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Orange's Bison Robotics Club Will Represent the United States in the RoboCupJunior World Competition in the Netherlands

Orange Preparatory Academy's (OPA) Bison Robotics Club will represent the United States in the 14th Annual RoboCupJunior World Competition in Eindhoven, the Netherlands, where over 250 teams from 34 countries around the world will participate. The event will be held between June 24 and July 1, 2013. The team qualified for the competition after receiving a special award for Best Choreography in the Robot Dance challenge at the RoboCupJunior NY/NJ 2013 Competition and will represent the United States in the Dance Secondary category at the prestigious international robotics event.

The Bison Robotics Club consists of eighth and ninth grade students. They are Lopez Georges, DeJan Carlisle-Miller, Deshaun Maisonable, Angelo Raymond, Fabian Spann and Ernest Bynum. Their team advisors are teachers Ms. Sharonda Tanner and Ms. Olivia Silva. The team including "Brittany the Robot" is diligently preparing for the competition, refining their routine and raising money to finance their trip.

The team qualified by competing in the 8th Annual RoboCupJunior NY/NJ Competition at the Liberty Science Center on April 14, 2013. There were over 44 teams from New York, Pennsylvania, California, North Carolina, Connecticut and New Jersey at the competition, with over 170 participants. The Bison Robotics Club participated in the Robot Dance challenge. They designed, built and programmed a robot to move independently to music in a 2-minute dance routine. Judges and audience members were delightfully entertained by the synchronization of the robot to members of the team and the music.



Pictured (left to right): Bison Robotics Club members Lopez Georges, DeJan Carlisle-Miller, Deshaun Maisonable, Brittany the Robot and Angelo Raymond (in Dance challenge costume); Club member Fabian Spann, advisor, Ms. Olivia Silva, and club member Ernest Bynum.

"Their hard work, creativity and preparation paid off and we are extremely proud that they entered this event and have been invited to represent the United States in this acclaimed international competition," said OPA Principal, Mr. Darrell Medley.

"This is really exciting," said, ninth grader, Lopez Georges, "We worked so hard to program our robot to move to the music and we are glad that we will get the opportunity to compete again at the international competition."

Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools, who has cultivated such opportunities for students in Orange, said, "To

represent the United States at an event that will bring together students from over thirty countries is a significant honor for Orange and we will assist the Bison Robotics Club to raise the necessary funds to send the six team members, their advisors and chaperones to the Netherlands for this once in a lifetime event." The estimated cost to attend the RoboCupJunior World Competition is approximately \$20,000.

To finance their trip, the OPA Bison Robotics Club is raising money and accepting donations. Team advisors, Ms. Tanner and Ms. Silva, are leading a grassroots effort to raise the necessary funds. Parties interested in making a donation can contact Orange Preparatory Academy at 973-677-4135.



ORANGE TEENS DANCE FOR A GLOBAL CAUSE

On Thursday, May 16, 2013 at the Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) Auditorium at 7pm, the OPA Dance Ensemble will host a concert titled "Ignite: Do More Than Just Watch" to raise awareness about forced child soldiers in Uganda. Students from the OPA Dance Ensemble perform each spring to show off their talent and artistic ability, but this year they have a more noble purpose as a theme for their concert. Under the leadership of dance instructor, Gianna Mistry, these young dancers have decided to make this performance a benefit concert to raise awareness about a global humanitarian cause.

The funds raised at the concert will be donated to the Ugandan charity organization Friends of Orphans Uganda that rescues, rehabilitates, and reintegrates these children back into civil society through dance, arts, sports, and education programs. The founder of this organization was once himself a child soldier, and now dedicates his life to restoring the childhoods robbed from hundreds of innocent children and rebuilding a community ravaged by war. Child abduction and human trafficking in northern Uganda has forced innocent youth to serve as child soldiers during years of warfare. This tragedy has touched the hearts of the 8th and 9th graders involved in the ensemble, and they want to use their abilities to make a difference.

The dance ensemble at Orange High School, under the leadership of Ms. Tosha Brown, will participate in the program. The Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium is located at 400 Central Avenue, Orange, NJ and this concert is open to the public. Tickets for this event are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students with ID.

To learn more about this benefit concert please contact Gianna Mistry at mistrygi@orange.k12.nj.us.



Lincoln Avenue Students Win BIG in the Essex County PRIDE Essay Contest

Lincoln Avenue Elementary School congratulates the following students for their wins in the Essex County Education Association PRIDE Essay Contest:

- 1ST Place Winner - Jenny Rodriguez - 7th Grade (Mr. Keith Williams - Teacher)
- 2nd Place Winner - Fabiola Conserve - 4th Grade (Ms. Cindy Krauth - Teacher)
- 3rd Place Winner - Ashton Rodriguez - 2nd Grade (Ms. Cindy Varela - Teacher)
- 3rd Place Winner - Jessica Scott - 1st Grade (Mrs. Gladys Amoakoh - Teacher)

All winning essays will be posted on the Lincoln Avenue School website. GREAT JOB!

The Essex County Education Association will hold its annual Essay Contest ceremony on May 22, 2013, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Livingston Mall, in Center Court.



Dr. Terri Russo Receives Award at Montclair State University



The Faculty of Montclair State University's (MSU) College of Education and Human Services presented the **Outstanding Professional Achievement in Administration and Supervision Award** to Dr. Terri Russo, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Professional Development, and Data Assessment, during their Annual Awards Ceremony on April 10, 2013.

Eunice Grippaldi, Professor/Program Administrator, Educational Leadership, Department of Counseling and Educational Leadership, wrote that Dr. Russo was "overwhelmingly chosen to receive the honor." Dr. Russo accepted her award from the MSU faculty members, including the Department Chair, Dr. Suzanne McCotter and Ms. Grippaldi.

Dr. Russo is pictured left, at the awards ceremony, with Dr. McCotter



Orange Dance Festival Celebrated National Dance Week



The Orange Public School District's Dance Conservatory hosted the 2nd Annual Orange Dance Festival on April 28, 2013 in celebration of National Dance Week (NDW), April 26 – May 5, 2013. The festival, organized by Park Avenue dance educator and director of the Dance Conservatory, Debbie Rembert, accomplished its goal to help the NDW Foundation achieve its mission to "celebrate dance and promote fun fitness."

Students celebrated dance with Master Dance Teachers from the Dance Theatre of Harlem, the Alvin Ailey School, and the Broadway Dance Center.

Event photos provided by Ms. Rembert are shown.



Pictured: Scenes from the Orange Dance Festival



A Celebration for Administrative Professionals Day

The administrative professionals that support the Orange Public Schools and the district's Administrative Offices were celebrated in a lunch reception on April 24, 2013. The support staff and guests enjoyed a buffet meal at Libretti's, along with games, music, dancing and entertainment.

Ms. Diedre Dobbs, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, worked with a dedicated team of individuals to make the event happen. She graciously sent a note to all attendees, saying, "Thank you for your support and responses. Your notes of appreciation are heartwarming and I personally thank every secretary and staff member who attended the Administrative Assistant Celebration. The event happened because we all came to together to have a great time."

She also thanked Ms. Salima Covington, OPA's secretary, for the beautiful centerpieces and corsages, Ms. Renee Rogers, Forest's secretary, for helping to purchase gifts for the winners of the "Jeopardy-style" game, Ms. Bola Powell, Lincoln Avenue secretary, along with her principal, Mr. Robert Pettit for providing the music for the evening, Ms. Joan Purkiss, Public Information, for the PowerPoint presentation featuring each staff member and Ms. Erica Stewart, District Administrator for Special Projects, for her creativity in presenting a game show quiz for all to enjoy.

The celebration acknowledged the hard work and dedication of the administrative personnel who support each school and

department in the Orange School District. Ms. Dobbs also acknowledged that the event would not have taken place without the "Principals, Administrators and Cabinet members who donated money to the Administrative Secretaries event. It was through their contributions that we were able to enjoy a celebration in our honor. I believe they enjoyed the event as well."

In her final words of thanks, Ms. Dobbs said, "I would like to give a shout out to Ms. Copeland, from Park Avenue, for beginning the party, my Superintendent for his nice words and Mr. James, for ending the party on a good note." She was also grateful to the administrators who stopped by to show their support.



Pictured: Scenes from the Administrative Professionals Day event.



Orange High School Dancer Received National Dance Award

Orange High School dancer, Ruchama Son, was selected as a 2013 Outstanding Dance Emphasis Award winner by the National Dance Association (NDA) and was invited to attend the 2013 American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance (AAHPERD) National Convention and Exposition in Charlotte, North Carolina in April. Her dance instructor, Ms. Tosha M. Brown, stated, "I am so PROUD"!!!

