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#### JPI- Saugerties

1965 was an important year for the United States as it was embattled in two major

was Martin Luther King, Jr.

wars. One war was taking place in the small Asian country of Vietnam, where just a year earlier Saugerties native Roger Donlon was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for bravery and heroism. The other war was taking place in the US. This war was being fought for rights for all US citizens regardless of skin color. The leader of this fight

Meanwhile, the US was also in competition with the Communist country of Russia to establish world dominance in the race to put a human being on the moon and return them safely to Earth. It was a time of extreme tension and confusion for children and their parents.

Yet, the feeling of hope for a better future and a desire to spread the message of peace and create pathway to a better life was the ideal of a young man from Glasco, New

**Setting the Course for Morse** 



Mr. Buonfiglio is the compass for the direction of the Grant D, Morse School.

York who was given the job of being in charge of the brand new

elementary school in Blue Mountain named after the Superintendent of Schools, Grant D. Morse.

Mr. Patrick

Buonfiglio, aka Mr. B., was named to the position of principal in this new school after teaching for a short time then becoming principal of the Glasco, Flatbush, and Malden Schools.

In his time at Morse he witnessed a nation come to terms with racial tension, an end to the Vietnam War, American men being sent to the moon, walk on the moon and return safely home to our planet. He saw a reusable space shuttle used dozens of times to stay in Earth's orbit for weeks at a time. He experienced the first computers, as they made their way into the public. He listened to music on vinyl discs called records, then watched the explosion of a new material called plastic revolutionize the manufacturing world.

He also saw the New York Mets go from the laughingstock of professional sports to World Champions. He saw the 1960's transform American culture firsthand through the generations of families he served in his school.

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# **Running On Inspiration**

By Gillian Mills

Running a half marathon is a test of human endurance and mental toughness. Recently two ordinary people did this extraordinary race.

Amy Mills, mother of Hannah and Gillian Mills and Morse teacher, Mrs. Suzanne Buda ran together to support one another.

Mrs. Buda's time was 2 hours 27 minutes.

She crossed the finish line at 12:27 PM.

The start of the run was tough. She had to regroup after a half a mile to get herself in a mental state to be successful. Nearly 13



Mrs. Mills, center, celebrates at the finish line with her friends.

miles later, Mrs. Buda crossed the finish line and earned a bronze medal.

Crossing the finish line brough her different feelings. "I felt relief because it was done and I felt happy because I did it for Cooper Strong." she

e with said.

Cooper Strong was a fundraising and to honor her grandson,

awareness program to honor her grandson, Cooper, who died of congenital heart disease. After the race, Mrs. Buda presented a check to her daughter and son-in-law which

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## **Fourth Graders Key to MB Success**

By Liam Turk



Joey Karolys

The Mustang Bowl is an event that all fifth and sixth graders must do this year, however, a few fourth graders were chosen to help out.

This is the first time fourth

graders were able to participate. Since all the fifth and sixth graders were players or on cheer team there was no one left for

Fourth graders Joey Karolys and Brady Reynolds were part of the five person staff team responsible for running the flags around the field. Brady and Joey are in Mrs. Mulford's class. They were in charge of running the flag around the field during the game and getting water for the players.

"I liked the experience" said Brady." It was

good. I felt excited," agreed Joey. The staff is a very important



**Brady Reynolds** 

part of Mustang Bowl. The jobs the staff members keep the game flowing and fans happy. I loved being staff member and I was very happy it was very good. I wouldn't do the flags next year. It was a good experience. The flags were a lot of fun. It was tiring and hard to run the flags," he said.

Maybe this will be the beginning of a new era of the Mustang Bowl.

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she earned from contributions from her family and friends who supported her run.

Mrs. Buda liked the half-marathon. "It wasn't that bad, but it felt good to finish," she said.

Amy Mills also did the half-marathon. Mills' time was 2 hours 29 minutes. "There were a lot of runners," she said. "Sometimes you start out too fast just tot try to stay with the group. So I slowed down to find my own speed. I was feeling good," she said.

She also got a bronze medal for finishing the race. When she crossed the finish line she was overwhelmed. "It was a feeling of relief. It was done. I was happy it was finished. My feet were definitely hurting. My muscles ached."



Mrs. Suzanne Buda

Immediately after the race, Mills went to the Hudson River and walked right into to cool water. She stood in the water for 10 minutes. "It calmed my muscles down," she said Then she used a foam roller to massage her muscles.

Mrs. Mills wanted to do this half marathon because she never did the Fall Foliage 13.1 before. She thought it would be an interesting one to try. "There were a lot of hills." She added, "The scenery was beautiful, the leaves were starting to change and the weather was cool. We ran around a cove near the Hudson River and that was beautiful. We also ran near a horse farm a saw a mother and her foal in the field."

Though she liked it when it was over, she said she felt the best between 6 and 8 miles. She knew everything was going to be okay.

Not only did both of these women finish this race, but in doing so they empowered countless others as to the strength of one's will. This was an achievement they can carry with them for the rest of their lives.

## **News Department Edited by Molly Reynolds**



## MUSTANG BOWL **NEWS**

### By Teresa Bautista

This year was the 12<sup>th</sup> year of Mustang Bowl. Coaches for this year were Ginger Defino for Mustangs and Mitchell Hart for Patriots. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders are confident that they will win. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders want to win so badly because this is going to be there last year here at Morse.

The big question is how will the football be brought to the game? last year Jaden Whittaker brought the football in a motorcycle. This year there is going to be a surprise at halftime. Maybe some of the old students that used to go here will come and watch the Mustang Bowl. The game took place on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

The Patriots won their sixth game in the past seven years. It was an exciting game.

#### Publisher's Note:

Since 1991, students have created this newspaper. Each year the paper takes on the personality of the class that runs it. Students take great pride in this endeavor and we are proud to share our work with you.

