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- 12 Elem. PTO Meeting
- 13 Last Day of Classes (grades 7-12)
- Regents: ELA (a.m.) and Living Enviro. (p.m.)
- 14 Grade 2 Flag Day Program (HS Aud) @ 6 p.m.
- 15 Regents: Global II (a.m.) and Algebra I (p.m.)
- Kindergarten Picnic
- 16 Regents: Earth Sci. (a.m.) and Chemistry (p.m.)
- 19 Juneteenth (No School)
- Regents: Geometry (a.m.)
- 20 Last day of Classes (grades UPK-6)  
BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 p.m.  
Baccalaureate @ 7 p.m.
- Regents: Algebra II (a.m.)
- 21 Commencement rehearsal
- Regents: Physics (a.m.)
- 22 Commencement (FCS Athletic Complex) @ 6 p.m.
- Regents: Scoring Day
- 23 End of 4th Quarter (grades 6-12)  
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- Summer Vacation
- 26 begins (No School) : Have a safe summer!

# THE FALCON

GRADUATION EDITION 2023

## FALCONER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



## Congratulations FCS Class of 2023!



*Class of 2023*

### TOP TEN

1. Alex Reynolds (Valedictorian)
2. Curtis Hannon (Salutatorian)
3. Danielle Krenzer
4. Michaela Olson
5. Kayla Jo Lynn
6. Zachary Kianos
7. Garrett Carlson
8. Emily Payne
9. Laura Reichenbach
10. Collin Riel





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I would like to thank our residents for approving the 2023-2024 Falconer Central School budget. A passed budget allows us to plan for the next school year with confidence. The Board of Education has been able to continue to provide the highest quality of education during a time in which aid has been an unknown factor. I would also like to thank our Board of Education for providing goals, challenges, and direction for the education of our students during very difficult economic times. Congratulations to Mark Wilcox and Heather Cardot for being elected to our Board of Education. Over the last few weeks our District has held many award ceremonies recognizing and celebrating the achievements of our students. The most significant event in June is, of course, our high school graduation. Parents, faculty, administrators and members of the Board of Education gather to congratulate our students from Falconer Central School as they cross the stage to accept their diplomas on June 22 on Bill Race Field at 6 p.m. As seniors attend the final activities as members of the Falconer community, I wish each of them much success and happiness as they begin their new journey.

The Falconer Central School District can take pride in the accomplishments of the Class of 2023. They have excelled in the classroom, stage, field, court, mat, and community. From the first day they entered school, the Class of 2023 has met the challenges set in front of them. We are proud of all they have done at FCS and look forward to all they will accomplish. They can be assured that their diplomas represent a significant and meaningful education delivered by an outstanding faculty. Our students are well prepared and ready to enter this next phase of their lives.

I would also like to thank the FCS community for their support of the \$18,650,000 District Capital Project referendum that was approved on May 16. The District anticipates the use of Capital Reserve and Unappropriated Reserve funds to allow it to fund this project with no impact to the tax levy. The project will likely commence in part during the summer of 2024 for the replacement of roofs that have reached the end of their useful life. Much of the remaining work, which would likely commence spring 2025, includes upgrades to classroom and rooftop air handling units at each of the District's buildings, extensive renovations to the MHS Auditorium, MHS physical education, and team locker rooms, renovations to the MHS guidance and nurses' suites, upgrades to the Fenner Elementary STEAM classroom, and masonry work at the bus garage.

**FCS received two grants from the Falconer Region  
Community Fund at the Chautauqua Region  
Community Foundation in the Spring 2023 cycle.**

The first grant is for the purchase of two aeroponic garden towers from the high school Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) class. Over the past few years, the CDOS class has undertaken multiple initiatives related to gardening and agricultural endeavors. They work throughout the year in the school greenhouse, have aquaponics systems in their classroom, have worked with a local composter, and partner with Key Club in working in the school garden. The aeroponic towers will provide an opportunity to learn more about growing vegetables year round. With the towers, the class will also receive lesson plans and supplies needed for one year of growing leafy green vegetables and then preparing them for meals.



