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News From the
Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES
Board of Education to Your
Board of Education



Thomas DeRue, Board President

RJEC Class Makes Honor Roll



Back Row: Ann Marie Shannon, Teacher's Aide; Michael DeSain; Max Paul; Carson LaDelfa; Louise DeBell, Teacher's Aide; Edna VanMinos, Teaching Assistant and Gabe Davis. Front Row: Todd Brockhuizen, Teacher; Nick Hogan, Speech/Language Therapist; Joseph Rush and Nick Patchen.

On April 10, 2008, Red Jacket Education Center (RJEC) held a ceremony for students and their families to recognize students who earned their way onto the 3rd Quarter Honor Roll. Each student received an Honor Roll Certificates from principal, Lynda Scribner and everyone was treated to cake and punch.

Todd Brockhuizen, a 7th Grade Teacher at RJEC, had reason to celebrate as well. Each of the six students in his class made either Honor Roll or High Honor Roll for the 3rd quarter! This is the first time in Todd's 10-years as a teacher that his

entire class had made honor roll. "The students worked extremely hard completing all of their assignments. This is a great accomplishment for them and I am very proud," Mr. Brockhuizen said adding that he is also thankful to the caring staff who assist the students every day at Red Jacket Education Center.



WTCC Student Wins State Vanguard Award in Metal Trades

Photo: Amber Daniels, WTCC Metal Trades/Motorsport Fabrication Student. Page 3.

FLTCC Culinary Arts Students Sharpen Their Skills at The Inn on the Lake

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Mark Your Calendar

**Dr. Rosemary Callard-Szulgit
Enrichment Services Program
May 9th * 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Steamboat Landing, Canandaigua
phone: 585-394-9239**

**W-FL BOCES May
Board Meeting
May 12th * 7 p.m.
W-FL BOCES Regional Support Center
131 Drumlin Court, Newark
phone: 315-332-7284**

**Model Transition Program
Career Fair
May 16th * 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Wayne Education Center
Gymnasium
4440 Ridge Road
BOCES Williamson Campus
phone: 315-332-7400**

**Finger Lakes Tech Annual
Auto Tech Car Show, Swap Meet
and Arts & Crafts
May 18th * 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
FLTCC, Stanley (off Rts. 5&20)
phone: 585-967-8920**

**W-FL BOCES February
Board Meeting
June 2nd * 7 p.m.
W-FL BOCES Regional Support Center
131 Drumlin Court, Newark
phone: 315-332-7284**

**Annual Superintendent/Secretary
Luncheon & Workshop
June 4th * 11:30 a.m.
Phelps Hotel, Phelps
phone: 315-332-7284**



Seneca Falls 6th Grader to Return to National Spelling Bee



Neetu Chandak from Seneca Falls spells her first word correctly and continues to advance to the final round of competition.

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES and the Finger Lakes Times sponsored the 15th Annual Scripps Regional Spelling Bee on Saturday, March 15, 2008 in the Albright Auditorium at Hobart & William Smith Colleges in Geneva. Forty students from the fourth through eighth grades, representing 20 participating school districts competed for the 2008 regional title. Neetu Chandak, a fifth grader from Seneca Falls and the 2007 defending champion, won the

competition by correctly spelling "lieutenant" and then "karaoke." Chandak defeated Keith Baley, an 8th grader from Red Jacket, after 16 rounds of competition. For the second consecutive year, Chandak will advance to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. on May 30 to 31, 2008.

Scripps is the nation's largest and longest running educational promotion, administered through The E.W. Scripps Company, with over 268 sponsors in the United States, Europe and Jamaica. Their purpose is to "help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabularies, learn concepts, and develop correct English usage." For more information about the

W-FL BOCES Regional Spelling Bee, contact Melissa Stuart, Regional Spelling Bee Coordinator at BOCES 315-332-7314.



Bloomfield fifth grader, Caroline Nelson, receives third place honors at the Regional Spelling Bee.



Brandon LaPlant, a Pal-Mac sixth grader, silently prepares to spell his next word aloud to for the four Spelling Bee judges.



Brothers Keith (eighth grade) and Nathan Baley (sixth grade) represented the Manchester-Shortsville School District at the Spelling Bee. Keith finished second overall.