Miss Son received the award notification from Stephanie Lussie, Program Assistant for the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) and AAHPERD. Her accomplishments were formally acknowledged during the Reflections on Transformational Learning: NDA Scholar Artist Lecture and Assembly, at the Convention. She was unable to attend the program and will receive a certificate in the mail.



Congratulations to Orange Preparatory Academy History Bee Finalists



On April 18, four Orange Preparatory academy students traveled with their families and Orange School District staff and administrators to attend the National History Bee Regional Finals at Saunders Trades & Technical High School in Yonkers, New York. The students made district history by being the first ever Orange Preparatory Academy students to attend this tournament. The students who qualified to attend the competition (pictured left with Principal, Mr. Darrell Medley) were eighth graders Al-Kamar Cooper, Brieana Mitchell, Duneelle Devalon, and Silas Bond. Social studies teacher Kathleen Gengaro, who was there to support their efforts, helped them to prepare for the competition. Also, accompanying the students were Principal Medley, Supervisor of History/Social Studies and Technology, Ms. Linda Epps and Administrator for Special Projects, Ms. Erica Stewart. All of the staff expressed their pride in the students and are excited to compete next year.



Orange High School Student Accepted to Acclaimed Summer Program

Lidya Tesfaye, an eleventh grade physics student at Orange High School has been accepted to the Physics of Atomic Nuclei (PAN) 2013 summer program of the Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics at National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory on the campus of Michigan State University. She was among the top students selected from a highly competitive field of applicants. This program will provide her with a unique understanding of hands-on experiments and science at a world-leading nuclear physics laboratory.

The PAN summer program will introduce Miss Tesfaye "to the fundamentals of the extremely small domain of atomic nuclei and its connection to the extremely large domain of astrophysics and cosmology." She will attend the program, in August, at Michigan State University, one of the biggest university campuses in the country. There she will have the opportunity to:

- Learn scientific research in one of the top rare-isotope laboratories in the world
- Experience the fields of astrophysics, cosmology, and nuclear science
- Perform nuclear physics experiments



2013 Blacks at Microsoft (BAM) Event Host "College Bound" Program for Students

With the support of the North Jersey Chapter of the Links, Inc., students and advisors from Orange High School, Orange Preparatory Academy, Cicely Tyson and Irvington High School participated in the Microsoft 22nd Annual, Blacks at Microsoft (BAM) event in New York. The day began with a Career Panel of Microsoft representatives who shared their experiences and career paths with students and answered questions to help them chart their way to success. The remainder of the day included a tour of the Microsoft Technology Center, discussion on "Demystifying Online Social Media" and the infamous "Elevator Pitch". Orange students were a part of the team that won the "Elevator Pitch" session.

Orange High School also won in another category, with Xivandell Emmanuel, a 10th grade student, placing third in the essay contest. This year all participating students were asked to write an essay about how Windows 8, Office 2013 and Windows Phone 8 would help prepare students for their college experience. All the students worked hard on their essays. For his effort, Xivandell won an XBOX 360 Bundle package.

There are many to thank for making this trip possible for the OPA and OHS students. Special thanks to Mr. Michael Dunner - Microsoft Corporation and BAM Chairperson, Ms. Patricia Thomas - North Jersey Chapter of the Links and Mr. Keith Jones - The United Way. Chaperones Ms. Karen Cooper - Female Achievers, Mr. Max Nixon - Orange High School, Ms. Salima Covington and Mr. Myles Mosley - Orange Preparatory Academy, Ms. Merolyn Kelly - Cicely L. Tyson School of Performing and Fine Arts, and Ms. Catherine Sauls and Colleague - Irvington High School, for continuing this valuable opportunity for

deserving children.



Pictured (left to right): OHS/OPA students who attended BAM; Mr. Max Nixon and Ms. Karen Cooper with Xivandell Emmanuel; Students in the "Demystifying Online Social Media" work session.

Submitted by Mr. Max Nixon, OHS/OPA Technology instructor.

Coming Attractions

- ***Saturday, May 11, 2013 – Community Health Fair, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Lincoln Avenue School Join Orange Public Schools' Health, Physical Education Department in collaboration with the City of Orange Township for this annual event! (See flyer below)***
- ***Monday, May 20, 2013 – Students dismissed at 2:30 p.m.***
- ***Wednesday, May 22, 2013 – Students dismissed at 12:30 p.m.***
- ***Saturday, June 8, 2013 – "Write on Track Writer's Festival" (New Date - See flyer below)***
- ***Monday, June 17, 2013 – Students dismissed at 2:30 p.m.***



Community Health Fair

Saturday, May 11, 2013

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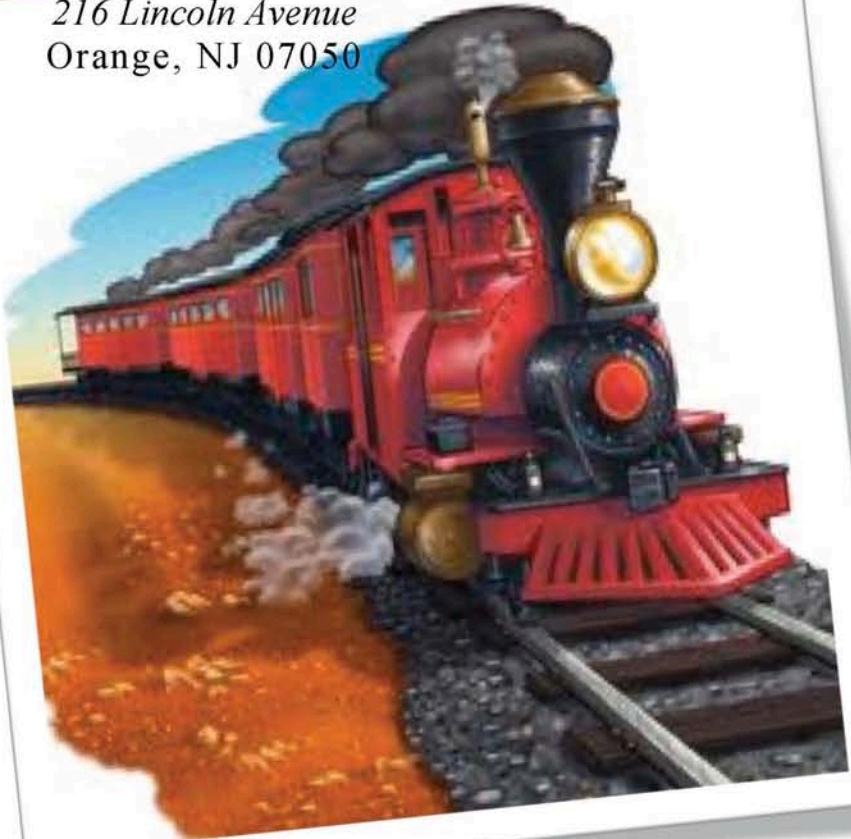
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"He Said, She Said" Inaugural Competition at Heywood Avenue School

On May 3, 2013, Orange Public Schools hosted an inaugural competitive event. Steeped in Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts, the first annual "He Said, She Said" public speaking competition challenged our students to engage in the research and writing processes while honing their speaking and presentation skills.

Donning a top hat and beard, third grade student, Keshima Smith effectively recited an excerpt from The Gettysburg Address. Her performance earned her first place in the prepared speech category. Following closely in second was Zaki Williams of Forest Street School and Jamaal Ndiaye of Oakwood Avenue School in third place.

The second category was extemporaneous speech and the participants gave brief speeches on the role of the FCC, why the Titanic sank, a current piece of legislation (immigration) and the biography of a technological innovator (Amazon.com founder, Jeff Bezos). Lincoln Avenue School students Nahome Hagos (4th grade) and Curtis Mark (5th grade) placed second and third, respectively, while 7th grade Rosa Parks' student Aneela Kanhai won first place.

The final category called for a duo to deliver a tech-assisted speech. Representing Forest, who took third place, 7th grade students Destiny Duffaut and Eduardo Fajardo delivered a speech on the privacy rights of celebrities. Fifth grade student Cassandra Chatonda and 4th grade student Tracy Ware represented the second place team, from Lincoln, with their presentation on the mandatory seat belt law. Finally, 7th grade Rosa Parks students Jemima Pierre and Estefany Galdamez won first place with their presentation on "Books: Are They a Thing Of The Past?"

