



LEAN

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

“It takes ALL the Huskies to pull the team.”

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Character counts!

“Husky Pup Prime Time” is Washington West Elementary’s character education program for students in grades K-2. This is an enrichment program for emphasizing valued character traits such as citizenship, responsibility, respect, honesty, fairness, compassion and making healthy choices. Programs include special presentations from our community, the Olean City School District and intermediate-level students, music, songs, and birthday recognitions. Monthly, individual students are recognized for consistently demonstrating these traits. “Prime Time” is held each Friday at 2 p.m. in the cafetorium.



Olean unveils new and improved newsletter!

**By Mark J. Ward,
Superintendent of Schools**

The Olean City School District is proud to release the first edition of the new and improved district newsletter! We hope that our community of readers will find it both interesting and informational. While we will continue to use the Olean Times Herald and our web site: www.oleanschools.org to communicate with the public, we believe the newsletter will give us another option to better reach our school district families.

During the present school year we are only planning two editions (this one and another in May that will feature the 2005-06 District budget). However, our plans for 2005-06 will call for 5 or 6 editions alternating monthly. Most of the cost to publish, print and deliver the newsletter is eligible for BOCES aid (at 74% of the

cost) which is a financial enticement that helps us to greatly reduce our local cost.

The newsletter will be mailed only to families who have children in the district, and extra copies will be made available at community locations such as the library, senior center, JCC and school offices. If you would like to be included on our mailing list, however, please forward your name and address to the district at lburch@olean.wnyric.org, or by calling the district office at 375-8018.

As we began to develop goals for the 2004-05 school year, one of the most important areas that our Board of Education was concerned with was public participation and involvement in the school. We recognize that families are very busy in the day-to-day challenges that everyone faces. However, we want to communicate with our parents and

community members in a manner that is reliable and accurate. The newsletter gives us an excellent opportunity to showcase our students, review programs, feature academic and extracurricular highlights while providing insight into school initiatives. We will have feature articles, plenty of pictures, news from all seven of our school buildings and helpful information about our school district.

We are excited to unveil this new “adventure.” My personal experience in two other school districts tells me that the newsletter will become part of the Olean community, much like a newspaper, as well as a keepsake for family scrapbooks.

Please feel free to contact the superintendent’s office at 375-8018 if you have any suggestions or ideas that we can incorporate into our “new and improved newsletter.”

District forms technology committee

By Cso Woodworth
Administrator for Technology

A new committee has been formed to work in partnership with the district



technology department. The Information Technology Committee met for the first time on Feb. 9 in the Middle

School LGI room. The purpose of the committee is to provide some feedback and input into the direction the district goes with technology.

Committee members include: Parent Reps - Jeff Capitani and Tim Bush; Teaching Staff Reps - Lindsay Zauner (NH, K), Tammy Martin (WW, 5th grade), Heather VerVoort (WW, Library Media Specialist), Pearl Bowker (IJN, Reading), Christine Armstrong Gabler (BV, 5th grade), Amy Bay (MS, Special Ed.); Board Reps - Ira Katzenstein and Michiko Mc Elfresh (alternate); Administrative Reps: Mark Ward (superintendent), John White (Boardmanville principal), Maureen Donahue (North Hill principal and Special Ed. supervisor), Judy Creeden (curriculum & assessment); and myself as technology administrator.

During the first meeting, goals were developed to provide direction for the committee. Some of the goals of the committee include: updating of the district technology plan; evaluating the district Web site; arranging for hardware demonstrations, evaluations and making recommendations; evaluation of new software under consideration for purchase by the district; using data analysis to drive technology decisions; and looking into hardware purchase options.

This is a "full plate" of goals to be addressed. Olean City School District hopes to involve more community and staff members to serve on different subcommittees, as the need arises. We welcome the community to attend any of these meetings and to join the Information Technology Committee as a member. Please check the district web based calendar for meeting dates for this committee. If you are interested please contact me at 375-8001.



H.S. Knowledge Masters team competes with the best

By Jean Abdo,
High School Social Studies Teacher
Fifteen Olean High School students competed in the 43rd Knowledge Master Open academic competition on December 8. The team faced their computer and 200 tough questions to vie for top scores based on the accuracy and speed of their answers.

The Olean High School team scored 1,363 out of a possible 2,000 points, placing the Olean team 17th of 36 schools in New York State, and 323rd of 881 schools in this world-wide competition.

Members of the team included the following students: Seniors Maggie Allen, Rachel Horowitz, Amanda Jones, Holly Jones, Julianne Phillips, Lauren Samuelson, and Michael Stetz; Juniors

Matt DiRisio, Sam Georgian, and Michelle Spears; Sophomores Afia Babar, Katie Simon and Ramsha Zia; Freshmen Carrie DiRisio and Forrest Marvin.

The Knowledge Master Open was designed to stimulate enthusiasm for learning and recognition for academic accomplishment. The contest runs on classroom computer to allow all students the opportunity to compete in a large academic event without the expense of traveling to a central site. Results of the contest are tabulated into overall, state, and enrollment-size rankings by Academic Hallmarks, a Colorado publishing firm that hosts the event. Contest results and example questions are available at www.greatauk.com

The next competition is April 6.



Penn-York College Night - March 22
St. Bonaventure University, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

May 2005 SAT registration deadline - March 25
Pick up registration forms in the Guidance Dept.
or register online at www.collegeboard.com



2005-06 Budget ... still under construction

By Mark J. Ward,
Superintendent of Schools

At the writing of this newsletter the Board's Finance/Audit Committee had finished its review of the District's preliminary spending plan for the 2005-06 school year and sent it on to the entire Board for their review at the March Board meeting. The preliminary budget increase was at 5% with the projected tax levy increase at 7.9%.

We must remind taxpayers that early tax rate projections like this are always difficult to predict since the state is no where close to enacting a budget. Olean like other area schools relies heavily on state aid (roughly 60%) so we are impacted greatly when state aid is frozen, reduced or when increases are less than the cost of living.

Last year the District voters approved a budget that initially carried over a 12.49% tax levy increase. With additional state aid that was received in August the Board made good on their promise by reducing the tax increase, placing over \$357,000 of additional aid as a revenue. This reduced the actual tax levy increase to 8.5%.

This year the Board is again facing a very difficult budget with spiraling costs in areas that the District cannot control.

Here is a short list of major increases the District faces:

- **Utility** costs have increased nearly 10% during the year, with natural gas and electricity experiencing major increases. City water and sewer rates have also seen significant increases.
- The **Teacher Retirement System** has set a rate of 7.97% for the 2005-06 school year. This represents a 42% increase over 2004-05 and a 2100% increase in the last three years.
- **Health insurance** costs have risen steadily with rates expected to increase somewhere between 12-15%.
- BOCES plans for a **capital improvement project** will cost the District over \$290,000 during the next three years. (This year's cost before aid will be \$390,934.)

