



LEAN

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

Budget
news in
this issue!

May 2007

Volume 3, Issue 5

Check out these OASIS-21 classes offered this spring

Etiquette - Focusing on self respect, greeting others, everyday manners, dinner and table manners and classroom behavior.

Too Good To Be True (1-2 days a week) - Test products as seen on TV or in the store to decide if the item is worth the money.

Walking and Fitness Club (2 days a week) - Teach the importance of fitness and walk the bike trail, walk to parks and utilize the outdoor fitness facilities available.

Stackers (1-2 days a week) - Sport stacking is an exciting individual and team sport where participants stack and unstack 12 specially designed plastic cups (Speed Stacks) in pre-determined sequences. Individually, stackers race against the clock for fastest or best times. Stackers also compete on a relay team racing against another team in head-to-head competition.

Leaders Club/Community Service (1-2 days a week) - Designed to get students involved with community service. This could be set up like The Apprentice, with teams and competition and even project managers leading the way.

Please turn to page 10 for a complete schedule of activities.

Oasis-21 offers all students an afternoon activity! Programs range from swimming to guitar class and are entertaining and exciting ways to spend an afternoon!



OASIS-21 activities are AWESOME!



OHS spotlights Students of the Month

By Kathy Welch

Each month faculty and staff are asked to nominate any student who demonstrates positive qualities at Olean High School. The criteria includes (but 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 & 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 that are nominated are honored at a monthly luncheon with the

nominators and administration in attendance. The students are given a certificate for their accomplishment and a bulletin board displays their pictures for the entire month. Their picture is 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. This continues with the support of all the faculty and staff at OHS. The following students are the September 2006-April 2007 winners of the Student Spotlight of the Month Award:

October '06 - Andrew Carucci, Elizabeth Chamberlin, Brandy Crawford, Reid Gan, Dustin Graham, Dan Heintz, Megan Lampack, Anna Miller, Steve Sprague, Jenna Sevinsky, David Brant

November '06 - Jackie Ziegler, Christina Snyder, Brandon Lee, Michael Ganas, Melissa Mehmel, Alyse Bright

December '06 - Felisha Buchinger, Lee Howard, Christine Bartimole, Emily

Cradduck, Carrie Burgess, Jacob Mallery, Brandon Forness, Eric Sonnylal, Kevin Stevens, Belen Arichavala, Reed MeElfresh, Dave Allen, Naomi Bean, Chris McGonigle, Ryan Scheminger, Dakota White Eagle, Cameron Lewis, Arron Anastasia, Angelica Carlson, Josh Gagliardo

January '07 - Ryan Chizewick, Sara-Ann Baldwin, Amy Lamont, Taylor Eade, Milika Bryant, Culley Steiner, Kaitlin Thompson, Gina Palumbo, Anthony Sevinski, Jake Carll, Sinead Gaynor

February '07 - Kaitlyn Heinz, Meghan Guild, Lyndsey Baldwin, Jeff Zambanini, Erica Dale, Bryan Stanton, Rachel Duhan, David Allen, Arron Anastasia, Naomi Bean, Ryan Bohn, Angelica Carlson, Kevin Stevens

March '07 - Allison Stetz, Kaitlyn Himes, Nicole Burgess, Joe Pleakis, Richard Kennedy, Tabytha Cleveland, Oriana Young, Caitlyn Goodwill, Ali Alsaman

April '07 - Todd Hanson, James DiBlasi, Jovon Hall, Stephanie Lacher, Jon Hannigan

Dancing their way through gym class

Students at the high school had the opportunity to swing dance in their physical education classes before Spring Break. Michele Marks from the Neighborhood School of Dance volunteered to instruct these eager learners. She also has volunteered to attend the physical education classes the week of Prom to help the 11th and 12th graders learn to ballroom dance.





A Spring Break to remember

During spring vacation, students from Olean, Allegany and Portville combined to take a group trip to France. Our first stop was in Paris for three days. From the underground métro to the top of the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower, we experienced the elegance and history of this beautiful city.

We zoomed to Provence on the TGV,

the high speed train, which reached a speed of 359 mph! There we visited centuries-old Roman constructions: the Pont du Gard aqueduct and the Arènes amphitheater in Nîmes, which is still used for bullfights.

A boat ride along the coast from Cassis was our introduction to the Mediterranean Sea. From there, we drove along the mag-

nificent French Riviera to our final destination in Nice. Another day trip showed us the contrasts between the medieval city of Eze on top of a mountain, and the ultra rich principality of Monaco.

Beautiful weather, new friendships, and fabulous places to visit – it was certainly difficult to leave!



