

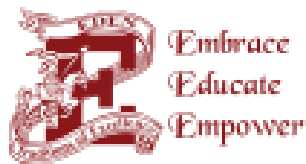
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Dear District Residents:

After several months of study, the Board of Education adopted the 2009-2010 school budget in the amount of \$25,660,770, which represents an increase of 3.14% over the current budget. The administrators, faculty and staff worked hard to present the lowest increase budget to budget that we have seen in the past ten years. In preparing the 2009-2010 budget, there were unique sets of circumstances. These included a proposal by the Governor to cut aid to education by \$898,658, along with increases in health insurance costs, loan payments on building projects and an increase in special education costs.

The proposed budget maintains all current programs and allows for modest improvements in a few areas and reductions in others. The following position has been added: .5 FTE Special Education Teacher. Reductions include 2.0 FTE teachers at the elementary level, 2.5 FTE aides at the elementary level, .5 FTE teacher at the secondary level and 1.0 FTE Teaching Assistant at the elementary level. All are due to our declining enrollment.

The total budget increased by 3.14% from the previous year, the lowest in ten years. Of that amount, legal and state required payments account for a 5% increase, while non-mandated programs account for a 1.86% decrease. We believe that the proposed budget meets the needs of our students but is conservative in its approach to spending increases. We estimate that the tax levy increase will be .99%, which is also the lowest tax levy increase in the last ten years.

Since we rely on the state to fund approximately 44% of our budget, predicting the impact on the local tax levy is very difficult. Our best estimate at this time is .99% increase, which is based on a 3.14% increase in the budget. The final tax levy will not be adopted until August 2009. If you have any questions concerning the proposed budget, please contact any board member or the Business Office.

Thank you for your continued support of the Eden Central Schools.

PROPOSED BUDGET

EDEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
2009-2010

ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING

May 5, 2009
7:00 P.M.

Junior/Senior High School Auditorium

BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION

May 19, 2009
9:00 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Junior/Senior High School Foyer

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual School District Budget Hearing of the Eden Central School District, Erie County, New York, will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time at the Eden Central Junior/Senior High School, 3150 Schoolview Road, Eden, New York. Voting on the budget for the fiscal year 2009-2010, electing two members of the Board of Education to commence July 1, 2009, and for the transaction of such other business as is authorized by law will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time at the Eden Central Junior/Senior High School, 3150 Schoolview Road, Eden, New York.

BRING THIS COPY TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

VOTING ON CANDIDATES

To be eligible to vote on May 19, 2009 a person must be:

1. A citizen of the United States.
2. At least 18 years of age.
3. A resident of the school district for at least 30 days prior to May 19, 2009.
4. Not otherwise prohibited from voting under election law, that is, a convicted felon or adjudged mentally incompetent.

Candidates for Board of Education
Vote for two candidates:

*Mr. Andrew Breier
*Mr. Patrick Howard

*Indicates Incumbent

*****PROOF OF RESIDENCY REQUIRED*****

Acceptable documents include a driver's license, voter registration card or a utility bill.

There are 2 three-year terms open for the 2009-2010 school year.

Approach the game with no preset agendas and you'll probably come away surprised at your overall efforts.

Phil Jackson

PROPOSITION NO. 1 (ANNUAL BUDGET)

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Eden Central School District, Erie County, New York, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010, as proposed by the Board of Education, in the total sum of \$25,660,770 is hereby approved and adopted and the required funds therefor are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 (VEHICLES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT)

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Eden Central School District (the "District") is hereby authorized to purchase vehicles and related equipment for use in the transportation and maintenance programs of the District, including three 74-passenger buses (at a maximum estimated cost of \$308,517) and one plow truck (at a maximum estimated cost of \$35,475), and to expend therefor an aggregate sum not to exceed \$343,992, and that the sum of \$343,992, being the aforesaid maximum estimated cost, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law, and, in anticipation of such tax, bonds or other obligations (including, without limitation, obligations arising under leases, lease/purchase contracts or installment purchase contracts having a term of not more than five years) of the District shall be issued or entered into in accordance with applicable provisions of New York State law.

