



## Valedictorian and Salutatorian

### Margaret Dushko, Valedictorian



The Class of 2011 Valedictorian is **Margaret Dushko**. Margaret is the daughter of Joseph and Debra Dushko of Sherburne. A highly competitive young woman, academics have always been Margaret's top priority. She has taken the most challenging courses available to her

throughout high school and has earned a grade point average of 97.79. Never satisfied with the mediocre, Margaret strives for perfection in every class.

In her quiet way, Margaret serves as a leader among her peers. She has been an integral part of Odyssey of the Mind® teams that have qualified for State and World Competitions. Her intelligence is admired and respected by her peers.

As a Junior, Margaret was selected as one of seven students to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Conference at Hartwick College. This weeklong program allowed her to further develop her leadership skills.

Margaret's near perfect score on her PSAT/NMSQT test in the fall of her Junior year earned her a finalist status in the National Merit Scholarship Competition. This will allow Margaret to compete for a variety of prestigious merit based scholarships.

Margaret plans to attend College in the fall to study chemistry.

### Kayla Geier, Salutatorian



The Class of 2011 Salutatorian is **Kayla Geier**. Kayla is the daughter of Lori and Edward Geier of Sherburne. An intelligent and dedicated student, Kayla has worked hard to earn herself this ranking in a highly competitive class. She is a model student and her excellent work

ethic has earned her an overall grade point average of 97.205.

Kayla has been actively involved in numerous and varied activities both inside and outside of school. Among other things she is a talented equestrian and a dedicated member of 4-H; she is a musician and has participated in NYSSMA throughout high school; she is involved in drama club and has participated in various theatrical performances. As a member of National Honor Society, Kayla volunteers her time tutoring her peers.

Kayla possesses insatiable curiosity and is always looking for academic challenges. She applied for and was selected to attend the Appalachian Regional Commission/Oak Ridge National Laboratory Summer Math/Science Institute this past summer. This allowed Kayla to further explore her interest in the areas of math and science by spending two weeks working in a university science lab.

Kayla plans to attend SUNY Geneseo this fall.

*Congratulations on a job well done!  
Best of luck in the future!*

## Class of 2012 Senior Portrait Submission Requirements

In order to create a visually pleasing and consistent senior section in the yearbook, the *Archivon* staff would like to share the submission requirements that all seniors will follow when choosing a portrait to submit.

Sunset Photo and Oakdale Images by Lifetouch®, the official school photographer, has appointments available here at the High School Auditorium during the summer. All seniors will be receiving a letter in the mail from Lifetouch® (Prestige Portraits) with information on dates and times. If you would like a photo taken for the yearbook only and are not inter-

ested in ordering any photos, you can have that done in September during photo days.

If you choose to have your portrait taken by a company other than Lifetouch®, please make sure you share the guidelines with the photographer and request that they submit your photo on a disk, or via email.

### Guidelines:

- Submit photo on disk, or via email (new email address: [yearbook@secsd.org](mailto:yearbook@secsd.org))
- Image specifications—300dpi, TIFF or JPEG
- Photo size—if you submit a printed photo, 5x7 is appreciated; wallet size will work
- Head size—make sure there is room all the way around (**head does not meet top of photo**); Background—preferably a solid background
  - The *Archivon* staff is aware that outdoor photos are very popular, however the photos in the book are not that large and *nature* (branches, leaves, etc.) can be distracting to your photo. A tree trunk or the side of a barn would work best if you'd like to go with an outdoor pose.
- Poses – Head and shoulder poses
  - No extreme head tilts or angles, dramatic poses, double exposures or other distracting items in the photo
  - No hats
  - No hands
  - No props or pets
- Images must be received by Tuesday, November 1, submitted by email or to:

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Remember, you don't have to order a package to have a photo in the yearbook. There are FREE options. Students can see Mrs. Blenis in room 117.

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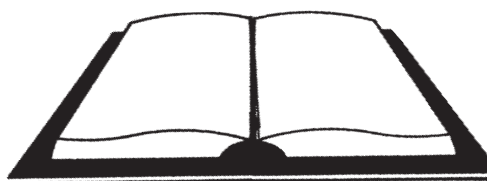
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## Special Programs Prom

The Special Programs prom was held on Friday, May 13, in the S-E MS/HS café. This was the sixth year for this very special event. *Hooray for Hollywood* was the theme. Ms. Julie Burns donated decorations that Mr. Dando and his BOCES carpentry students made for last year's prom to morph the café into a Hollywood gala. Mr. Eric Turner donated his time before and after the prom by hanging the crystal ball and helping with everything that needed a ladder. Mrs. Vandernaut, S-E substitute, donated time helping us decorate. Without the help of these special people, it would be an impossible feat to muster by ourselves, thank you!