## 1993 Alumni and Current Library Media Specialist of FCS to Address the 2023 Class at Commencement

April (Robinson) Binkley graduated from Falconer High School in 1993. She attended North Park University in Chicago, IL, and received her bachelor's degree in English and secondary education in 1997. She later received a master's degree in Instructional Technology and Library Science from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, IL, before returning to Western New York in 2004.



Mrs. Binkley currently serves as the Library Media Specialist at Falconer Middle/High School. Her teaching experience includes one year of middle school Spanish, six years of eighth grade English, three years of elementary library, and sixteen years of middle/high school library with some creative writing and English courses as well. Other school activities include coaching high school quiz team, directing the middle school play, making costumes for the musical, running the planetarium, and organizing pi day and other events. She has been a building tech leader for the past nineteen years and is involved in district and building technology teams as well as offering teacher trainings and facilitating tech integration. She participates on the Erie 2 Boces School Library System Council and has presented at state conferences for the New York State Association for Computers and Technologies in Education (NYSCATE) as well as Erie 2 Boces Technology Integrator Forum's TIF Talks.

A professional dabbler and lifelong learner, April loves words, a good challenge, and finding creative ways to solve problems. She enjoys working with a wide range of teachers and students to help people locate, evaluate, and use information, adjust to changing technologies, and appreciate the value of a good story. Outside of school, she can usually be found traveling with her family and enormous Bernese mountain dog, hiking, gardening, trying new recipes, and, of course, reading.

### Nurses' Notes

Hello from the Middle/High School Health Office! As we come to the end of another school year, I wanted to send out some reminders.

1. We will be doing Sports/School physicals on Thursday, August 3 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. in the nurse's office. Please call if you would like your child(ren)'s physicals completed here. There is pre-paperwork that needs to be filled out and signed by a parent/guardian and brought with the student on the day of the physical.
2. For any student that takes medications at school, please pick up their leftover medications by Thursday, June 22. Any medications not picked will be disposed of on Friday, June 23.
3. Students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have a Tdap vaccine.
4. Students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have a Meningococcal vaccine and an updated physical.
5. Students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have an updated physical.
6. Students entering 11<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have an updated physical.
7. Students entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to have a 2<sup>nd</sup> Meningococcal vaccine.
8. Hearing and vision screening is required in grades 7 and 11 and will be completed by the School Nurse if the physician does not complete them during their yearly physical.

Please call us with any questions. Have a great summer! ~ Roxanne Brazie  
RN & Stacy Bruce LPN

The second grant is to supplement a Cummins grant received earlier this year to support the purchase of a DroneBlocks RoboMaster TT class set for middle school STEM classes. The purchase includes curriculum, lessons in Block, Python, Open-CV and JavaScript Coding, teacher training, a drone coding simulator and 10 drones with necessary accessories and 200 replacement propellers. While the drones will primarily be used in middle school, they are appropriate for a range of ages. Currently, the Fenner STEM courses use a simpler version of drones, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders learn the basics of operation and landing with remote control. Programming drones provides the opportunity for students to explore computer vision and machine learning and produce surprisingly creative/artistic work in terms of light and motion. Drone coding supports the NYS Computer Science and Digital Fluency Standards implementation for Computational Thinking in Grades 4 - 12. In addition, working with drones in teams can help students develop career-essential skills of collaboration, communication, critical problem solving and persistence.

## Falconer Central School Students invited to Falconer Park Recreation Program

The Village of Falconer would like to announce details for this year's Summer Recreation Program!

-Program runs from June 26-August 11. We will be closed July 4.

-Cost is a one time \$1.00 payment, per child...FOR THE WHOLE SUMMER.

All Falconer Central School students are welcome.

-Program Hours are 9-12, 12:30-4:30 Monday-Thursday. We close at 4:00 on Fridays. We are open rain or shine!