The growing costs associated with these areas of the budget make it very difficult to predict, and they continue to make the budgeting process more difficult. On top of this, the District cannot plan one year at a time, but must think about future needs by establishing a more balanced approach to budgeting rather than the roller coaster approach. That is why the Board will offer a spending plan that is necessary for the educational needs of our students, but reasonable in the amount of local support needed to provide a quality educational program.

What is the District doing to reduce costs?

- We have developed a re-organizational plan for the maintenance/custodians/cleaning staff that will see a reduction of four fulltime jobs and a savings of over \$1,000,000 in the next six years. This is possible through the elimination of 7 custodian positions and three maintenance positions and the creation of six "Building Maintainers" who will be responsible for the operation of the six larger school buildings.
- Through attrition we plan to eliminate two elementary teaching positions due to enrollment shifts. (We have received three elementary retirements effective June 30, 2005.)
- We are looking at the re-organization of the Guidance Department.

- We have eliminated \$73,000 for two part-time technician positions (.6 and .2 FTE) and are replacing it with a full-time Olean employee (roughly \$48,000).

- The District plans to reduce BOCES costs for Adaptive Physical Education by \$72,000 and create a District position that will help lessen the overcrowding in physical education classes and cover adaptive services for Olean students.

- Reduction to one School Resource Officer with the costs shared evenly with the City of Olean.

- Additional items totaling nearly \$120,000 have also been targeted for reductions or elimination.

What is new in the preliminary budget?

- There are plans to establish a High School Business Education Department again by creating a business teaching position (total cost at \$75,000).

- District Newsletter.

- Elementary Summer School (offered at one site only).

- Expansion of our Middle School and High School Summer School as a regional site for students in Allegany-Limestone, Hinsdale and Portville.

- To be in compliance with the NYS Commissioner's Regulations, we will hire a physical education teacher who will additionally coordinate educational programming for the District's pool operation.

While this information still only reflects the preliminary budget process, it will give you a good idea of the major issues facing the District. School budgets, like personal budgets, are often a balancing act of needs and wants. We are working very hard to provide you with what our students need, balanced with what the community can afford. As you can see, we are examining all areas of the District operation in an effort to provide a more efficient and cost effective educational system.

Strategic Planning ... helping us chart the future

Over the past six months, more than 100 different people have met six times in an effort to chart out the "future of the Olean City School District." Throughout the process, we have carefully examined and discussed the District's mission and core values and have worked toward revising both.

The easiest way to explain the value of strategic planning is by using a very simple example. If you were planning a vacation but did not know where you were going, how could you possibly plan for the trip? How would you know what to pack? How will you get there? How will you know when you get there? How much money will you need? Without the answers to these questions, how can you go on a vacation?

Strategic Planning can be summed up this way:

- It allows us to examine ourselves as a school district.
- Once you have gone through the "process," you will develop ownership, clear direction, alignment, accountability and an ongoing process for long-term growth and improvement.

OHS recognizes students of the month

**By Kathy Welch,
Olean High School**

Each month, faculty and staff are asked to nominate any student whom they feel demonstrates positive qualities at Olean High School. The criteria includes (but is not excluded to):

1. Student was seen doing a good deed or act of kindness.
2. Student succeeds in the classroom despite adversity.
3. Student is an exceptionally hard worker.
4. Student succeeds in the classroom despite low ability.
5. Perfect attendance.
6. Student has shown improvement in attitude and schoolwork.
7. Student has demonstrated honesty/integrity.
8. Student has a positive attitude.
9. Student demonstrates teamwork skills in the classroom or sports.
10. Student shows a genuine caring for others.

These students who are nominated are honored at a monthly luncheon. The students are given a certificate for their accomplishments and a bulletin board displays their pictures for the entire month. Their pictures are also shown on the morning announcements the next day naming their nominator and why they were nominated.

It is my intention to recognize those students who may otherwise not be recognized in an obvious way. Betty Pappas, an OHS guidance counselor, started this program 10 years ago and it continues with faculty and staff support.

Students of the Month winners for September 2004 through March 2005 are: Ali Kane, Sarah Wolcott, Michelle Spears, Amanda Mellon, Amanda Felt, Angie Bello, Caleb Neely, Holly Jones, Laura McDowell, Alizabeth Dreyer, Jimmy Rider, Tiffany George, Kinsey Blakeslee, Cody Snyder, Ryan Kasperski, Amanda Simon, Troy Prescott, Christian Rosetti, Alecia Ortung, Ashley Hope, Tyler DeMart, Cara Cheek, Jacob Mink, Amanda Washington, Molly Wagner, Nancy Hopkins, Joe Granados, Kelli Sorokes, Cameron Jobe, Jen Carls and Melissa Ahern.



Science class tours promote learning and opportunities

**By Mary Yates,
High School Science Department Chair**

On February 10, a group of 48 students and five teachers from the Environmental Science and Biology classes visited both the Wellsville Campus of Alfred State College and the main campus in Alfred. The bus trip was sponsored by the Tech Prep Consortium grant. The group toured all the vocational careers in Wellsville, such as welding, CAD/drafting, culinary arts, automotive, and building trades. They then traveled to the main campus for lunch, a tour of the new veterinary technology program, and a general tour to see programs and facilities.

The same group is planning an ecology trip in May to Presque Isle in Erie, PA, and the OHS Science Club toured the New York State Crime Lab on Feb. 25.



Student Activities Council news

The Student Activities Council (SAC) held the annual "Up All Night" fundraiser March 4 at Olean High School from 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. Participating students collected donations to benefit the Kozlowski family. Each student raised a minimum of \$25, which was given to this family. Students played volleyball, table tennis, basketball, and other games. Prizes were awarded to the students with the highest donation totals.

In upcoming events, on May 14, the Olean High School will hold its annual Prom dance. The dance will be held at the Bartlett Country Club. The dance is for Olean High School juniors and seniors and will be held from

10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Immediately following the dance, will be an After-Prom Party. The location and time of this event has not yet been determined.



SAC officers (r-l) Mike Proto, Melissa Snyder and Steve Pancio update the H.S. activities board.

College courses offered at OHS

By Rene O'Connell

High School Guidance Counselor

Students are getting a head start on college courses at Olean High School. We now offer 14 college-level courses through Jamestown Community College (JCC) and Syracuse University. A total of 50 college credits are offered during the junior and senior years and are taught in the high school by OHS faculty. These courses (with the exception of Chemistry through Syracuse) are absolutely free. Given that a typical college course can cost \$120 to \$500 per credit hour, this is a great way to save money and get ahead.

JCC has an articulation agreement with almost 100 four-year colleges and universities including many SUNY, private, and out-of-state schools. Likewise, most U.S. schools will accept the Syracuse chemistry credits. This makes transferring these credits easier.