PROPOSITION NO. 3

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that a student shall be selected as an ex officio member of the Board of Education of the Eden Central School District pursuant to Section 1804 (12) of the New York State Education Law and shall be entitled to sit and participate with the Board at all public meetings and hearings but shall not be entitled to have a vote, attend executive sessions or receive compensation of any form for participating in board meetings.

SCHOLAR ATHLETE TEAMS

By Doug Beetow

Eden Central School is proud to announce our 2008-09 winter Scholar/Athlete Team Awards from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, Inc. The following teams have earned a team grade average of 90% or better during the winter sports season.

Girls Basketball:

Ainhoa Arrazola Barandiaran, Caitlin Sickau, Cleo Christensen, Hannah Herc, Jenna Phillips, Melissa Grove, and Cassandra Smythe.

Boys Bowling:

R. Ryan Swartz, Chad Szymkowiak, Derek Szymkowiak, Jason Szabat, Andrew Herbert, Albert Edwards, Joshua Christiansen.

Boys Swimming:

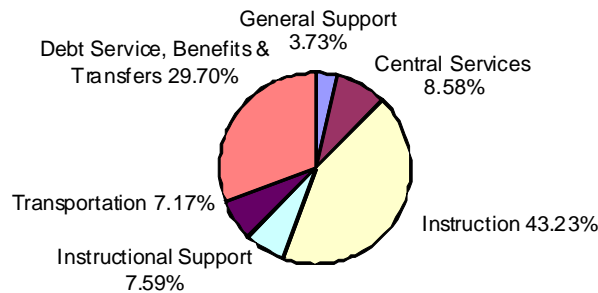
Row 1: James Miller, Conor Finnegan, Neal Hunter, Garrett Steiger.
Row 2: Kyle Zittel, Troy Neureuter, Michael Buziak, John Klopp, Cody Jackson, Christopher Winter and James Rigley.



BUDGET OVERVIEW
SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

<u>GENERAL SUPPORT</u>	2008-09 BUDGET	2009-10 BUDGET	<u>INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT</u>	2008-09 BUDGET	2009-10 BUDGET
Board of Education	2,850	2,800	Library & Audio/Visual	183,796	178,906
District Clerk	1,375	1,375	Educational Comm. & TV	-0-	-0-
District Meetings	9,296	9,296	Computer	477,175	429,924
Central Administration	199,383	204,451	Attendance	20,143	18,677
Business Administration	217,436	227,697	Guidance	266,382	271,913
Auditing Services	35,630	31,873	Health Services	165,147	166,983
District Treasurer	50,851	52,578	Psychological Services	93,798	87,055
Tax Collector	11,007	14,500	Social Work Services	8,000	11,700
Purchasing	1,736	1,736	Pupil Personnel Services	114,199	97,699
Fiscal Agent Fees	3,800	3,800	Co-Curricular Activities	90,939	89,326
Personnel Services	1,000	1,000	Interscholastic Sports	470,018	425,399
Legal Services	84,925	44,000			
Public Information	18,682	18,682	TOTAL	1,889,597	1,777,582
Unallocated Insurance	93,710	95,424			
Association Dues	12,000	13,901	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>		
Water & Sewer Assessments	27,500	27,500	District Operated	1,633,705	1,627,834
Refund – Real Property Tax	7,500	19,940	Garage	58,813	64,107
BOCES Administrative Charge	111,702	115,220	Contract Transportation	90,640	90,640
BOCES Capital Expense	37,785	42,508			
BOCES Capital Project	-0-	-0-	TOTAL	1,783,158	1,782,581
TOTAL	928,168	928,281			
<u>CENTRAL SERVICES</u>			<u>DEBT SERVICE, BENEFITS & TRANSFERS</u>		
Custodial	1,250,740	1,243,636	Census	-0-	-0-
Maintenance	605,719	668,623	State Retirement	351,902	312,600
Data Processing	233,957	256,883	Teacher Retirement	812,714	746,267
Central Printing	44,000	45,832	Social Security	937,698	952,674
TOTAL	2,134,416	2,214,974	Workers' Compensation	141,563	170,715
<u>INSTRUCTION</u>			Unemployment Insurance	40,000	40,000
Curriculum	82,097	106,269	Medical Insurance	2,764,795	3,205,137
Supervision	686,852	700,369	Bond Anticipation Notes	55,717	55,717
Research & Evaluation	19,578	20,478	Lease/Purchase Buses	247,177	186,558
Inservice Training	47,700	25,407	RAN Interest	6,000	6,000
Regular School	7,109,930	7,099,504	Installment Purchase	-0-	-0-
Handicapped	2,268,661	2,570,932	Other Debt	546,396	546,397
Occupational Education	492,520	532,962	Transfer to Debt Service Fund	1,461,717	1,603,196
Special Schools	48,291	46,170	Transfer to Federal Fund	24,000	30,000
TOTAL	10,755,629	11,102,091	Transfer to Capital Fund	-0-	-0-
			TOTAL	7,389,679	7,855,261
			TOTAL GENERAL		
			FUND EXPENDITURES	24,880,647	25,660,770