The park building will be closed from 12:00-12:30 for lunch. The building will be locked, there will be NO park staff available, and NO lunch will be provided.

The Falconer Park Recreation Staff is here to monitor and organize activities on the "building" side of the park. There will be morning and afternoon activities daily that all members of the park program can participate in. Members are free to use any of our equipment and games. We have indoor games as well as outdoor games.

We are a "COME AND GO" program. Members can come and go as they want and attendance is not mandatory. Please make sure your child is responsible enough to attend the program. WE ARE NOT A BABYSITTING SERVICE. WE DO NOT NOTIFY PARENTS WHEN CHILDREN LEAVE. As stated before, members come and go as they want. The Falconer Park Recreation staff is NOT responsible for children who play on the playground or anywhere on the pavilion side of the creek.

Bad behavior, bullying, or any examples of disrespect towards other members or staff can result in removal from the program.

You can email any questions to Mr. Schrader at [cschrader@falconerschools.org](mailto:cschrader@falconerschools.org).

HELLO  
SUMMER

## Falconer Students Work Toward New State Seal of Civic Readiness

2023 marks the first year Falconer students can earn points towards the Seal of Civic Readiness. The Seal is a formal recognition that a student has attained a high level of proficiency in terms of civic knowledge, civic skills, civic mindset, and civic experiences.

Two students this year are taking extra steps towards earning points towards their Seal. Junior Addison S. is working on a Capstone Project to determine effective ways for student voices to be considered in District decision-making. Freshman Peyton W. is working with the District and the Audubon Community Nature Center to design and construct nature play areas at our two elementary schools as part of her Service Learning Project.



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## Art Shows

### Elementary

Our talented elementary students had their artwork on display for our annual art shows. The Fenner art show was held at the Falconer Public Library on 5/16 and our Temple art show was at the Kennedy Public Library on 5/17. Each display included over 100 works of art and remained open to the community for the month of May.

Artwork was judged by a panel of local art teachers in Chautauqua County. Three students from each school were selected for special recognition for their amazing work.

Great job, artists!

Fenner 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Faith R.

Fenner 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Aurora L.

Fenner 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Marielle M.

Temple 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Cora J.

Temple 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Kane C.

Temple 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Zachary V.

### Middle/High

Outstanding middle and high school students' artwork from both Mrs.

Cheney's and Ms. Foulk's classes were on display at the Arts and Academic Festival during the district budget voting.

## FCS Hosts Special Olympics

The Special Education

Department hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Falconer Special Olympics held on May 12, 2023. The day began with a parade through the bus loop complete with police and fire escort. Students competed in running and bike races, jumping and throwing events. Seniors, Joey and Mackenzie were honored. The Julie Possai Achievement Award winners were Annika, Elie and Mackenzie. At the close of the events, a family picnic was held. The day was a huge success!





## Falconer After-Prom Thanks Community

The Falconer After-Prom and Senior Vigil Committee would like to sincerely thank you for your generous support of our 2023 events. This year we kept more than 160 students safe on prom night – both Falconer students and numerous guests from other schools.

From 12:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m., the kids enjoyed live board games, casino games, food, music, inflatables, and LOTS of other activities!

We had hundreds of prizes that were donated and purchased with monetary

donations that the students were

able to win and bid on during our silent and live auctions! Every student left with at least one prize! This would not have been possible without the many generous donations, the 70+ parents, faculty, and staff who lent a hand, and the whole community working together to keep our children safe.

We are working toward an equally successful Senior Vigil on graduation night. We are grateful to you for your continued support of our efforts and look forward to working with you in the future.

Thank you again!





## Falconer Teams Compete in County Envirothon

Two Falconer High School teams recently competed in the Chautauqua County Envirothon competition held at Camp Merz in Mayville. Envirothon is an environmental, outdoors, hands-on competition in which five-person teams compete against each other in the areas of forestry, wildlife, aquatics, soils and a current environmental issue of adapting to a changing climate. Each team works together to answer questions on tests created by experts in each of the fields. They may also have to identify animal calls, various trees and plants, as well as fish and other animals. The winning team moves on to compete at the state level. While this year's Falconer teams didn't win, they had a great time participating and are already looking forward to competing next year.