Students need to pass the JCC placement exam given in May to be eligible for college credit. The times and dates of the placement exam will be announced during school. Offered are:

JCC Courses (Free)

- AV/CC Biology/Principles of Biology I (4 cr)
- AV/CC U.S. History/U.S. History I (3 cr)
- AV/CC U.S. History/U.S. History II (3 cr)
- AV/CC English 12/College Composition (3 cr)
- AV/CC English 12/Writing About Literature (3 cr)
- AV/CC French IV/Intermediate French I (3 cr)
- AV/CC French V/Intermediate French II (3 cr)
- AV/CC Psychology/General Psychology I (3 cr)
- AV/CC Sociology/Introduction to Sociology (3 cr)
- AV/CC Spanish IV/Intermediate Spanish I (3 cr)
- AV/CC Spanish V/Intermediate Spanish II (3 cr)
- AV/CC Calculus/Calculus and Analytic Geometry I (4 cr)
- AV/CC Calculus/Calculus and Analytic Geometry II (4 cr)

Syracuse Courses (\$792)

- AV/CC Chemistry/Syracuse University Chemistry (8 cr)

Seminar deals with SAT strategy

**By Peter Cavana
Olean High School**

One of the foremost stresses high school juniors and seniors face is the SAT. Recently, an SAT seminar was given by Kaplan K12 Learning Services, sponsored by the Teacher Center and BOCES. The seminar dealt with strategies which tackle the new SAT which will be administered in March 2005 for the first time.

Kaplan outlined what teachers need to concentrate on in the classroom for their students to be well equipped for the new SAT. An SAT Professional Development handbook in critical reading, writing and mathematics was handed out by the seminar speaker, Mr. Carl Nuessle.

A common misconception is that the new SAT is now completely different from the former SAT reasoning test. Although the scoring is now out of 2,400 points and the analogies have been eliminated, the same kinds of math and critical reasoning skills will be tested. Also, a writing section to the SAT will be administered, but it is no different than the writing section of the SAT II Writing Test.

The new SAT breaks down into four parts. The first part, Critical Reading, is composed of two 25-minute short and

long passage sections, as well as one 25-minute sentence completion section. Mathematics consists of two 25-minute multiple choice sections as well as one 20-minute "Grid In" (not multiple choice, but rather, students are required to grid in their answers). Writing consists of one 25-minute essay, one 25-minute grammar usage section, and one 10-minute grammar section. The last part of the new SAT consists of the experimental portion with one 25-minute variable section.

Students possess a variety of basic verbal and math skills, many of which were presented as early as eighth grade. Students should be familiar with the "mechanics" of the test. And, students should realize that they can take the test many times. Teachers can very easily implement SAT practice questions into their curriculum so that students feel more confident about their ability to perform well on this exam. It is clear that students who are more familiar with the test feel more comfortable on test day.

Above all else, students should take ample time before their SAT test to prepare and hone-up on basic skills and principles in mathematics, grammar, critical reading and writing.



High School Music Notes

The following students from Olean High School were selected to participate in the 2005 Cattaraugus All-County Chorus festivals:

Junior High (photo not available): Tanaka Van Druff, Anna Miller, Emily Sorokes, Christine Bartimole, Chris Klice, Cameron Jobe, Travis Clayson, and Kyle Higley.

Senior High (pictured above): Melissa Ahern, Andrea Baker, Jacob Carll, Andrew Carucci, Lindsay Cheek, Cara Goodwin, Adam Griffith, Holly Jones, Meggan Lampack, Rachel Luty, Laura McDowell, Amanda Mellon, Jocelyn Parks, Teresa Ross, Katie Simon, Adam Sorokes, Sherry Steiner,



School have been selected to participate in national and regional honors choruses. Ryan Kasperski (right musical note) was selected as the only Bass II from New York State to participate in the ACDA

Sarah Tilly, Leigha Weeks, and Chris Myers.

Two additional students from Olean High



National High School Honors Choir, which performed in Los Angeles, CA on February 2-5. Boris Van Druff (left musical note) was selected to participate in the 2005 All-Eastern Chorus to be held in Baltimore, MD, on March 4-6.

Olean High School will be presenting "Les Miserables," on April 1-2. Leading roles will be played by: Lucas Groth as Jean ValJean, Boris Van Druff as Javert, Adam Sorokes as Marius, Larry MacDonald as Enjolras, Ryan Kasperski and Rachel Luty as the Thedardier's, Maria Bellanca as Fantine, Ainsley Haffner as Eponine, and Lindsay Cheek as Cosette.

OHS 2005 SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULE

VARSITY BASEBALL

Coach – Al Dibs

(Games begin at 4:30 p.m., unless noted)

Apr. 1	FREDONIA
Apr. 4	at Falconer
Apr. 6	ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE
Apr. 8	SOUTHWESTERN
Apr. 22	WELLSVILLE
Apr. 25	at Portville
Apr. 27	at Dunkirk
Apr. 29	at Gowanda
May 2	at Southwestern
May 3	at Allegany-Limestone
May 5	at Wellsville
May 9	at Fredonia
May 11	PORTVILLE
May 12	FALCONER
May 13	DUNKIRK
May 16	GOWANDA

JV BASEBALL

Coach – John Zambanini

(Games begin at 4:30 p.m., unless noted)

Apr. 1	at Fredonia
Apr. 4	FALCONER
Apr. 6	at Allegany-Limestone
Apr. 8	at Southwestern
Apr. 22	at Wellsville (12 p.m.)
Apr. 26	PORTVILLE (5 p.m.)
Apr. 27	DUNKIRK
Apr. 29	GOWANDA
May 2	SOUTHWESTERN
May 3	ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE
May 5	WELLSVILLE
May 6	at Falconer
May 9	FREDONIA
May 11	at Portville (5 p.m.)
May 13	at Dunkirk
May 16	at Gowanda

VARSITY GOLF

Coach – Carolyn Shields

(Games begin at 3:30 p.m., unless noted)

Apr. 25	FREDONIA/DUNKIRK
Apr. 28	Falconer (at Allegany-Lime.)
Apr. 29	ALLG.-LIME./FALCONER
May 2	Dunkirk/Fredonia (at Jamestown)
May 6	Allg.-Lime. (at Dunkirk)
May 9	at CCAA League/Sectional Qualifier (TBA), 9 a.m.
May 11	Allg.-Lime. (at Fredonia)
May 12	Dunkirk (at Falconer)
May 13	JAMESTOWN/SWTERN.
May 16	Section VI Championships (Lancaster CC), 9 a.m.
May 18	Allg.-Lime. (at Southwestern)
May 19	at CCAA 3-Man Tournament (Chautauqua CC), 9 a.m.