Students perform all the tasks associated with the creation of this publication. As the publisher of the paper, I feel that its unique and indelible value lies in student ownership of the publication. This is a student paper run by students and read by students. Students are involved in all areas of decision making, content selection, writing, editing, proofreading and layout. Sometimes mistakes are made, but it is these mistakes that many valuable lessons are learned. My role as publisher is facilitator, coach and mentor,

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All the while, as the world kept spinning around him, he kept his eyes on the needs of his children. "I didn't want to be principal, but I was asked to do it. Thanks to everyone's patience, understanding and cooperation, we achieved our goal," said Mr. B. at the Grant D. Morse 50th year Celebration on September 18.

He did not just want to have a building where students and staff did theirs jobs and went home. He wanted something more. "I wanted to

create a school where faculty and staff were happy to come to work. Where student's enjoyed school and happy to come everyday. Also, a place where parents were also happy and very comfortable with sending their children. Those of us who were here would agree that we planted some good seeds.'

Mr. Buonfiglio was honored for his service to Morse along with former principal Mr. Eymann and Mr. Turner as well as former secretary Mrs. Grant Scarselli who is the only person to have worked with all four Morse principals. A special United States Flag was presented and flown in his honor. This flag had flown over the United States Capital in Washington, DC and made its way to Grant D. Morse school through the generosity of school neighbor, Bob Howe.

Mr. B. shared advice with the present Morse students who attended the special ceremony. "If something is hard, work hard," he said. "Don't give up, find the help you need and work hard."

At the end of the program, Mr. B. presented the Grant D. Morse school with a painting he created depicting a farm house set in front of the Catskill mountain range revealing the power, beauty and simplicity of our area. Fifty years later, he is still leaving the Morse community with the ideal of peace and the pathway to achieve it.

"I will always cherish the many, many fond memories of the Grant D. Morse School. I thank God. God Bless America, God Bless this School and God Bless You," he said as he closed his speech.

Mr. B. has certainly taken good care of his promise to care for the future.

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have years passed since the doors of Grant D. Morse first opened. In the

time that followed, over 20,000 student, have been influenced by the education they have received at the Blue Mountain school.

Gene Reese was in 6th grade when the school first opened in September, 1965. His teacher was Mr. Bill Provost. Mr. Reese last saw him when he left 6th grade fifty years ago.

Before GDM, opened in 1965, school was Mt. Marion.

Gene said "GDM hasn't changed at all. The walls were blue and white, like they are now. And the play ground was wooden back then. Mow it

The Past and Present **Meet at Morse** 

By Samantha Tubby



Mr. Reese waves to the crowd as he sits next to his former teacher, Mr. Provost.

every other thing is the same. "

Mr. Reese was on the float in

is plastic, but

the Mustang Bowl. He thought it was really cool, and he thought that it was cool that they mentioned his name and my name. He didn't think he would be one of two former students. though. "I thought there would be more people there to be on the float," Gene

He is very happy that his grand children are in GDM. He is also happy how nice the teachers are.

"My advice to all you students out there is to learn, learn, learn so you

can get a good education," said Mr. Reese.

Like so many students who have become adults, Grant D. Morse school has made a permanent place in their lives.

## **Presidential Primary**

By Nick Stinemire & Eli Bowers

The USA presidential primary is in November. If you didn't know, a primary election is an election that narrows the field of candidates. The candidates for the democratic party are Lincoln Chafee, Hillary Clinton, Martin O'Malley, Bernie Sanders and Jim Webb. The candidates for the republican party are Jeb Bush, Ben Carson, Chris Christie, Ted Cruz, Carly Fiorna, Jim Gilmore, Lindsey Grahm, Mike Huckabee, Bobby Jindal, George Pataki, Rand Paul, Marco Rubio, Rick Santorum and Donald Trump. Rick Perry and Scott Walker are running independent.

If you didn't know, president Barrack Obama has already been elected to 2 terms, so he can't run again. This will be the 44<sup>th</sup> president of the United States. The general election takes place in November 2016.



2015 marks the 25th year of this newspaper activity. As Morse celebrates its 50th year, it is a significant match in milestones.

The newspaper activity started in 1991 at the Mount Marion school and moved to Morse in 2000. The newspaper has allowed students to explore the news and improve their writing along the

Just Print It reporters have interviewed Congressional Medal of Honor recipients, Nobel Peace Prize recipients, famous artists, entertainers and authors. In that time we have scooped the NY Times, the Daily Freeman and the Saugerties Post Star and Saugerties times.

Can't wait to see what the next 25 years brings.

This simple fact proves that those who read "Just Print It" are 10% smarter than those who don't read.

JPI -Saugerties- The Patriots seemed to have the advantage well before Mustang Bowl XII was played. They had won the previous five out of six meetings. They had Jim Gage in

# Patriot Destiny Fulfilled at Mustang Bowl XII

the second quarter to score 13 points themselves while only allowing 6 for the Mustangs. Cornerback John Turk picked up a fumble and

the audience and they had an offensive juggernaut to create havor for the Mustangs defense.

The Mustang Bowl began in 2004 as an activity to provide Grant D. Morse fifth and sixth graders with an authentic learning experience focusing on responsibility, preparation, teamwork and problem-solving in a high stakes environment. Students prepare for weeks leading up to this highly anticipated touch football game which takes place during the school day in front of nearly 1600 students, parents and fans.

Jim Gage, a two-time honorary captain for the Patriots, the only honorary captain to have that distinction, began the Patriot revival after losing the first four of five Mustang Bowls to the Mustangs when the classic battle began in 2004. Gage was honorary captain of the Patriots in Mustang Bowl VI and led



them to their first of four straight victories to tie the overall series. The Mustangs

evened the overall series with a win in MB X. Then Gage returned in Mustang Bowl XI as

a substitute for Gladys Hutton, who was unable to be present as honorary captain for the Patriots, and he led the Patriots to a thrilling 25-24 victory which came down to the last play of the game, thus giving the Pats the series advantage, once again.

