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Childhood Dream Realized, Klemeshefsky Enjoying First Year At WHS!

Wolcott High School provides a positive learning environment, where students are engaged in meaningful learning that develops the intellectual, creative, social, technological and physical skills necessary to prepare them for the next phase of their lives.

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Miss Klemeshefsky might be a hard name to say but she is the nicest teacher anyone has ever met.

She knew since she was 8 or 9 years old that she wanted to be a teacher and when she graduated from Kennedy in 2005, she pursued her life dream of being a teacher.

Since becoming a teacher of Wolcott High School, she has found the environment comfortable, the faculty very supportive and the students respectful and entertaining. Her favorite things to do in her free time are listening to music, reading, being outside like hiking and walking, and the theatre. She was even in productions in her high school!! Who knew?

The things she hates the most are the cold, lying and birds. If you ask her about why she hates birds, she wouldn't give you an answer.

She prefers books over movies and some of her favorite books are: "They Things They Carried" by



After student teaching in Wolcott, Ms. Klemeshefsky has happily returned!

Tim O'Brien, "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald and Jody Picoult books.

She wishes that all of her students work to their potential and succeed. Her advice to students is to give 100% and be who you are, don't fall to any pressure.

WHS SPORTS SHORTS: Teams and athletes honored

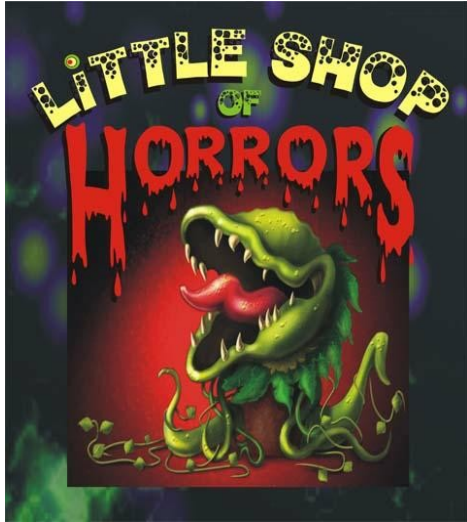
WHS Cheer Team won the All Girl division at the NVL Cheer Championship making them the NVL All Girl Champions. In addition 3 members were selected to the All NVL Cheer Team they are Jamie Gaudiosi, Bianca D'Angelo and Devyn Kangas. These three young ladies have also been selected to the All State Class M Cheerleading Team.

INDOOR TRACK- The girl's team placed second in the NVL, and the boy's placed 4th.

The team also had 2 boys and 8 girls compete in the Class State meet. Becky Darley finished 14th in the state in the shot put and Cate Forte finished 12th in the state in the 1600m run.

CONGRATS TO ALL!

WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT THEATER PRESENTS:



Friday, May 6, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.
Sat, May 7, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.
Sun, May 8, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.

One of the longest running Off-Broadway shows of all time, this affectionate spoof of 1950's Sci-Fi movies has become a house hold name thanks to its highly successful film version.

The basic plot of this musical comedy is about a down and out skid row floral assistant who becomes an overnight sensation when he discovers an exotic plant with a mysterious craving for fresh blood.

Soon "Audrey II," as the plant is named, grows into an ill-tempered, loud-mouthed, R & B singing carnivore who offers Seymour fame and fortune in exchange for feeding its growing appetite!

Tickets are available for purchase in the WHS Main Office, by using the ticket order form at www.wolcottps.org or the Parent Music Association's website at www.whpma.com

Tickets will also be available at the door on the nights of the performances.
Call Mrs. Reis at 203-879-8164, ext. 14 for more information.

SENIOR CLASS NEWS!

Important Dates for Seniors

March 23-25- Six Flags Trip Sign Ups during lunch

End of April- Prom Bids sold during lunch

May 28th- Senior Prom, Aqua Turf

May 30th- Senior Class Trip to Six Flags

Brittany DiTota and **Kirstie McConnell** are beginning to work on the Senior Slide show. Please given them any pictures you have or post them to their **Facebook** page, **Wolcott High Senior Slide Show**.