Freshmen team represents OHS at Odyssey of the Mind

Freshmen Amy Farris, Tchianna McPeak, Amanda Lasky, Samantha Armstrong, Shanae Abdo and Chris Mosher took third place in the high school division at the Regional Odyssey of the Mind competition March 10. Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program in which kids apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics. In the OHS team's "classics" problem, they created and presented a performance that includes a "Traveler" (Amanda) character on a trip around the world. During the trip, the Traveler stopped at three locations on Planet Earth that had different geographic characteristics. Two settings -- one polar, the other different -- were actual places, and the third one was an undiscovered location created by the team. Ours was the infamous "Banana Tree Island." (Native - Sam) The performance included an explanation about why the character takes the trip and the reason it stops at each location. Great job everyone!

Regents review schedule announced

ENGLISH REGENTS REVIEW

Tuesday, June 5	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 206
Thursday, June 7	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 206
Friday, June 8	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 204
Monday, June 11	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 207

CHEMISTRY REVIEW

Thursday, June 14	10-11:30 a.m.	Room 306
Thursday, June 14	1-2:30 p.m.	Room 306
Monday, June 18	10-11:30 a.m.	Room 306
Monday, June 18	1-2:30 p.m.	Room 306
Tuesday, June 19	10-11:30 a.m.	Room 306
Tuesday, June 19	1-2:30 p.m.	Room 306
Wednesday, June 20	8-11:30 a.m.	Room 306

LIVING ENVIRONMENT REGENTS REVIEW

Thursday, May 24	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Tuesday, May 29	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Thursday, May 31	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Monday, June 4	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Wednesday, June 6	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Thursday, June 7	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Monday, June 11	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Monday, June 18	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321
Tuesday, June 19	2:45-3:45 p.m.	Room 321

MATH A REVIEW - MR. LASKY

Monday, May 21	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 105
Wednesday, May 23	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 105
Tuesday, May 29	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 105
Thursday, May 31	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 105
Wednesday, June 6	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 105

MATH REVIEW - Ms. SHUFELT

Wednesday, May 30	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 104
Monday, June 4	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 104
Monday, June 11	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Room 104

MATH B REVIEW

Tuesday, May 15	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Thursday, May 17	3-4:30 p.m.	Room 24
Tuesday, May 22	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Thursday, May 24	3-4:30 p.m.	Room 24
Tuesday, May 29	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Thursday, May 31	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Tuesday, June 5	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Thursday, June 7	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Monday, June 11	3-4:30 p.m.	Room 24
Tuesday, June 12	6-7:30 p.m.	Room 24
Wednesday, June 13	6-8 p.m.	Room 24

PHYSICS REGENTS REVIEW

Wednesday, May 30	2:45-4 p.m.	Room 109
Wednesday, June 6	2:45-4 p.m.	Room 109
Wednesday, June 13	2:45-4 p.m.	Room 109
Wednesday, June 20	2:45-4 p.m.(or later)	Room 109

U.S. HISTORY & GOVERNMENT REGENTS REVIEW

Wednesday, May 30	2:45-3:45 p.m.	OHS Room 317
Thursday, May 31	2:45-3:45 p.m.	OHS Room 317
Monday, June 4	2:45-3:45 p.m.	OHS Room 317
Wednesday, June 6	2:45-3:45 p.m.	OHS Room 317

NOTE: The **Global History and Geography Regents Review** schedule will be included in the 4th quarter Progress Reports. Please check the Web site, www.oleanschools.org, for a complete listing of all scheduled Regents Review Classes.

Art students creating music?

Art students in Mrs. Heinz's Drawing and Painting art class and Ms. O'Brien's A.P. art class recently completed paintings in response to musical pieces from the work of Russian composer Mussorgsky and his *Pictures at an Exhibition*. The music was composed in the late 1800's in response to paintings exhibited by the composer's friend. Students listened to various pieces of the music and created paintings. This project allowed students to compete in an art show developed by the Southern Tier Symphony under the direction of John Whitney. All submissions were on display at Houghton College on April 14 and on April 15 at the OHS auditorium during the Symphony's last performance of the 2006-07 season.





Junior High All-County Band (l-r) Victoria Swier, Angela Finch, Kaitlin Harvey, Chrystal Cybulski-Newburg, Stephen Capitani, Tchianna McPeak,(seated), Brandon Jones, Matthew Allen, Jeremiah Olson, Amanda Lasky, Michael Liu and Nigel Kneiser.



