

# 139th Commencement Celebrated at FCS



On Saturday, June 28th, Forestville Central held its 139th Commencement ceremony at 6:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium with nearly 400 in attendance. The night was elegantly led off by Miss Laura Pfleuger as she sang the National Anthem followed by a welcome message from high school principal, Mr. Charles Leichner. Miss Maghan Brennan



delivered her Salutatory Address which led us all down the path of memories that the Class of '08 has experienced here at FCS. This year's commencement speaker, Mr. Jack Dugan Jr. (Class of 1983), relayed various points of advice and took the graduates on a journey through his memorable moments as a Hornet. He reminded the graduating seniors "to never forget where you came from." The FCS concert band, directed by Mr. Jeffrey Geblein, played a musical selection entitled, "*A Journey to the*

*Summit*" by James Swearingen. The class Valedictorian, Miss Aubrey Gawron, stated, "Have



great hopes and dare to go all out for them. Have great dreams and dare to live them.

Have tremendous expectations and believe in them.

This is all we can do to make the life we live fulfilling." Graduates were then presented their diplomas from Forestville Board of Education President, Mrs. Nancy Stock and Forestville Superintendent, Mr. John O'Connor. Congratulations and Best Wishes

were then offered from the FCS

teachers, staff, parents, friends, and underclassmen as the newly decorated graduates concluded the night with a small reception in the high school cafeteria and patio.



# Mr. John “Jack” Szydlo Retires

Mr. Szydlo began his career at Forestville Central School as a substitute English teacher in June of 1969. He was originally hired as a 7th and 8th grade history teacher as well as a JV football coach.

In 1970, he was drafted in the US Army. The Army allowed him to finish out that school year before sending him to boot camp in July. After completing his basic training, he was sent to Fort Gordon, Georgia for 10 weeks of military police training. He was then sent to work in an American prison in Mannheim, Germany as a Correctional Specialist instead of Vietnam. After a year in Germany, Jack returned to the US and began his new assignment at West Point, NY. He served as a company clerk in charge of preparing reports, updating unit files and handling correspondence. The Secretary of the Army awarded Specialist 5, John P. Szydlo, “The Army Commendation Medal” for his outstanding professional competence and devotion to duty.

Jack returned to Forestville in 1972 to teach 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, & 12<sup>th</sup> grade history, as well as coach jv baseball, varsity basketball, and football. In 1980, he became the high school principal. After serving 10 years in that position, Jack went “down to the little school” to begin his 17 year stint as a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher. Jack has also served on the Elementary and High School Building Teams, the Regents Action Plan, and School Improvement Plan committees.

Additionally, Jack has been a Driver Education instructor in Forestville, Dunkirk, and Fredonia since 1976. He has also taught 5-hour driver education courses and officiated many basketball, football, track, and volleyball games over the past 30 years.

Jack has many interests and hobbies. He loves to travel, garden, play sports, and work on the family farm. He enjoys meeting new people and visiting Civil War battlefields. He likes going to air shows, the Daytona 500, and is also a member of the Geneseo Warplane Museum in Geneseo, NY.



FTA President, Mr. Jon LeBaron (Left), presents Mr. John Szydlo (Right) with a NYSUT certificate commemorating his 34 years with the district.



# From the Desk of Mr. Leichner

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## Building for the Future

Now that July has arrived, it is time for us to turn our attention to the fall and the beginning of a new school year. The upcoming year will be both exciting and challenging for faculty, staff and students in the Middle/High School! Although we do not know the exact date that the ground breaking will take place, we will definitely face some inconveniences as construction begins. As is the case with any major construction or renovation project, a number of adjustments will be necessary. One of the primary concerns that we originally considered was the possibility of temporarily moving the sixth grade classes to the elementary building until construction was complete. After countless 'strategic scheduling meetings' we are pleased to announce that we will be able to keep the sixth grade in the middle/high school building throughout the construction project!

Once construction actually begins, fire code issues that are beyond our control will render a number of classrooms unavailable for student use until the project is finished. Other areas of the building will be used to meet the demands of a busy schedule and therefore the cafeteria will be used as a location for study halls both before and after lunch each day. The remainder of the day will find teachers taking turns using available classrooms on a rotating basis.

The construction will be nothing more than a temporary inconvenience that will lead to a beautiful new addition to our middle/high school building! Our educational program will not be compromised during this process and our entire community will benefit from the resulting addition to our school.

Have a great summer and we'll see you in September!

- Mr. Chuck Leichner



### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation

Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM - HS Café.