Budget Overview



**CONVERSION OF 2009-10
BUDGET TO THREE COMPONENTS**

<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>	2008-09 BUDGET	2009-10 BUDGET	<u>CAPITAL</u>	2008-09 BUDGET	2009-10 BUDGET
Board of Education	13,521	13,471	Operation of Plant	1,250,740	1,243,636
Central Administration	199,383	204,451	Maintenance of Plant	605,719	668,623
Finance	320,460	332,184	Judgments & Claims	-0-	-0-
Legal Services	69,925	29,000	Refund of Taxes	7,500	19,940
Personnel	1,000	1,000	Purchase of Buses	-0-	-0-
Records Management	-0-	-0-	Debt Service	855,290	794,672
Public Information	18,682	18,682	Transfer to Debt Service	1,461,717	1,603,196
Central Printing	44,000	45,832	Transfer to Capital	-0-	-0-
Central Data Processing	233,957	256,883	Benefits	<u>347,078</u>	<u>389,258</u>
Other Special Items	282,697	294,553			
Curriculum Development	82,097	106,269	TOTAL	4,528,044	4,719,325
Supervision Reg. School	686,852	700,369			
Supervision Special School	-0-	-0-			
Research Planning & Develop.	19,578	20,478			
Employee Benefits	<u>468,788</u>	<u>537,034</u>			
TOTAL	2,440,940	2,560,206	TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	<u>24,880,647</u>	<u>25,660,770</u>

PROGRAM

Legal	15,000	15,000
Instruction	11,856,700	12,052,557
District Transportation	1,633,705	1,627,834
Garage	58,813	64,107
Contract Transportation	90,640	90,640
Comm. Service	-0-	-0-
Other Transfers	24,000	30,000
Benefits	<u>4,232,805</u>	<u>4,501,101</u>
TOTAL	17,911,663	18,381,239



ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Eden Central School District provides for the use of absentee ballots at all district votes and elections. Applications and ballots for this vote will be available beginning Monday, April 20, 2009. You may request an application by calling 992-3613 or writing the District Clerk at 3150 Schoolview Road, Eden, New York 14057 no later than Tuesday, May 12, 2009.

The completed application must be returned and received by the District Clerk. If approved, an official ballot will be mailed to the applicant.

If desired, an application may be completed in the office of the District Clerk no later than 4:00 p.m., Monday, May 18, 2009. The application will be reviewed for eligibility and, if approved, an official ballot will be provided to the voter at that time. It is recommended that the Clerk's office be called at 992-3613 to assure that the Clerk is available at the time of the anticipated visit.

A ballot may only be counted if received by the Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote, Tuesday, May 19, 2009.

BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED OR HANDED TO THE VOTER ONLY

Any questions regarding this process should be directed to the District Clerk's office at 992-3613 between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

EDEN JR/SR HIGH SELECTS JANUARY ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

By Colleen Kot

The Eden Girls' Athletic Association and Varsity Club would like to recognize the following athletes as nominated by their coaches. Chelsey Ray (cheerleading), Rebecca Gagliardo (bowling), Jay Senozetnik (bowling), Brandon Dix (basketball), Hannah Herc (basketball), Tom Page (wrestling) and Mike Buziak (swimming).

As one of the co-captains for Varsity Cheerleading, Chelsey always does what is best for her team. She is a hard worker who ensures that each member of her team feels valuable. As one of the seniors, Chelsey's positive attitude will be missed next year.