W-FL BOCES 15th Annual Regional Spelling Bee Top 10

1st Place - Neetu Chandak
Seneca Falls, 6th grade

2nd Place - Keith Baley
Manchester-Shortsville, 8th grade

3rd Place - Caroline Nelson
Bloomfield, 5th grade

4th Place - Jeremy Trevvett
Canandaigua, 6th grade

5th Place - Laurel Lehman
Victor, 7th grade

6th Place - Makaela Correia
Sodus, 8th grade

7th Place - Thomas Schmitt
Geneva, 6th grade

8th Place - Matt Combs
Marion, 8th grade

9th Place - Lindsay Burditt
Sodus, 8th grade

10th Place - Amber Stowell
Lyons, 8th grade



WTCC Student Wins State Vanguard Award

For more information about the WTCC Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication program visit the WTCC website at www.wflboces.org/wtccmetaltrades or call 315-589-2600. To read more about this year's Vanguard Award winners visit their website at <http://thenetproject.org/programs/vanguard/winners08.htm>



From Left: Amber's dad, Dale Daniels; Jim Claypool and Leonard Hall; WTCC Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication Instructors and Amber Daniels from Sodus at the Vanguard Awards Ceremony in Albany.

At the Association of Career and Technical Education Administrators (ACTEA) Conference held in March 2008, Wayne Technical and Career Center (WTCC) Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication senior, Amber Daniels of Sodus, was a recipient of the Vanguard Student Recognition Award.

The Vanguard Award recognizes outstanding secondary and postsecondary level students who are enrolled in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs that are non-traditional for their gender. The award includes a certificate and public recognition of the students as role models for others considering non-traditional careers. Eligible students were nominated by faculty and staff of secondary and postsecondary non-traditional CTE programs throughout New York State. Of those nominated, four high school students were selected from 29 finalists to receive the Vanguard Award.

Amber said, "It is important for both young women and young men to at least try the career path where they have an interest, so that they don't limit their career possibilities but rather expand their horizons." Amber's graduation plans include a career as a Seabee in the United States Navy. The Seabees have supported worldwide combat and contingency operations since 1942, building advanced bases and conducting humanitarian recovery missions.

Students in the Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication program, learn both machining and welding skills. Leonard Hall, Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication instructor said, "At WTCC, female students have a history of excelling in the Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication program and are encouraged to enroll."

An Excerpt From Amber's Winning Nomination

Amber Daniels, a senior in the Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication program at Wayne Technical and Career Center, is one of the most skilled welders in the program. She is recognized as a class leader in an otherwise all male class, where she is respected for her broad range of knowledge, excellent technical skills and superior problem solving ability. As a non-traditional student, Amber has helped to alter the mindset of young men who now have a better understanding of what a female welder can accomplish.

Amber applies her welding skills in her family's trucking business, where she performs repairs and maintenance on the vehicles. A student who has always wanted to work with her hands, Amber has been encouraged by her welding instructors who have guided her career path. She says, "It is important for both young women and young men to at least try the career path where they have an interest, so that they don't limit their career possibilities but rather expand their horizons."



Amber is using an Oxy Acetylene Torch to cut metal in WTCC's Metal Trades/Motorsports Fabrication Classroom.

Culinary Arts Students Showcase Their Talents at the Inn on the Lake

Twelve high school students from Finger Lakes Technical and Career Center's (FLTC) Culinary Arts Program had an opportunity to prepare international cuisine for the public under the tutelage of the expert chefs at Canandaigua's *Inn on the Lake* on March 18, 2008. More than 150 guests attended the event entitled "Culinary Travels" that included delicious salad, dinner and dessert stations representing international cuisine.

During the event, W-FL BOCES District Superintendent, Dr. Joseph Marinelli, addressed the guests and said, "The partnership between FLTC and the Inn on the Lake has been a wonderful learning experience for our students. We are fortunate that both of our tech centers have many generous and talented business partners who welcome our students and share their expertise with them. Gaining hands-on experience in a real world setting is what our tech and career programs are all about."

Dr. Marinelli made a special presentation to Culinary Arts instructor, Gerry Lesniak, for her 25 years of dedicated service to BOCES and to the students who attend FLTC.



Congratulations to All of the Students Who Participated in Culinary Travels

Jessica Blauvelt - Senior
Penn Yan

Isaac Davis - Senior
Penn Yan

Lisa Greening - Senior
Phelps - Clifton Springs

Joel Johnson - Senior
Victor

Samantha Maggi - Senior
Phelps - Clifton Springs

Kaitlyn McCarthy - Junior
Penn Yan

Joe Monahan - Junior
Geneva

Danielle Preston - Senior
Canandaigua

Mallorri Ross - Senior
Penn Yan

Brianna Thibault - Senior
Marcus Whitman

Sean Thornton - Senior
Honeoye

Stephanie Voll - Senior
Marcus Whitman



Incumbents to Remain on BOCES Board



W-FL BOCES Board of Education members Anna Morgan, Stu Einstein and Nancy Scher.