Senior High All-County Band (back, l-r) Martha Zimmerman, Britany Kahle, John Capitani, Kristen jedrosko, Isaac Spaeth and (front) Teotimo McPeak.



Senior High All-County Chorus (top, l-r) Holden Bernstein, Andrew Carucci, Zach McDonald, David Allen, Adam Griffith and (middle, l-r) Jon Maynard, Christopher Fox, Carleigh Spiller, Demetrius Bailey, Adam Losey and (bottom, l-r) Nick Reed, Kristen Rose, Angela Luty, Christine Bartimole and Keriann Bellamy.

Music Notes

Talent abounds at All-County Festival

Olean music students got a chance to shine in the CCMTA All-County Music Festival in March. The festival was held at Allegany-Limestone Central School and featured top musicians county-wide. Performing were the Senior High All-County Chorus, Junior and Senior High All-County Bands, and a solo performance by OHS CCMTA Scholarship winner, Deb McDowell. Olean's Mr. Gervase had the honor of conducting the Junior-High All-County Band. Congratulations to all who earned the privilege of making music at this wonderful event.

McDowell wins Music Scholarship

Deborah McDowell is this year's recipient of the Cattaraugus County Music Scholarship. The award is based on a solo competition and interview. Deborah then had the opportunity to perform at the Cattaraugus High School All-County Festival held at Allegany-Limestone this March. Deborah is currently the principal horn player of the Greater Buffalo Youth Orchestra and second horn of the Southern Tier Symphony. She also had the distinguished opportunity of representing Olean High School in the New York All-State Symphony Orchestra this past December. Deborah is planning on attending the Dana School of Music at Youngstown State University this fall to pursue a career in music performance and education.



Deborah McDowell

Carll earns All-Eastern Chorus invite

OHS musician Jacob Carll achieved the high honor of being accepted into the prestigious All-Eastern Chorus. After performing in the All-State Choir, Jake's audition and experience earned him a spot in this incredible group, which brought outstanding musicians from 11 states together for intensive rehearsals and a concert in Hartford, Connecticut. Jake plans to study music next year at Potsdam. Congratulations, Jake!

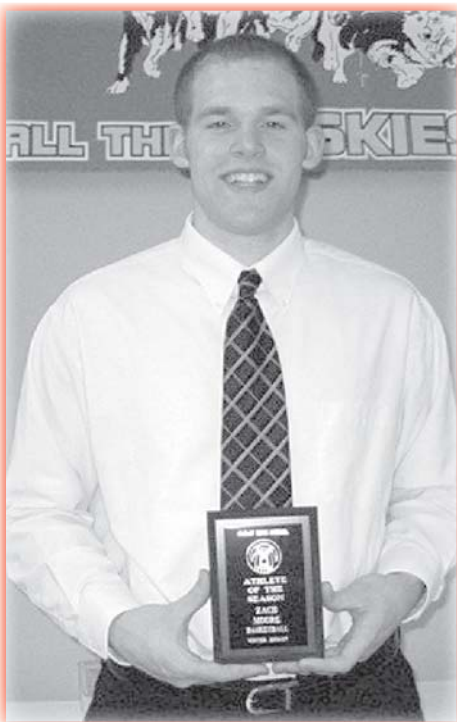
Altmire inducted into NYS Basketball Hall of Fame

On March 24, former OHS Girls' Basketball Coach Martha Altmire was inducted into the NYS Basketball Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony was held at a brunch in the Heritage Hall of the Glens Falls Civic Center. Commemorative plaques of all the past and present inductees hang in the Glens Falls Civic Center which is home of the Boys' NYSPHSAA State Basketball Tournament and NYS Boys' & Girls' Federation High School Basketball Tournaments. A group from Olean and members of Coach Altmire's family proudly attended the event honoring Martha and seven other inductees. She is pictured at right with former players (l-r) Katie Estes (2001), Trisha Carney (1987), Molly Scholla (2004), Jenny Brewer (2005) The "Legend of Coach Altmire" continues with this most prestigious award.



Wangelin, Moore earn Player of the Year

The Olean High School Athletic Department is pleased to announce that seniors Zach Moore and Brandy Wangelin (pictured at right) have both been recognized as the league "Player of the Year" for their respective basketball teams during the 2006-07 winter sports season. Both were selected for this outstanding award by the CCAA Division I league coaches.



Moore named Athlete of 2006-07 Winter Season

OHS Athlete of the Season Winter for 2006-07 is Zach Moore (above) of the Varsity Boys' Basketball Team. Congratulations!