## Falconer Future Business Leaders Get "Back to Business"

Eleven FBLA members attended the 2023 State Leadership Conference in Rochester with exciting results. While in attendance, members attended workshops, campaign activities, completed performance and written competitions, and socialized with hundreds of fellow members from across New York State.

After two days of competitions, the awards ceremony brought the opportunity for FCS FBLA and FBLA-Middle Level members to shine on stage. The following awards were accepted at this 2023 state competition. First-place awards included Carson B. (Middle-Level Leadership) and Alix S. (Chapter Business Display). Second-place awards included Garrett C. (Future Business Leader), Patrick B. (ML Learning Strategies), and Alix S. (Word Processing). Third-place trophies went to Anna C. (Parliamentary Procedure Individual), Carson B. (ML Career Research), Patrick B. (Financial Literacy) and (Elevator Speech), and Brason F. and Hanna H. (Publication Design). Garrett C. also walked away with a fourth place in Job Interview.

All of the winners have earned the opportunity to compete at the National Leadership Conference to be held in June in Atlanta, Georgia.

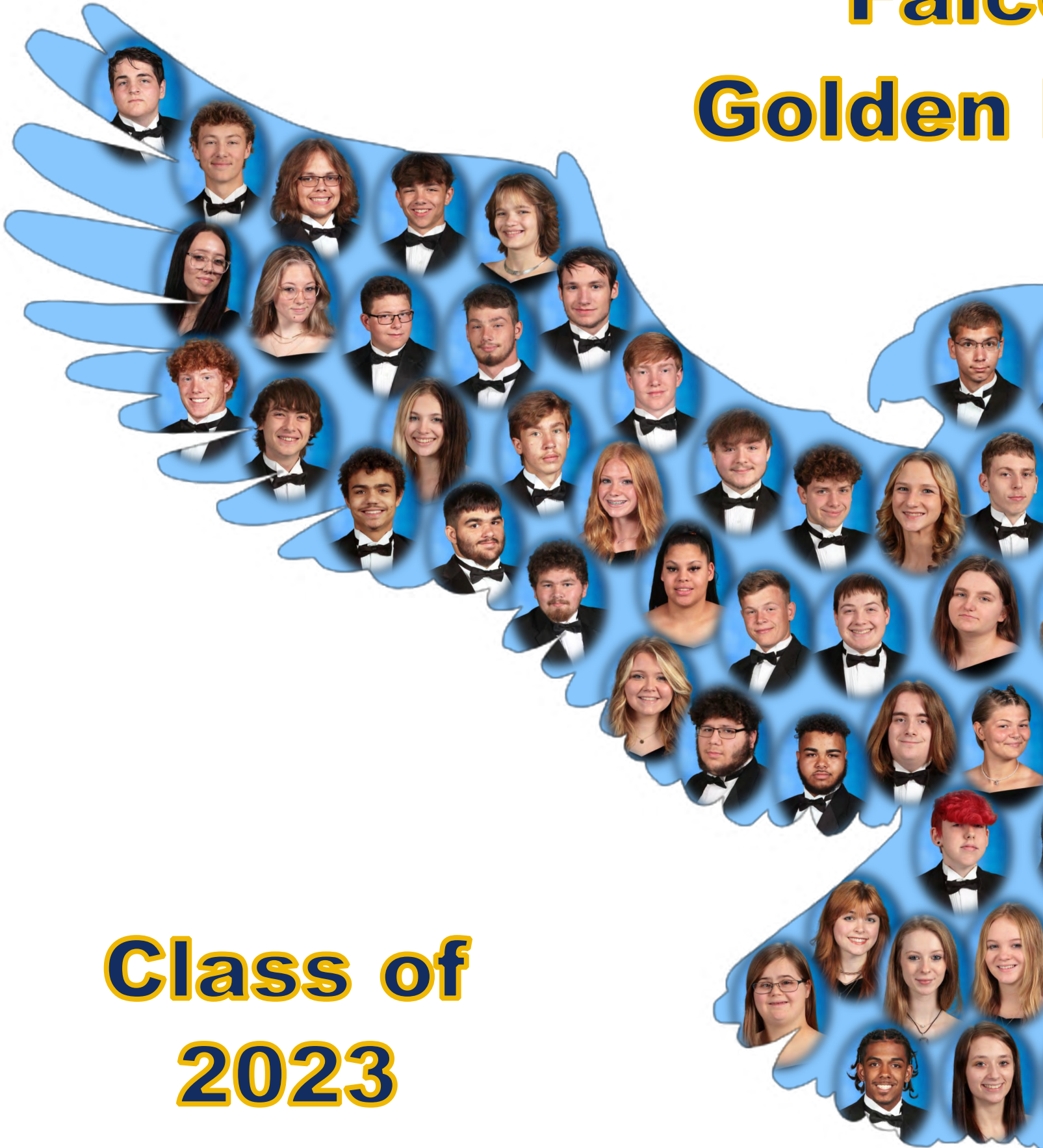
Photo from Back: Garrett C., Declan L., Zachary K., Alix S., Patrick B., Lily B., Lily S., Brason F., Hanna H., Carson B., Anna C.