After the results of the April 23, 2008-09 Administrative Budget Vote and Election of Board Members, voting districts unanimously chose incumbents Anna Morgan, President of the Romulus Board of Education, Stu Einstein, Mayor of the City of Geneva, and Nancy Scher, Penn Yan school board member, to fill three open board seats. Their three-year term of office will begin July 1, 2008 and end on June 30, 2011. Below are some highlights from their candidate profiles...

Anna Morgan

Second Term on W-FL BOCES Board

Board Experience

Anna has been a member of the Romulus School Board for more than 10 years. She served seven years as the vice-president and is currently board president. She has served on the facilities and transportation, negotiations, shared services, policy and ad hoc budget committees.

Interest in BOCES Board Seat

"My interest in running for the BOCES Board is simply that small schools depend on BOCES. We cannot survive without them but can continue to thrive with their support. Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES provides a nurturing and supportive atmosphere for the small school, and they offer areas for growth and promote cost savings. I would like very much to represent Seneca County schools in that atmosphere.

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Stu Einstein

Second Term on W-FL BOCES Board

Board Experience

Stu served on the Geneva Board of Education for more than 12 years. He served seven years as vice president. During his tenure, he rotated through many committees and was the liaison to the Head Start Policy Council for 11 years. He has also been a member of the Four County School Boards Association and has held many leadership positions including President.

Interest in BOCES Board Seat

- Challenging student needs and stagnant/declining financial resources at district level, provide W-FL BOCES with a great opportunity, and I want to be part of the team that decides how to maximize our impact
- Through previous board service and current retirement career, I have become even more dedicated than ever to ensuring that all students have the opportunity to succeed.
- Passionate advocate for children ... *all* children

Nancy Scher

Second Term on W-FL BOCES Board

Board Experience

Nancy has completed her ninth year of service as a member of the Penn Yan Board of Education and her eighth year of service as a member of the W-FL BOCES Board of Education. Nancy has served as Vice-President and as President of the W-FL BOCES Board. She is also a member of The Four County School Boards Association. During the 2003-04 school year, she served as the chair and the co-chair of the Legislative Committee.

Interest in BOCES Board Seat

"My original interest stemmed from my belief that Yates County needed and deserved to have a representative sitting on that board. It is, after all, the Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and YATES Board of Cooperative Educational Services. As I continue to be the only representative on the BOCES Board from Yates County, this remains an important reason for my seeking re-election. In addition, it has my great, good fortune to be the recipient of a wide variety of training opportunities and wonderful mentoring from outstanding board of education members. A great deal of time and resources has been invested in helping me to become an effective member of your BOCES Board of Education. Now is the time for me to repay that debt by offering myself for continued service, to use those skills that have been given me to work for the good of all of our students in the W-FL BOCES."

Thank You to School Board Members



From left: Andrew Richardson, Lyons; Michael Boggs, Naples; Tom DeRue, W-FL BOCES Board President; Elaine Hartnagel, Palmyra-Macedon and Patti Paprocki, Sodus.

The W-FL BOCES Board of Education and Administration would like to thank all of the component school board members who attended the W-FL BOCES Annual Meeting in April at the Regional Support Center in Newark.

Andrew Richardson, Lyons BOE
Michael Boggs, Naples, BOE
Elaine Hartnagel, Palmyra-Macedon BOE
Patti Paprocki, Sodus BOE

Midlakes EC Staff Host First Annual Bunny Bowl

Staff from Midlakes Education Center (MEC) teamed up to participate in the school's first Annual *Bunny Bowl* on March, 18, 2008 at Rose Bowl Lanes in Newark. The event was organized by the MEC Social Committee which includes Nicki Adams, Dale LaClair, Amy Iddings, Jen Finewood and Kathleen Thomas.

Cindy Parker, MEC Principal said, "A great time was had by all at the *Bunny Bowl*. The Social Committee did a great job!"



MEC staff: Chris Singer, Kathy Thomas, Gail Propester and Carol Priebe.



Bev Boyer, Deb Gorsky, Jen Finewood and Susan McCrobie wear their bunny ears in support of the Bunny Bowl.



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Tractors, Vintage
Race Cars,
Motorcycles
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**Fun for the
Whole Family!!**

It's Showtime!

The 15th Annual
Finger Lakes Tech & Career Center
Auto Tech
**CAR SHOW - SWAP MEET
ARTS & CRAFTS**

Sunday, May 18, 2008 at FLTCC
Off Routes 5&20 Stanley
10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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