More information will be mailed home soon!



**Don't Miss**

# From the Desk of Mr. Grande

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It's hard to imagine that another school year has come and gone! As the old saying goes, "Times flies when you're having fun!" That can be the only explanation for this year flying by so fast. It was a "fun" year and an excellent year for academic progress!

We completed our third successful year of tutoring with the assistance of Fredonia State College's after school tutors. Struggling math and reading students received additional instruction in small groups that targeted specific deficient skills. The tutors created fun learning sessions that caused students to engage themselves in a variety of activities. Thank you to Fredonia State College for their support to keep this essential program going!

It was a special year for Forestville's 4 year-olds as they participated in our brand new Universal Pre-K program. Mrs. Stonefoot and Mrs. Swanson provided a rich hands-on learning environment that focused on the social and academic skills necessary for entering kindergarten. It will be great to see how fast these students will be able to adjust to a full-day program as kindergarteners!

The last week of school ceremonies (pre-k and kindergarten graduations, academic awards, 5<sup>th</sup> grade moving up day) were as special as they always are but were available to a much wider audience as they were streamed 'live' over the Internet! In the future, most of the district's special activities will be available for 'live' viewing through our website. Don't forget to check out the scheduled events at [www.forestville.com](http://www.forestville.com).

The parents also helped to make this a successful year! Thank you for all your support. Without the support of parents, our job would be very difficult, possibly impossible! In addition to thanking all the individual parents who helped out throughout the year, I must also thank our Parent Connection. If you're not involved with this group of parents, may I suggest you join them! They provide so much life to our school and have a blast doing it! We love our parents!!!

Obviously, I could not sit here and thank people without mentioning those individuals in the trenches, our dedicated faculty and staff. These ladies and gentlemen are some of the most creative, talented, caring individuals I have ever worked with! They go above and beyond to ensure that our students have every benefit of the finest education possible! Thank you!!!

Hoping you're having a restful summer vacation,

Mr. Grande

## *Summer Tips for Maintaining Academic Skills*

It is vitally important that students spend time during their summer months with reading, writing and math activities. Please encourage your child to read as much as possible. Hopefully, your child is taking full advantage of Mr. Worosz's Summer Reading Program!

If your family goes on vacation, please encourage your child to keep a record of all of the exciting things that they did in a summer journal. This will help to strengthen their writing and communication skills.

Let's not forget about math. Encourage opportunities for children to practice their basic addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts.

A few minutes of practice each day will help to prepare your child for the challenges of the next grade. Two months is a long time for students, and much can be forgotten if it is not reinforced by practice at home during the summer vacation.

# FCS Names Valedictorian and Salutatorian

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**Aubrey Ann Gawron**, daughter of Martin and Carol Gawron, has been named Valedictorian of the Forestville Central School Class of 2008. Over the past four years, Aubrey has earned an overall grade point average of 96.98 and will graduate with 21 college credits.

In addition to Aubrey's academic achievements, she also participates in many extracurricular activities in and out of school. In school, Aubrey is a member of the varsity basketball team, varsity softball team, marching band, jazz ensemble, and pit band. She also is a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish club.

Outside of school, Aubrey is a member of the United Angels Youth group in Silver Creek and has been on mission trips to St. Louis, Missouri and Puerto Rico. Aubrey will be traveling to California this summer to participate in another mission trip. In the fall, Aubrey will be attending the University at Buffalo where she will be majoring in pharmacy.

**Maghan (Maggie) Brennan**, daughter of Ron and Mary Brennan, has been named the Salutatorian of the 2008 Senior Class at Forestville Central School. Maggie currently participates in the 3-1-3 Program at SUNY Fredonia in addition to taking Jamestown Community College classes at the school. This will enable her to graduate with 22 college credit hours. Her GPA for the past four years is 96.82.

Throughout high school Maggie has participated in basketball, softball, cheerleading, chorus, concert band, marching band, percussion band, jazz ensemble, musicals, Spanish Club, Varsity Club and the local chapter of the National Honor Society. Maggie has also participated in many community service activities and greatly enjoys helping others.

Maggie currently works at the Tri-County Country Club and will go on a mission trip to California in July with her church's youth group. Her future plans are to obtain Registered Nurse status at Jamestown Community College and transfer into a Nurse Practitioner program.







# Spanish Department Update



Students took time out of their busy end of the year schedules to enjoy the final Spanish Club meeting. They had their own Borinquen experience by participating in a Puerto Rican cooking demonstration. Students learned how to make traditional cuisine including pastelillos de guayaba y queso and guava and cheddar ritz snacks. Students also tasted a variety of tropical fruit juices and Goya sodas.