Since this prom's inception in 2006, the event has grown. Our first prom entertained 29 attendees. In 2007 there were 35, and in 2008 there were 38 attendees. This year 38 students attended from S-E and four attended from BOCES. It was reported by many that *it just gets better and better each year!* As the students entered through the tunnel they immediately had their photos taken by Nova Friar, assisted by Jenifer Howard.

We would like to extend special thank yous to the local community businesses that donated various items: Big M, Skip's Friendly Market, Norwich Pizza Hut, Subway, China King, Hamilton Orthopedics, Norwich Price Chopper®, Charlotte Manwarren, Vern Bonacci, McDonald's®, Gilligan's, Floral Fantasy, Top Variety, Service Pharmacy, Attorney James Taylor, Ms. Hellert and Bagnall Electric. The monetary donations this year were used to purchase the *big* door prizes, including having an iPod®, a \$25 cash prize, a camera and DVDs. The gifts that were donated put smiles on the student's faces and added to the evening's excitement.

The support from administration and S-E staff is always heartwarming. It meant a lot to the staff and students attending to see Ms. Hellert, Mr. Reed and Ms. Williams in attendance. Mrs. Hess always supports the event by attending and having her class make balloon weights for all the balloons donated by Top Variety and Price Chopper®. S-E students later reported that the highlights of the evening were seeing Ms. Hellert and Mr. Reed breaking some moves

on the dance floor.

The evening ended with the crowning of two courts. The S-E court included **Macie Rowe, Christina Sala, Cody Eldridge** and **Alfie Weymouth**.

**Alfie Weymouth** was crowned king and **Christina Sala** was crowned queen. The BOCES staff crowned **Garrett Newell** as king, and **Chelsea Carr** crowned as queen.

The evening was magical, mystifying and made of many special memories. If for a moment, time stood still and could be captured in a bottle, all the attendees would have an heirloom of their own to hold on to. It was a night filled with smiles, laughs and all inhibitions thrown by the wayside. Thank you to all of you who helped, donated and attended to make this night so special for so many.

—Dawn Dando



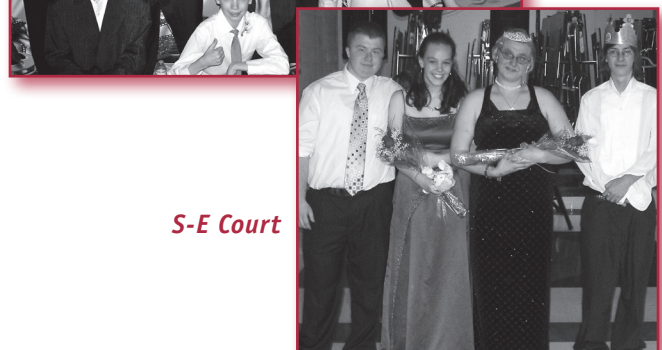
**BOCES King & Queen**



**The Girls'**



**The Boys'**



**S-E Court**

## Drama Club finishes Year with State Merit Awards

The S-E Drama Club finished another busy year with close to 50 students participating. In the fall, they produced an evening of one-act plays, including several student-directed ones, entitled *Merriment*, *Mayhem* and *Misinterpretation*. This production received several Theatre Association of New York State (TANYS) Roving Adjudicator Merit Awards: Meritorious Achievement in Acting to **Matt Smith** for his portrayal of John in *Come into the Garden, Maud*; Meritorious Achievement in Acting to **Lulu Riley** for her portrayal of Phoebe in *Come into the Garden; Maud*, Meritorious Achievement in Ensemble Acting to the Cast (**Matt Smith, Mick Khoury, Claire Khoury** and **Geana Giglio**) of *Are We There Yet?*; Meritorious Achievement in Direction to **Emilee Smith** for *Are We There Yet?*; Meritorious Achievement in Acting to **Shannon Staley** for her portrayal of Susan in *Top Floor*; and Meritorious Achievement in Acting to **Brent Guiles** for his portrayal of Gary in *Top Floor*.

In January 2011, 16 drama club students attended the NYSTEA (New York State Theatre Education Association) Student Conference in Callicoon, NY at the Villa Roma Resort, where they were able to take workshops from professionals in the theatre world on a large variety of topics from Improvisation to Swing Dance to Audition Techniques, as well as workshops on the technical side of theatre.