Though he was not an honorary captain in MB XII, as the Morse School honored the students and staff of 1965, in honor of its 50th birthday, Gage was able to exert his influence as he made his impact as a flag bearer with the Saugerties Color

Guard. The Color Guard splendidly represented the struggles of American patriots through the years while Morse student Sydney Henson sang a moving rendition of our National Anthem. Gage clearly gave an intangible edge to the Patriots on this spectacular October day at Grant D. Morse Elementary school.

The Patriots used this as a catalyst for an explosive first quarter where they scored 19 unanswered points behind the sizzling aerial attack featuring QB and coach Mitchell Hart tossing the ball up for wideout Jack Quinlan to haul

down. It did not look good for the Mustangs.

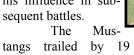
However, the Mustangs would not be disheartened. Coach and MLB Ginger Defino kept her troops focused on the field rather than the scoreboard. The Mustangs roared back in

picked off a pass to lead to scores for the Mustangs. The halftime score was 25-13.

After an incredible halftime performance by the Mustang Bowl Cheer team, both teams' defenses rallied to a scoreless quarter.

The Patriots ended the third quarter with the ball deep in their own territory and soon scored on an amazing 21-yard jitterbug run by fifth grader Gavin Ingrassia. Ingrassia scored in the second quarter on a similar run and made history when he hit pay dirt the second time. Ingrassia and his older brother Shane who played in MB IV and MB V are the only siblings to score two touchdowns in a single game. The elder

Ingrassia, who played for the Mustangs in MB V, grabbed two TD passes and his little brother ran for two in MB XII. Mustang Bowl V represented the last time the Mustangs were able to demonstrate sustained dominance, as Gage would impart his influence in subsequent battles.





Shay leaps for the reception.

points with 5 minutes remaining. Showing the same resolve they demonstrated all game, they marched down field and scored to make the score 33-20. As the clocked ticked away, the Mustangs brought heavy defensive pressure to the Patriot offense causing consecutive ground losses. On a third and long from deep inside Mustangs' territory, Defino led a blitz

and sacked QB Hart in the end zone for a safety making the score 32-22.

The Mustangs needed a quick score and a turnover to get them in position to win the game. However, the clock did not have as the ticks necessary to pull off magic. The game ended on a long completion from Mustangs QB Marciano Neglia to receiver Isaiah Snyder, but it was just too late for a last quarter miracle.

Jim Gage, standing with former Morse staff and students, joyfully surveyed the scene as the Patriots had prevailed again. Though he would be the

first to congratulate all the players on another great competition, he is a Patriot to the core and he seems to have cast a spell on the Mustangs.

# Sports Department Edited By Liam Curtis



# New York, New York

By Brady Reynolds

It is the first time since 2000 that the Yankees and the Mets have been in the postseason. In 2000, the Yankees and the Mets faced off in the World Series. The Yankees won the World Series 4 games to 1. The Yankees and the Mets are in a competition. Who will win New York? Right now it looks like the Yankees are in lead with 27 World Series championships. But the Mets are right up



there. The Mets won the National League East.

The Yankees did not win the American League East. They had to settle for a wild card. The Yankees lost the wild card 3-0. A wild card is if you don't win your division, there is one more slot to go in the playoffs. So two teams play in a one game elimination game.

The Yankees have more fans then the Mets because they started before them. The Yankees started in 1927, and the Mets started in 1962 taking over the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Giants. But it is the same of

how many legends both teams have. From Don Mattingly to Mike Piazza. Anyway, the Mets played the Dodgers in the NLDS and won 3 games to 2. Then the Mets played the cubs in the NLCS and won 4 games to 0.

Now the Mets will play in the World Series.







## **One Win Away**

By Liam Curtis

The New York Mets have not gone to the World Series since 2000. In that series, they lost to the Yankees. Look for the Mets to strive for a major outburst in the postseason. They need one win to go to the World Series and the Chicago Cubs need four in the four games that are left.

The New York Mets postseason is led by Daniel Murphy, a player who is seeking an MLB record: Most consecutive games with a HR. He currently stands with five, tying former Met Carlos Beltran. Imagine if Murphy hits a go ahead home run in the ninth inning to go ahead 1-0; that would be crazy.

But it's not all him, you could put in David Wright and Yoenis Cespedes and don't forget Curtis Granderson "the Grandy man".

# Attention Basketball Players Aged 9-12!

Biddy League Co-Ed Basketball Sign Ups

Friday Nov. 6 6-8 PM

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Frank Greco Senior Center Market Street, Saugerties

> \$40 per child \$70 per family

See Coach B., Coach Constable, or Mr. Defino for further information.



## **Mustang Bowl XII**

## **Official Statistics**



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## Pass-

	Pass Att	Pass Comp	Int	TD
Mitchell Hart	9	14	2	1

#### Receiving:

	Pass Catch	Yards	TD
Jack Quinlan	5	70	1
Michael Tucker	1	6	0
Ryan Curran	2	6	0

#### Rushing:

	Carries	Yards	TD
Mitchell Hart	9	101	2
Natalie Vail	2	24	0
Gavin Ingrassa	5	59	2
Michael Tucker	1	-1	0
Ashlyn DeRonda	3	22	0

<u>Tackles</u>: Baldwin –8; Kuriplach, Quinlan, Moon–3; Wilson, A. Lydecker, Banas –2; G. Mills, H. Mills, Hackett, Brink, Wormell, Cordero, Catalinotto, Pitt,

Rabiner –1 **Sacks:** 0

Interceptions: Quinlan, Hart

Safeties: 0

Fumble Recoveries:

<u>Punts:</u> 0 <u>PAT Kicks:</u> 0

PAT Run: 1—Hart to Curran

#### Scoring By Quarter

Compiled by Mr. Defino

1 2 3 4 F

PATRIOTS 19 6 0 7 32

Mustangs 0 13 0 9 22

Patriots Lead All-time series 7-5



Penalties:

Mustangs: 0-0 Patriots: 3-31

#### AWARDS:

Mr. Eymann Defensive MVP:

Renee Baldwin

Mr. Eymann Offensive MVP:

Mitchell Hart

Mr. Turner Outstanding Lineman:

Aidan Lydecker

Mr. Buonfiglio Sportsmanship Award:

Ginger Defino

Mary Cosentino Spirit Award:

Samantha Tubby

### Officials:

H. Smith, L. Nevil, S. Mower Official Scorekeeper:

N. Auer

Attendance:

1,578

-Google Imaging/Analytics (+/- 35)

#### Passing:

	Pass Attempt	Pass Comp	Int	TD
Marciano Neglia	31	14	2	1

#### Receiving:

	Pass Catch	Yards	TD
Jared McCaig	10	64	1
Isaiah Snyder	2	35	0
Molly Reynolds	2	6	0

#### Rushing:

	Carries	Yards	TD
Marciano Neglia	9	16	2
Lena Goode	7	23	0
Heidi Mulford	3	6	0
Emma Hallion	9	106	0
Ginger Defino	1	6	0

<u>Tackles:</u> Hallion –4; Defino –3; Neglia, Croce, J. Turk, Dodig, Curtis, McCaig –2; Mulford, Lenz, Heiss, Rabiner, DeSantis, Karolys –1

Sacks: Defino, J. Turk-1

Fumble Recoveries: J. Turk

Interceptions: J. Turk, McCaig

Safeties—Defino-1

Thank you to all parent volunteers for making this day extra special for all of us!

## **Meet the Morse Student Body**

# **Halloween Expectations**

By Logan Griffin



Halloween is the most celebrated holiday in our country. Adults and kids especially kid are excited for the holiday.

Some kids want to be villains, heroes, and sport players. But Matthew Wilson wants to be a football player. Wilson said for Halloween he is going to Kingston. Wilson said he's going to make his football player costume out of regular clothes. He is really excited for the parade and the school party. Matthew Wilson said he is wearing his costume in the parade.

If you want to get lots of candy go trick or treating with him I promise you will get lots of candy.



By Shaun Sussman

Halloween is an exciting day for students at Morse. One student is really

looking forward to this day.

RJ
Paff is in Mrs.
Tucker's sixth
grade class. RJ
is going to be a
morphous guy
and the suit is
going to look
fat. The color is
going to be
green.



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## **Color Me Natalie**

By Jenna Wormell

Color Me Rad is a 5 kilometer run that is sweeping the United States. It is a race which is highlighted by being sprayed with colors creating wild art on the runner's' bodies. Colors are sprayed at 8 different spots on the course.

Fifth grader Natalie Vail did the Color Me Rad Run a few weeks ago. The colors for this race were pink, green, blue, yellow, purple and salmon.

"It was a three mile run," she said. Natalie states it was fun because she ran with her friends, Meredith Montano, Tina Montano and her mom, Ginger Vail.

"There were a lot of people there," reported Natalie. Vail was able to finish the race, although she found it a bit challenging. "It was hard to keep up around the turns," she explained.

The race was run at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center in Saratoga Springs, New York. The race was a benefit for the hungry.

Morse school is planning its own color run in the spring.

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## First Year Mustang **Bowl: Part II**

By Tyler Hommel

Gavin Ingrassia made his presence known in Mustang Bowl XII. Though he was one of the smallest players on the field, he was easily seen by th crowd of over 1,500 people and barely touched by his opponents.

This was Gavin's first Mustang Bowl. "It was amazing," he said. He is a

fifth grader in Mrs. Fanelli's class and though he wanted to be on the Mustangs and play wide receiver, he is thankful both of those wishes did not come true. His team, the Patriots won for the sixth time in seven years. "I am glad we won," he said. Also, he handled the ball 5 times as a tailback and scored two touchdowns. don't think I would have gotten any passes if I was a receiver. All the passes

Gavin sprints up field for the Patriots. Gavin carried the ball 5 times for 59 yards and 2- TD's.

were going to Jack (Quinlan)." In the Gameday edition of Just Just Print It

**GET THE** FACTS!

Lots of people say it must be easy to be a teacher's kid. They think the teacher's kids get all the answers, for free. The sixth grade has a couple of teacher's kids, and they understand it a little different-

For Jared McCaig, Molly Reynolds, Heidi Mulford and Ginger Defino, it isn't so great to be a teacher's kid. Not only can they never get away with anything in school, because they will be immediately reported, but how do you think their parents test homework?

A teacher's kid gets 2 times as much homework as a regular kid. Of course, they get their own pile of work, but then they get more work from their parents.

Their parents, who are teachers, frequently try out essays, tests, quizzes and projects on their kid before giving it to their classes. Usually, this takes place on weekends, snow days and summer vaca-

Not only do they get more work stuffed down their necks, but they have to get A's on every assignment or they get kicked out of the family.

It isn't easy being a teacher's kid.

This simple fact proves that those who read "Just Print It" are 10% smarter than those who don't read.

> Print It, Gavin dreamed of scoring a touchdown like his big brother Shane a few years before. He not only scored a touchdown, he scored two on long runs of 19 yards and 21 yards. He was so quick and hard to stop on his second touchdown he actually outran his sneakers. Upon crossing the goal line Gavin's shoe flew off his foot. The second TD made he and his brother Shane the only siblings to score multiple TD's in a single Mustang Bowl game.

Shane scored two in MB V.

"I want to be on the Mustangs next year," said Gavin. "That was my brother's team."