Thanks to all the Spanish Club members who helped make this another successful year!



## Outstanding Spanish Students Recently Honored

Three 8<sup>th</sup> grade students were recently honored at the Western New York Foreign Language Educators Council awards ceremony. The STAR (Student, Teacher and Recognition) Awards dinner was held on June 4, 2008 at Joseph's Country Manor & Grove in Depew. Shauna Brunea, Katherine Fickelscherer, and Megan Thompson were the only Chautauqua County students to receive this recognition. Middle school Spanish teacher Laurie Becker nominated these three young women based on the following criteria: (1) Outstanding achievement in the foreign language; (2) Outstanding effort; (3) Appreciation of the value of studying other languages and cultures; (4) Interest in pursuing further foreign language study. Congratulations to these fine young ladies for their achievements. They are all well-deserving of this award.





# High School Art News



The 2007-2008 school year was a busy one, starting with our fall musical, “Fiddler on the Roof.” Many art students helped with creating the props and flats for the production, which included a “Starry Night”-type backdrop. Each year, students in the advanced art classes contribute to the stage production, while some also participate as performers.

This year, there were a record number of seniors taking Advanced Studio, or Independent Study in Art. Seven members of the Class of 2008 worked on projects and portfolios; several plan on going into art programs in college. Class Night boasted the work of nine seniors, including the artwork of Angela Barney, Theresa Baron, Rachel Clugston, Don Ervolina, Jessica Kordon, Josh Paterson, Chris Reading, Jon Riley, and Caitlin Ross.

Several art students are participating this year in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Art for Heart auction. H.E.A.R.T. (Helping Every Adolescent Rally Together) is a partnership sponsored by the Mental Health Association committed to educating teens about mental health issues in order to decrease self-destructive behaviors, and to increase respect and tolerance for one another, parents and teachers. Area students have been asked to donate art work for auctioning to raise money for the cause. Forestville participants include Joe Burdic, Danielle Franklin, Nicole Ostrye, Jeremy Jock, Jon Riley, Maddy Kingsfield, Caitlin Ross, and Macie Pisa. The auction is scheduled to take place this October. Last year’s auction was reported to be a big success; with the help of our caring students, many of whom contributed last year as well, we’re hoping for another successful event.

## Unselfish Act



In March, Marion Czechowski, a junior at Forestville Central School, participated in the “Bald for Bucks” fundraiser at the BOCES LoGuidice Educational Center.

For the fundraiser, participants shave or cut their hair to benefit cancer research and patient care programs at Roswell Park Cancer Institute. Marion raised \$120.00 for the cause. According to Marion, she wanted to do this in memory of her good friend, Alex Cope. “I wanted to do this so hopefully someone else doesn’t have to go through losing a friend to cancer like I did.”

In today’s society it takes great courage to make a bold decision such as this, and Marion has always been one of those students whose individualism has shined through. Hopefully she will inspire others to contribute to organizations like “Bald for Bucks.”

Visit [www.roswellpark.org/Giving/Special\\_Events](http://www.roswellpark.org/Giving/Special_Events) for more information about this program.

# Fight It With Fashion A Success

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual “Fight It with Fashion” Dress Sale Raises Money for Breast Cancer Research

A check in the amount of \$2530.00 was recently presented to the Western New York Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research Foundation. Forestville faculty and students helped to organize the annual event, bringing the combined amount to over \$6000 in the past four years.

Through the generosity of various local businesses and the SUNY Fredonia Office of Campus Life, the 4th annual charity dress sale was held March 29, 2008 in the Williams Center on the campus of Fredonia State College. Area students and parents from all ends of Chautauqua County including: Dunkirk, Fredonia, Cassadaga, Pine Valley, Brocton, Forestville, and Ripley were among those in attendance at the sale, with proceeds benefiting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Over the past year Forestville faculty members Amanda Oddo-Tonelli and Brianne Hazelton worked to coordinate the event. The preliminary stages began with the collection of new and gently used dresses from all areas of Western New York. Several Buffalo-area bridal salons: Christine’s of Cheektowaga along with Bridals by “D” and the Bridal Chateau both of Williamsville donated nearly 250 brand new dresses for the sale. In addition, residents from all over Chautauqua County contributed dresses to help this worthy cause. The donation drive proved to be extremely successful as approximately 600 dresses adorned the sales racks the morning of the sale. The dress sale served a dual purpose; dresses were sold to students for \$25.00, a price vastly cheaper than department stores; also being a charity event, proceeds were collected and donated to the foundation.