With a total score of 736, Lincoln Avenue School was the first place team. Coming in second, with a combined score of 722 was Rosa Parks Central Community School and Forest Street coming in third with 613 points.

The district appreciated the efforts and commitment of the students, staff, and families who supported this event. In particular, event host, Dr. Paula Howard, Deputy Superintendent, judges, Superintendent Ronald C. Lee, Orange High School history teacher Jean Jackson and OHS graduate Khemani Gibson and student assistant, Chinwendu Obi. Event organizer, Ms. Erica Stewart, Administrator for Special Projects, expressed gratitude to the teachers who coached and prepared the students from each of the participating schools. She stated, "Our students have the potential to become our future leaders and the district has the responsibility to prepare them for a variety of positions in life."





Pictured: Scenes from "He Said, She Said" including students ready to compete, individual presentation, winners of the prepared speech, winners of the extemporaneous speech, and winners of the tech-assisted speech, overall school team winners, a group photo of participants and photo of judges with administrators and student assistant.

Submitted by Ms. Erica Stewart, Administrator for Special Projects



Cleveland Street Students Celebrate Cinco de Mayo

Ms. Ericka Arias, a Cleveland Street School Spanish teacher, and her star students observed Cinco de Mayo on May 3, 2013, at Cleveland Street School. They celebrated with mariachi music, Mexican food and a big piñata! Students have been learning about Cinco de Mayo for the past month in their Spanish, art and library classes.



Pictured: Scenes from Cleveland Street School's Cinco de Mayo celebration.

Submitted by Ms. Ericka Arias, Spanish teacher, Cleveland Street School



2013 Science Fair Winners at Heywood Avenue School

Onnolee Jansen, Science Content Coach, organized Heywood Avenue School's Science Fair, held April 30 through May 2, 2013. To view pictures of the fair, click the following link: [2013 Heywood Avenue Science Fair Photo Gallery.](#)

The winners of the fair are as follows.

Second Grade 3rd Place - Tyler Bonneau 2nd Place - Akashi Baranello 1st Place - Jermaine Brown	Fourth Grade 3rd Place - Hope Stansbury 2nd Place - Simeon Davis 1st Place - Honor Marable	Sixth Grade 3rd Place - Muhammad Haque 2nd Place - Noah Stansbury 1st Place - Jai Miller
Third Grade 3rd Place - Duke Richman 2nd Place - Joshua Pauling 1st Place - Railon Clement	Fifth Grade 3rd Place - Dyson Mitchell 2nd Place - Elijah Griffin 1st Place - Angelica Deoleo	Seventh Grade 3rd Place - Gabrielle Pierre 2nd Place - Amarachi Oneyukwu 1st Place - Keturah Cohen



Orange Students Perform at Shakesperience: NJ

On May 7 and 8, 2013, The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey hosted teachers and students, from schools across the state, including Orange High School and Orange Preparatory Academy students, for the 7th Annual *Shakesperience: NJ*, at the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theatre in Madison. *Shakesperience: NJ* is a non-competitive forum, highlighting and celebrating the study of Shakespeare for students in grades 5 – 12. The festival is held over a two day period, bringing together a diverse mix of students and schools for an entire day of performing and observing short scenes from a variety of Shakespeare’s works.

On May 7, OPA and OHS students performed excerpts from “The Complete Works of William Shakespeare Abridged/Revised” featuring scenes from *Romeo and Juliet* and *Hamlet*. “The Complete Works” was originally presented by the cast and crew in December at the OPA auditorium. Ms. Tammy Baldwin, OHS Stage Crew Advisor, who accompanied the students along with Ms. Dana Levin, OHS drama instructor, gave a perspective on the day’s event, stating, “The students really enjoyed the lectures and demonstrations. A few of the students were chosen to participate in a hands-on demonstration where they actually got to stage a fight with real swords,” she added, “After that, awards were given out to numerous students. It really is not a competition, but they [the festival organizers] like to acknowledge the actors that give stellar performances. Along with an award title, students are presented with a small token of appreciation, a Shakespeare paperback and a big round of applause from the audience.”

Orange students received the following awards: :

Emilio DelVillar	Leaps & Bounds Award (taking a character and making it their own, portrayal of the Prince from Hamlet)
Biancia Malone & Timothy Beckford	Untiring Effort (Stage Managers)
Asner Philemon & Abdul Moses	Excellence in Acting (Romeo & Juliet, all male actors)
Earl Nelson	Spirit of the Festival (Hamlet performance)





Pictured: OPA/OHS students perform scenes from "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare Revised/Abridged" at Shakesperience: NJ



Junior Teachers at Rosa Parks Central Community School Use iPads to Teach and Learn

At Rosa Parks Central Community School (RPCCS), students are the expert teachers when it comes to using iPads. These "Junior Teachers", in Mrs. Maxwell's 2nd grade class, are teaching Mrs. Sanders' 2nd grade class how to sign on to the iPads, how to begin a Study Island test session, how to search on the internet using Google and also iPad etiquette. The students loved exploring various websites about insects! Second grade students in Mrs. Maxwell, Ms. Mitchell, and Mrs. Sanders' classes are also using the iPads for guided reading. Students work with a partner and videotape each other on the iPads reading a guided reading book aloud. Junior Teachers then score their peers by using a Fluency Reading Rubric. Students are scored on a scale from 1-4 on expression & volume, phrasing, smoothness, and pace. After reviewing their videos, students always try to improve their score by reading again. "Junior Teachers" provide feedback and suggestions for improvement. RPCCS says, "We love our iPads!"



Pictured: RPCCS Students give iPad instructions and use iPads for reading lessons.

Submitted by Ms. Cayce Cummins, Principal, RPCCS



Rosa Parks Central Community School's Spring Art Show

Rosa Parks Central Community School (RPCCS) held its school wide art exhibit on May 9th. The display is on the first floor of the Rosa Parks campus building. The colorful art is displayed for students, faculty, staff and family members to view and enjoy. Art teachers, Agnes Wszolkowski (grade 5-7) and Sue Kasdon (grade 4-2) displayed a mix of art projects and face "cut-outs" for the enjoyment of visitors.



Pictured: Scenes from RPCCS school wide art exhibit.



During the school wide art exhibit, the Rosa Parks Central Community School's PTA held a fundraiser, selling plants for Mother's Day. Pictured left is the PTO President, Mr. Ehimar Chanza.



Architectural, Mechanical and SmartLab students visit Dewberry

On April 26th, Orange High School students visited Dewberry a consulting, architectural, engineering firm, in Parsippany, New Jersey. The day began with a slide show presentation about the company. The presentation was followed by break-out sessions in the architecture and engineering disciplines. Students had an opportunity to see "real world" projects and interact with professionals in the industry. They explored the lifecycle of different projects from conception to finalization. Students learned about the uses and applications of Geographic Information System or GIS, to see how this could be applicable to an upcoming engineering project assignment.

After an enjoyable lunch, the day concluded with a Question and Answer session about Dewberry.

Students had the following post trip testimonials:

"When I went to the Dewberry office, I appreciated that someone helped us with our career goals. I enjoyed learning about the company and their loyalty to their employees." Medjyna Jean-Baptiste

"Thank you for the experience, I enjoyed the presentation. I want to be an Architect. I learned a lot about the time and collaboration that it takes to get projects done." George Cupidon

"Thank you for showing me how architects and engineers work. This experience really helped me to be able to

picture myself working in this field.” Nolson Exantus

Mr. Max Nixon, OHS technology instructor and trip coordinator, offered special thanks to members of Dewberry’s staff: Mr. Clifford Moore, Senior CAD/GIS Specialist, Mr. Steven Eget, CEM, Mr. James Heeren, PE and Joanne Slaman, RA. He also thanks Ms. Cassandra Nealon, OHS architectural instructor and trip chaperone.



Pictured (left to right): Presentation for OHS; Student watch presentation; Architectural break-out session; Engineering break-out session; Group photo; Ms. Nealon, Mr. Clifford Moors, Dewberry, and Mr. Nixon.

Submitted by Mr. Max Nixon, Technology Instructor, OHS



Forest Art Opening at the Board of Education

The May 8th Forest Street Board of Education Art Opening was a lesson in Pop Art, featuring work in the style of such artists as Andy Warhol, Keith Haring and Romero Britto. Students proudly displayed their paintings and life size plastic sculptures as family members, teachers and other students viewed the exhibit. Principal Yancisca Cooke, Assistant Principal Dr. John Young and Avril Bogle, Forest Street’s art educator, congratulated the students, along with Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts Mr. Peter Crosta. They awarded certificates to deserving artists.