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# **Entertainment Department Spencer Flanagan**



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## Metropolitan Mayhem Sweeps Morse

**JPI—Saugerties:** "You Gotta Believe" is a phrase which took meaning long before many members of the Morse staff and all of the student body were born. It was a rally cry created by Tug McGraw, a high spirited pitcher for the 1969 Mets who has now earned his fame as being Tim McGraw's father.

"You Gotta Believe" is a New York Metropolitan fan's common bond as they have long been belittled and overlooked in a city dominated by Yankees fans. In 2015, the Mets, however are standing all alone in the city that never sleeps and at Grant D. Morse School. It has been a long time since true Mets fans could raise their heads in victory.

## Woot! Woot! The Mets are going to the World Series!

"The Lezette family has been Mets fans since I was a little girl. My brother, my sister and I married into families of Mets fans. The simple fact that you are a Mets fan says a whole lot about you. You are not only tough, you are fiercely loyal.

My Dad drives around all year, every year, with his Mets license plate proudly displayed on his vehicle. The major topic at any family function, especially during baseball season, is the Mets. My husband will regale you with countless Mets facts and/or trivia on any given day (whether you are interested in hearing them or not). My nephews "bleed" blue and orange.

This is a tremendous accomplishment for the "Miracle Mets" for they do not have a payroll that even remotely compares to other teams. #TakeThatYankeeFans #ToughYearfortheYanks

Rumor has it that there has been division amongst baseball fans in the Freer household during each and every baseball season, and that this year Mrs. Freer is not so thrilled... #I'mWithSteven #LetsGoMets #YouGottaBelieve"

Mrs. Karin Lezette Maines

"You gotta believe! What an exciting season for Mets fans. Our pitching staff is awesome and the bats are tremendous. We can take it all. Let's go Mets! "

Mrs. Tucker

"It is great for the METS and their fans, but I am a Yankees fan."

Mrs. Ryan

"Go Mets!"

from Mrs. Averill's class

"Dear Mets fans, I am happy to see the Mets get into the World Series and I will be rooting for them as I usually do. Now you all know what it feels like to be a Yankees fan!"

Mr. Dieckmann



"A fond memory that I will always cherish is when I was a little girl watching the Mets play with my grandparents who are no longer with me. They would be so happy for their boys in blue:)"

Mrs. McCaig

"I am very excited for Mets fans. Being that a World Series appearance only happens for them about once every 15 years or so, it's a moment that must be cherished, for sure. More importantly, the Mets players are offered a tryout on the biggest stage for one or two years down the road when the Yankees might be interested. Let's go Mets! "

Mr. Reynolds

"The entire Detweiler family is thrilled by the Mets" win! In fact, my cousin is expecting a baby boy soon and she is considering naming him Murphy."

Mrs. Detweiler

"It is hard to put into words how exciting it is that the Mets are in the World Series. I have been a Mets fan my whole life and have been waiting a long time for this. It was amazing when they made it in 2000, but I remember 1986 like it was yesterday.

This team reminds me a lot of the '86 Mets. They are so exciting to watch and now I get to experience it with my daughters 29 years later. They may not make it every year, but 2015 is their year and it is great time for New York! Let's Go Mets!!!"

**Coach Constable** 

"I am very excited that the Mets have won the National League Championship! I am a Yankee fan at heart but it's nice to see a New York team going to the World Series! Good luck Mets!"

Mrs. Hogan

"I couldn't be more excited that the Amazin' Mets have finally made a come back! It makes me feel like a kid again! I might even break out the Teufel-Shuffle."

Mrs. Foley

# Does G.D.M Believe in Miracles?

By Liam Curtis



Mrs. McCaig

Think of it this way: they're playing the Royals, who can "small ball" you to all's end.

But don't count the Mets out: they have Matt Harvey "The Dark Knight *or* Batman", Noah Syndergaard "Thor", and Jacob deGrom "the deGrominator, deGnome or the deGnominator" and Bartolo Colon "The Hulk" so as for Met fans: Do we really believe in miracles?

Tonight it's Yordano Ventura against Noah Syndergaard. Here are some Met fans to name a few: Liam Curtis (myself), Mrs. Tucker, and Mrs. Maines.

Other Met fans include Coach Constable, Coach Buonfiglio, and longtime greeter who everybody loves, Mr. Greco.

Here's to all you Yankee fans out there: the

Mets are goin' to the World Series for the first time

Mrs. Constable

But don't be sad Yankee fans; there someday will be a next year.

since 2000 when

the Yankees beat them in the Y2K

classic.

# **#LGM**

Attention Basketball Players Aged 9-12!

Biddy League Co-Ed Basketball Sign Ups

Friday Nov. 6 6-8 PM

## Saturday Nov. 14 10 AM-1 PM

Frank Greco Senior Center Market Street, Saugerties

> \$40 per child \$70 per family

See Coach B., Coach Constable, or Mr. Defino for further information.

## **Dissenting Opinion:**

The overwhelming majority of Mrs. Mulford's class is not hopeful for the Mets winning the World Series title.

Mason Wright & Joey Karolys and Casey Kirchner are thrilled their team! Joey says, "The Mets are going to win it ALL."

On the contrary Brady Reynolds says the Royals are going to take the championship in a 4 game sweep.

## **Saugerties Connected to World Series**

*JPI*– *Saugerties*- Game Two of the 2015 World Series featuring the New York Mets and the Kansas City Royals had a distinct Saugerties flavor on Wednesday, October 28. Saugerties native retired Col. Roger Donlon threw out the ceremonial first pitch before a jam packed Kauffman Stadium and hundreds of millions of viewers worldwide.

Donlon, the namesake of the Donlon Auditorium and Donlon Military Park in the village of Saugerties, was selected not only because he is a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor given for extraordinary bravery in combat, but also for his humanitarian work both in the United States and internationally. Donlon makes his home in Leavenworth, Kansas and uses the platform of the Medal of Honor to make a difference in the lives of everyone he meets. "I have a great obligation to represent this distinction in the highest manner. We are the lucky ones. We got to come home," he said in an interview last year with Just Print It.