Butler, Bean share Scholar-Athlete honors

Senior Boys' Basketball Team player Patrick Butler and senior Girls' Bowling Team member Naomi Bean (pictured at left) have been named OHS Scholar-Athletes for the Winter Season 2006-07. This award is given by the CCAA League and recognizes achievement in academics, as well as athletics. Great job!



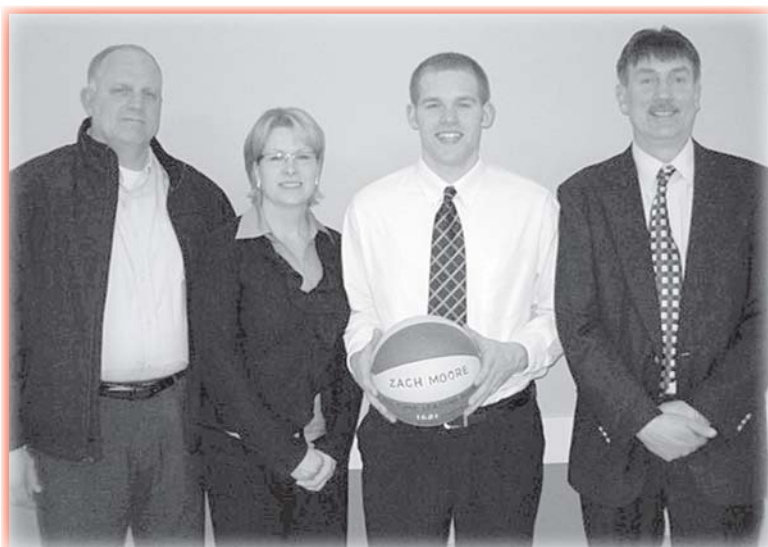
All-Sportsmanship Team honorees

Named to the OHS All-Sportsmanship Team for the 2006-07 Winter Season were: (front, l-r) Megan Kane, Varsity Girls' Basketball; Alyssa Rothman, Varsity Cheerleading; Naomi Bean, Girls' Bowling; Kaitlyn Andreano, JV Girls' Basketball; and (back, l-r) Jon Reed, Varsity Boys' Basketball; Carl Samuelson, Varsity Basketball (AD's Choice); Dan Duhan, Wrestling; Matt Wilson, Boys' Bowling; Culley Steiner, Boys' Swimming; Matt Carucci, JV Boys' Basketball.

Sportsmanship is defined as a demonstration of generosity and genuine concern for others. A good sport is a person known for the manner of his/her acceptance of the rules of the game or of a difficult situation and one who is courteous, generous, a gracious winner and a good loser. Win or lose, good sports always display "class."

Moore takes over as all-time career scoring leader

Zach Moore, a senior on the Varsity Basketball Team, became the OHS all-time career scoring leader on February 23, 2007. Zach achieved this milestone in a Section VI quarter-final play-off game victory over Fredonia. The previous record of 1,597 points was held by 1995 graduate Dennis Turner. Zach Moore ends his outstanding OHS basketball career with the new all-time scoring record of 1,681 points. He is pictured at right with his parents Andy and Katie Moore and basketball coach Jeff Anastasia.



Parks awarded Michael Parks Team Player Award

Jared Parks, a senior on the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team was selected as the recipient of the 2006-07 "Michael Parks - Team Player Award." This award is given annually to a member of the Varsity Boys' Basketball team and is presented in memory of Michael Parks, a 1996 graduate of OHS and former team member. Coach Mickey Parks and his wife Anne (pictured at left) presented the award to Jared on March 22 at the OHS Sport Booster Club Winter Season Banquet.





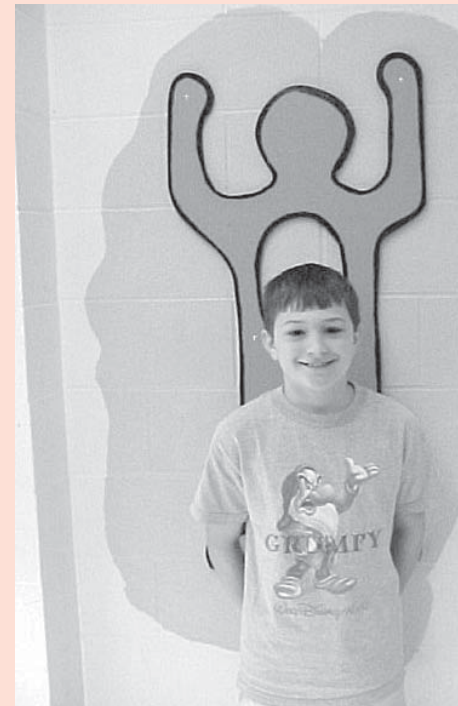
HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST

On Thursday, February 15, 178 students were recognized for their Honor Roll status for the 2nd quarter. Students were treated to breakfast from Burger King on West State Street. Honor Roll pins and certificates were awarded to each student and Burger King provided prizes for the students. Senior National Honor Society members Zach Moore and Meg McKeown spoke to the students about the importance of continued academic success in school. Pictured (l-r) are: 6th grader Maggie Moore receiving her prize from her brother Zach; Meg McKeown presenting her sister, 6th grader Kaitlyn, with her prize.