While at the dress sale, shoppers previewed the most current trends in formalwear during a fashion show featuring student models from many local schools in the county. A number of area businesses offered their services to ensure the event’s success. Petri’s of Silver Creek graciously donated cookies that served as refreshments for shoppers. Each customer that purchased a dress was also given a 50% off coupon to have their dresses cleaned and pressed at Jim’s Dry Cleaners of Fredonia. Wal-Mart also donated \$1,000 to the dress sale.

Dress donations for next year’s sale will begin immediately, and will be accepted at Forestville Central School. If you would like more information about the dress sale or would like to make a donation, please contact Amanda Oddo-Tonelli or Brianne Hazelton at 965-2711. Email and general information is also available on the Forestville Central School website ([www.forestville.com](http://www.forestville.com)). Mrs. Oddo-Tonelli and Mrs. Hazelton would like to thank all of the wonderful volunteers that helped make this event a huge success.







# Guidance News



## Seniors – Class of 2008

- \*Tell each college that has offered you admission whether you accept or decline their offer. \*Send a deposit to the college you choose.
- \*Contact the Guidance Office after graduation about sending final transcripts to your college.
- \*Start preparing for the year ahead.

## Juniors – Class of 2009

- \*Start visiting local colleges. Develop a list of 15 to 20 colleges that interest you.
- \*Search for colleges on the Internet. A great resource is [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- \*Take the SAT or ACT.
- \*Review your senior-year classes with your counselor. Challenge yourself with college-preparatory classes.
- \*Visit colleges, take campus tours, and schedule interviews with admissions counselors.
- \*Request applications from colleges to which you will apply. Check important dates -- some universities have early dates or rolling admissions.
- \*Search for scholarships on [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- \*Check with the guidance office about what type of diploma you are on track to receive.

## Sophomores – Class of 2010

- \*Start your college search!! Make lists of your abilities, preferences, and personal qualities. List things you may want to study and do in college. Read about majors and careers on [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- \*Plan on taking the PSAT in October.



## Spanish V Earns College Credit

Recently, the Spanish V class went to JCC to take the Spanish College Level Examination Program (CLEP) test. This is a computer based examination that is created to measure the students' Spanish language proficiency. Each student's scores are converted to a scaled score that ranges from 20, the lowest, to 80, the highest. The exam awards 6 college credits to those that score a 50 or higher and 12 college credits to those that score a 66 or higher.

Congratulations to Maggie Brennan, Cassidy Kingsfield, & Liana Halliman for receiving 6 college credits on the Spanish CLEP exam.

## Important Information Regarding Junior/Senior Planning Night for the Fall

The Junior/Senior Planning Night that is usually held in September has been cancelled due to poor attendance over the last few years. I understand that September is a busy time of year for many parents and students, so I have decided to hand out the information to all juniors and seniors during school hours. This information will also be available on the guidance web page at [www.forestville.com](http://www.forestville.com). Any parents or guardians that have questions about the information presented are encouraged to contact me at 965-2711.

Sincerely,

Brianne Hazelton

High School Counselor

### ACT TEST DATES

September 13<sup>th</sup>

October 25<sup>th</sup>

December 13<sup>th</sup>

April 4<sup>th</sup>

June 13<sup>th</sup>

### ACT REGISTRATION DEADLINES

August 12<sup>th</sup>

September 19<sup>th</sup>

November 7<sup>th</sup>

February 27<sup>th</sup>

May 8<sup>th</sup>

### SAT TEST DATES

October 4, 2008

November 1, 2008

December 6, 2008

January 24, 2009

March 14, 2009

May 2, 2009

June 6, 2009

### SAT REGISTRATION DEADLINES

September 9, 2008

September 26, 2008

November 5, 2008

December 26, 2008

February 10, 2009

March 31, 2009

May 5, 2009

Please contact Mrs. Hazelton in the guidance office if you have a question or need help registering.

# National Technical Honor Society

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On April 28th, Marion Czechowski, Erica Elliott, Andrew Flowers and Brandon Lilley were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society at the BOCES LoGuidice Educational Center. Membership in the National Technical Honor Society is one of the highest honors that can be awarded to a career and technical student. In order to become a member of the National Technical Honor Society, students must have and maintain at least a 90 average in their vocational program. Current members include senior Jonathan Shain who participates in the Criminal Justice program at the LoGuidice Center.