# Falcon Golden

## Class of 2023





# Senior Falcons



## Congrats graduates!



## Trap Team Wraps Up Season

Congratulations to the Falconer Trap Team for placing third in the Southern Tier Scholastic Youth Conference. Our western division is made up of ten teams from across Chautauqua County. The ten-week program allowed twenty-one athletes to join together on the trap field to learn firearm safety and to improve their accuracy in target shooting.

Best wishes to graduating seniors Madeline B., Garrett C., Brason F., Kailen K., Collin P., and Gavin S. Congratulations to our 2023 High Guns: Gage S. and Anna C., and runners –up: Cooper D. and Katrina S. The team would like to extend a special thank you to all of the trap families for their support, the National Rifle Association for supplying ammo through their grant program, Mud Creek Guns & Ammo for ammo management, Ellington Rod & Gun for hosting the team, and James Johnson at Real Estate Advantage for his trophy sponsorship.

Photo: Collin P., Kailen K., Anna C., Haven K., Mattie B., Katrina S., Jordyn C., Jacob R., William P., Garrett C., Brason F., Nathan B., Gage S., Bradley D., Austin P., Cooper D., Dominic P., Nicola C., Cody R. Missing: Chase B., Gavin S.



## Falconer Swimmer Qualifies for State and National Meet

Aidan M., an FCS junior, qualified for the NYS Public High School Meet in the 100 yard freestyle with a time of 48.61 met at the Section VI Qualifier Meet. He joined teammate Conner D. in Ithaca for the two-day event in mid-February.

Aidan then set his focus on his club swimming goals with the YMCA and continued to drop time over the course of the next six weeks. At the state meet, held at the University of West Virginia's Mylan Park Aquatic Center, Aidan qualified for nationals in the 50 free in preliminaries with a personal best time of 22.06 seconds. Missing the mark in his preliminary swim for the 100 free, he returned for the time trial and qualified for nationals with a personal best of 47.78 seconds. Nationals were held at the Greensboro Aquatic Center in North Carolina during Spring Break. Aidan looks to return to both meets next year.



## Golf Team Closes Season

Golf Team: League record of 9-7  
Curtis H.: attended sectional golf tournament as the alternate and shot an 88.



## FCS Sadd Welcomes Speaker

On May 4, FCS Sadd welcomed Jon Bogue to speak to our high school students about making positive choices and relationships and also about addiction. Jon is a Chautauqua county resident, and has spoken throughout the county to many school districts. Included in the photo are members of FCS Sadd, and Jon Bogue.





