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May 2014

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blue = Gowanda Central
Green = Lake Shore Central
Gold = Silver Creek Central
Black = All schools

Wed. 4/30 – Fri. 5/2
NYS Math Assessment (Grades 3-8)

GES & GMS Early Dismissal
Parent Teacher Conferences

Kindergarten Registration

GHS Senior Class Night
State Indian Day SNI Closed

Memorial Day
SNI Closed & All Districts Closed
LS Class Night 7pm
Senior Class Trip
UPK Registration

No School LS
SAT Exam
Varsity Winter Sports

Gowanda
- Raeann White - Basketball
- Randy Jimerson - Basketball

Lake Shore
- Courtney Tallchief - Basketball
- Ron John - Basketball

Silver Creek
- Nichole Jimerson - Basketball
- Sherman Williams - Basketball

“Talent is never enough. With few exceptions the best players are the hardest workers.”
-Magic Johnson
"Every coach wants players on their team that perform statistically on the court; putting up points, grabbing down rebounds, and digging out steals. There are also other qualities that coaches find important. These qualities include hard working, persistent, enthusiastic, and dedicated. As a coaching staff, we consider ourselves very fortunate here at Gowanda to have all of these qualities residing in one of our strongest competitors, Raeann White.

I first began coaching Raeann when she was in 8th grade on the Gowanda Junior Varsity basketball team. Her skill and talent immediately stood out and she became our starting point guard. It is exciting to coach this young student-athlete because she constantly rises to the occasion. As her confidence grew it became evident she was going to be a leader no matter her age. As an 8th grader she led our team in points, steals, assists, and rebounds. This caught the attention of our Varsity coach and she was asked to join the Varsity team during their play off run. Without hesitation, Raeann stepped up to the challenge once again and quickly earned a starting position as point guard for the playoff game.

As a freshman, Raeann continued to astonish us becoming a constant in our starting line up for the Gowanda Girls Varsity team. I was fortunate enough to move up as well to become the Varsity head coach. While consistently performing in each game, she also elevated her teammates to do the same. As Raeann grew into her natural talent, she also began to take the lead even as a younger player. She has the ability to set the pace and tone for each game we play. The confidence and trust her teammates have in her was evident as she once again led us in points, assists, and steals. This earned her the Most Valuable Player award for our team while the other coaches of Section VI elected her to be a 1st Team All Star making her the youngest nominee.

I would highly encourage your nomination of Raeann White for this award. There is no doubt in my mind every student-athlete is deserving of this recognition. Raeann represents herself, her family, Gowanda Central School, and the Seneca Nation of Indians with pride, poise, dignity, and above all class on and off the court."

-Coach Katelynn Bailey
Congratulations

Nichole

“Freshman Nichole Jimerson moved up to the varsity team and started most games this season. She handled the pressure of being the youngest on the team and matured tremendously in her role throughout the season. Nichole has great ball handling skills and will help our team in the point position next year. She has great passion for the game and continually works to improve her play. Nichole played in all 21 games this season and had a career high against Falconer, scoring twelve points. She also contributed 35 steals and 27 assists on the season. The Lady Knights made it all the way to the sectional finals, and Nichole Jimerson played an instrumental role in helping that happen. She will be an asset to the Lady Knights program for years to come.”

-Coach Sean Helmer

From your Coach
Congratulations
Randy

Please accept this letter as a reflection of my past experiences working with Randy Jimerson while serving as Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at Gowanda Central School District from 2012-2014. This past year, Randy displayed a work ethic that was beyond reproach. Determined and stubborn, he has the uncanny ability to rise to every occasion and compete at the highest level. Through competition, he personified the true spirit of integrity and class. As a teammate, Randy represented Gowanda as a leader and competitor. His reluctance to fail was evident in his willingness to sacrifice personal achievement for team success. When asked to fill specific roles needed to achieve success on the basketball court, Randy inspired his teammates by rising to every occasion. With great confidence, I highly recommend Randy Jimerson for the Seneca Nation of Indians “Varsity Scholar Athlete Award” and wish him the best in his preparation for a great senior season.

- Coach Andrew Bobseine

Executive Director – Boys & Girls Club of Springville
Varsity Boys Basketball Coach - Gowanda High School
Varsity Girls Tennis Coach – Gowanda High School

From your Coach
Congratulations Courtney

I had the pleasure of coaching Courtney Tallchief during the 2013-2014 Lake Shore Varsity Girls Basketball season. On the court, Courtney proved to be a very dedicated and hardworking individual. During practice and games, she worked to her highest abilities to compete in every aspect of the game.

Courtney’s positive attitude and team first mentality made her a team favorite, as they knew her work ethic was going to benefit everyone on the team. She was a strong example to younger players, proving that success in the classroom can translate into success in sports.

Courtney is a well deserving candidate for this award.

-Coach Vincent Fininzio Jr. (Interim Lake Shore Varsity Basketball coach)
Gowanda Elementary School held its 10th annual Third Grade Boat Float on Thursday March 13th. This science project was part of a buoyancy unit. First of all, the boat had to float, it also had to carry cargo and have a life-saving device. Students also had to write a paragraph explaining the name of their boat, their cargo, how they built it, and who helped them. Students and teachers voted for their favorite boats from the other classrooms. Finalists were chosen from each class to orally present their boat to the entire third grade and invited parents. Each boat was placed in a tank of water to prove that it floated while the owner read their paragraph to the audience. Congratulations to the five finalists pictured above: Landon Jimerson, Kallan John, Hailey Maybee, Ruben Rivera, and Gao:wisa:s Stevens.
Congratulations

Siana Waterman and the Silver Creek Varsity Cheerleaders!

The Silver Creek Varsity Cheerleaders were crowned Grand Champions at Nationals on March 16th after beating close to 20 teams for the title. They have received a bid to compete in the US Finals in May, and were also the recipients of many prizes including Grand Champion hoodies, trophies, and championship banners for the Silver creek gym. The SC Fire Department escorted the team back to the school in celebration upon their return.

Grand Champions

Submitted by AASP/JOM Teacher: Aimee Sleeth
Seneca Nation of Indians - Education Dept.

Where: Saylor Building
Date: Tues. 04/29/14
Time: 4:00pm-6:00pm

If you are interested in becoming part of the Seneca Nation Tribal Youth Council please plan on attending the next meeting on Tuesday April, 29th from 4-6pm at the Saylor Building.

If you are interested and cannot make it please let the coordinators know.

New coordinators:
Summer Jones
Caitlin Snyder
Contact 532.3341 x5144

Tribal Youth Council
The Vision 2020 program is a leadership program designed for Seneca High School and College students who are interested in learning more about Seneca history, governance and the operations of the Seneca Nation. Participants will develop leadership skills, cultural awareness and identity.

Requirements:
* Must Be 14-25 Years Old
* Must Have NYS Working Permit (Ages 14-17)
* Must Have Seneca Nation Tribal I.D.
* Completed Application By Deadline
* Letter of Recommendation
* Must have a “C” or 70% average or 2.0 GPA (Provide recent report card/transcript)

Application Deadlines:
College Students: May 30, 2014
High School Students: June 6, 2014

*Applications must be returned to the Department of Education at the Saylor Building.
*For more information about the program or the hiring process please call the Education Department at 716-532-3341.
Nya:weh to all those who participated and worked to make this year’s Community Fair 2014 a huge success!
Nya:wëh for Reading!

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Department of Education