The year ended on a high note, with their successful Spring production of Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*. The Drama Club received notification that they are recipients of three Theatre Association of New York State (TANYS) Roving Adjudicator Merit Awards following adjudication of their production performed on April 29 and 30 at the S-E High School Auditorium. **Emilee Smith** will receive a Meritorious Achievement in Acting Award for her role as Beatrice. "Ms. Smith's well-crafted performance as Beatrice brought the audience much laughter in her witty exchanges with Benedick as well as pathos as she suffered for her cousin Hero's false accusations." said TANYS Adjudicator Spencer Watson. Also, Meritorious Achievement in Ensemble Acting to **Doug Parks** as Dogberry and **Stephanie Staley** as Verges "for their well-executed *faux equestrian* movement and their comic timing during the prisoner

interrogation scene." Plus, director Colleen Law-Tefft received an award for Meritorious Achievement in Direction. The adjudicator commented, "for her overall production concept to set the play in 16th Century Sicilian Italy and her appropriate use of incidental music and dance to enhance the overall production."

Formal presentations of the TANYS awards will be held on Saturday, November 19, during the TANYS Festival Awards Banquet in Batavia, as part of the 2011 TANYS Festival which runs Friday through Sunday, November 18-20, 2011.

Participants this year included: **Dan Bagnall, Ryan Bagnall, James Behret, Sarah Brown, Tyler Brown, Joelle Clark, Tammie Crane, Grace Dunshee, Margaret Dushko, Meghan Dushko, Zoe Enscoe, Lukas Fetzko, Maisy French, Kayla Geier, Geana Giglio, Brent Guiles, Amanda Hodge, Mike Holeck, Claire Khoury, Mick Khoury, Mary Longman, Matt Marvin, Isaac Mettler, Austen Miller, Devin Miller, Haley Muth, Craig Natoli, Kayla Osterndorff, Doug Parks, Michael Phelan, Kyle Pierce, Danielle Purdy, Ed Rigano, Lulu Riley, Megan Rogers, Emilee Smith, Matt Smith, Shannon Staley, Stephanie Staley, Jacob Taylor, Jeff Taylor, Lucy Taylor, Rachel Taylor, Sarah Taylor, Vinnie Taylor, Alex Tefft and Brad Ward.**

Thank you to all the family, friends, school employees and community members who supported the Drama Club this year!



## Football Structure

The 2011-2012 football season will continue to provide opportunities for students in grades 7-12 as they have in the past. The structure will consist of three levels of football. The first level is Modified B Football. Modified B will consist of 7th and 8th graders. The second level is Modified A Football. Modified A will consist of 8th and 9th graders. The third level is Varsity Football. Varsity Football will consist of 10th, 11th and 12th graders.

Currently, 14 schools within the Center State Conference have elected not to participate in Junior Varsity games and will elect to run a Modified A or Modified B format and Varsity. Fourteen schools will sponsor a Modified A team and six schools will sponsor a Modified B team. This should provide opportunities for our modified teams to compete against the same schools as our Varsity team.

Varsity Football is scheduled to play against Canastota, Clinton, Frankfort, Morrisville-Eaton/Hamilton, Mount Markham, Sauquoit and Unadilla Valley/Edmeston.

Anticipated Modified A teams: Canastota, Cooperstown, Dolgeville, Frankfort, Ilion, Little Falls, Mohawk, Mt. Markham, NY Mills, Oriskany, Sauquoit, S-E, Waterville, West Canada.

Anticipated Modified B teams: Adirondack, Clinton, Herkimer, Morrisville, S-E, Westmoreland.

Based on the latest projection there are only a limited number of schools that tentatively plan to sponsor a JV team.

To date we have over 95 students who have signed up to play football. Of the 95 students who have signed up to play football: 33 are eligible for Varsity and 62 are eligible for the modified levels (19 Freshman, 25 8th graders and 18 7th graders).

We look forward to an excellent season. Varsity Football will begin on Monday, August 15 and Modified Football will begin on Monday, August 29.

All other JV/V Fall sports will begin on Monday, August 22. All other modified sports will begin on Wednesday, September 7.

—Brad Perry,  
Athletic Director



## Ride for Missing Children

The Elementary School participated in the Ride for Missing Children by supporting Miss Flisnik in her ride. There was a school-wide celebration that included ACES and a presentation by Karen LaScala from the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children. The school had a hat day fundraiser that totaled \$516.22! The money raised will be put toward poster distribution of missing children. The school's donation allows the Center to purchase 2,064 posters! This was a great team effort by the whole school!