VARSITY SOFTBALL

Coach – Matt Threhouse

(Games begin at 4:30 p.m., unless noted)

Apr. 1	FREDONIA
Apr. 4	at Falconer
Apr. 6	ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE
Apr. 8	SOUTHWESTERN
Apr. 22	WELLSVILLE (12 p.m.)
Apr. 25	at Portville
Apr. 27	at Dunkirk
Apr. 28	CUBA-RUSHFORD
Apr. 28	at Gowanda
May 2	at Southwestern
May 3	at Allegany-Limestone
May 5	at Wellsville
May 9	at Fredonia
May 10	at Cuba-Rushford
May 11	PORTVILLE (5 p.m.)
May 12	FALCONER
May 13	DUNKIRK
May 16	GOWANDA

JV SOFTBALL

Coach – Randy Langdon

(Games begin at 4:30 p.m., unless noted)

Apr. 1	at Fredonia
Apr. 4	FALCONER
Apr. 6	at Allegany-Limestone
Apr. 8	at Southwestern
Apr. 22	at Wellsville (12 p.m.)
Apr. 25	PORTVILLE (5 p.m.)
Apr. 27	DUNKIRK
Apr. 28	at Cuba-Rushford
Apr. 29	GOWANDA
May 2	SOUTHWESTERN
May 3	ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE
May 5	WELLSVILLE
May 6	at Falconer
May 9	FREDONIA
May 10	CUBA-RUSHFORD
May 11	at Portville
May 13	at Dunkirk
May 16	at Gowanda



BOYS' & GIRLS' TRACK

Boys Head Coach – Paul Ksionzyk

Girls Head Coach – Bob Ring

Assistants – Dan Klice, Dan Freeman

Apr. 7	BRADFORD, 4:30 p.m.
Apr. 9	at Frankvll. Relays, 1:30 p.m.
Apr. 12	ALLEGANY-LIME., 1 p.m.
Apr. 14	at Pioneer, 4 p.m.
Apr. 16	at Kane Invitational, 10 a.m.
Apr. 19	WELLSVILLE, 12 p.m.
Apr. 23	OLEAN INV., 10 a.m.
Apr. 26	at Falconer, 4:30 p.m.
Apr. 28	DUNKIRK, 4:30 p.m.
Apr. 30	at Jamestown Classic, 10 a.m.
May 3	at Fredonia, 4:30 p.m.
May 7	at Gator Relays (Allg-Lime.), 4:30 p.m.
May 10	GOWANDA, 4:30 p.m.
May 13	Super 8 Meet (Salamanca), 5:30 p.m.
May 14	Pentathlon & Steeplechase TBA, 10 a.m.
May 16	at Southwestern, 4:30 p.m.
May 18	at Falconer (JV), 4:15 p.m.
May 20	CCAA Championships (Jamestown), 4 p.m.
May 21	CCAA Championships (Jamestown), 10 a.m.
May 27	Section VI Championships (JFK), 12 p.m.
May 28	Section VI Championships (JFK), 12 p.m.
June 3	NYS Track & Field Champ. (Syracuse), 1 p.m.
June 4	at NYS Track & Field Champ. (Syracuse), 10 a.m.

BOYS' VARSITY TENNIS

Coach – Peg Ulasewicz

(Games begin at 4 p.m., unless noted)

Apr. 4	at Allegany-Limestone
Apr. 6	FREDONIA
Apr. 7	SOUTHWESTERN
Apr. 26	at Gowanda
Apr. 27	ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE
Apr. 28	at Bolivar-Richburg
Apr. 29	at Fredonia
May 2	at Southwestern
May 3	DUNKIRK
May 5	GOWANDA
May 6	at Dunkirk
May 9	FALCONER
May 10	BOLIVAR-RICHBURG
May 13	at Falconer
May 17-19	CCAA Championships, TBA
May 24-26	Section VI Champ., TBA
June 2-4	NYS Championships, TBA

Congratulations winter sports champions!

**OHS Boys' Varsity
Basketball CCIAC
Division I League
Champions,
11-1 Record**



**OHS Girls' Varsity Basketball
CCIAC Division I League Champions,
11-1 Record**



**OHS Boys' Varsity
Swimming & Diving
CCIAC Division I
League Champions,
12-0 Record**



Coach Anastasia wins 300!

The Athletic Department is proud to recognize Coach Jeff Anastasia for recently achieving his 300th career victory as the boys' varsity basketball coach.

Coach Anastasia reached this milestone when the Huskies defeated Williamsville South 77-60 on Friday February 18, in a Section VI Class A2 quarterfinal.

To honor this special achievement, Coach Anastasia was presented with the commemorative game ball by OHS principal Mrs. Barb Lias.

Congratulations Coach Anastasia!



Pancio becomes wrestling champ

Congratulations to Steve Pancio, 2004-05 Section VI Class AAA Wrestling Champion!



Award honors Coach Altmire's career

Longtime OHS Coach Martha Altmire was honored recently, as she received the "Distinguished Achievement Award" at the annual National Girls and Women in Sports Day held on Feb. 17 at St. Bonaventure University. Pictured with Coach Altmire are nine OHS female student-athletes who also attended the day-long events at SBU as part of National Girls and Women in Sports Day. Shown are (front, l-r) Robin Hirliman, Rachel Burrows, Rachel Lowry and (back, l-r) Michelle Spears, Gina Palumbo, Coach Altmire, Annmarie Ventura, Laura Brook, Megan McKeown and Megan Kane.

Morning gym at 6:15? Now that's dedication!

By Annmarie Ventura

For most OHS students, the school day starts at 8 a.m.; however, for a dozen or so OHS students, the school day starts at 6:15 a.m.

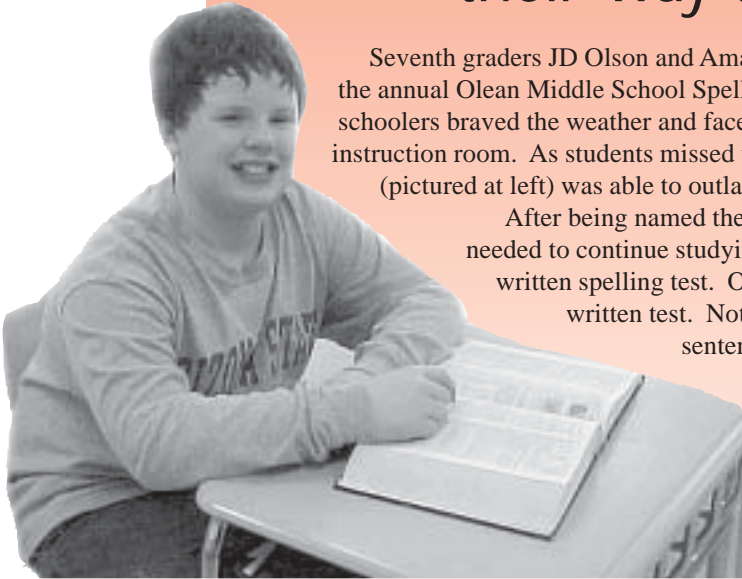
Several dedicated athletes who are motivated by their desire to excel, get up early four days a week. They follow a weightlifting program in order to improve strength; they use plyometrics drills for quickness, agility, and explosiveness; and they work on form running and speed drills, which are designed to make athletes faster and more efficient runners. All of these drills have been proven to help reduce the likelihood of injuries.