Softball pictures by: Steve Garvey

## FCS Students to Attend Boys' & Girls' State

The following Falconer students will be representing the Henry Mosher Post 638 American Legion this summer:



### Boys State

- Hunter C.
- Tyler H.
- Aiden M.
- Kyle M.
- Gage S.
- Lucas V.



### Girls State

- Addison S.
- Lydia P.

## Varsity Girls' Softball Team

The varsity girls softball team (12-6) made it to the semi-finals by dispatching the number six seed Allegany-Limestone 16-1.

Hannah M. took to the circle and tossed a complete game with seven strikeouts and just seven hits. Kayla L. highlighted the offense, going two for three with a double, a two-run home run, three runs scored and four RBIs. Emily Z. added an RBI double and scored three times.

**Congratulations to the following Falcons for being named All-Stars!**

- Kayla L.—CCAA Softball Player of the Year
- Coach Kayleigh Sieber—CCAA Softball Coach of the Year
- Kayla L., Emily R., Angelina F., and Emily Z - 1<sup>st</sup> Team All CCAA selections
- Hannah M., and Mylie Z., - 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All CCAA selections
- Nylah S—Defensive Honorable Mention.



## Guidance Notes

### Back to School Bash

- Keep an eye out for letters in August
- Receive schedules at the Bash



### Juniors

- Register to take or retake the ACT and/or SAT
- College visits
- Finalize college list (a minimum of 5)
- Finalize your resume
- Work on college essay





## Chautauqua County Shredders - New Regional Team

Students entering grades 6 to 12 are invited to join a new interscholastic mountain bike team for students in Chautauqua County. The Shredders will participate in the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Cycling League (PICL), a division of the National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA). All students in Chautauqua County will ride with one "composite" team. The team focuses on riding skills, socialization, maintenance, and trail stewardship. Many local rides will originate at Loud Performance in Bemus Point, and local races will occur in mid-July through August. PA state races occur in September-October. This is not a school-sponsored sport, but a great regional opportunity. More information is available at Loud Performance in Bemus Point, NY ([wfdippel@me.com](mailto:wfdippel@me.com)) and on the PICL website (PAMTB.org).



## Middle School Rides Mountain Bikes Through Grant

Falconer Middle School physical education classes are riding mountain bikes for the first time, thanks to a grant award from the Outride Riding for Focus (R4F) program. R4F promotes cycling as an outlet for students to improve their cognitive, physical, and socio-emotional well-being. At the end of the program, "...students become certified as "Road Ready" after they have gained the knowledge and learned the skills to cycle safely. As a highly effective physical education program, Riding for Focus also seeks to support students in their physical, emotional, and social journey. Riding for Focus provides the program implementer/s with tools to teach physical literacy so students can develop a value in physical activity for its health benefits, social interaction, self-

expression, and personal enjoyment" (from the R4F

2022 Program Preface). The District applied for the grant in the spring of 2022, and received the bikes this past fall. There was quite a bit of prep work to complete before riding could commence, including building the bikes, building a storage unit, training the teachers, acquiring helmets and making sure all permission slips were turned in. Physical

education teachers Brittany Brace and Tommy Fales have stepped up to the challenge of being project champions. They received intensive training in the R4F curriculum and now are implementing the program with students in grades 6 and 7 during their regularly scheduled physical education classes. The grant program lasts for three years, after which the 30 Specialized Rockhopper bikes will be available for the school to use for P.E. and extra-curricular activities.

Some of the students have never learned to ride bikes, so this experience for them has been particularly challenging and rewarding. During one of the recent lessons in P.E. class, Mr. Fales commented, "Today it seemed like the kids who were really afraid of the bikes on

Tuesday were starting to gain confidence." Miss Brace wasn't available for comment, as she was leading the more confident riders as they followed her path on the field.