Miss Flisnik's class had the opportunity to view the Ride on May 20! The students experienced an incredible sight watching over 500 riders. The class excitedly cheered on the riders! Miss Flisnik was very happy to see her students support this cause. Everyone had an awesome time!

—Erin Flisnik



## St. Jude's Fundraiser

### S-E Fifth Graders Work Hard for a Good Cause!

During the month of January, students in 5th grade participated in the St. Jude's Children Research Hospital Fundraiser, Math-A-Thon. Those students who participated answered math questions and raised donations for the number of problems completed. This is the seventh year that fifth graders have been involved in the Math-A-Thon and have raised in total for the seven years, over \$17,000 for St. Jude's. This year's total was \$2,734.45! A portion of this money goes towards the care of patients from New York State.

The students who participated in the fundraiser learned to do more than just math problems; they learned the importance of helping children who are unfortunate enough to be stricken with cancer. It takes \$1.2 million dollars to run the hospital each day! Children are never turned away because their families can't afford treatment or their insurance won't cover something.

We're very proud of our students for working hard and taking the time to think of others. A big thank you goes out to the S-E community for being so generous!

—Karen Murray

## Stroll for Sixty!

### Walk to Stop Diabetes

June 11, 2011 at S-E Stadium track

Registration: 9:15 a.m.

Walk: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

You may collect donations from others who will sponsor you, or make a donation yourself to walk.

There will be light refreshments, music and activities as we gather to raise money to help find a cure for this disease.

As of January, 25.8 million children and adults have diabetes—that's 8.3% of the population.

Help us make a difference! For more information, call 315-837-4238 or 315-723-1342. Donations can also be made online at: <http://jdrfevents.donor-drive.com/event/strollforsixty/>

—Heidi Johnson

## S-E Junior Prom

Parents, relatives, teachers and friends filled the auditorium May 21 to witness this year's Junior Prom Promenade. Underneath a twinkling arch, the spotlight shone bright on our students as each paraded out when announced by emcee **Doug Parks**. **Angela Sala** and **Gina Macurallia** got things started as they strutted out to the ever popular tune *Dancing Queen*. All of the kids looked great as stunning dresses, colorful flowers, sparkling jewels and sharp tuxes were displayed. **Bridgette Irwin** wore a gorgeous dress hand painted by her date **Cole Hodges**.

"I love how our class came together for this," said junior **Karly Wagner**. "It was so much fun and everyone looked amazing."

Following the introduction of last year's Court, **Brad Ward** took over and announced this year's Court (as voted on by their peers). The pre-prom festivities concluded with the crowning of **Ed Rigano** as King and **Maggie Burlison** as Queen.

Immediately following the Promenade, 158 students headed to the White Eagle in Hamilton for a night of dinner and dancing. The huge chandelier and twin staircases leading to a balcony overlooking the dance floor contributed to the elegant atmosphere. However, the mood was far from reserved once dinner was over.

Indeed, the dance floor was packed all night with performances ranging from **Brennan Bennett** and friends tearing it up to *Cotton Eyed Joe* to **Gizem Kocak** and **Ashley Schachtler** joining the crowd in a reenactment of *The Office* wedding dance. **Paul Romanencko** pushed a *human ball* comprised of **Jake Bohnert**, **Matt Smith**, **Mick Khoury** and **Mike Harlost**, while **Jon Simmons** drew a crowd as he ascended to the balcony to do a solo dance to *Thriller*. All in all, a thrilling, magical night.

—Don Parks



L-r: Caci Day, Randy Briggs, Sierra Morris, Doug Parks, Kayla Osterndorff, Cole Hodges, Maggie Burlison (Queen), Ed Rigano (King), Briana Vibbard, Paul Romanencko, Sarah Brown, Cory Musician