## 2-1-1 Information



Information and help are just a call away. When you need help with rent/mortgage, legal counseling, financial assistance, and more just call 2-1-1. One of our friendly specialists will provide the free, confidential information you need. 2-1-1 specialists have access to thousands of programs available to residents of Chautauqua County. Many of these programs are free.

Get the answers you need by dialing 2-1-1 or 1-888-696-9211. Calls are answered 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Western New York 211 is funded in part by the United Way.



# Distance Learning Courses to be Offered in 2008-2009

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## **Holocaust Course - 1 semester**

This course will consider the reality and implications of the Nazi campaign to destroy European Jews from 1933 to 1945. With technological advantages of interactive microphones and cameras, the teacher will encourage discussion among class members in the three participating schools, and will invite survivors of the Holocaust to sharpen students' focus and sensitivity. Limited to six appropriately motivated and self-reliant students in each school, the course will require some outside reading and a major project, along with occasional tests and a running journal of the course experience.

## **JCC Criminal Justice - Fall; college credit (Human Services – Spring)**

An interdisciplinary survey of the American criminal justice system with specific topical emphasis on crime, law enforcement, courts, and corrections. Students must learn and discuss cogently the significance of legal and behavioral aspects of crime, the process of justice, various law enforcement entities within the United States, the need for various court structures, and various penological systems.

## **Sports Management 1 & 2 - Full Year**

The world of sports management is a big business full of huge budget decisions and complex negotiations. Learning what sports fans and athletes want and need and promoting sporting organizations both large and small are key management activities. Students will look at sports as a business and as entertainment, as well as from various perspectives, such as agent, fan, athlete, and more. You'll study the history of sports management and analyze past sporting events, looking closely at the management decisions that were made. You'll also critique advertising and other promotional methods, and learn about sports licensing.

## **Psychology - 1 Year**

Psychology may be defined as the scientific study of mental processes and the behavior of organisms. Major objectives of the course are not merely the acquisition of knowledge. It is hoped that a better understanding of oneself will be realized. A thorough investigation of the basic viewpoints of psychology (Psychoanalytic, Behaviorist, Cognitive, and Humanist) comprises much of the course. Other topics include research methods, learning and cognitive processes, the workings of the mind and body (sensation and perception, altered states of consciousness, etc.), personality, psychological testing, and abnormal psychology.

## **Fashion & Design (Art) - 1 Year**

Fashion Illustration is an advanced course to be elected after a student has completed a full year in Studio in Art and preferably, Drawing & Painting. It is designed to develop in students the knowledge and understanding of the aesthetics principles and skills involved in fashion illustration. This course covers fashion history, the development of fashion illustration, its function of enhancing the figure, the processes in preparing fashion illustrations. Experiences similar to those found in fashion and fashion advertising studios should be simulated in the classroom, including the use of live-models during part of the year.

## **Business Law - 1 Year**

Applications of the business laws, as they affect the individual, are featured; the relationship of the law to an individual's personal, as well as occupational life, is emphasized.

## **Computer Graphics with MAYA - 1 Year**

This course teaches an introduction to 3D modeling, including the use of color, textures, materials, lighting, shading, rendering, animation, using the Academy Award winning software program MAYA. MAYA has been used to create the computer graphics characters, objects, and animations, as seen in the hit movies Shrek, Monsters Inc. and Final Fantasy. Students will be using the free down-loadable PLE edition which will allow objects and scenes to be saved and viewed. The PLE edition is freely available for both the MacIntosh and PC Windows platforms at [www.alias.com](http://www.alias.com)

## **American Sign Language - Full Year**

## **Music Theory - Full Year**

**If you are interested in enrolling in any of the above classes, please contact the HS Guidance office.**

# FCS Excels at Local Mathematics Competition

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On Thursday May 22, five of our best math and science students competed at the Fredonia State Annual Math and Science Competition. Cassidy Kingsfield, Anthony Czarnota and Chad Berggren won first place in the MacGyver Vehicle Design competition. In the MacGyver competition, each team was given materials to make a vehicle which traveled by air, water or land. Cassidy, Chad and Anthony made an air propelled boat for their competition vehicle. Their vehicle went the farthest distance and won the competition. Maggie Brennan and Aubrey Gawron with three Sherman Central students won first place in the "Fit Club" competition. In this competition, the girls measured heart rate, blood pressure and breathing rate during different activities. Aubrey and Maggie analyzed the data they collected and graphed it. They took the graphs and wrote a report that analyzed the results. There were approximately 100 students in each of their competitions. About 500 students from area schools competed in the events during the day. Congratulations to the Forestville students for a great job.