In Girl's Bowling, Rebecca Gagliardo has resurrected her season with a 434 set against a tough Alden team. Rebecca has emerged as a team leader as she has overcome a slow start to her season. Rebecca often leads by example and helps her teammates when needed.

Jay Senozetnik was chosen as athlete of the month for Boy's Bowling for his superior performance. Two out of three matches, Jay had high sets of 599 and 563, and his high games were 244 and 208.

On the basketball court, Brandon Dix has been averaging 15 points per game. His positive work ethic on and off the court has been a great inspiration for the rest of the team.

Hannah Herc is an exceptional athlete. She gives it her all everyday and strives to be better than everyone around her. Hannah is a second year Varsity starter and is a captain on the Girls' Varsity Basketball team. Hannah leads the team in scoring, averaging 12 points and 11 rebounds a game. Hannah has led the team in scoring in six games this year and has six double doubles thus far. Hannah is a tremendous athlete, leader, and example to those around her.

Tom Page had to win five straight matches to become champion at the Niagara Frontier Wrestling Official Tournament on January 9th and 10th. He faced Sam Recco, who was ranked #1 in Section V and beat Sam 4 -2 in the semi-finals. He then went on to beat the #2 ranked wrestler in Section VI (Steven Michal) in the finals, 8 -2. Tom lost to Michal two weeks earlier and was able to be victorious in the re-match. Tom is currently 14 wins and 2 losses for this season thus far. He is now ranked #2 in Section VI at his weight class, and all the while maintaining high honors in his academics (GPA- 98).

Mike Buziak is a captain for the Boy's Varsity Swim Team and is a top notch swimmer. He qualified for ECIC's and Sectionals and is a member of the undefeated 200 Medley Relay. Mike has scored a minimum of 15 points per meet to be one of the leaders in scoring. His events include the 50 and 100 freestyle and any two of the three remaining relays.



Pictured: Tom Page, Jay Senozetnik, Mike Buziak, Chelsey Ray, Rebecca Gagliardo, Hannah Herc, Brandon Dix.

EDEN ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following were Elementary Students of the Month for January:

Grade 3: Stella Bialaszewski, Mikayla Bushey, Patrick Cuddihy, Jacob Flanders, Lauren Soda.

Grade 4: Megan Cassidy, Kaitlyn Greeley, Tyler Harshberger, Tyler Jacobs, Gabrielle Mohan.

Grade 5: Kenneth Burgstahler, Zachariah Congdon, Evan Kifner, Sara Preischel, Kyle Spicola, Amanda Sullivan.

Grade 6: Brian Fageol, Brandon Navel, Hannah Osinski, Jared Włodarczyk, Alexandria Zydell.

The following were Elementary Students of the Month for February:

Grade 3: Hannah Cialone, Glenn Hoelscher, Adam Rakiecki, Rachel Reinecke, Calysta Standard.

Grade 4: Emma Awdey, Brandy Fiumara, David Mammoser, Derek Reed, Michael Senus.

Grade 5: Julia Dole, Valerie Fox, Sarah Hooper, Edward Koester, Mitchell Mason, Jacob Vullo.

Grade 6: Kurt Beller, Hayden Herc, Yasmine Hassan, Brandon Horvatits, Annemarie Jones, Joshua Zdon.

ECIC DIVISION CHAMPIONS

By Amber Costanzo

On Saturday, February 7, the Eden Varsity Cheerleaders, led by co-captains Kayla Maxon, Chelsey Ray and Abby Szal, competed at the ECIC winter cheerleading competition held at Lakeshore High School. The squad won first place, beating seven other teams, naming them ECIC Division Champions. The girls also earned an award for Best Stunts. Abby Szal and Jessica Nemeč were ECIC all stars. The squad traveled to Orlando, Florida on March 20th to compete in the AmeriCheer International Cheerleading Competition, where they finished in 7th place.



Row 1: Jessica Nemeč, Sam Frew, Tiffany Anderson, Kayla Maxon, Abby Szal, Chelsey Ray, Leeann Esford. Row 2: Coach Amber Costanzo, Nicole Nowak, Kate Hains, Chelsea Anderson, Felicia Grassia, Kacy Benson, Sarah Telaak, Kelly Beller, Nicole Ferguson.