Ms. Bogle explained how she “figured out” the technique for making the student sculptures from “bubble wrap”, after seeing a local art show with a similar display. She commented that her seventh grade students really enjoyed the project and added interesting descriptors about themselves to their creations. The exhibit will be on display at the Board of Education building for the remainder of the month and visitors are invited to see the display during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.





Pictured: Scenes from Forest Street School's Art Opening at the Board of Education.



Mr. Reggie Miller Addressed Orange High School Students About the 3 P's

On May 9, 2013, during the last block for the day, students filled the cafeteria at Orange High School for a special presentation from Mr. Reggie Miller, director of the Male Student Support Program offered to young men at Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School through UMDNJ (University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey). His presentation "A Struggle to Stay in the Race" was an insightful reflection of his personal experience growing up in Orange, his academic experience, his current association with the school district and the Orange community. Mr. Miller outlined the dynamics of the 3 P's: Parents, Principals and Police, their impact on the youth of Orange, in particular, young men, and how to overcome obstacles in these areas for successful outcomes at home, in school and in your community.

The first of the 3 P's are Parents, who "protect the home", and how some students become "spoiled", leading to a lack of confidence, respect, and guidance. Principals is the next P, referring to their charge to "protect the school" and the responsibilities of the school administration, of teachers, and parents in combating bad grades and bad behavior. The final P stands for Police, who "protect the streets" and the views of some that contribute to strained relationships with young people that contribute to gang and drug problems in a community. Mr. Miller puts them all together with a prescription for resolving some of the concerns outlined in his presentation. He recommends that the 3P's work together to guide young people and teach them mutual respect.



Pictured: Photos from Mr. Miller's presentation at Orange High School

Coming Attractions

See flyer below for Spring 2013 - Visual and Performing Arts Calendar

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Community Health Fair



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Lincoln Ave. Gym & Parking Lot

216 Lincoln Ave.



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Amusement Activities

EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR DE ORANGE LLEVARÁ A CABO UNA FERIA PARA LA SALUD / SEGURIDAD EL SÁBADO, 11 DE MAYO 2013 EN LA ESCUELA DE LINCOLN AVENUE DE 10:00 AM 3:00 P.M.

JUEGOS DE DIVERSIÓN GRATIS; ARTÍCULOS PARA LA VENTA Y PREMIOS.

EXÁMENES GRATIS PARA: DIABETES, PRESIÓN ARTERIAL; PEDIATRÍA (OJOS/OÍDOS); GLAUCOMA; PODOLOGÍA

INFORMACIÓN Y REFERENCIAS SOBRE: ASMA; CANCER DEL LOS SENOS; CÁNCER DEL COLON / RECTAL, ENFERMEDADES DE TRANSMISIÓN SEXUAL, ABUSO DE DROGAS; MÉTODOS ANTICONCEPTIVOS, PLANIFICACIÓN FAMILIAR, HOGARES DE GUARDERÍA, ABUSO Y MUCHO MÁS.

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Castle Bounce



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Orange Preparatory Academy Dance Ensemble
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The Writer's Festival 2013

Saturday, June 8, 2013

1PM-3PM

Lincoln Avenue School

216 Lincoln Avenue

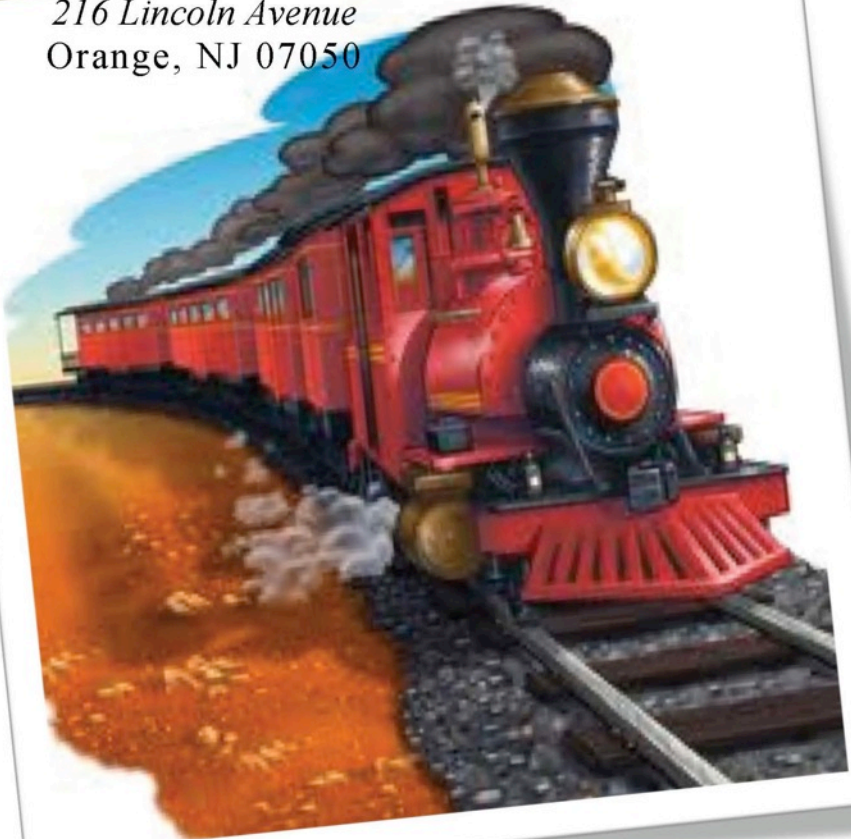
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Featured Authors

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**Orange Public School
Students**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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- **Meet the Author Book Sale**
- **Book Pantry Book Give A Ways**
- **Refreshments for Students**

Orange Township Public Schools
Visual & Performing Arts Department
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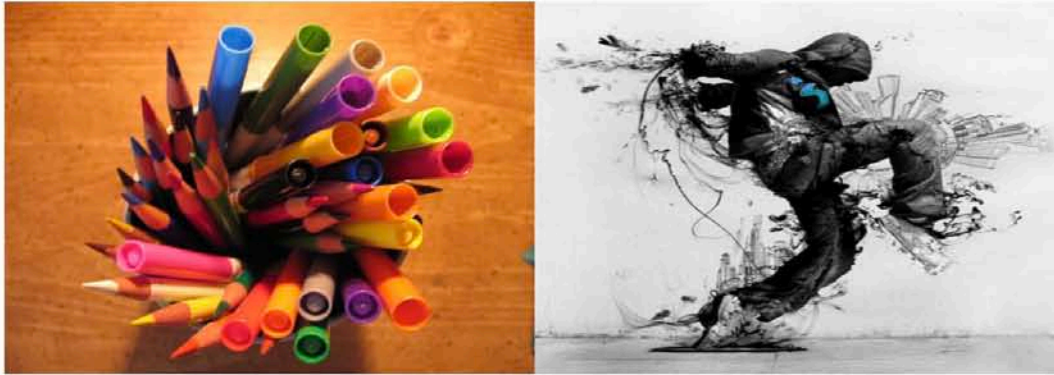
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8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Breakfast and Lunch Provided

Math Games** Research**Debate
Reading**Art**STEM Exploration
Robotics**Chess**Journalism

July 8 - August 8, 2013

Open to Orange Public School
Students Currently in Grades K - 8





Summer Arts & Dance Enrichment Day Camp!

July 8-August 8, 2013 from 8:30am-5:30pm

Monday thru Thursday 12:30pm-5:30pm

Friday 8:30am-5:30pm

Children Grades K-7

Cost: \$400 per child for the entire program

Location: Choose from Forest, Park Avenue, or Lincoln Schools in Orange, NJ

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The morning will include fun education activities and in the afternoon students will explore a variety of arts, crafts and dance techniques including but not limited too...

Acrylic Paint

Mosaic

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Hip-Hop

Classical

Modern Dance

Payment & Processing: All money orders should be made out to **C.A.R.E. of NJ**. Mail your money order payment directly to C.A.R.E. of NJ, P.O. Box 1513, Orange, NJ 07050. For credit card or cash payments please call (862) 205-1430 and payment arrangements can be made. **PAYMENT PLANS ARE AVAILABLE.**

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OBOE-Mail Blast

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The Orange Board of Education Welcomes Three Board of Education Members

The Orange Board of Education administers and maintains the Orange Public Schools. The seven members of the Orange Board of Education are appointed by the mayor for three-year staggered terms, with two or three of the seats up for appointment or reappointment annually. Selections are made in April for positions which have reached their term limits. As mandated by law, the board holds its annual reorganization meeting each year on May 16 at which time the new board members take their official positions. This year, three members were appointed by the Honorable Mayor Dwayne D. Warren. The new members are Dr. Harris Enabulele, Dr. Thomas Johnson and Mrs. Emily Jukes. They join existing board members, Ms. Marion Graves-Jackson, Ms. Daniela Small-Bailey, Board President Mrs. Patricia A. Arthur and Board Vice President Mr. Arthur J. Griffa.