The grant award was a true community effort, including assistance from the following organizations: Fund for the Region at the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation supported the in-house design and construction of a bike rack to store the 30 mountain bikes in a limited footprint; Falconer Region Community Fund at the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation and the St. Luke's

Thrift Shop each supported the purchase of additional helmets so bikes could be used by all students during Physical Education classes; Eric Chapman of Upstate Cycles in Lakewood, NY, program partner bike mechanic and bike shop. Upstate Cycles built all of our bicycles, advises on routine maintenance and provides major maintenance; Kristian Reiber of Next Level Mountain Biking, and Dee Dippel of Loud Performance, both lead members of the Western NY Mountain Bike Association; acting advisors on the project for initial coaching and coordinating ideas around long-term plans to eventually ride off campus.

In addition to teaching students safe riding techniques, R4F has the potential to start students on a path towards a life-long hobby in cycling and mountain biking. The County is rich in well-maintained trails and home to a strong cycling community, which Falconer students will now be better equipped to enjoy.



## PACT Events

It has been a great year with PACT. Mrs. Rhinehart and team have shown school spirit and have celebrated the kids in many ways this spring.

An ice cream truck for honor and merit roll, dances, and lawn games were just a few fun activities that took place!



## Mrs. Barron's ELA Skills Class

This spring during the 6<sup>th</sup> grade mythology unit Mrs. Barron's class took a different approach on informative standards with the Persephone Project. Mrs. Barron designed a cross curricular project where they studied a plant and identified the plant and microscoped section, including descriptions of the plants in an artistic manner (just like you would see in a scientific journal).



## Kindness Group starts in MS

The middle school teachers Culture Club has expanded to incorporate a Kindness Club on campus. This committee has set goals for their peers to recognize the importance of how kindness can create an inclusive culture for not only them but the school atmosphere.



## Students of the Month



April  
**Olivia S.**  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade



May  
**Dylan N.**  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade



June  
**Lorelei H.**  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Kiwanis Terrific Kids



April  
**Anna C.**  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade



May  
**Elena B.**  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade



June  
**Andrew C.**  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade



## April Harvey C. Fenner Elementary Soaring Students

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Narita W.,  
Rhaelynn K.,  
Sophia S.,  
Shawn R.,  
Damien P.,  
Susann G.,  
Jacob A.



### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade



Parker S.,  
Taveres W.,  
Mason S.,  
Jonah J.,  
Jarred G.,  
Isabella S.,  
Peyton D.,  
Owen C.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade



Carter B., Maleiah B., A.J. S.,  
Kaede Z.-W., Halie K., Taylor T.,  
Aiden P., Harlee K., Aubree L.,  
Karla L.

## April Temple Students of the Month

Lennox H., Ben W., Juliana N., Kaleb K., Weslynn H.,  
Cameron J., Elaina J., Katniss P.



### 4<sup>th</sup>

## Grade Visits the Fenton History Center

Students in 4<sup>th</sup> grade had the opportunity to visit the Fenton History Center in Jamestown on May 9 and 11. The students learned about Governor Fenton and his family, and how people lived in the 1800's.



Todd Beckerink presented at the Temple Faculty Meeting



## Fenner and Battle of the Books



Participants: Mae G., Marielle M., Everly S., Jaxin J., Autumn C., Hannah E., Courtney K., Katelyn H., Wyatt S. & Lydia C.  
Coaches: Mrs. Turecek & Mrs. Valvo



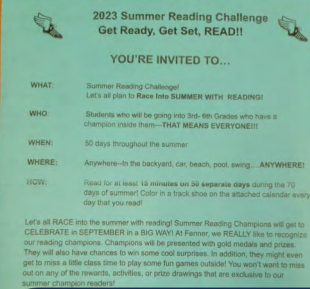
Ten fifth graders from Fenner Elementary competed in this year's Battle of the Books competition. Congratulations to our teams Rainy Readers and Peaceful Painters who did an outstanding job competing at Battle of the Books. The competition, held annually at Chautauqua Institution, is a lively academic event in which students read 12 books throughout the year and gather to answer trivia questions. The students are also responsible for creating their own team name, costume and poster. Twenty schools from around the county

competed this year and both teams were tough competitors throughout the event. Peaceful Painters won for best costume and the Rainy Readers were in the running for the spirit award. Great job to both teams for being such awesome representatives for Falconer!

