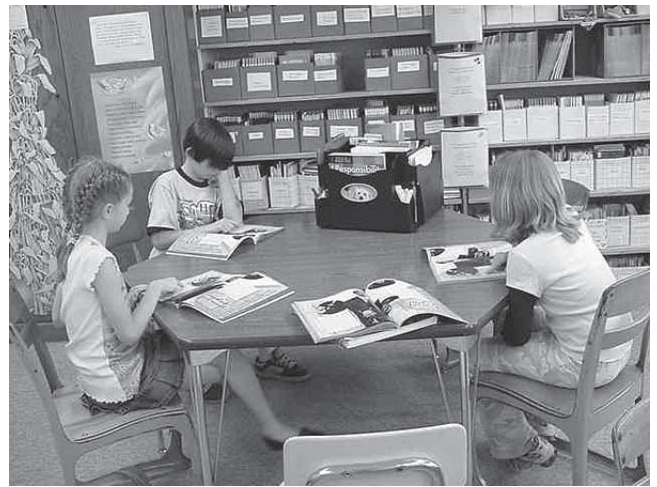
For more advanced readers:

1. Talk to your child about what he or she is reading. Ask open-ended questions such as – "What would you have done if you were that character?"
2. Make reading and writing a regular part of your activities.
3. Read to your child. Listen to your child read.
4. Play word games such as thinking of different words to describe the same things.
5. Set reasonable limits for television viewing.



Beautifying the School and Neighborhood: Mrs. Schreiber's 2nd graders helped to make the East View campus as well as the neighborhood a little more colorful. Thanks to a grant from the Olean Rotary Club, the students planted a flower garden around the school's outdoor sign that is located at the corner of Alder and Spring Streets. These 2nd graders wanted to create something that would be enjoyed by the school and the neighborhood.

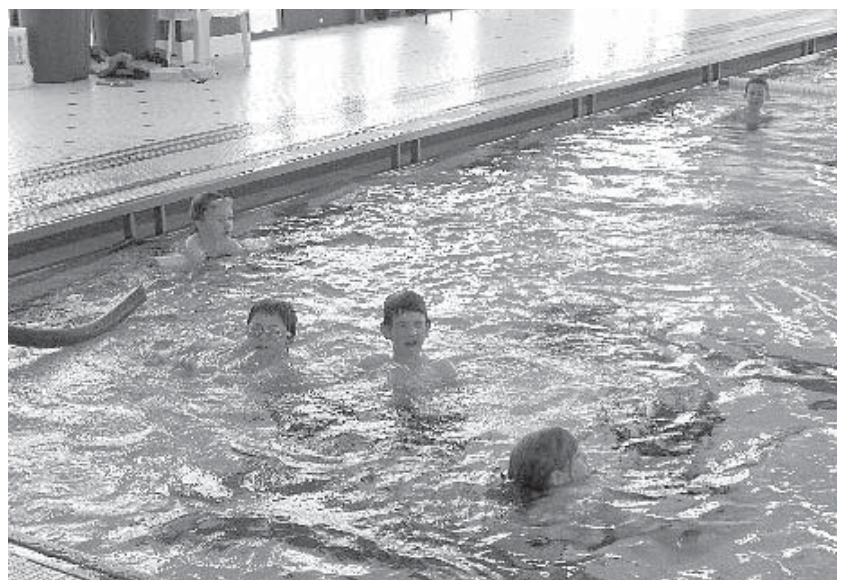
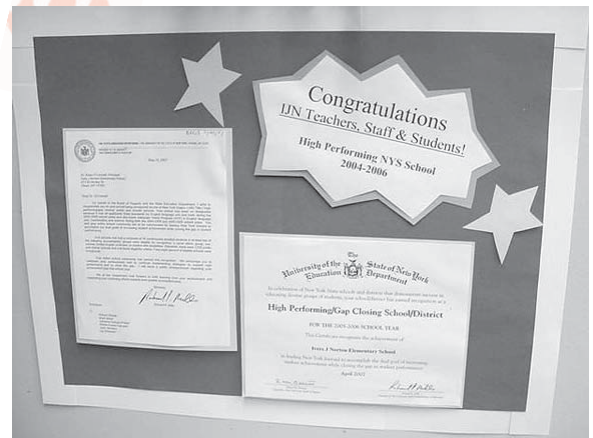
Spring has Sprung in Kindergarten: Ms. Baglione's kindergarten class is watching a few different life cycles happen right before their eyes this spring. First, they have a new class pet, "Kinder." Kinder joined the class as a very small caterpillar, or larva, but has since entered its next life stage and formed a chrysalis, or pupa. Everyone is eagerly awaiting its transformation into a beautiful adult butterfly. The boys and girls love watching this metamorphosis happen in their very own classroom. They plan to release the butterfly as soon as it is ready. Also, all of the children have planted various seeds. They are excitedly waiting for the seeds to sprout and grow into plants. They have learned all about what a plant needs to grow and they are doing their best to provide everything that is necessary.



Ivers J. Norton Elementary School



IJN Involves Reading: And you thought reading was only reading. Let me tell you ... reading is any engagement of students to text. It can involve such things as: taking a picture walk through a book, reading a book – alone or with a partner, reading in groups with a teacher, reading silently or aloud, listening to a book being read, doing a retell of a book or story you read, writing a summary about a book or story you read or heard, reviewing vocabulary words from a story, using phonics skills to decode words from a story, developing awareness of letters and sounds that letters make, using the computer to aid in instruction of reading skills. All of these things and more are what reading is all about. IJN is doing all of those things and more in an effort to put kids and their reading first. So the next time your children say that they are reading you might want to ask them specifically what they are doing that involves reading and by all means, you too, get involved.



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Boardmanville is all about butterflies

Mrs. Metler's students at Boardmanville Elementary School learned all about butterflies. They learned about the life cycle and what the animal's job is in each stage of its life. Did you know that if you were a caterpillar you would need to grow more than 30,000 times your size at birth before you could become an adult? That means you would weigh over 20,000 pounds! They learned lots of other interesting facts. Finally, they had a butterfly release day and our butterflies flew away ... free to continue the cycle by laying eggs



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Mission ...

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Values ...

- Excellence
- Honesty/Integrity
- Learning
- Mutual Respect
- Resourcefulness
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