Great pitching form from Col. Donlon.

Donlon will be sharing the honor of throwing out the first pitch with fellow Vietnam War Medal of Honor recipients Don Ballard and Charles Hagemeister. Donlon was the first recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor in the Vietnam War for his heroism in July 1964.

Roger Donlon was a close friend of Grant Morse and attended St. Mary of the Snow school. He is a KC Royal season ticket holder, as well.

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Fifth Grade Halloween

By Ashly Pitt

Students at GDM school are eager for Halloween. They have been preparing their costumes in anticipation of the big Trick or Treating night.

Natasha Finger is in fifth grade. She wants to be Princess Leia from Star Wars. She wants to be Princess Leia because she is pretty.

Finger is excited, she thinks it will be fun

Natasha already looks like Will be fun.

Princess Leia. Natasha is buying her costume.

She will also wear her costume in school and at home. She enjoys scaring people and getting candy. She will do her scaring and gathering at Bishop's Gate.

Maddy Dodig is also in fifth grade, She wants to be a hippie. Maddy is buying parts for her costume but making the rest. She is also wearing the hippie costume on Friday in school and Saturday for Halloween.

## Halloween Fun

By Morgan Bennett

Spencer Flanagan and Samantha Tubby are both 6<sup>th</sup> graders of the Grant D. Morse School. Spencer is in Mrs. Brott's class. Samantha is in Mrs. Tucker's class.

Samantha likes to be called by her nickname. "Sam

is short for Samantha." she said.

Gillian Mills is in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade in Mrs. Fanelli's class. Gillian is 10 years old, Sam and Spencer are 11.

Sam likes to go trick or treating because she goes with her friends and her mom and dad like to go with her younger sister MacKenna and she can't stay home alone.

Sam is being Sandy from the movie Grease. Tubby's favorite part of Halloween is decorating her house and yard. Last year Sam was a doctor. Yes,

Sam likes the Halloween parade at school, but she dislikes when her parents taking pictures of her.

Spencer likes going trick or treating with her grandparents.

Spencer is being Rainbow Dash "modern version". Spencer's mom made her be Rainbow Dash because her hair is rainbow.

ALL

Flanagan's favorite part or Halloween is going to her grandparents, passing out candy and scaring people/kids. She goes trick or treating because she thinks she'll never be too old and she does not care how old she is.



Last year Spencer was a devil child for Halloween. Her mom is making her costume again this year.

Gillian Mills enjoys Halloween because it's the time you get candy and you get to see other people's costumes.

Gillian goes to her grandparents also on Halloween. Last year Gillian was a pirate. "I wanted to

be an army girl but I could not find the costume," she said.

Mills likes how they do the Halloween parade at school because it's a fun way to enjoy Halloween at school. Gillian is making her costume this year.

Samantha, Spencer and Gillian are all very happy and excited about Halloween!

## A Special Tent for a Special Day

By Spencer Flanagan

This year Morse Celebrated it's fiftieth year of education. To honor this great milestone, the Mustang Bowl made a few special additions to its already extra special day. The parents worked hard to dress the field up as well add special tings to make the day more memorable.

Shannen Flanagan is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader's mom and she is a PTA member. She volunteered her party tent the Mustang Bowl because she wanted her daughter to have great time. it is her daughter Spencer's last year at Grant D. Morse. Flanagan's dad Buddy and her bother Justin to help set up the tent. Flanagan said "It was important to have the tent at the event in case of rain." Flanagan said,

"The tent looks very nice when it is up." Flanagan also said "We use the tent for a lot of parties. Mustang Bowl is similar to events we had in the past." Flanagan's dad and bother delivered the tent from Red Hook on the day event. Flanagan said "It was easy to set up and take down as long you have 2 people. More people to help makes it even easier." Flanagan said "The best part of the tent was having it there to make my daughter's last Mustang Bowl a memorable one."

Flanagan felt nervous it would make her new truck dirty but proud she had a big enough truck to make her daughter's day special.

# Figure Skating Monthly

**By Nicole Moorhus** 

Welcome to my column! I love figure skating and hope you will gain an appreciation for it after reading my regular column in Just Print It.

This figure skating week has been amazing. I just got new skates and they have pink and blue blades. It is very hard to skate on them, but I am getting used to it. It is hard to skate on them because they are the next level up. I am looking forward to my future on them.

I have also started testing. I am working on the second and third tests. They are confusing at first, but then you get used to them. I have been skating for over five years. I skate with my friend Emma Hallion. She has been skating for three years.

So far I have done three solos. There names are "Roar", "Marshmellow" and "EnVille Frisco" My favorite is "EnVille Frisco" because it is my competition song.

Now you have taken a look at my skating life. See you next time in the December issue.

# Halloween Advice

By Natasha Finger

Hello, fellow Grant D. Morse students.

Fall is here, that means school, Halloween and Thanksgiving. Are yo ready? The school year will be amazing.

We will soon be going trick or treating, dressing up and scaring people. Fall is a wonderful season.

Remember to be safe and stay close to your parents. Hopefully, it will be a full moon and a very spooky night.

Here are some tips for a great night of Halloween fun:

- -Stay close to an adult
- Get lots of candy
- Have fun and don't panic or get scared.

Have a Happy Halloween

# Composition Editor John Turk



Happy Halloween

From Just Print It

# What's Going On!

By Hannah Mills

The reenactment of the Burning of Kingston took place on October 16-18. This event showed what happened on those days in 1777. It also shows the bravery of those men and women who fought for our independence.

This three day event included many historically accurate reenactments. A reenactment is when actors play the part of the real soldiers and the event is recreated.

On Friday, the reenactment included musket and cannon firings as well as kid's activities and the Battle of Saratoga.