Also, during the reorganization meeting, the board members elect a president and vice president of the board. Mrs. Arthur was re-elected as Board of Education President and Mr. Griffa was re-elected Board of Education Vice President. Mr. Adekunle O. James was reaffirmed as the Board Secretary for the 2013-2014 school year.



Pictured: New Board of Education members (left to right) Dr. Harris Enabulele; Dr. Thomas Johnson; Mrs. Emily Jukes.



Art Teacher Mrs. Benay Lipstein To Be Honored on May 18 with Honorable Mention in NJ's Green Fest

On Saturday, May 18, 2013, Mrs. Benay Lipstein will receive an Honorable Mention award at the Garden State Green Awards Presentation on the Main Stage of the Harwood Arena on the campus of Kean University. The awards program begins at 10:00 a.m., as part of Garden State GreenFest. Earlier this spring Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor for Visual and Performing Arts, nominated Mrs. Lipstein for a Garden State Green Award in the category of Individual Teacher.

Mrs. Lipstein is the art instructor at Park Avenue School. For several years, she has directed her students to produce art pieces using repurposed, recycled materials and has displayed them at the district's monthly art show and at Park Avenue School. Her "Go Green" effort enlisted staff and students in the collection of discarded materials for her visionary art projects and raised the environmental awareness levels of her students.

In a May 9, 2013 online article that appeared in nj.com, which identifies all of the winners and honorable mentions, the awards were outlined, as follows:

The Garden State Green Awards, also known as the "Boggies," honor individuals and organizations that have made a significant contribution to the environment, demonstrating that we can indeed "Save the Planet, One Person at a Time." The awards are named after the once abundant Bog turtle, which is now among 16 indigenous animals on the NJ endangered species list. Honorees have made extraordinary efforts through:

- Preservation, reclamation or conservation activities
- Advocacy and pursuit of 'green' lifestyles or business practices
- Support or development of green/sustainable *energy or energy conservation.*
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[Click here for article on nj.com.](#)

After receiving notification of her Honorable Mention award, Mrs. Lipstein commented to Mr. Crosta, "This surely put a skip in my step today."



Orange School District's Community Health Fair A Success

The weather did not hamper the turnout for the Orange Public School District's annual Community Health Fair. Over 800 members of the community stopped by Lincoln Avenue Elementary School, on May 11, to take advantage of free screenings for their eyes, blood pressure and a variety of other health concerns. Many social service agencies were present with valuable material for those in need. There was also fire safety information from the Orange Fire Department and fun for children who enjoyed bounce rides and received free helmets from Orange Police Department representatives for bringing their bicycles to the event.

The Supervisor of the Health and Physical Education Department, Ms. Sandra Gray, spearheaded the event in collaboration with the City of Orange Health Department. The Community Health Fair had something for the entire family – prizes, raffles, a DJ, and items for sale for Mother's Day. District administrators were present to lend their support, along with City Councilmembers and the Mayor of Orange.



Pictured: Scenes from Orange Public School District's Annual Community Health Fair with event participants, dignitaries, district administrators, the Orange Police Department, the Orange Fire Department and members of the community.



Monthly Board Meeting Honors Students and Parent of the Month

Forest Street School hosted the May 14, 2013 Board of Education meeting with a school presentation and remarks from Principal Yancisca Cooke. Following their presentation, Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools, and Mrs. Patricia A. Arthur, President of Board of Education, presented students with certificates for being selected Student of the Month. On a monthly basis, students are recognized for exemplary behavior, academics and citizenship by their school. Students selected for April 2013 are as follows:

Name	School	Grade
Pierre Etienne Laurent	Orange High School	12
Kezia Oware	Orange Preparatory Academy	9
Angel F. Pardo Dorantes	Career and Innovation Academy of Orange	11
Santhia Jean-Baptiste	Cleveland Street School	5
Nayeli Giorlando	Rosa Parks Central Community School	6
Darriel Kerr	Park Avenue School	7
Morgan Carson	Heywood Avenue School	5
Jahni Williams	Forest Street School	2
Je'niah Mercer	Oakwood Avenue School	7
Sabrina Flores	Lincoln Avenue School	5



Pictured: Students who were present to receive their Student of the Month Certificates.

Parent of the Month



Forest Street School's Parent of the Month is Ms. Sharmaine Williams. She is recognized for all of her support during the 2012-2013 school year. Ms. Williams currently serves as PTO President and is a member of Forest Street's School Management Team. She also represents Forest's parents at the district PTA/PTO meetings. Ms. Williams has organized several school events including Family Spaghetti Dinner, Game Night, Pinwheels for Child Abuse Awareness, Staff Appreciation/Recognition Brunch and more.

Ms. Williams has two children attending Forest Street School. Her son, Zaki Williams, is in the third grade and her daughter, Jahni Williams, is in the second grade. Jahni is Forest Street's Student of the Month.

Ms. Williams is well deserving of this recognition and is congratulated by the Forest Street staff for her contributions to the school. She is pictured (left) with her children, Principa Cooke, Assistant Principal Dr. John Young, Board President Arthur and Superintendent Lee.

Outgoing Board of Education Members Honored



Three Board of Education members, who have reached their term limits and will be leaving the board, were honored with service awards from the Orange Board of Education. They are: Ms. Stephanie Brown, Mr. David Wright and Mrs. Eunice Y. Mitchell. The three members have served for the past three years and were honored to "acknowledge, recognize and express our appreciation for your service and commitment to "Keeping Children First" in the Orange Township Public Schools Community."

Mrs. Eunice Y. Mitchell was present to receive her award and is pictured with (from left to right) Mr. Arthur J. Griffa, Board Attorney Mr. Melvin Randall (in back), Ms. Marion Graves-Jackson, Mrs. Daniela Small-Bailey, Mrs. Mitchell (center), Mrs. Patricia A. Arthur, Board Secretary Adekunle O. James and Superintendent Ronald C. Lee.



Maestro Jeffrey Grogan Visits Orange High School

Through the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra's community engagement programs, Maestro Jeffrey Grogan, the renowned Music Director of the New Jersey Youth Symphony, visited Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School to once again instruct budding instrumentalists.

Earlier in the month, Maestro Grogan met with music teachers Ms. Buelah Cox and Ms. Sini Vineyard's strings students on the stage at Orange Preparatory Academy. Ms. Vineyard stated, "He was impressed by our strings program and how well the students played considering the majority of them had never played an instrument or their specific string instrument before this school year." "The students were very responsive to his teaching and suggestions," she added, "They were attentive and seemed to really soak in every piece of information and advice from Mr. Grogan."

During the session, Mr. Grogan worked on intonation (playing in the center of the pitch), balance and balancing solos vs. accompaniment, developing confidence in playing and performing, bringing out different characters, and listening to and watching each other to be in-sync. "One method that he used to achieve unity was to have the students sit in a very tight circle and then play in a chamber music style without the conductor," said Ms. Vineyard.

As Mr. Grogan worked with the students, complimented them and encouraged them to play from their hearts, their confidence level noticeably improved. The students truly enjoyed themselves. The workshop changed their playing and their perception of and confidence in themselves as performers and string players. They are eager to have Maestro Grogan back for another workshop.

On May 10, 2013, Maestro Grogan guest conducted the OHS Concert Band as they rehearsed the piece "Fire Dance" by David Shaffer. The band will perform the piece at their spring concert on Wednesday, May 29, 2013. The OHS Concert Band is directed by Mr. Steven Reeves.

After a formal introduction and warm up by Mr. Reeves, Maestro Grogan began. He addressed issues such as "air support" to benefit tone quality. He also mentioned and stressed that the articulations and performance indicators such as staccato and forte-piano should be taken very literally. Mr. Reeves commented, "I liked how he introduced the concept of producing, playing the forte-piano dynamic. He asked the band to play a whole note with the forte volume, then asked them to do the same at a piano volume. The ensemble responded very quickly and was able to apply that concept to different measures within the music."