SkillsUSA Competition February 2011

Congratulations to Brandon Kulak, Susana Simoes, Eric Dunn and Alexandria Zaccagnini (below) who competed in the SkillsUSA Regional Competition

Feb. 9, 2011 at Eli Whitney in Hamden. These students will now compete in March at the SkillsUSA State competition at Vinal TH. **Good Luck!!**



“Harry Potter” “Horcruxes, Hexes and Hogwarts, Oh My!”

By: Sarah Mauceri and Marija Stojanova

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“Harry Potter” fans rejoice: Part 2 of “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows” will come to theaters on July 15th.

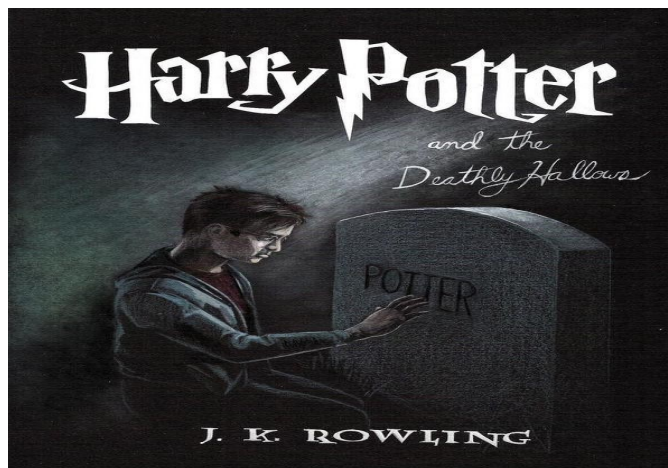
This finale to the “Harry Potter” series will be bittersweet for the many fans that have followed Harry since the beginning of his journey; they will see the resolution of his battle with You-Know-Who, but at the same time, the series will be over. However, the movie is not here yet, so here’s a quick update on Harry’s situation.

In Part 1 of “Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows”, the lives of Harry and his magical friends are turned upside down as You-Know-Who and his cronies take over the Ministry of Magic.

After the Death Eaters crash Bill and Fleur’s wedding, Harry, Ron, and Hermione are forced to flee. Finally, undertaking the mission left to them by Dumbledore. They must travel around England, searching for You-Know-Who’s Horcruxes in order to destroy them and finally defeat the most powerful Dark Wizard of all time.

By the end of the movie, they have destroyed three Horcruxes, with three left to go before the final showdown.

The finale will also include the highly anticipated battle alluded to in Part 1. The so-called Bat-



tle at Hogwarts will take place, appropriately, at Hogwarts and will be full of action, excitement, and suspense.

“Neither can live while the other survives”, said the prophecy, and in the conclusion to the series, viewers will get to see which one survives. It will be the must see movie of the summer!

This movie will be the must-see flick of the summer!

The First Competition for Team Max this Year

Suffield Shakedown

The Robotics Team participated in a “warm up match” on Saturday February 19th in Suffield. It was a chance to try out the robot in a real competition and make modifications before the shipping deadline of February 22nd. Much knowledge was gained by “running” the robot all day. Team Max’s next competition will be at the Northeast Regional, Hartford Convention Center, March 31st though April 2nd.

This Year’s Game - Logomotion

As briefly mentioned in last month’s article, this year’s game is called FIRST Logomotion. Teams (Alliances) are picked randomly to interact with each other on either the red or blue Alliance. Ro-

bots are stationed in the field; three for red and three for blue. Each Alliance discusses game strategy prior to the start of each match. Robots are then sent into autonomous mode for 15 seconds, where the robot operates through a computer program, without a driver.

This year’s competition involves hanging tubes on pegs, which are sometimes 9ft. high. Also, with ten seconds left in the match, each robot is able to deploy a smaller robot, (mini-bot), which climbs a pole for added points.

For more information on Logomotion and FIRST visit <http://www.usfirst.org/aboutus/content.aspx?id=34> or <http://www.usfirst.org/roboticsprograms/frc/content.aspx?id=18762>

LEADERS IN THE MAKING

Connecticut Youth Leadership Project and How It Transforms Lives

By Amanda Green, YLF Delegate 2009

"Remember just because you have a disability does not mean you don't have any ability that is just a terrible misconception erase this spelling of the word from your mind: "DIS"ability and replace it with Dis"ABILITY."