Although Mr. Kane runs this program, it is not just for football players. In fact there are several female athletes who regularly participate. Morning gym is for any athlete interested in gaining a "competitive edge." Also it is for team members interested in getting together and enjoying the comraderie that team sports offer.

OMS students S-P-E-L-L their way to V-I-C-T-O-R-Y

Seventh graders JD Olson and Amanda Lasky worked overtime to attempt to defeat each other in the annual Olean Middle School Spelling Bee. On a cold and snowy January night, 60 middle schoolers braved the weather and faced a crowd of excited fans in the middle school large group instruction room. As students missed words, the tension rose in the room. And finally, JD Olson (pictured at left) was able to outlast Amanda in the final rounds.

After being named the OMS Champion, JD had yet another hurdle to overcome. He needed to continue studying spelling words in order to prepare for the Buffalo News written spelling test. On Wednesday, February 9, JD worked diligently on the written test. Not only did he have to find misspelled words in various sentences, but he also had to spell them correctly on his answer sheet. After JD completed the test, he breathed a sigh of relief and headed back to class. OMS Spelling Bee Coordinator, Jackie Giardini, will be notified in March regarding the results of JD's score. Cheers to OMS Spelling Champion JD Olson, and all of the middle schoolers who participated in the bee.



Middle School talent shines at All-County Festivals

Several Middle School students were selected to take part in various All-County Music Festivals held in February and March.

In the top left photo are students chosen for All-County Band: (front, l-r) Michael Witte, Sarah Lehman, Kristin Jedrosko and (back, l-r) Zach MacDonald, John Capitani, Jocelyn Huselstein.

In the top right photo is Mrs. DeRitter, OMS 7th and 8th grade band director, served as chairperson of the Jr. High All-County Band during a festival held at Portville Central School on February 11 and 12.

In the bottom left photo are students who were selected to participate in the Jr. High All-County Chorus. They are (l-r) Kaitlin Harvey, Daniel Boutwell and Christa Nianiatius.



Solo Fest: OMS musicians, vocalists at their best

The halls are alive . . . with the sound of music . . . students, teachers, and many a nervous parents gathered at Allegheny-Limestone High School on Saturday, February 5, for the annual Cattaraugus County Solo Festival. OMS band students played solos on their saxophones, clarinets, flutes, drums, trumpets, and tubas. Additionally, middle school singers and string students of Mrs. Snyder were rated at solo fest. Before attending solo fest, students receive a specific piece of music at a level 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5. They practice their music at home and under the watchful eye of Michelle DeRitter, OMS Band Director and music instructor, and vocalists practiced with Ms. Rhody's and Mrs. Thomas-Eustis.

Upon arrival at ALCS, the students meet with Mrs. DeRitter, Ms. Rhody, or Mrs. Thomas-Eustis to receive their music, their individual time scheduled for judging, and last-minute directions for confidence. At the appointed time, students report individually to an adjudicator who will listen to their solo. The adjudicator also rates the students on their scales and on sight-music, a piece of music the students have never seen. Students spend a couple of minutes looking over the music and then play it for the adjudicator. The pressure mounts, the judge rates the students, and finally the results are returned to the music teachers.

Christa Nianiatius, an 8th grader who attended solo fest for both instrument and vocal ratings, said, "Solo Fest is enjoyable because it is not a competition. It is a chance to improve my personal strengths and be judged by someone who doesn't know me."



Above are Solo Fest vocalist (front, l-r) Jimmy Langford, Kaitlin Harvey, Nigel Knieser, Desmond White, Riley Branch, Elizabeth Chamberlain, Brady Gaynor, Karimah Rahman, (middle, l-r) Emily Rohl, Danielle Threadgill, Byron Herbert, Andrea Anastasia, Louise Penman, Jennifer Howard, Heather Treaster, Christa Nianiatius and (back, l-r) Mackenzie Forrest, Carleigh Spiller, Daniel Boutwell, Rebecca Ahearn and Keri Bellamy.



Middle photo: Solo Fest clarinets (l-r) Amanda Lasky, Annie Skrobacz, Kristin Jedrosko and Brooke Schulze.



Bottom right photo: Solo Fest horns (l-r) Jocelyn Huselstein, J.D. Olson and Scott Brady.

Bottom left photo: Solo Fest saxophones (front, l-r) Sarah Lehman, Louis Proto, John Samuelson and (back, l-r) Michael Liu and John Capitani.





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OMS Girls 8th Grade Basketball Team members (front, l-r) Alicia Stebbins, Lil Kiffer, Shelby Gadsden, Justina Derx, Bridget Lamb and (middle, l-r) Aubrey Worth, Jillisa Bey, Megan Dwaileebe, Elizabeth Colarusso, Rachel Kasperski, D’Kota Heysham, and (back, l-r) Taylor Carney, Amber Carlson, Ariel Shoemaker, Coach Burrows, Annie Skrobacz and Coach Luhn.

Four OMS basketball teams post undefeated seasons

“We’re #1! We’re # 1!” was the chant heard echoing through the halls at Olean Middle School at the end of the most successful basketball season on record. All four OMS teams, 7th grade girls, 7th grade boys, 8th grade boys, and 8th grade girls remained unbeatable all season.

Since early December, the girls’ teams have practiced under the guidance of 6th grade teacher, Jodi Luhn and Terry Burrows. The girls ran drills, scrimmaged each other, rebounded, hit foul shots, and worked toward the ultimate goal:

unblemished seasons.

Coach Dick Ulasewicz, OHS English teacher, attentively prepared his teams for all of their opponents. Throughout their season, the 7th and 8th grade boys played the games of their lives, winning their games in first-class fashion.

All four teams have demonstrated sportsmanship, diligence, and pride for Olean Middle School. They represented the Olean City School District in a manner in which everyone can be proud. Congratulations to all our teams!



Helen Ventura with a bucket of flowers from the OMS fund-raiser.

Middle School fund-raiser blossoms

It began as a thoughtful fund-raiser for an OMS sixth grader who is currently in Buffalo Children’s Hospital. The end result blossomed into 1,700 beautiful red, white, and pink roses being delivered to the middle school on February 11. Sixth grade Green Team teachers Rose Gayton and Ronnie Sturdevant organized the event. They had an announcement on the PA every morning. What happened next is a tribute to the students and staff at OMS who lined the cafeteria for the next two weeks ordering flowers and signing paper hearts with messages to be delivered with the flowers.