MARCH OF DIMES FUNDRAISER

OMS students participated in the 2007 March of Dimes fundraiser. Shown here are three March of Dimes supporters: (l-r) Emily Green, Gina Snyder and Everett Parks.



HUSKY PRIDE TA

Students in Mr. Brown's eighth grade academy worked in a collaborative manner on a project. They were given an image to place on the wall that people could look at to watch the various meets, matches, and games. The idea was to increase foot traffic, so it was a perfect place. The idea was to create a few years ago representing the three grade levels.

SUPER FOUL SHOOTER

Congratulations to Evan Ryan for winning the local, district and state foul shooting championships! His success on the free-throw line qualified him to participate in a NATIONAL foul shooting contest! Way to make us proud Evan!



PERFECT ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Congratulations to our most recent AIM-90 Perfect Attendance winners Abby Stavish and Michael Padlo.



PAKES OVER FOYER

ademic lab period for the 2nd and 3rd marking a Husky mural. Mr. Brown was looking for and enjoy as they came into the Middle School es. The area in the foyer always gets a lot of was developed from the three huskies drawn levels here at the Middle School.



DRUG QUIZ TEAM

Representing the Olean Middle School in the Eckerd Drug Quiz were (back, l-r) Kelsey Pleakis, Olivia Sorokes, Sarah Colarusso, Kara Frisina and (front, l-r) Lauren Bowser and Courtney Corder.

OASIS-21 ... Let the fun shine through

With such good weather approaching it's easy to see how your children might be easily distracted from their homework and studying for finals. Oasis is here to help. We offer an array of activities designed to challenge, focus, and have fun. Starting May 14th we will be offering review classes in Social Studies, Math, Science, and ELA.

New Programs

This spring, race against time and your friends with speed stackers or take a walk around Olean's bike path with our walking club. If that isn't enough we have BAGUBA. BAGUBA teaches the history of wrestling while you are pinning down a friend or two. We also will be splish-splashing around in the pool playing water games such as water polo and water basketball. What a great way to keep your mind, body and spirits up.

For more information or to sign up please contact:

Lynn Corder, Coordinator 375-8097
 Mr. Bauer 375-8060 ext 4406
 Lucinda Turner 375-8060 ext 4137
 Michael Forney 375-8060 ext 8990

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2:45 – 3:00 p.m.	Attendance Snack	Attendance Snack	Attendance Snack	Attendance Snack	Attendance Snack
3:00 – 4:15 p.m.	Homework Place Computer Assistance Leaders Club-Community Service Chess Club Stackers Etiquette Class	Homework Place Computer Assistance Yoga/Fitness CSI-Olean BAGUBA	Homework Place Etiquette Cooking Men Only To good to be true Karaoke Club Water Games	Homework Place Computer Assistance Step Squad Guitar Club Newsroom BAGUBA	Homework Place Computer Assistance Movie Night Community Trips Board Games
4:25 – 5:45 p.m.	Computer Assistance Board Games Recreation Newsroom	Computer Assistance Walking Club Arts/Crafts/Comic Girls' Club	Recreation Cooking Board Games Newsroom	Computer Assistance Walking Club Boys' Club Board Games Comic Book	Computer Assistance TeamWorks! Board Games

Middle School shatters Pennies fundraiser

For the third straight year, Olean Middle School students and faculty broke their fundraiser monthly total for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Pennies for Patients Program. This year the students and faculty collected \$2,183.38. The team winner for this year's program was the Orange Team, which collected a total of \$425.02. For their efforts and support, the Orange Team won a pizza party. Second place this year was the Green Team and third place went to the Blue Team. Mr. Shoup would like to acknowledge that the Washington West School faculty collected and donated \$70.00 to our cause in fighting cancer.