The second day, Saturday, there was a British invasion of the military kind. The landing of the British took place at Kingston Point Beach. Revolutionary war camps were set up around the Stockade Area of Kingston. There were also demonstrations from blacksmiths, candle-makers, toymakers and wreathmakers. Also on Saturday, there was a look at an 18th century smoke house and a grand ball in the evening.

Sunday was the last day and it featured the battle of "Upper Forsyth Park." It also featured a camp open to the public to see the burning of Kingston.

As you can see this three day event showed history like never before. Admission was free.

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## **A Favorite Holiday**

By Aiden Zarcone

Halloween is one of the most exciting days on a person's calendar. Candy, costumes and fun are the orders of the day. At Grant D. Morse school, the students are super excited by this day. There will be people ready to go trick-or-treating in our school. This should be a day for kids, students and adults of all ages.

Matthew Wilson of Mrs. Tucker's class is very excited about Halloween and is ready to go trick-or-treating in his new costume. "It's a football player. I am going to wear gloves, shoes, a football shirt and football pants," said Wilson.



He said he also liked the parade at school. "It was fun because we got to walk around in our costumes around the thing."

He also said he decorated his house. "Pumpkins carved, lights green, orange, purple and black." Matthew Wilson said he also tried to scare his brother. "Well I did it to my brother because I scared him. I scared him with a scary mask and costume."

Now, where did he get his Halloween supplies? "Walmart because they have good and scary stuff." His biggest record of candy is.... "Like five pillow cases and one bucket."

Halloween has become one of the most exciting holidays of the year.



Friday, Nov. 20-3-7 PM

he said.

Halloween is here! It is a day many school children look forward

## **Costume Time**

By Gavin Ingrassia

to. They spend time and money getting ready to go trick or treating.

For some students, finding the



Mason is looking to age 60 years on Halloween.

right costume takes the most preparation. At Grant D. Morse School, Mason Wamsley is ready to show his amazing costume. His mother has always made unique and great costumes for his older brother Cody and sister

Skyler.

Wamsley said he is going to be a grandpa. He likes the mouth of the mask. It is his favorite part of the costume. "I think my picture will be in the yearbook,"

a fifth grader like Wamsley is going to be the Gilli Gilli man. He is buying the costume and

thinks peo-

ple will

love it. "I will have an awesome mask, the costume will be funny and scary," he said. He is not sure if he will be in the yearbook photos,

but he hope to.



Liam Turk.

Liam is looking to make people scream and laugh at the same time. We hope no one will self-destruct after glancing at his costume.

Be on the look out for these and other great costumes.

# STUDENT COUNCIL

By Ginger Defino

The officers have been chosen for this year's student council. Morse President is Ariana Catalinotto, who is serving her second consecutive term. Nick Stinemire will be the Vice-President. Serving as Treasurer is Madilin Green and the Secretary is Caroline Johansen. Ginger Defino is serving as Community Relations representative. All but Nick Stinemire are sixth graders. Nick is in fourth grade.

Additional members of the student council are sixth graders Kierstin Benson, Nicole Moorhus, Asmir Ayaz, Ashlynn DeRonda, Hannah Mills and fifth grader Lilly Dwyer as well as fourth graders Emily Schlosser and Olivia Viar-

The student council has been working on organizing school spirit days. The first spirit day will be November 5. It is Stuffed Animal Day. November 19 will be 80's Day. These days are designed to create a little school and community spirit among the students.

The student council is working to do what is best for the students of Morse. We are looking for suggestions and ideas to help us make this a great year. Feel free to share your ideas with any of the members or with Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Dieckmann.

Always remember to be a good student and friend and be a bucket filler!

Always thank your teachers, your principal, staff members and your classmates for all they do to help you be successful. Also, always help your classmates so they can be successful and they will thank you.







Top: The Morse mural hangs significantly above the Grant D. Morse Garden. The Mural and garden are tangible examples of the sustenance provided by a community school and a community garden. Above: Former Morse teachers Mr. Jones, Mr. Davis and Mr. Provost enjoy the reunion of family and friends at the 50th Birthday celebration of the school. Right: The Sawyer Marching Band performs at the 50th Anniversary Commemo-

ration Celebration. It consists of many

Morse alumni.



# **A Work of Art**

By Molly Reynolds

On October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 a large mural painted by local artists, including Morse's own Mrs. Tucci with help from Mrs. Jessica Riozzi, Ms. Madolyn Rosen and Mrs. Defino, was finally displayed on the wall above the school garden. It looks great and is really beautiful! Some of the Grant D. Morse teachers shared their opinions on the mural.

For starters, kindergarten teacher Mrs. McCaig exclaimed, "The mural is absolutely breathtaking! It looks so much larger and more stunning than I imagined!"

Mrs. Tucker, a teacher in sixth grade added, "The mural is absolutely beautiful! Morse is very lucky to have so many talented and creative people as part of our "family".

The word "family" was also on the mind of another favorite Morse teacher. "As we approach our school each morning we can feel a sense of gratitude and pride that we belong to the Morse family," said Mrs. Zicot, Morse school librarian.

Our principal, Mr. Dieckmann, gushed with pride about the newly added artwork. "What I love most about the mural is that every square inch tells a little story about the history of our school," he said. "We are incredibly lucky to have such talented and dedicated members of our school and community that helped with the idea and construction of this amazing piece of art."

Last but certainly not least, fourth grade teacher Mrs. Mulford, a key component to the mural project from start to finish, echoed similar sentiments. She said, "It takes a great amount of teamwork to see many worthwhile accomplishments such as our Morse mural."

It was an exciting and intimidating process at times, but, wow, it was worth it!"

The project was started in June and the volunteers worked throughout the summer to finish the project. A committee consisting of Ms. Brown, Mrs. Mulford, Mr. Dieckmann, Mrs. Hogan, Mrs. Brott, Mrs. Granwehr and Mrs. Defino used Grant D. Morse's book of poetry to inspire them. The process was centered around his poem entitled "School is for.... Children."