FEBRUARY CHARACTER AWARD WINNERS



Blake Colantino, grade 1; Aiden Strawbrich, grade 2; Karli Morrill, grade 5; Bradley Palmerton, grade 7; and Chad Blonar, grade 12 were honored as February's Character Award Winners. Congratulations to all! Pictured are Aiden, Chad and Karli.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALIST

By Marc Graff



It is my pleasure to announce that Joelle Crabtree was one of 15,000 finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program! This is an outstanding accomplishment, especially when you consider the millions of students that were part of the first phase of the competition. If you see Joelle around the district, please congratulate her on this tremendous honor.

In addition, Joelle was chosen for Business First's 2009 All Western New York Academic Team (First Team). Selections were based on records of academic achievement, school leadership, and community involvement.

ART CRAFT COMPETITION WINNERS

By Lisa Alessi Nicastro

Mr. Graff and I attended an award reception held by The Metro Group in honor of the students winning the annual Ad Craft campaign. Once again this year, we are very proud of our students who were commended by senior executives from the Metro Group.

Winning seven out of ten places in the Hamburg Sun were Jessica Nemeč and Kayla Maxon.

- 1-Kayla, Dry Creek Products
- 2-Kayla, Western NY Health Expo.
- 3-Jess, Randall Agency
- 5-Kayla, John & Mary's
- 6-Kayla, Robinson, MD
- 9 (tie 2x)-Jess, Eden Town Board & Page Harms Oil

Jessica Nemeč also competed against hundreds of seniors in 3 counties and won a \$1,000 scholarship. She was personally congratulated by the owner (and offered a job when she was ready).

Please congratulate our art students if you have the opportunity. I am extremely proud of them.

FEBRUARY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to Amy McConeghy, Elementary Art Teacher, for being named as February's Employee of the Month. Pictured are Mr. Schaefer and Mrs. McConeghy.

FITNESS FOR KIDS UPDATE

By Marisa Fallacaro

The Fitness for Kids Challenge is 6 months in and, with only 2 months to go the GLP is currently in 1st place. This is out of 56 primary schools in Erie County. The Elementary School is in 12th place. Our students have done a great job thus far. We have had a number of students win shirts and hats with their entries. The Fitness for Kids Challenge will award one primary and one secondary school in each of the eight counties of Western New York with a \$1,000 cash prize. Prizes are awarded based on the percentage of students participating at each school at the close of the program on May 22, 2009.

If you would like more information about this challenge or the great work that our students are doing, please go to www.fitnessforkidschallenge.com.

STATE GEOGRAPHY BEE COMPETITOR

By M.B. Sweeney

John Morrow, a seventh grade student qualified to compete in the National Geographic Geography Bee in Albany on April 3, 2009, where he finished 15th out of 100 contestants.

John competed and won the school level competition in January. The school winners from around the state then took a written test, and the top scorers became eligible to compete in their state bee.

A-MAZE-ING AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR VISITS EDEN ELEMENTARY

By Vanessa Zoll

New York City children's writer and illustrator, Roxie Munro amazed students at Eden Elementary March 5th. She is known for her maze design books, picture puzzles, and search-and-find books. She has written titles such as Mazescapes, Amazement Park, Mazeways A to Z, and her recent release, Go! Go! Go!, a lift-the-flap book. Ms. Munro discussed the history of labyrinths and mazes in natural landscapes and city designs. In the afternoon, she autographed books for students.



Above: Roxie Munro with fourth grader, Gabby Mohan. Below: Third graders Colton Becker and Charles Tate.



The National Geographic Society will provide an all expense paid trip to Washington D.C. for state champions to participate in the national championship and an opportunity to win a \$25,000 College Scholarship on May 19 and 20, 2009. "Jeopardy" host Alex Trebek will moderate the national finals and the program will air on television.

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS ARE COMMITTED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT BULLYING

By Sixth Grade Teachers and Tammy Finnerty

In collaboration with sixth grade teachers, Ms. Finnerty met with sixth grade students over a pizza lunch, graciously donated by the Eden PTA, to discuss bullying. Students discussed the definition, shared facts, personal experiences and how bullying has personally affected them.