Maestro Grogan was particularly impressed with the high caliber of musicians that comprised this season's concert band. He made an appeal to the band to audition for the Greater Newark Youth Orchestra. He specifically encouraged the principal horn player, Achiana Ogany, to audition for the 2013-2014 season. "She genuinely has a considerable amount of natural talent and ability," said Mr. Reeves, "I can recall serving in the Greater Newark Youth Orchestra (GNYO) during my junior and senior year while attending Orange High School. I look forward to other students in this music program participating in the GNYO and eventually the New Jersey Youth Orchestra."

Mr. Reeves is eager for the opportunity to have Mr. Grogan return. "He is most certainly welcomed to come and guest conduct whenever he can."



Pictured: Scenes from Maestro Grogan's workshop with strings students at OPA.



"Ignite, Do More Than Just Watch" Performance By Orange Preparatory Academy Dance Ensemble

On May 16, 2013, the Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) Dance Ensemble held their spring concert titled "Ignite: Do More Than Just Watch". The concert was inspired by the students' desire to use their talents to affect change in the lives of children they have not met. Under the leadership of dance instructor Gianna Mistry, the OPA Dance Ensemble performed a series of pieces that demonstrated their purpose to raise awareness about forced child soldiers in Uganda.

The funds raised at the concert will be donated to the Ugandan charity organization *Friends of Orphans Uganda* that rescues, rehabilitates, and reintegrates these children back into civil society through dance, arts, sports, and education programs. The founder of this organization was once himself a child soldier, and now dedicates his life to restoring the childhoods robbed from hundreds of innocent children and rebuilding a community ravaged by war. Child abduction and human trafficking in northern Uganda has forced innocent youth to serve as child soldiers during years of warfare. A video, "Healing the Wounds of War" was shown, which featured the *Friends of Orphans Uganda*.

Ms. Mistry thanked all for attending and the Orange High School Dance Ensemble, directed by Ms. Tosha Brown, for performing two dance pieces. She also gave roses to her 9th grade students who will be leaving her dance group at the end of the school year.

The performance was inspirational and the students are to be commended for their efforts toward such a worthy cause.



Pictured: Photos from "Ignite, Do More Than Just Watch".



Jeans For Troops

A message from Belinda Smiley

Adm. Asst. to the Superintendent for Operations and Human Resource Services:

We are proud to join over 150 New Jersey schools and districts participating in the Gi-Go for Jeans Troop Day on Thursday, May 23rd in honor of Memorial Day. Mr. Lee is approving our wearing of jeans on May 23rd to support our New Jersey veterans. Your contributions will fund returning veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan in finding jobs, providing college assistance and helping homeless veterans find housing, as well as, those veterans affected by

Hurricane Sandy.

We are requesting our staff members to contribute \$5.00 and students \$1.00. Contributions will be collected from now until May 23rd in each school and department. School OEA representatives will be collecting from staff in their respective schools and will turn the money into the HR Department by noon on Friday, May 24th. The HR Department will collect for the Administration Building.

We thank you in advance for your anticipated support of this worthy cause. We congratulate Heywood who was the highest contributor last year. We hope to have everyone do their very best this year.

Let's not forget our veterans who have devoted their lives and limbs for our freedom and to protect the United States of America.

(See flyer below)

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- **Friday, May 24, 2013 – Dress Down Day Fundraiser for Orange Preparatory Academy Bison Robotics Club**
- **Friday, June 7, 2013 – Orange Education Foundation Zumbathon® Fundraiser, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Lincoln Avenue Elementary School (See flyer below – a portion of the proceeds to benefit Orange Preparatory Academy Bison Robotics Club)**
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You're Invited...

Lincoln Avenue School's

Spring Celebration

Featuring...

Our talented instrumental
Vocal, Dance performers

&

Art Exhibit

Monday, May 20, 2013

Art Show 6PM

Concert 7PM

LAS Gymnatorium



Performing Arts Team

Wendy Mir, Marianne Mroz & Michelle Rosolen

Visual Arts Team

Lisa Clark & Janelle Kennedy

Robert Pettit, Principal

Mia Kirk, Assistant Principal



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**ORANGE PREPARATORY
ACADEMY
SPRING CONCERT**

FEATURING:

**OPA CHORUS
OPA BAND
OPA STRING ORCHESTRA**

Tuesday May 21, 2013

7 pm in the OPA Auditorium

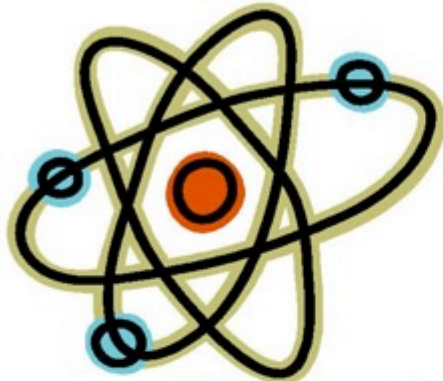
Admission:

Adults.....\$2

Orange District Students.....\$1

Senior Citizens.....\$1

Lincoln Avenue School



Science Fair 2013

Tuesday, May 21th
Wednesday, May 22th
Thursday, May 23th
9:00 am – 2:30 pm

The Lincoln Avenue Media Center



Robert Pettit, Principal

Mia Kirk, Assistant Principal

Dennis M. Peterson, Master Science Teacher

LAS Science Teachers

\$5

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- Go to College
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- Find Housing

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May 23, 2013

In honor of Memorial Day

Jeans For TROOPS

****Participating employers will collect a \$5 donation from each willing employee. In exchange, the employee will be allowed to wear jeans to work on Thursday, 5/23/13. Proceeds will be donated to the GI Go Fund.****

For more information contact Alex Manis at (973) 830-7275 or manis@gigofund.org

The GI Go Fund is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that assists veterans with their return from Iraq and Afghanistan

Park Avenue School

Spring Arts Festival

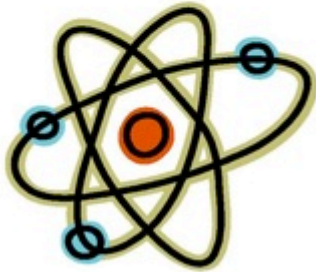
231 Park Avenue
Tuesday, May 28, 2013
5:30pm Art Show
6:30pm Vocal &
Instrumental Music,
and Dance Performances

Principal Dr. Myron Hackett
Vice Principal Ms. Devonii Reid
Art Mrs. Benay Lipstein
Vocal Music Ms. Brittany Russo
Instrumental Music Mr. Thaddeus

Michelle Kowior

OAKWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL

SCIENCE FAIR 2013



Tuesday, May 28th

Wednesday, May 29th

Thursday, May 30th

9:00 am – 2:30 pm

The Oakwood Avenue
School Gymnasium



Ms. Debbie Luckey,
Principal

Mr. Dennis M. Peterson,
Master Science Teacher
Science Fair Committee
Oakwood Ave. School
Science Teachers

Oakwood Avenue Elementary School presents

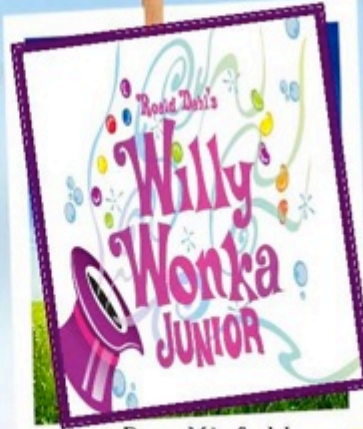
Spring Into the Arts



Strings Beulah Cox



Art: Helen Kwon



Drama Mike Seidel



Vocal Music: Annmarie Guenther

Band: Erin-Leigh Van Orden

May 31st, 2013

Oakwood Avenue School

Principal Debbie Luckey

Admission Free!

5:30 - Art Show
6:00 - Strings Ensemble
6:30 - Spring Musical
WILLY WONKA JR.

OakWood AVENUE SCHOOL proudly presents...

Wilby Wonka Jr.