“It was fun to send a flower to four of my friends,” a seventh grader was heard to say while waiting in line to purchase flowers. Another student said he thought the idea was great to help a classmate!

At OMS, our motto is, “We are here to help each other.” The middle school students and staff showed that they really understand the motto and are willing to live it.

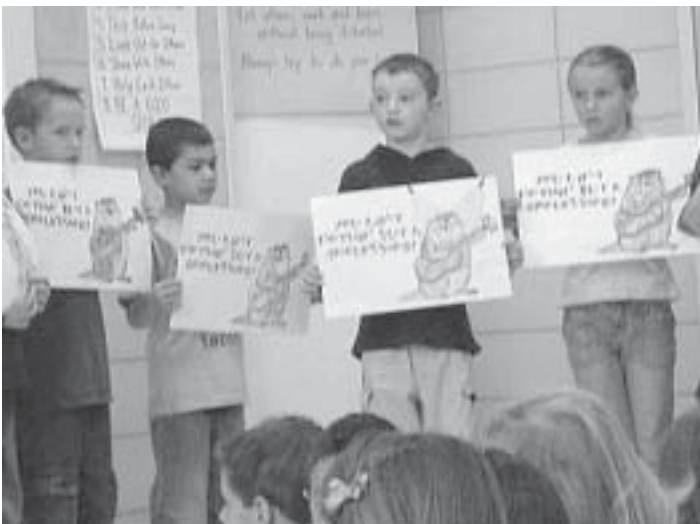


The Boardmanville PTO sponsored their second annual Valentine's Day Family Dance. Many attended, enjoying spending time together and the music provided by Mr. Charles Warren and his son, Jarod. Pictured here are: Brianna Richardson, Hannah Seaton (foreground), Ally Threehouse, Lindsay Bushnell, Zoe Jurenko, Bryan Gee, Brock Blovsky, Madison Carlson, Elliot Gilroy (background), and Scottie Kemp.



Boardmanville third grade students Jacob Turek, Brittany Richardson and Samantha Terhaar help count money donated by Boardmanville families for the Red Cross Tsunami Relief Fund. Our school raised almost \$3,900. Thank you to all who so generously donated to this cause.

Boardmanville Elementary School



Boardmanville second graders from Mrs. Budzinski's and Mrs. Olson's classes celebrated Ground Hog Day at Morning Program February 2 by singing "You Ain't Nothin' But a Ground Hog." Pictured above with their posters are: Josh Bartz, Jake Cihak, Jarrett Shafer, and Chloe Walters.

Fourth Graders at Boardmanville enjoyed a Friday afternoon "Block Party" to celebrate completing the New York State ELA tests. Pictured below are: (unknown), Thomas Kirk, Jocelyn Eade, and Victoria Sainz.





Mrs. Howden's Fourth Graders are learning all about the human body. We have been studying the Skeletal and Muscular systems, as well as the Digestive, Respiratory, Circulatory, and Nervous systems. We are learning which organs are in each system, and how they all work together. The human body truly is amazing! The students now have a better understanding of how our bodies function and why it is so very important to give our bodies the best care possible. We want to stay healthy and keep our bodies functioning at their very best!



Caleb Edwards, third grade student, from North Hill Elementary recently participated in the "Hoop Shoot Contest" sponsored by the Olean Area Elks. Caleb placed first in the North Hill contest, as a part of the North Hill Physical Education program. Caleb went on to win the Olean area contest, placing first among all students in the Olean area. Congratulations to Caleb and Ms. Mazza, North Hill Physical Education Teacher.



North Hill Elementary kindergarten students celebrated 100 days of schools. Students participated in a variety of activities titled "I am 100 days smarter". The kindergarten teachers and students worked together to celebrate and experience a a latitude of learning activities that were interactive and fun.

North Hill Elementary School



Third grade students in Mrs. Dean's reading program created story quilts about their current "most favorite" book, "Christmas in Camelot" (a Magic Tree house book) by Mary Pope Osborne. First they summarized each chapter then they used those summaries to condense the story into the four major events. Then they translated the four main event paragraphs into illustrations. They used the illustrations to create the four main quilt squares. Finally they sewed on borders, backing and then tie quilted their story quilts. A new generation of quilters has begun!

The Brookside Community/Foster Grandparent Program Connection -

Ivers J. Norton has a partnership with Brookside Community, a senior housing facility on South Second and West Henley Streets. We are honored to have two residents from there, Judy Stark and Romaine Greene, volunteering in our first grade classrooms. Both Mrs. Stark and Mrs. Greene are part of the Foster Grandparent Program. They add an extra "spice" to our IJN family. The students and staff all enjoy chatting with them about life and learning.

Extended School Day Program - The extended school day program is a great success at Ivers J. Norton. The program has been made available for students in grades K-5. They meet every Monday and Tuesday after school. The students have the opportunity to enjoy many activities such as assistance with homework, eating snacks, playing games, doing crafts and watching movies. Supervised activities in the gym and computer lab are also available for the students to participate in during this time.

Ivers J. Norton Elementary School



Building Blocks of Early Learning - Four-year-old Elizabeth Teeft is shown above busy working on a major construction project in the new Even Start preschool classroom at Ivers J. Norton Elementary. Equipped with stories, play-dough, songs, blocks, and more, Miss Amanda Bess, pre-k teacher, provides a wide array of learning experiences to help her 3- and 4-year-old children develop language and math skills, creativity, and school readiness.

The Olean Family Connections Even Start program provides home and school-based family literacy programs for children, age birth through 8, and their parents. In addition to preschool classes, family educators and teaching staff provide home visits, parenting classes, adult education, and family activities. Even Start works to involve parents and children in a cooperative effort to help parents become full partners in the education of their children and assist children in reaching their full potential as learners. Please contact Jen Mahar at 375-8030 for more information.

JCC Partnership News

Field trip to JCC - Colin Kramer of JCC did a science demonstration related to rocks and minerals with the 5th grade classes. The demonstration was held on campus at JCC. It was done in collaboration with JCC and Ivers J. Norton as a partnership activity. It was reported to be quite enjoyable.

Coming up in March - Nancy Bryant of JCC will be doing a science demonstration at the JCC campus with the fourth

graders that correlates to the NYS standards for science. This is a great opportunity for our students to get out of the classroom and continue the learning process with another educational leader in our community.

Ilene Brittain, a professor in the newly formed education program at JCC, has students in her EDU 1510 (Foundations of Education) class who will be interning in some of the IJN classrooms. We are looking forward to working with them.

100th Day of School - Mr.