Students generated possible solutions to stop bullying, such as telling the other person to "Stop It! I don't like that!", walking away and ignoring it or telling a trusted adult.

Students also looked at a peer mediation model to help them work out their differences by these steps:

Relax- taking a step back from the problem and admit how you feel.

Choose to solve the problem - staying calm and letting the other person know you are ready to talk things through.

Share your feelings - talk about the situation using "I statements."

Listen - without interrupting, listen to the other person's point of view.

Find a Solution - together agree on a way to solve the problem. Then put it into action.

Make a plan for the future - think of better ways to handle the situation if it happens again. Agree to try one of these ideas next time.

Students and Faculty are committed in creating a more positive environment where everyone feels safe, accepted and valued.



Pictured are David Baskerville, Matthew Bratek, Crystal Privitera and Alexandria Zydell.

A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.

Charles Darwin

SIXTH GRADERS ARE PAYING IT FORWARD

By Kathy DeGroat

During February, under the leadership of Mrs. Carrie Hamlett, the National Honor Society in the Junior/Senior High School helped out Hospice Buffalo with their 23rd Annual Spring Bouquet Sale! In an on-going effort to reinforce the idea of Paying It Forward, Mrs. DeGroat's 6th grade math classes decided to donate their change to help the local cause. Some of the students even gave their Christmas spending money! They were able to raise an impressive \$70 to order 10 beautiful bouquets that were given to 10 lucky recipients through a drawing. What a great opportunity to give back to their community and help out a great cause!



HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR A.F.S. STUDENTS

We are currently looking for families interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for the 2009-2010 school year. This is an incredible opportunity to open your home and share your life with an individual from another culture. Our students are usually affiliated with AFS (American Field Service), and we hope to have at least two students here next year.

We need your help! If you have ever wanted to host a student, please contact us immediately. Since it is early enough, we still have the ability to try to match your requests for a student from a specific country; however, we need your input now in order to make that match.

If interested, please contact Mrs. Nicole Janowsky, Foreign Student Coordinator -- 992-3600.



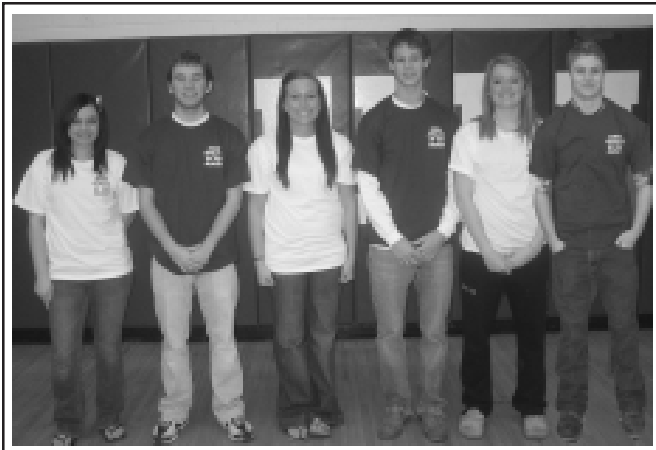
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On the basketball court, Josh Smith led the Eden Raiders to a win against Tonawanda. His defense and scoring helped seal the win. Josh has been working extremely hard in practice and averages 8 points a game. Hailee Herc is an exceptionally strong athlete. She is the leading rebounder on our team and second leading scorer. Her hard work under the boards is one of the reasons that the Lady Raider Basketball Team is having such a successful season. Hailee is a great player, and more importantly, a great kid who Ms. Fallacaro has enjoyed coaching.

Ed Sarcione and Kyle Zittel were chosen by their coaches because of their hard work and positive attitudes. Both athletes attended the State Championships in their respective sports. Pictured below: Alicia Hornberger, Josh Smith, Samantha Frew, Kyle Zittel, Hailee Herc and Ed Sarcione.



Left: Grace Ohmit, Angela Yingling-Choreographer, and Lauren Pszonak after the Sunday performance of "Footloose".
Right: Luke Schlegel enjoys time on the playground.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 1989!

Eden's class of 1989 is planning a 20-year reunion for August 7-9, 2009.

August 7th will be a gathering at the Corn Festival, August 8th will be a dinner at J & M's West End Inn in Hamburg, and August 9th is a gathering with families to watch the Corn Festival Parade. See classmates.com for more information.