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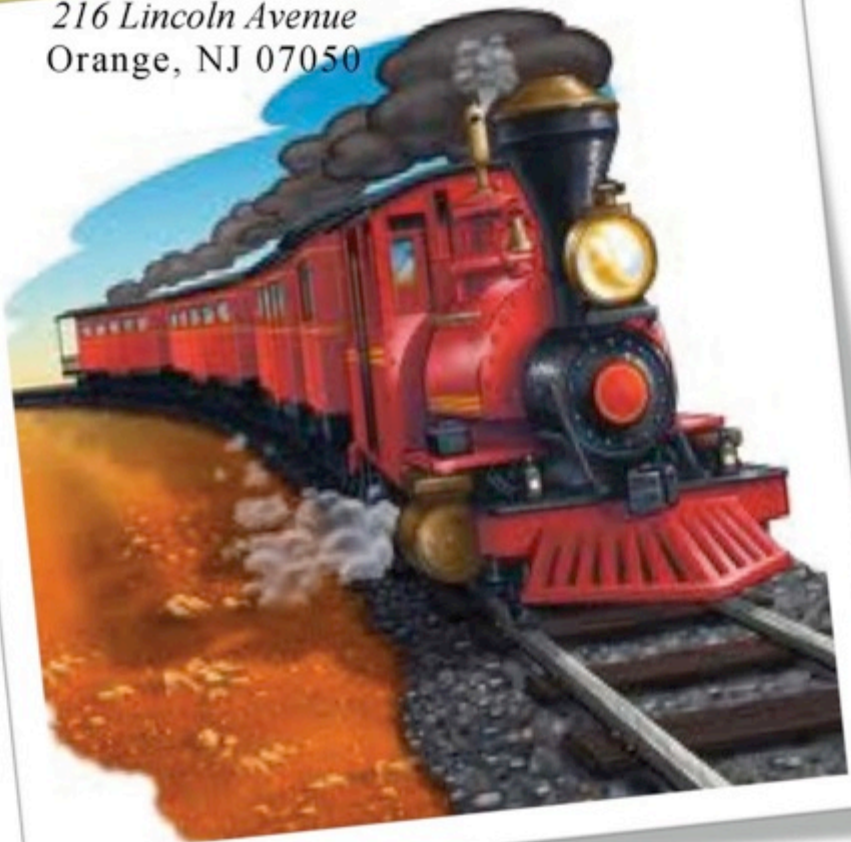
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The Orange Township Public School District will be closed for Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, 2013. The district will reopen on Tuesday, May 28, 2013.



Orange Teacher Selected to Attend C-SPAN's Summer Educators' Conference

Maryann Mongelli, Social Studies educator at Orange Preparatory Academy has been selected, from applicants nationwide, to attend C-SPAN's 2013 Summer Educators' Conference in Washington, DC. The day and a half symposium will be held during the month of July at C-SPAN's headquarters in the heart of Washington, DC. At this conference middle and high school educators (grades 6-12) gather from around the country to learn more about C-SPAN and how to effectively integrate C-SPAN's online resources into their classrooms.

Conference participants learn:

- About C-SPAN's mission, programming, and event coverage
- How to navigate C-SPAN's online resources (c-span.org, C-SPAN's Video Library, Congressional Chronicle, and the C-SPAN Classroom website)
- About C-SPAN's StudentCam and Teacher Fellowship enrichment opportunities that are available to students and educators
- How colleagues nationwide have effectively incorporated C-SPAN's programming and resources into their curriculums to develop creative learning experiences for students

C-SPAN Classroom is a free membership service for social studies teachers. Its mission is to enhance the teaching of social studies through C-SPAN's primary source programming and websites. C-SPAN, which stands for Cable-Satellite Public Affairs Network, is a private, non-profit cable network, created in 1979 by the cable television industry, as a public service that offers television broadcasting of federal government proceedings and other public affairs programming. (Taken from [C-SPAN Classroom](#)).



Voices in Harmony Attends National Heritage Competition



Pictured left, getting ready to leave for the Heritage Music Festival in Cleveland, Ohio, is Orange High School's elite chorus, Voices In Harmony (VIH). They are pictured with their director, Mr. David Milnes (second row, left) and chaperone, Mr. Christopher Cosmillo (first row, center). Also, pictured with the students are co-principals, Dr. Kalisha Morgan and Ms. Faith Alcantara (first row, left and right).

Through a dress down day fundraiser held in April, and other generous donations, VIH was able to fund their trip and is thankful to the Orange school community for making it possible. Mr. Milnes stated, "I am truly grateful that we are able to provide such amazing experiences to our students."

Voices In Harmony is competing on May 24 and hopes to return home with recognition for their hard work. Pictured on the right, Mr. Milnes and the chorus "warm-up" for their performance. Good luck, Voices In Harmony.



Cleveland Student Accepted to Ballet Hispanico

Mariabel Andrade, a sixth grader at Cleveland Street Elementary School, has been accepted to attend the 2013 Summer Intensive Program of the Ballet Hispanico School. Mariabel studies dance at the Orange Dance Conservatory and Park Avenue School under the direction of dance educator Mrs. Deborah Rembert. Maribel is a model student who also attends the Orange Public Schools' Scholars Academy. She has been dancing for two years. The Summer Intensive Program begins Monday, July 8 and ends Friday, August 2, 2013. Maribel has received a \$500 scholarship from Ballet Hispanico and is hoping for additional scholarship aid to allow her to attend the program.



Student Selected as "Artist of the Week" at Artsonia.com

Cindy Marie Noel from Orange Preparatory Academy has been selected as Artsonia's 7th-9th "ARTIST OF THE WEEK!" for May 19, 2013 - May 25, 2013. Her art teacher Mrs. Irene Mayson proudly announced her award, explaining, "we have tried very hard each semester and finally a young lady, Cindy Marie Noel, won this week with a Landscape drawing entitled "Orange Home" in pencil. Cindy is a 9th grade student who is in Mrs. Mayson's Introduction to Crafts class. During the contest, Cindy's artwork received 670 votes from website visitors!

Artsonia publicizes itself as "the largest student art museum in the world". The site gives children an opportunity to have an online art gallery and a way to preserve their masterpieces for all time! On a weekly basis, Artsonia selects twelve random art submissions in each of four different age groups (grades PreK-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12) from artwork submitted the previous week. Voting is open to the general public every Wednesday-Saturday, with the winners from each age group being awarded on Sunday.

Cindy will receive a plaque to commemorate her award. In addition to the plaque, she will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Blick Art Materials. Her teacher will also receive a \$100 gift certificates from Blick Art Materials.



Pictured left is Cindy Marie Noel's winning art piece, "Orange Home". She submitted the following summary with her artwork:

"Starting this composition was very difficult. I took one look at all those lines and my confidence was broken, then I started with the tree. I matched all lines to that angle and the picture started to take form. I am pleased with the outcome."

Mrs. Mayson acknowledges that several OPA students have won Artist of the Week awards over the past year: Carl Wiggins, Cristian Castillo, Lucas Mesa and Lexus Sanchez.

Visit Artsonia's homepage at www.artsonia.com to view Cindy's pencil drawing. You may also browse artwork submitted by other Orange Preparatory Academy students and additional schools

in Orange.



Art Teacher Mrs. Benay Lipstein Receives Honorable Mention in NJ's Green Fest

Congratulations to Mrs. Lipstein, Park Avenue School's art teacher, on her Honorable Mention Award, which she received

on May 18th at the Garden State Greenfest, at Kean University. She received her award, in the Individual Teacher category, for her use of repurposed and recycled items in art and, says Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts who nominated her for the award, "For her tenacious, eco-conscious efforts in making "every" day Earth Day at Park Avenue School." Presenting the Honorable Mention award to her was Animal Planet's TV host Jeff Corwin, a wildlife biologist.

Present at the Garden State Green Awards event were Park Avenue School administrators, Dr. Myron Hackett, Principal, and Devonii Reid, Assistant Principal, Mr. Crosta, as well as Mrs. Lipstein's family and friends.

Mrs. Lipstein's nomination was among hundreds of entries from all over New Jersey, in several categories: Individual School, College Administrator, Public Figure, Public Official, Corporate Citizen, Individual Student, and Individual Teacher in which Mrs. Lipstein was nominated.

Garden State GreenFest is sponsored by The Star-Ledger, Prudential, and Kean University.



Pictured: Presentation at GreenFest highlighting Mrs Lipstein; Mrs. Lipstein with Mr. Corwin; Mrs. Lipstein with Principal Hackett and Assistant Principal Reid.



Sculptor Chakaia Booker Visits with Art Students at Rosa Parks Central Community School

Chakaia Booker, an internationally acclaimed sculptor, known for her work with rubber tires, visited with art students at the Rosa Parks Central Community School (RPCCS) on May 23. She spoke with the middle school art students and Art Club in Ms. Agnieszka Wszolkowski's class. Ms. Booker met with the students for an hour and a half adorned in her wearable sculpture, an intricate headdress. The students were very excited to hear her describe her work and see slides of some of her creations. Ms. Booker discussed her early work with wearable art and creating sculptures and clothing from discarded materials. She described how she created clothing and explained that dressing and even the act of cooking are art forms. She also spoke of her work with large installation pieces created for the public arena.