Schwabenbauer's and Mr. Lapallo's 5th grade classes of 2000 placed items in a time capsule, from every class from kindergarten through fifth grade, on the one hundredth day of school that year. Those students that originally put the time capsule together are now in tenth grade. It had been placed in a locked safe in the building, and was opened (five years later) on the one hundredth day of school this year on February 14, 2005. This year's fifth grade class was in kindergarten when the time capsule was put together. Some of their class pictures and tracings of their feet were in the container. They are the only class in the building who was at IJN when the time capsule was made. Mr. Schwabenbauer had placed a Sacajawea dollar, given to him by one of the students' grandparents, in the capsule. It was interesting to see the items that had been placed in the vessel.

Cable 6 Visits IJN - Bill Myers from Cable 6 visited IJN on Wednesday, February 16. He interviewed Mrs. Burton, district coordinator of the Tsunami Relief Spell-a-Thon. Francesca Bartimole and Andrew Weber, two of our fourth grade students, were also interviewed and they discussed their feelings in participating in the District-wide Tsunami Relief Spell-a-Thon. These interviews are due to be aired on cable channel 6 sometime in March. While visiting, Bill went to Mr. Schwabenbauer's 5th grade classroom and to Mrs. Petroni's 3rd grade classroom and videotaped some activities the students were doing. He also bravely stopped by the lunchroom and did some videotaping. Bill, who is a Mass Communications and Journalism major at St. Bonaventure University, is doing an internship at BOCES.

East View Elementary School



February 16th was Smile Education Day in 3rd grade at East View. Dental Health workers made a presentation to promote outstanding oral health, healthy nutrition, and a balanced diet. The University of Buffalo School of Dental Medicine is working in conjunction with Cattaraugus/Allegany County Dental Societies to provide knowledge and practice of prevention as the key to maintain excellent oral health. This campaign includes presentations for 3rd graders in area schools. These students also received items to keep teeth clean and healthy.

First Grade Corresponds With Soldiers - In November, Mrs. Keenan's 1st grade class sent cookies to the soldiers who are serving overseas. They also wrote messages and drew pictures for the soldiers. The class decided to do this as a way to honor and remember all of the men and women who fight for our freedom, especially Mrs. Keenan's brother, Staff Sergeant Shawn Clemens, who was killed in Afghanistan last year. Mrs. Schreiber's 2nd grade class helped by decorating the packages that the cookies were sent in. As a result, the class gained a new friend, Major David Conner, who is serving in Iraq. He sends the class e-mails every week with pictures and tells the students what life is like in Iraq. They have seen pictures of the villages, mountains, and the animals that are there. The students also e-mail him to let him know what they are learning in school and what is happening here in Olean, NY. The students have enjoyed having a pen pal and look forward to learning more from our great hero.



The East View PTO strives to enhance the school experience for the students, teachers and staff. This year, through various fundraisers, we have been very busy! We have sponsored a school-wide trip to see "Polar Express" and various other classroom trips and activities are in the works.

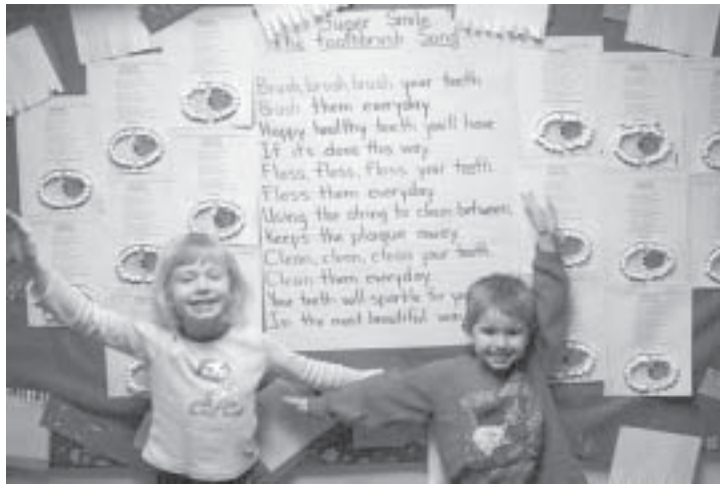
We have purchased a sign that sits on the corner of Alder and Spring Streets. This sign will proudly announce various school activities to assist parents and community members in becoming involved in all we offer. We have recently ordered \$9,500 worth of playground equipment that will be installed in the spring. In addition, we also purchased games, puzzles, and gym equipment for students to use during recess time.

On Feb. 18, we held our Family Fun Night Carnival for all to enjoy. This event was good family fun with various games, a bouncer, food and fun!

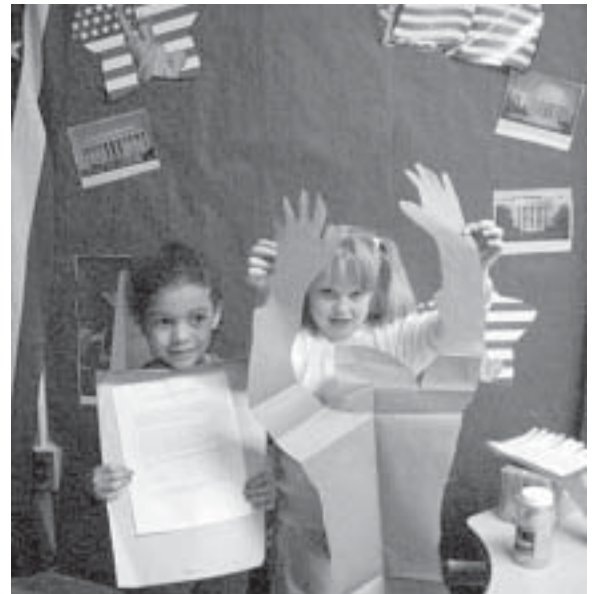
We welcome all parents to attend monthly meetings scheduled on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at East View. Let's help keep East View a great place to be!

Kindergartners and 1st graders have been enjoying listening to many classic fairy tales and folktales in the library this winter. Some of their favorite tales are Jack and the Beanstalk, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Little Red Riding Hood. Students especially enjoy re-telling favorite fairy tales using the flannel board. Kindergarten students from Mrs. Breen's class are telling the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears, acting it out on the flannel board.





February is Dental Health Month. The students of Mrs. Sakala and Mrs. Nottingham at East View Elementary had great fun learning about their teeth and how to care for them. Students participated in a variety of lessons that explained the need for healthy teeth and enjoyed the chance to work in cooperative groups. The first task was a real challenge! Hard boiled eggs were soaked in cola overnight. The tinted eggs represented a stained tooth. The cooperative group task was to use toothpaste and proper brushing techniques to brush the tooth clean. Now our smiles are brighter than ever!



Kindergarten students at East View are traveling the world! How, you ask? By mail! After reading "Flat Stanley," by Jeff Brown, our students were flattened, stuffed into envelopes, and sent to far away lands! Don't worry!! They were traced on paper first! Each "flat student" was mailed to family and friends. A journal page was included in the envelope. We are eagerly waiting for the safe return of our classmates.