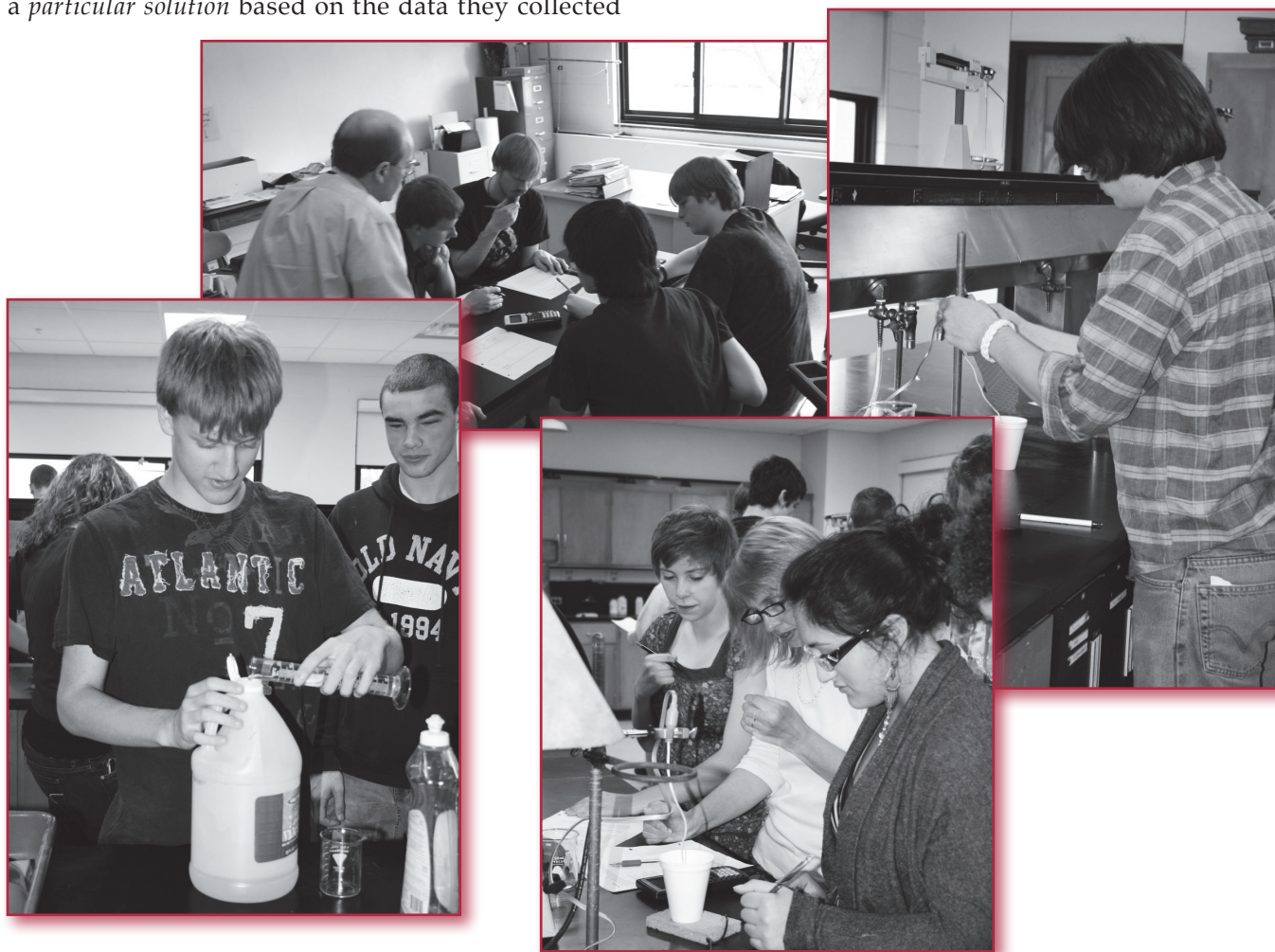
## Collaboration of Classes and Subjects

On Tuesday May 17, Mrs. Dunshee's Physics students and Mr. Dugan's and Mr. Collins's AP Calculus students came together to participate in an activity to demonstrate how math and science can work together to help explain the world around us. The activity centered around Newton's Law of Cooling, which is one of many laws of nature that Sir Isaac Newton is credited for. Mrs. Dunshee started the activity by giving the students a brief history lesson regarding Newton. The students then entered the laboratory, broke into five groups, and gathered data on how various liquids cool after being heated to different temperatures. The data was collected electronically using the TI-84 Plus graphing calculator and a CBL unit. After the data was collected, students used calculus to find an appropriate *general solution* for the differential equation that Isaac Newton put forth in his Law, and a *particular solution* based on the data they collected

in their group. The students then graphed a scatter plot based on their data, and found an exponential regression equation (a line of best fit) using the TI-84 Plus. Finally, the students compared the calculator model with the model they found using calculus. Although not exact, the outcomes were convincingly close. The activity wrapped up with some reflection questions solidifying the meaning of our findings and Newton's Law.

Newton's Law of Cooling: The rate at which a liquid cools is proportional to the difference between the temperature of the liquid at time  $t$  and the surrounding air temperature. That is,  $dy/dt = K(t-L)$ . We all enjoyed the experience, and we hope to repeat this activity and others like it in the future.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Dunshee, Mr. Dugan and Mr. Collins



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