## Join the Summer Reading Challenge

**Get ready...get set...READ!** That is the theme of

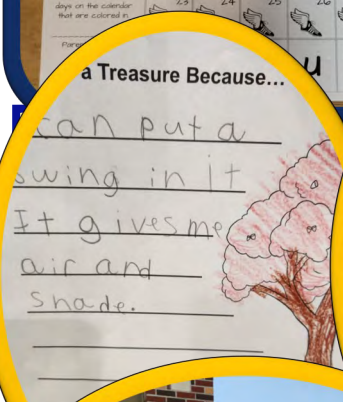
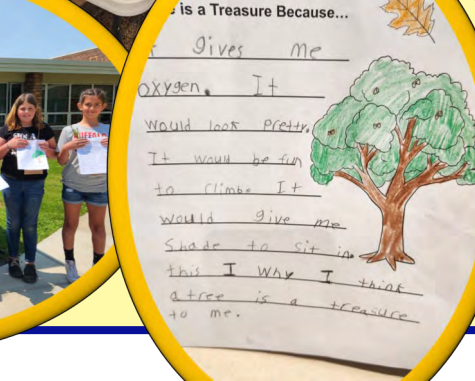
Harvey C. Fenner's upcoming summer reading challenge! Students entering 3rd through 6th grade for the 2023-2024 school year will be encouraged to join! The goal is for students to read for 15 minutes a day for at least 50 days. Please watch for your child's summer reading packet coming home during the last few days of school. This challenge will help students keep their reading skills from getting "rusty" over the summer so they will return to school ready to take their skills to the next level. We hope everyone will **"Race into Summer with Reading"** so they can be recognized and rewarded during our celebratory assembly in September! Students who achieve the goals set will have the privilege to enjoy some "extra" fun following our assembly. Please support your young readers by holding them accountable for completing their reading throughout the summer. When they cross the finish line you'll all be glad you did!



## DEC Seedlings Program

Fenner and Temple students completed coloring pages and writing prompts to win a seedling to plant at home this spring. The District received white spruce and red oak tree seedlings at no cost. Senior Alex H. had wanted to work with students to get more trees planted since last year, and this program was a great fit.

Pictured here, Alex and classmate Jacob C. helped wrap the roots for the trees' traveling to their new homes, and Fenner students are shown with their seedlings.





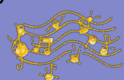
### Mission Statement

The Board of Education, collective staff, and community of the Falconer School District are committed to preparing our children to be productive members of society. Through continuous evaluation and improvement, this partnership will provide a quality educational environment for students to meet the graduation requirements.



### Alma Mater

Falconer High School here's to you best in the land. 'Neath the old gold and blue, we will proudly take our stand. In classroom study, field, or track with you dear as our guide, no honor ever shall you lack. I'll win your pride.



### Board of Education Agendas, Additions/ Deletions, & Minutes

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FCS participated in the Falconer Village clean up day.

### Honoring the 2023 Golden Falcon Retirees

Falconer Central School would like to wish our 2023 retirees the best, as they have dedicated many years of service to our students and community.

**Steve Bower (29 years of service)**  
**Rosie Digirolamo (23 years of service)**  
**Joyce Mee (28 years of service)**



### Ongoing Can Drive

The Falconer / Frewsburg Blue and Gold Marching Band is looking to raise funds to support its membership. We have an account at Don't Trash It redemption center in Falconer. You can just drop off cans and bottles at the center and let the employee know that you are donating to the marching band! Thank you!

There will be a special drop off date for donation cans on July 8 at the Falconer High School parking lot from 10 - 1.



### SCFCU

Southern Chautauqua Federal Credit Union is excited to be opening its fourth school-based branch in Falconer High School at the beginning of the 2023/2024 school year. The Falconer school-based branch will join our other high school branches located at Southwestern, Jamestown, and Frewsburg.



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more information.**