## MS/HS Band



Congratulations to Kelsie Briggs. Kelsie is a freshman in our band program, and she was just selected to march with the Pioneer Drum Corps. Kelsie plays many instruments here at Forestville: oboe in concert band, bari sax in jazz ensemble and tuba in marching band. She auditioned for and made the corps on contra which is similar to the tuba. Kelsie will join the corps in Illinois after she plays at graduation. Over the next 6 weeks, she will perform in 21 shows as she travels the country with Pioneer. She will perform in the Drums Along the Waterfront competition in Buffalo in August before competing in the World Championships in Bloomington, Indiana. Pioneer is a Division I world class drum corps. They worked their way up to Division I by winning the world Championships first in Division III and then in Division II. They are based out of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Pioneer is one of the top 20 corps in the world, earning a berth in the Championship Quarterfinals. For more information on the corps, you can visit their website at: <http://www.pioneer-corps.org/>. The entire band program is proud of Kelsie's accomplishment.

# FCS Junior Represents FCS in All-State Choir

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Daniel Ulmer, son of Phyllis and Richard Ulmer, was chosen to be a member of the Area All-State Mixed Choir in the Fall of the 07-08 school year.

His membership in this group was entirely dependant on participation with outstanding grades in Vocal Solo Festivals during his Middle School and High School years, as well as a special NY State adjudication process in which he scored an All-State Audition Level 6 A. Daniel is the voice student of Dr. Gray, a professor of voice at SUNY Fredonia.



# P.A.R.P. 2008



## Parents As Reading Partners

### “Reading Rocks!”

The 2008 Parents As Reading Partners Program theme this past Spring was “Reading Rocks!” The 3-week reading program featured a Rock & Roll music theme.

To help kick off this reading event, Glenn Colton came back to Forestville, once again, with his high energy concert. Glenn writes his own songs and performs over 300 shows a year! The “Reading Rocks!” concert was held on Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> in the elementary gym. Glenn brought his son along with him on the day of the concert.



To help get into the Rock & Roll mood, we encouraged the children to dress up for the different music themes each week - beginning with “the 80s” and concluding with an old-fashioned 50's sock hop!



A Tureen Dinner was held on the first evening of PARP for all participating families. Everyone enjoyed the variety of dishes prepared by each family. Teachers donated books to be given away as door prizes from which each family was able to choose before leaving for the evening.



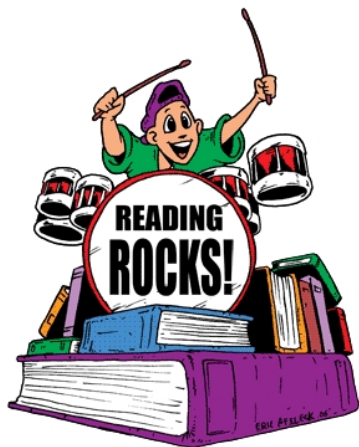
Although the student body didn't meet this year's Reading Goal of 5,000 points, they came very close. For those students who did participate, the PARP Committee honored them with a “Popcorn & Movie Day” in the elementary gym.



Six students from Grades 2 – 4 earned an award and medal for 100% participation in all 18 “Reading Rocks!” events of the 2008 PARP Program. They are pictured here with Mr. Grande, the Elementary Principal. Haylee Valentine, Evan Weaver, Cameron Lord, Alyssa Graziano, Allison Kaminski, and Bret Weaver.



Mrs. Schoenl's 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders earned the **PARP "Winner's Breakfast"** for having the class with the greatest amount of overall participation. They were treated to a tasty breakfast, compliments of Mrs. M&M, Mr. Worosz and the PARP Committee.



The PARP Committee would like to acknowledge the following businesses for their monetary contributions toward the 2008 PARP "Reading Rocks!" Program:

**THANK YOU SO MUCH!**



**Briggs Home Improvement – Forestville, NY**

**The Forestville Teachers' Association**

**Franklin's Honey & Apples - Forestville, NY**

**North Star Farms - Perrysburg, NY**

**Riles & Woolley Funeral Home / Riles & Woolley Monuments – Forestville, NY**

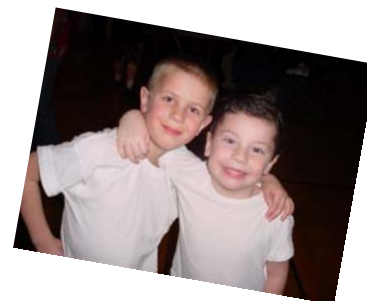
**Weaver Electric – Forestville, NY**



With their help, the Committee was able to purchase a variety of prizes that were awarded weekly to each participating student. Please support these fine businesses.