St. Bonaventure Interns at East View -

There are some new faces around East View this semester. Who are they? They are the new interns from St. Bonaventure University's Elementary Education program. Dr. Nancy Casey and Mrs. Carolyn McCarthy lead these 11 excited young ladies. Each Monday and Wednesday, they arrive at East View ready to learn.

The intensive Field Block program is designed to give pre-service teachers loads of hands-on experience while taking college classes at their Professional Development School (PDS). This semester, the other Field Block I sites are at Smethport and Oswayo Valley, both in Pennsylvania. Part of the day is spent in the classroom, where each intern is assigned a clinical faculty member to work with. These ladies have been off and running, with many of them teaching each time they are at East View. Dr. Casey and Mrs. McCarthy have their hands full observing and critiquing lessons that are designed and then taught by the interns.

Many interns are excited to put the skills and strategies they have been learning about for the past few semesters to use. "My favorite part of being in Field Block is being in the classroom and working with the students," said Miss Jennifer Marron. Miss Kasey Truman echoed that statement. "You don't get this kind of opportunity in other education programs," she said.

Going for the Gold! - Every year in a fifth grade classroom at East View, students play a version of "going for the Gold in the U.S.A." The game is a trivia game of geography and history facts, hosted by America's favorite game show host, Mrs. Susan Sorokes! Fifth grade Social Studies curriculum is American history, and Mrs. Sorokes feels playing this game has boosted her students' knowledge of such facts as past Presidents' home states, location of national parks and well-known waterways. This year, she is receiving some help from a parent! Mr. John Reed, father of Joe Reed (a student in the class) is regularly sending postcards from all around the United States. He is a truck driver who works for Hazmat in Buffalo. On his trips across the United States, Mr. Reed sends the class postcards describing landmarks, weather and historical facts about the area he's visiting. The class looks forward to receiving the postcards and adds them to their display of the U.S.A. map and game board.



On Tuesday afternoons if you walk by Rooms 202 and 203 at East View, you won't hear the teachers' voices. You will hear the childrens' voices. The K-1 students of Ms. Bohrer's class and the 3rd grade students of Ms. Granger's class do Book Buddies. The 3rd graders read their library books to their book buddy and in return, the K-1 students read books that they have made in class to their buddy. The classes have also celebrated several holidays together. Students can't wait for Book Buddy Day to arrive!



"Husky Pups," school personnel and parents celebrated Mr. Jeff Anastasia's recent 300th win as coach of the Olean High School Boys' Varsity Basketball team. At an all-school assembly, Mr. Anastasia was honored by "Husky Pups" who wore red and gold apparel along with special hats and other accessories. Activities included special cheers and songs and participating in basketball-related activities with members of the OHS Boys' Basketball team and cheerleaders. Superintendent Mark Ward was the guest speaker. Mr. Anastasia's nephews Shawn and Tyler Bihler presented their uncle with an award, a custom-made shirt.



"I chose to invite Ms. Doreen Rappaport as our visiting author because her books are very popular with our husky pups!" exclaimed Mrs. Ver Voort, school librarian. Ms. Rappaport recently met with all students by grade level throughout the day. She shared tips for developing successful writing skills and words of encouragement to our young budding authors. She read excerpts from several of husky pups' favorite books that she has authored and gave insight to the writing process and illustrations.



Second-grader Emily Smith beams as she enters Washington West independently for the first time! Those multiply-disabled students can now enter and exit WW with assistance from one adult rather than two, which was previously required with the manual doors. A generous community agency that wishes to remain anonymous partnered with Olean City Schools for making this dream come true!

Washington West Elementary School



Mrs. Faulkner's and Mrs. Frederick's third-grade classes at Washington West have been studying China in social studies. Recently they participated in a Chinese New Year's parade after completing many hands-on learning activities about China's customs, traditions and celebrations. Students even ate authentic food from a local Chinese restaurant and used chopsticks to experience how the Chinese eat in their native land.



Mrs. Paladino's fourth-grade class at Washington West has been very busy with quite a variety of activities recently. In Science, they have been studying the difference between powders and crystals, and acids and bases. We tested for starch using iodine, and even used candles to see how our substances reacted to heat! Wearing goggles made the learners feel like real scientists!

They have been involved in a character education program called "Don't Laugh at Me" sponsored by Peter Yarrow of Peter, Paul and Mary. This included some very thought-provoking activities including a symbolic burning of negative behaviors in our "peace fire."

Students also recently participated in "Sugarless Tuesday." Some of our students wrote, directed and acted a play to help celebrate this day and encourage everyone to make healthy food choices.



Mrs. Monroe's fifth-graders at Washington West recently learned a lot about Mexico by working in pairs and researching different topics on Mexico. Each pair researched information using the Internet, books and encyclopedias. Our children prepared a cover, a one-two page written report, a page of labeled pictures and shared their learning by giving oral presentations to their classmates. Students also made maps of Mexico by using dough, frosting and candy. As a culminating activity, Mrs. Monroe and students celebrated with a super Mexican fiesta, along with dancing and singing "Feliz Navidad." "I am impressed with the quality of work my students did!" exclaimed a proud Mrs. Monroe.



Mrs. Sprague's pre-kindergarten students and Mrs. Ullman's fourth- and fifth-graders at Washington West are working together in our computer lab. Mrs. Ullman's students like to help the wee ones learn new things on the computer. Mrs. Sprague's students are glad to have such good helpers!



Washington West second-grade students in Mrs. Brooks' and Mrs. Lewicki's classes recently made very special cards. These cards were given to the Angels 'n Camouflage organization that supports the members of our armed forces. This group will forward them to a medical clinic in Spechiher, Iraq — located in a very dangerous Sunni Triangle. Our Washington West husky pups showed much respect and compassion for the service men and women who will be receiving their thoughtful cards.



Mrs. Patrone's multi-age enrichment class at Washington West has been producing a series of videos on character-education traits in their partnership with Panasonic.

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**Kindergarten Registration Information
For September 2005**

The Olean City School District will be conducting Kindergarten registration at the elementary schools in May 2005. Dates for the actual Kindergarten registration will be posted in the local newspaper and at various locations in the community. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age by December 1, 2005, please complete the form below and return it to your neighborhood elementary school or mail it to:

Judy Creeden
Director of Curriculum/Testing
410 West Sullivan Street
Olean, NY 14760

Child's name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
First Last

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Phone Number: _____

Names of other school age children and the school attending:

**2004-05
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Board Goals**

- Enhance student achievement
- Develop a strategic plan
- Review, assess and increase the effectiveness of the allocation of resources in the District
- Assess and address the strengths and needs of the students and families in the District, to better serve our community