The Olean Middle School Honor Hero was Lauren Lawless, a seventh grader, who is battling Leukemia. We wish her a successful recovery. Mr. Shoup, the Middle School Coordinator for the school wide program, would like to thank all the students and faculty for their support with the Pennies for Patients Program. Mr. Shoup stated, "This is a wonderful program for us to take part in, and the results of our students' efforts will benefit an outstanding organization." In three years, Olean Middle School students and faculty have raised over \$5,500.00 for the Pennies for Patients Program.

Funds raised from Pennies for Patients



will help support the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's blood cancer research and local patient aid and services. The Western New York and Finger Lakes Chapter currently funds five researchers who do their work at Roswell Park Cancer

Institute, Niagara University, and the University of Rochester.

For more information about the Society's programs and events, call Western New York & Finger Lakes Chapter at 716-834-2578.

More than \$5,000 raised in 'Jump Rope for Heart'

On March 20, the Olean City School District Physical Education Department held its 17th annual "Jump Rope For Heart" event to benefit the American Heart Association. This activity involving about 100 students in grades 4-8 took place in the Olean High School gymnasium from 6-8 pm. Teams of students jumped for a total of 90 minutes at 2-minute intervals. Students obtained donations from sponsors in return for their team participating actively in this event. The top fundraisers from each school are as follows (pictured at left): Catee Anastasia, Washington West Elementary, \$107; Connor Prizel & Selena Clemons, Ivers J. Norton Elementary, \$80; Jessica Higgins, Olean Middle School, \$234; Andrew Van Dixon, East View Elementary, \$290; Katie Wintemantel, Boardmanville Elementary, \$150.

"Jump Rope For Heart" serves to promote physical activity and a healthy active lifestyle.

The grand total raised for this year was \$5,120. To date, this annual physical education department event has raised over \$77,000 for the American Heart Association.



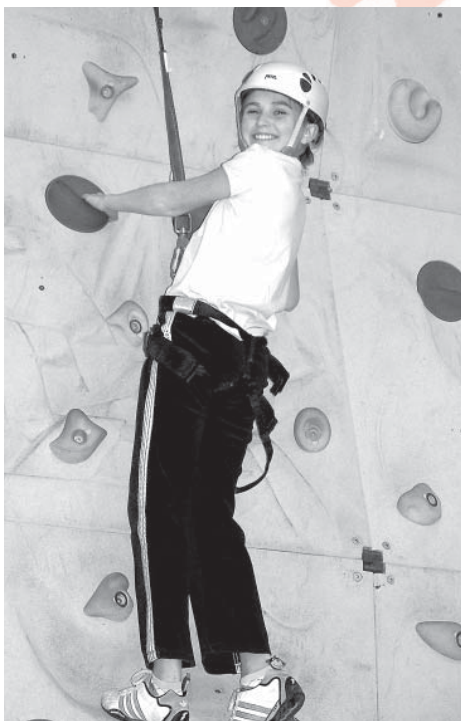


Challenge 24: BV students competed in the local Challenge 24 math competition. Pictured above with their coach, Mrs. Sullivan, are our finalists Lindsay, Ally, Betsy (2nd place) and Monica.



Helping the Elephants: Mr. Wentz's fourth- and fifth-graders are helping the Buffalo Zoo raise money to build a new area to house its elephants. The zoo can no longer accommodate the elephants and will not be able to keep them if a new elephant house is not constructed. Currently, Mr. Wentz's students are selling gray "I Love Elephants" wristbands on the zoo's behalf for \$3 each. All of the proceeds from the sales will go directly to the zoo.

Boardmanville Elementary School

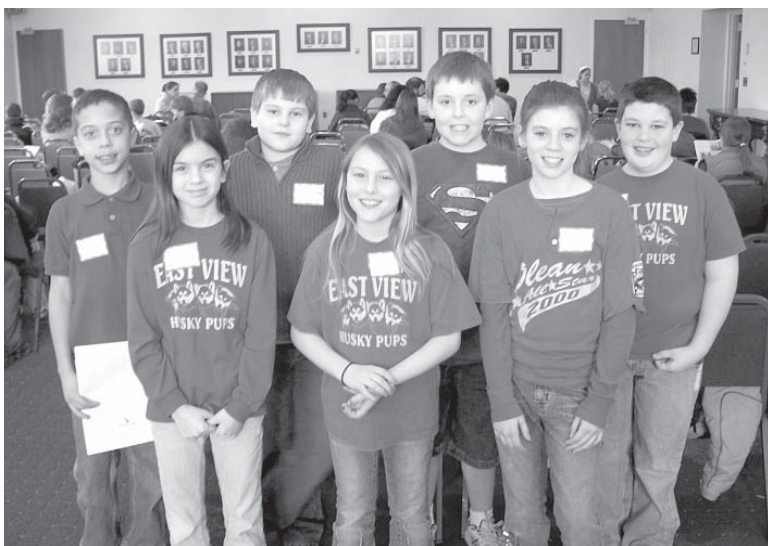


Fun Day at the YMCA: The Boardmanville PTO sponsored a Family Fun Day at the Olean YMCA. Children, parents and school personnel were able to spend a Sunday afternoon together enjoying swimming, climbing the rock wall, playing games in the gym and playing on the inflatable "bouncy" equipment. The PTO also provided snacks for the students. THANK YOU to our PTO!