As you can see, the Morse mural is a huge hit across many, if not all of the teachers at Grant D. Morse. So the next time you see the mural, remember how much work and thought went into it!

# Arts & Craft Fair Hosted by the GDM Fourth Grade 3-7 PM Morse Gymnasium November 20, 2015

"Life is an opportunity,
benefit from it.
Life is beauty, admire it.
Life is a dream, realize it.
Life is a challenge, meet it.
Life is a duty, complete it.
Life is a game, play it.
Life is a promise, fulfill it.
Life is a sorrow, overcome it.
Life is a struggle, accept it.
Life is a tragedy, confront it.
Life is an adventure, dare it.
Life is luck, make it.
Life is life, fight for it."

~Mother Teresa

# Teacher makes Lifelong Accomplishment

## By John Turk and RJ Paff

A teacher named Suzanne Buda finally completed the half marathon for her grandson Cooper, who died of a congenital heart disease.

Suzanne Buda had a great run. She said it was chilly at first then it got

sunny and warm. She had a time of 2:27 in the run. The run was 13.1 miles long.

The race took place in Rhinebeck, NY. She says as she saw the finish line she felt joyful.



Morse's own Mother Teresa.

She trained for a difficult 7 months. Her training was hard and difficult. She said, "I ran five days a week and the distance increased every week."

When she got to the finish line she was excited and relieved.

## Did You Know?

- Because the movie Halloween (1978) was on such a tight budget, they had to use the cheapest mask they could find for the character Michael Meyers, which turned out to be a William Shatner Star Trek mask. Shatner initially didn't know the mask was in his likeness, but when he found out years later, he said he was honored.
- The first Jack O'Lanterns were actually made from turnips.
- Halloween is the second highest grossing commercial holiday after Christmas.
- Fifty percent of kids prefer to receive chocolate candy for Halloween, compared with 24% who prefer non-chocolate candy and 10% who preferred gum.
- Samhainophobia is the fear of Halloween.
- The owl is a popular Halloween image. In Medieval Europe, owls were thought to be witches, and to hear an owl's call meant someone was about to die.
- According to Irish legend, Jack O'Lanterns are named after a stingy man named Jack who, because he tricked the devil several times, was forbidden entrance into both heaven and hell. He was condemned to wander the Earth, waving his lantern to lead people away from their paths.
- The largest pumpkin ever measured was grown by Norm Craven, who broke the world record in 1993 with a 836 lb. pumpkin.
- "Halloween" is short for "Hallows' Eve" or "Hallows' Evening," which was the evening before All Hallows' (sanctified or holy) Day or Hallowmas on November 1. In an effort to convert pagans, the Christian church decided that Hallowmas or All Saints' Day (November 1) and All Souls' Day (November 2) should assimilate sacred pagan holidays that fell on or around October 31.







# Have you seen the show 'Cake Boss" on TLC? It is a popular show about person who

designs "master cakes." It has a huge following on television and inspired many people to bake beautiful cakes.

The Mustang Bowl celebrated the fiftieth year of the school. There was a commemorative float which carried two former teacher and students from 1965 (just three years after the Mets made their MLB debut.) The float was amazing. It was huge, colorful and very well thought out. Who was the person behind the creation of this masterpiece?

My dad, Kevin Curtis, who attended Morse in the late 1960's and early 1970's with Mr. Defino, built this float. How did he do it and why did he do it?

He was partially volunteered by Mr. Rich Croce, sixth grader Paul Croce's dad. This was because of pre-

vious float building in Cub Scouts pack 37. Curtis had built a halfdozen floats for various parades in the past. He was becoming an expert at design and construction of these mobile art pieces. Mr. Croce knew Morse wanted to celebrate in a special way and knew Kevin was just the man to make it happen. However, no one was to know about it, especially the students.

He kept it a surprise from me because normally I just look out the

## **Kevin Curtis aka Float Boss**

By Liam Curtis



The float carried extra special guests from 1965. Left to Right (Mary Geick Wawro, 2nd grader; Gene Reese, 6th grader; 6th grade teacher, Mr. William Provost; 6th grade teacher Mr. William Hayes; current Morse principal Mr. Dieckmann.

It provided a challenge for him as he needed to work in secrecy. "It took me roughly 15 hours which was longer than intended because you were home during the day," he said during our recent interview. One night he stayed up all night till about 2 or 3 in the morning

working on the float. "I also spent a

long time thinking about it and wor-

rying about getting it done on time."

window and see what he was

building. Instead of building

in normal spot, he decided to

work on it while I was sleep-

Mrs. Sussman, sixth grader Shaun Sussman's mom, helped him with painting the numbers and letters. Mrs. Sussman was a Morse classmate of my dad, as well. He did

all the framework while Mrs. Sussman did the components. The result was spectacular.

The trailer used for the float was a flatbed owned by Mr. Hoffstatter who is fifth grader Connor Hoffstatter's dad. The float was constructed at our

house and assembled at Morse on the day of the game. Many parents helped to decorate the float when it was being put together. They built it so that people could ride on it, as well as hide inside to deliver the game ball. Mr. Turner, former Morse principal and present superintendent appeared from the middle of the float and gave the ball to start the game.

Though my sister Jessica and I participated in the Mustang Bow, last year was the first time that he experienced it. He told me

that the entire G.D.M. "family" was ready to step up to build this amazing float.

We can now call Mr. Kevin Curtis "The Float Boss" because he has built some amazing floats, but this one was the greatest one by far!

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The float was designed to carry the Mustang Bowl game ball, as well. Though all staff and students from 1965 were invited to participate, we were fortunate to have former teachers and students take part. Mr. Buonfiglio and Mr. Eymann did not think they would be able to attend, but made it to the field after the game had started.

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