**The 2008 PARP Committee**



Miss Cook, Mrs. Dolce, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Faxlanger, Mr. Hazelton, Miss Ivory, Mrs. Janiak, Miss Lombardo,

Mrs. McPeak-McDonald, Mrs. Patton, Miss Raichel, Mrs. Schneider, Miss Seifert, Mrs. Schober, Mrs. Schoenl, and Mr. Worosz



## Valentine & Weaver Families Honored with Senator James H. Donovan Award



**Photo: pictured on the left with 4<sup>th</sup> Grader, Haylee Valentine, are Haylee's grandparents - David & Lois Valentine. Pictured on the right – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grader, Evan Weaver; 6<sup>th</sup> Grader (holding award) Amanda Weaver; Mrs. Becky Weaver; and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grader, Bret Weaver.**

The Valentine and Weaver Families were honored recently with the Senator James H. Donovan Award. The awards and plaque were presented at the annual Forestville Elementary Award's Assembly.

It is because of their families' love of reading and commitment to the PARP Program, teacher recommendation, and their essays entitled, "What Reading Means to Our Family," that the PARP committee has selected them this year. Their names will be engraved on a plaque with the many former PARP reading families and will be proudly displayed in the elementary school lobby.

Senator Donovan was the founder of the Parents As Reading Partners Program in 1978. The Senator died in 1990, however, Forestville Elementary's PARP Program continues as a reminder of his extraordinary love for students, educators, & reading.



# Make A Difference Day Wrap Up



Mr. Jim Thies and Ms. Bonnie Zechmann returned to Forestville Elementary School in June after completing their philanthropic journey to northeastern Tanzania in February.

They hosted an assembly to show the students a video/ slide show of their trip to Africa. The students were able

to see photos of the climb to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro where the Forestville Elementary banner, designed by Board Member Mary Kordon, was flown. The banner was returned “home” after having been signed by all of the climbers on the trip. All of the climbers on this journey are cancer survivors themselves or have had loved ones stricken with cancer.



The slide show also showed our Forestville students the fruits of their fund raising labors from last October during “Make a Difference Day” - Mr. Thies and Ms. Zechmann showed the students a video of the Bulati School children receiving the school supplies purchased with the money that was raised here.

Mr. Thies, former Forestville alumni, concluded the assembly with the words, “*Asante sana*” – which is Swahili for “**Thank You!**”



The Principal of the Bulati School presents Mr. Thies with the key to his school.



The Forestville Banner is proudly displayed by the teachers of the Bulati School in Tanzania.



# Middle School Student Receives High Honor

The Robert H. Jackson Center and the Law, Youth and Citizenship Program of the New York Bar Association recently sponsored an essay contest in conjunction with a visit from an award-winning author, Karen Levine. Levine's book, "Hana's Suitcase," is centered around a young Jewish girl and the Holocaust.

Breanna Gibson, a middle school student here at FCS, was chosen by the committee as one of this year's winning entries! Breanna received an autographed copy of "Hana's Suitcase," a savings bond, and a certificate. Seven state-wide winners were recognized at a dinner held at the Jackson Center in Jamestown, New York.



The story was first discussed as a part of the sixth grade English class taught by Mrs. Janet Buehler and then further explored on the historical aspects of the time period in Mrs. Peggy Prince's sixth grade social studies class. As a part of this experience, the entire FCS sixth grade had the opportunity to meet Ms. Levine on April 29th at the Reg Lenna Civic Center in Jamestown.

Congratulations Breanna on an outstanding essay!

## Homer "Chum" Bowker Athlete of the Year Recipients Named



On June 12th, seniors Maghan Brennan and Jonathon Katta were named as the "Bowker Athletes of the Year." The award is named after a familiar face in the FCS community, Mr. Homer "Chum" Bowker. Each year two deserving athletes, one male and one female, who have excelled both on the field, court, and in the classroom are eligible to be named as the Athlete of the Year. This year's winners participated in all three sports seasons, Katta was a member of the varsity football, basketball, and track teams, while Brennan was a football cheerleader, varsity basketball and softball player. Congratulations and Best Wishes !!!