Eric Carle Evening: In March, Mrs. Stephens' kindergarten class ended their two-week author study of Eric Carle and letter E with "Everyone Enjoying an Evening with Eric Carle." Parents and siblings came that night (see photo at right) to read many of Eric Carle's books and to see all the activities the children did on display in the hallway. They enjoyed "bug" snacks and apple juice. Then parents helped make a ladybug art activity to take home. Everyone enjoyed the evening!



Successful Egg Hunt: The third-graders at Boardmanville enjoyed a spring breakfast and egg hunt before Spring Break. The weather cooperated with the spring theme and everyone had a fantastic time.



Challenge 24 Team: A team of East View's 4th and 5th graders recently competed in the annual Challenge 24 Math Competition sponsored by St. Bonaventure University. The team included 4th graders: Olivia Anzivine, Jared McLaughlin, Rachel Painter, Adam Stark and 5th graders: Chance Anzivine, Christian Gayton and Mackenzie Yanetsko. The students are to be commended for their hard work and spirit.



First Grade Writers: Four East View 1st graders were recognized recently for their creative writing by the Olean Rotary Club. Pictured above are (l-r) Joshua Miles, Tiffany Jerge, Eli Hendrix and Kara Howard. Kara and Eli are from Mrs. Rogozinski's class and Tiffany and Joshua are from Mrs. Sorokes' class. They were chosen as the winners of a writing contest sponsored by the Olean Rotary Club. These students, accompanied by their parents, were invited to a Rotary lunch meeting at Mickey's Restaurant, where they enjoyed lunch provided by the Rotarians as well as having the opportunity to read their stories to the members. In addition, the four students were given a prize provided by the local McDonald's Restaurant. Congratulations to Kara, Eli, Tiffany and Joshua!

East View Elementary School



Dental Health Month: Pam Earl a representative from Dr. Colarusso's office (Orthodontists Associates of WNY) recently made a presentation regarding dental health, to all of East View's third-grade classes (see photo above). The students learned about the importance of dental health and how to properly take care of their teeth. In addition, each child was given a bag that included a new toothbrush, toothpaste and floss.

Tips for Preparing Students to Take Tests

- Help students create a study plan and review with them with them the steps they should take as they study for tests. For example:
 - o Make notes and highlight key words
 - o Make flash cards to study key words and facts
 - o Make up questions about what they are studying
 - o Study with a buddy and quiz each other
- Read directions: Encourage students to read all directions twice to make sure they understand what they are supposed to do.
- Review work: Help students understand the importance of checking their work before turning in their paper. Here are some questions they can ask themselves:
 - o Is this the answer I meant to check?
 - o Does this answer sound correct?
 - o Did I answer the question that was asked?
 - o Is my answer complete, or should I add more information?
 - o Have I answered all the questions?
- Parents can make sure that their child is ready to do his or her best on test day by the following:
 - o Make sure your child gets good night's sleep
 - o Get your child up early enough on test day to have a relaxed morning
 - o Make sure your child eats a good breakfast
 - o Help your child come to school with a positive attitude
 - o Get your child to school on time

(Taken from an article by the National Association of Elementary Principals)

“Pennies for Patients” Campaign: During the month of March, students at IJN participated in the “Pennies for Patients” campaign to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (see photo at right). This money is used to support the research of leukemia, lymphoma and blood cancers. Students at IJN brought in their pennies and raised \$714.77! The three classes that contributed the most were Mrs. DaPolito’s first-graders, Mrs. Wilson’s second-graders, and Mrs. Petroni’s fourth-grade class. These classes won a pizza party for their efforts.



Ivers J. Norton Elementary School

The Future of IJN: Public hearings have been held to discuss the future of Ivers J. Norton Elementary School including the possible closing of the school. Parents, faculty members and local residents have attended meetings hosted by the district to weigh in on the subject. There is a range of opinions and all are important. If a board vote that proposes renovations of four schools passes, then residents will have an opportunity to vote also. It’s important to stay informed on current issues facing the future of Olean and its educational future.