Future YLF delegates and staff members in addition to all Wolcott High School faculty and students. It is with great optimism that I write an account of the Connecticut Youth Leadership Project and my experience with it. My name is Amanda Green and I was a delegate to the 2009 Youth Leadership Forum at the University of Connecticut Storrs that was held on July 27-July 30, 2009. I attended the conference the summer prior to starting my junior year at WHS and was so inspired that I figured now as a senior it was the right time to encourage others with disabilities to follow suit and apply to be a delegate to this amazing forum.



WHS student Amanda Green being "eyes" for Angel Claudio who is blind.

The CT-YLP was found in 1999 with its main purpose being to be a leadership program for youth with disabilities that empowers them to get in touch with the leadership potential they have within. Delegates that are selected to represent their towns and districts at the forum gain insight to this potential through a variety of activities. Activities include self-awareness and team building activities which in turn lead to the attendees to explore leadership styles and to formulate and implement team and individual leadership plans. The mission of this program is to help youth with

disabilities meet the challenges of the future, overcome obstacles and become leaders so they can make a difference in their communities and for others with disabilities.

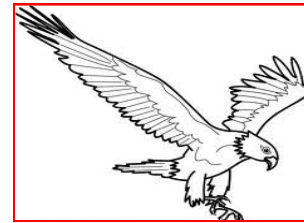


J.R. Neib moonlighting as Sir Elton John during YLF 2009 Talent Show. He's an Elton John fanatic!

Becoming a delegate to the leadership forum is a rigorous process one of which is comparable to college and scholarship applications. In my case, it was recommended by counselor Miss. Aisha Mobley that I consider applying to be a delegate to the 2009 forum. This occurred in what was actually my first official meeting with her. I took the application packet apprehensively at first because at the moment all I could think about was "Why me?" and "She doesn't even know me how can she see this much potential in me?" I went to a session with out of school therapist and it was agreed I would apply to be considered as a possible delegate to the forum.



LF Counselor Jennifer Koschmieder and a Delegate. We truly are inspired by the wonderful counselors.



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The application is comprised of sections that include Personal Information, Disability and Ethnicity Information, Community Service, School Activities, and Employment Information. The rest is three letters of recommendation and four essays. The essays are on the topics: Leadership, Positive Influences, and Experiences as a person with a disability, and Future Plans. I completed my packet and sent it out in the mail and hoped I would be chosen to be a delegate. The piece is the interview and that's easy.

Since you the student, either a sophomore or a junior have not yet attended the forum or have recently applied, to be a delegate to this year's one or might wait until you're a junior to apply I will tell you what the experience is like. You arrive at the University of Connecticut Storrs for registration between 9-10:30 am on your first day. Through your days at the forum you will experience Icebreakers, Small Groups, Hopes and Concerns, Large Group Activities, and Free time.



The people you might at YLF become friends for life. In Photo: Jenny Koschmieder, Jossie Torres, Jeff Sturm, Carlos Colon.

Additional events you will participate in are a Talent Show and an Outdoor Adventure Day at Easter Seals Camp Hemlocks in Hebron, CT. Every aspect of this conference is meant to be educational and you will want to pay attention. I urge you to pay close attention to the Disability History Session and Self Advocacy and 411. Bring a notebook and take notes, as this information is valuable and essential to living a good life with disabilities. The best advice I can give is go all out when you are there as a delegate as you will only be one once. Get actively involved by participating in the talent show, helping other at Hemlocks, and reaching out to all the members in your

small group. Believe in yourself and know you deserve to be their and know one can take that honor away from you.

For those to know wish what has become of me since YLF 2009 I will tell you. I am a senior at Wolcott High School in Wolcott, CT. I plan to apply to Tunxis Community College and Naugatuck Valley Community College as well. My first priority is to get my Associates Degree in General Studies most likely from Tunxis and thus proceed to return for another two years to gain an Associates Degree in a more career oriented field. I am actively involved with school and community activities.

In my school I am a member of our school paper The Eaglet and do Morning Announcements. In the past I have been a member of the Debate Club, Choir, and Peer Helpers. I enjoyed my time at YLF and feel honored to have been awarded one of their scholarships. When the time comes next year to submit staff applications I hope I will be accepted and return as a member of staff to pay of my dues to YLF and to inspire others.

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