## New Cafeteria Prices for 2008-2009

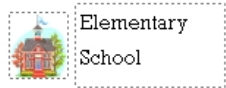
K-5 student breakfast will cost \$.70, \$1.25 for lunch and ala carte items will be an additional \$.95.

6-12 students breakfast will cost \$.80, \$1.50 for lunch and ala carte items will be an additional \$1.00.



For Grades K-12: Cookies \$.40, Ice Cream \$.60, French Fries/Tots \$.60,  
Fruit/Vegetables \$.50, and Side Salad \$.50

# Healthy Steps to a New You



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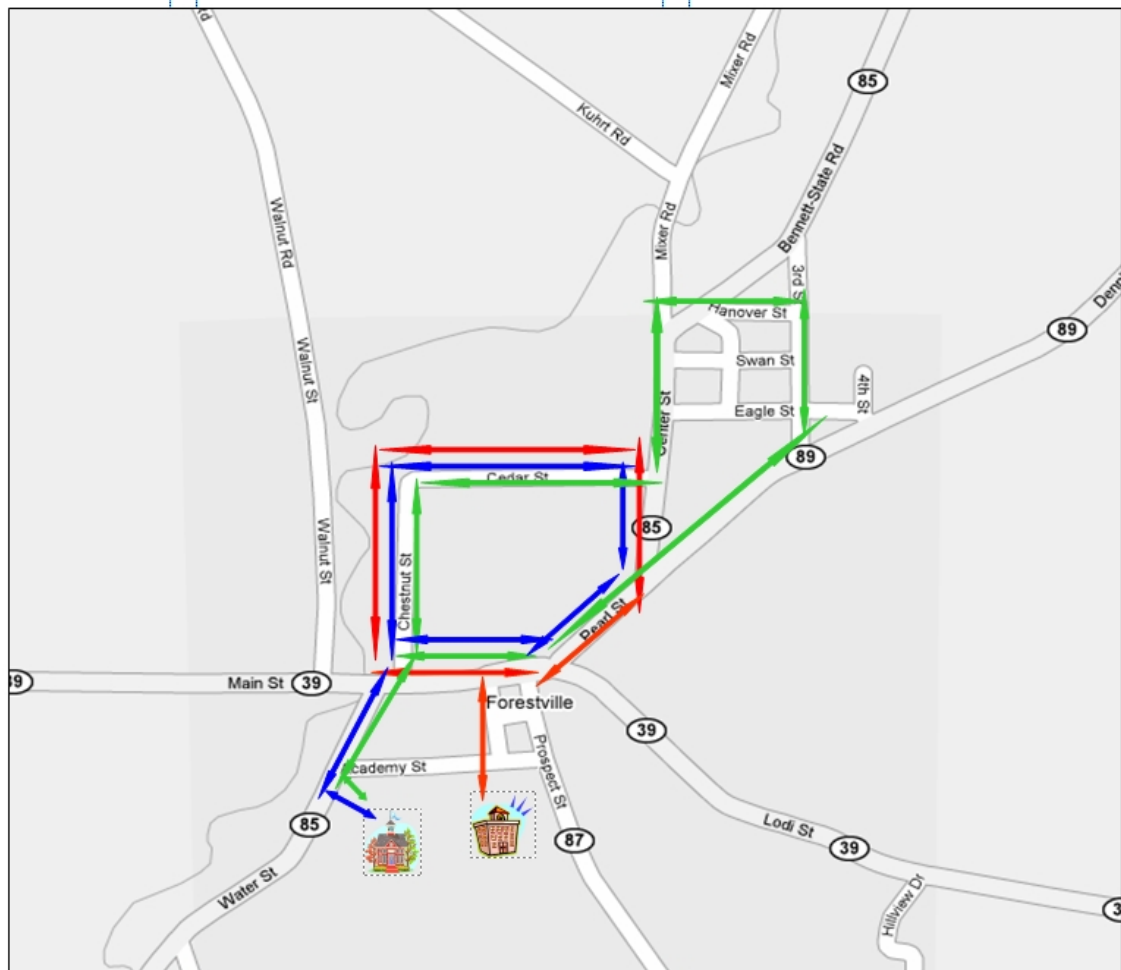


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# Athletic Information Night

## Monday, August 4th, 2008

### High School Gymnasium

- \* All 2008-2009 athletes should attend with a parent/guardian!
- \* Athlete Code/Risk Video will be addressed.
- \* All athletes will need to have required paperwork completed prior to the start of their sport's seasonal practice.
- \* Volleyball players that attended meeting on July 17th **do not** need to attend this meeting.