Kick-Off to Reading: SCORE! (Students Can Obtain Reading skills Everyday) IJN began its all-school spring reading incentive program on Monday, April 16 with a kick-off assembly sponsored by the St. Bonaventure Men’s Soccer Team (see photos below). The theme of this year’s program is SCORE! (Students Can Obtain Reading skills Everyday). This is an on-going two week program that requires the K-2 students to read 75 minutes and the 3-5 students to read 120 minutes per week. Students and faculty watched and enjoyed the Men’s Soccer team activities as the players entertained and challenged the students to read at school and at home. Various team members will be visiting the classrooms throughout the program as guest readers. The students seemed to be up for the challenge.



A Helping Hair Cut: IJN first-grader, Jordyn Washington, learned about Locks of Love, an organization which provides hairpieces to children suffering long term medical illnesses. She wanted to help and donated 10 inches of her hair to children in need.





Probability Experiments: Alexis Jennings and Savannah Evans (above) are working together experimenting with probability. Alexis is getting ready to toss her coin. Both girls agreed that they really liked the hands-on project done in Mrs. Monroe's and Mrs. Martin's fifth-grade classes. The students worked together in teams of two using three pennies. The students had to predict how many "all three heads" or "all three tails" they would get in 20 tosses. Each team made a table entering their predictions, tossing, and then recording their results. As a culminating activity, the class shared their results.



Emerald Isles: Mrs. Frederick's third-graders just finished a social studies unit on Ireland. Students wrote facts about Ireland and copied them onto shamrocks. Students also made their own "Emerald Isles" out of clay with the colorful flag in the middle.



Cooperative Math Lessons: Mrs. Woodring's first-grade Husky pups have been exploring "place value" in math. Students have enjoyed working cooperatively in math centers to build their math skills.

SubCon Volunteers: We welcome our weekly SubCon clients as classroom volunteers (right) in our primary classrooms. These special volunteers provide one-on-one support as Husky pups learn to read and to develop social skills.



Washington West Elementary School

Flour Babies:

Ms. Matejka's class had a special delivery: the stork dropped off "flour" babies (see photo at right)! Each student is caring for his/her baby every minute of every day for two weeks. These new "parents" received class checkbooks and even have to pay for taxes, child care and utilities after they receive their salary.



Student Teacher and Alumnus: Mr. Jim Russo is a student teacher from Niagara University who graduated from Washington West and Olean High. In Mrs. Faulkner's third-grade classroom, Mr. Russo is handing out paper to write a letter to someone in the class during their writing center time.

OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

410 W. Sullivan St.
Olean, NY 14760
www.oleanschools.org

ADMINISTRATION

Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator
Barbara Lias, High School Principal
Jeffrey Andreano, Assistant High School Principal
Gerald Trietley, Middle School Principal
Joel Whitcher, Assistant Middle School Principal
John White, Boardmanville Elementary Principal
David Olson, East View Elementary Principal
Dr. Brian O'Connell, Ivers J. Norton Elementary Principal
Cheryl Vecchio, Washington West Elementary Principal
Lynn Corder, Reading First Coordinator
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum (K-5) & Testing, & C.I.O.
Marcella Richmond, Director of Special Education
Csobanka Woodworth, Technology Administrator

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Steven Hamed, President
Michael Martello, Vice President
John Bartimole
Laurie Branch
Gordon Cross
Ira Katzenstein
Michiko McElfresh
James Padlo
George Pancio

POSTAL PATRON LOCAL

NON PROFIT
ORGANIZATION

U.S. POSTAGE PAID

Permit No. 73
Olean, NY 14760



Author, illustrator and dogs visit, too!

The Olean elementary schools enjoyed a visit with Sandra Philipson, author of the "Max and Annie" books, and book illustrator, Jenny Campbell. The other special guests were Max, Tak and Trini. They are Sandra's English Springer Spaniel dogs and the main characters in her books. The author shared her writing techniques and the illustrator amazed students with her sketches. Students even got to help supply some ideas for Ms. Philipson's next book—an alphabet book about what Max has dragged out the dog door. Thank you to the Olean City School District Foundation, Parent Teacher Organizations and Microtel Inn for helping with the expenses for their visit.



OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mission ...

"Home, School and Community
Educating for Life"

Values ...

- Excellence
- Honesty/Integrity
- Learning
- Mutual Respect
- Resourcefulness
- Responsibility & Accountability
- Sensitivity to Diverse Needs
- Teamwork

Strategic Themes ...

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Facilities & Learning Environment
- Finance/Resource Management
- Building Relationships