SKILLSUSA REGIONAL COMPETITION

By Amy Banks

The following students participated in the SkillsUSA Regional Competition at Alfred State on March 10, 2009 and placed within their skills area:

First Place:

Technical Drafting: **Mike Paciorek - CADD**
Technical Computer Applications: **Joshua Conner**

Second Place:

CSI: **Rebecca Sutton - Criminal Justice**

Third Place:

Diesel: **Paul Grimmer - Diesel Mechanics**
Nail Technician & Model - **Ashley Thomas**

Congratulations to Mike, Joshua, Rebecca, Paul and Ashley!

MARCH EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH



Mrs. Sandi Ploetz, GLP Librarian, and Mrs. Carrie Hamlett, High School Social Studies Teacher were named as Employees of the Month for March.

Congratulations to both!

EDEN FBLA COMPETES AT BRYANT & STRATTON

By Kathleen Bugenhagen, FBLA Historian

On February 2, 2009 the Eden Future Business Leaders of America Club competed at the District 12 Spring meeting at Bryant & Stratton College. At the meeting, members competed in various events against members from other schools in District 12. Events included written tests, as well as performance events, such as public speaking and job interview.

The program included testing and performance events in the morning, followed by lunch and the awards ceremony. Awards were given to the top three scoring competitors in each event. Eden was represented by Zabrina Nedimyer, Jewel Kwilos, Chad Blonar, Jessica Kramer, Max Malayny, Haley Sovereign, Taylor Hecke, Tess Hecke, and Alex Becker.



The results were as follows:

First Place	Zabrina Nedimyer	Keyboarding
First Place	Zabrina Nedimyer	Introduction to Business
First Place	Jewel Kwilos	FBLA Principles & Procedures
Third Place	Chad Blonar	Impromptu Speaking
Third Place	Jessica Kramer	Job Interview
Third Place	Max Malayny	Marketing

All members enjoyed the opportunity to compete at the local level before going on to the State Leadership Conference in Rochester, which was held from April 22-24.

EMPTY BOWLS VI

ARTISTS HELPING FEED WESTERN NEW YORK

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2009 12:00-3:00 pm

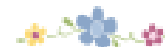
Location has been changed to THE BURCHFIELD-PENNEY ART CENTER at Buffalo State College

GLP second grade artists + High School ceramic artists = Community Awareness and Brotherhood.

Over 50 wheel thrown bowls were created by Mrs. Nicastro's High School ceramic artists. The second grade artists from Mrs. Bossert's GLP art studio traveled to the High School on four separate field trips with their bowl designs in hand. The high school students assisted the second graders in glazing/painting the bowls with symbols of life and hope inspired by Native American art. The experience was truly magical for both groups of artists. This hands on experience created an art fellowship between the students as they joined forces for a common goal.

Each bowl will be delivered to Buffalo State College and sold at their sixth annual Empty Bowls Event. This year it takes place at the exciting new Burchfield-Penney Art Center located next to the Buff State campus. Please consider coming out, shopping among the hundreds of handmade bowls, supporting our Eden artists/art program and becoming part of the solution to world hunger.

Pictured: Second grade artists Cyril Haley and Tommy Macauley working with HS ceramic artist Ryan Said.



FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Congratulations to three of our athletes for qualifying for State Competition.

Tom Page and Eddie Sarcione attended the Wrestling State Championships in Albany.

Kyle Zittel qualified in the breast stroke to attend the Swimming State Championships in Long Island.

Also, congratulations to Coach Tom Page and Coach Charlie Hund for a great winter season!

If you see any of these champions, be sure to congratulate them on their accomplishments and doing our district proud! GO RAIDERS!

TREASURE ISLAND

By Laura Wincenciak



Eden Elementary students in Grades 5 & 6 are shown preparing for the school's 10th annual musical. "Treasure Island" was staged April 2 - 4. Pictured above (left to right) are Brad Smolinski and Nick Goetz practicing stage combat under the watchful eye of Steve Vaughan, an artist-in-residence from Niagara University.



Senior, Kim LaGreca and Second Grader, Trinity Ruckdaschel share a smile after working on the Empty Bowls project together.

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