Students were engaged with her presentation and asked questions about her craft and what inspired her. Several students attested to their interest in pursuing art as a career and were encouraged to follow their dreams.

Ms. Wszolkowski plans to have her students explore and use some of the same materials used by Ms. Booker for their art projects. Ms. Booker's visit was arranged by RPCCS Principal Ms. Cayce J. Cummins.

Ms. Booker's bio describes her as follows:



Chakaia Booker, an internationally acclaimed sculptor, has long worked with discarded materials, exploring and redefining their meaning and purpose. Her choice of materials, particularly her use of rubber tires, lends deep layers of meaning to her work, infusing the sculptures with social, political and cultural undertones.

For Booker, the sculptures created with tires address African-American identity, symbolizing the strength of African-American resilience, while the color nuances evoke the complexities of the African Diaspora. The tread patterns and repetitive geometric shapes in Booker's work are also reminiscent of traditional African textiles.

Booker, who lives in New York and works in Manhattan and Allentown, Pa., has pieces in the permanent collections of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, Storm King Art Center in Mountainville, New York, and the Museum of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Washington, D.C. She has exhibited throughout the U.S. as well as internationally, including Galeria Marlborough in Madrid, Spain, and Galerie Pfriem in Lacoste, France.

Booker is a carefully assembled artist who sees herself as a sculpture in the way she presents herself and the daily tasks that she performs. She often dresses herself in wearable sculptures which are also used as clothing and head-coverings. Booker has studied a variety of different subjects including African

dance, ceramics, weaving, basketry and t'ai chi, all of which contribute to her artistic practices in unexpected ways.

Booker states: "My intention is to translate simple, yet complex, materials into imagery that stimulates people to reconsider the expressive nature of art and how broad complex cultural transformations can, and will, continue to be expressed through common materials. My desire is to create, through whatever materials I choose, to explore my ever changing voice."



Pictured: Photos of Chakaia Booker at RPCCS.



Spring Concerts Showcase Art, Music and Dance Across the District

Lincoln Avenue Elementary School Spring Concert

On May 20, 2013 the Lincoln Avenue School held its Spring Concert to a full crowd of family friends and staff members. The audience was treated, first to a display of art that lined the hallway to the "gymnasium" where the concert was held. Art educator, Janelle Kennedy was present to discuss students' work.

The concert featured instrumental music, directed by Ms. Marianne Mroz, beginning with a violin performance of contemporary tunes such as "Rocking Robin". Later, the Lincoln Band played several upbeat songs including "Got That Spirit Rock" and "Wipe Out." The Guitar Ensemble, with vocal assistance from Principal Mr. Robert Pettit and Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, played "Hound Dog". There were two solo performances by students; one on the piano and the other on the trumpet.

The Chorus, directed by Ms. Wendy Mir, sang several complex tunes including "For Good" from the musical "Wicked" and an encore performance of "Good Loving" performed at the 2013 Kids In Concert event.

The Dance Ensemble, directed by Michelle Rosolen performed several energetic numbers to such tunes as "Proud Mary" and ended with "Can You Feel It". A highlight for the evening was a collaboration between the Lincoln Chorus, the 5th Grade Dancers and the Lincoln Band performing "What Makes You Beautiful" by One Direction.



Orange Preparatory Academy 2013 Spring Music Concert

The Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) instrumental and vocal students performed on May 21, 2013. The OPA Chorus, directed by Mr. Peter Abazia sang several songs from traditional, "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel", to contemporary, "Ain't No Mountain High Enough". The String Orchestra, under the direction of Ms. Beulah Cox and Ms. Sini-Tuulia Vineyard, played "Western Hoedown" and several classical pieces. The OPA Concert Band, directed by Ms. Dorcas Robinson, played three selections before a rousing finale, "Don't Stop Till You Get Enough". The final performance for the evening came from the Jazz Band playing "Birdland".

The students and OPA music staff were supported by Mr. Thaddeus Hammond (bass/bass guitar), Mr. Howard George (drums) and Mr. Daryl Robinson (keyboard).



Pictured: OPA Spring Concert

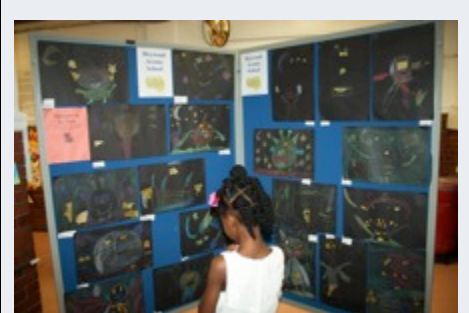
Heywood Avenue School Spring Concert

Heywood Avenue School presented "Bippity Boppity Boo, a Disney Musical Review," on May 22. The program was led by the performing arts instructors Ms. Erin-Leigh VanOrden, instrumental music teacher, Mr. Michael Seidel, drama instructor and Ms. Jessica Gabbert, vocal teacher. Among a wide selection of Disney tunes, students of the violin played "Mickey Mouse Club House", students playing the recorder, performed "It's a Small World", and the Heywood Vocal Chamber Ensemble sang "I Won't Say I'm in Love".

The Elementary Drama students presented a well choreographed and executed dance, "Tangled Waltz" and the Heywood Heroes skit demonstrated positive student behavior.

There was a solo performance of "Part of Your World" by flutist, Justin Pinnock, accompanied by Ms. VanOrdin. The Heywood Chamber Orchestra closed the evening with the "Avengers Theme".

Artwork organized by art teacher, Ms. Kelly Grzesiak, was displayed in the first floor hallway as part of the evening's event.



Pictured: Heywood Avenue Spring Concert/Art Show images.

Rosa Parks Central Community School, Grades K- 4

Rosa Parks Central Community School presented its Annual Spring Concert for grades K – 4 on May 23. The concert, titled "Swinging to Disney, Inspired by Louis Armstrong", featured choruses by various grade levels singing a variety of Disney tunes including "Ain't We Got Fun", "Chim Chim Cher-ee" and "Bare Necessities". The students sang with gusto, exemplified by the grand-finale, "Twinkle-ABC Rock Medley", arranged by Mr. Scott Clark.

The students were directed by Ms. Francine Miller, substitute Conductor/Vocal Music Director (grades 2-4) and Mr. Scott Clark, Coductor/Vocal Music Director (K-1). Mrs. Susan Cutugno, kindergarten teacher, provided the piano accompaniment for Mr. Clark.

Pictured (on the right): Scenes from RPCCS Spring Concert.



Lincoln Avenue Science Fair

The Lincoln Avenue School (LAS) Science Fair got off to a great start on May 21 and continued through May 23. The fair showcased the efforts of over 500 students from Grades 1 through 7. Students investigated questions from the Physical, Earth and Life Sciences using materials ranging from hydrogen peroxide to human hair.

Students from third to seventh grade grasped the idea of using the "scientific method" of investigation to conduct experiments such as the extraction of strawberry DNA, determining the exact temperature of fog formation and discovering the conditions for hatching 17-year hibernating cicadas. Second graders demonstrated their skills by creating "insect dioramas" after completing their FOSS Science Module on insects. First grade class projects included live grown plants, incorporating knowledge and materials from their FOSS Science New Plants Module.

Experiments displayed included written reports following the Common Core State Standards. Displays were very informative, colorful and intriguing, representing the pride of the students of LAS. Our hard-working students are anxiously awaiting the presentation of gold, silver, and bronze medals. First, Second, and Third place winners will move on to compete in the Annual Orange District-Wide Science Fair to be held from June 11-13, 2013 at Park Avenue School.

The fair was judged by a number of district employees and administrators, who evaluated each project's use of the Scientific Methods, understanding of principles and overall quality.

The Science Fair Committee: Dennis Peterson, Laura Ciani, Carol Swift, Thomas O'Bryan, Jonathan Gonzalez, Elaine Meredith, Tanya Daley, Cindy Varela, and Yasmine Cooper dedicated time and energy to bring the Science Fair to fruition in Lincoln's Media Center. Superintendent Ronald Lee, Board of Education Vice President Arthur Griffa and Supervisor of Science Erika Hackett were noted among the visitors to the fair.

Awards were given, as follows:

	2nd grade	3rd grade	4th grade	5th grade	6th grade	7th grade
1st	Kevin Certuche	Cynthia Felipe	Tracy Ware	Cassandra Chatonda	Jonathan Certuche	Jaylen Wright
2nd	Alysha Budhran	Ariana Paulino	Stephanie Serrano	Kaprishus McCree	Andrew Coates	Shakeem Chesney
3rd	Isaiah Bondurant	Keshima Smith	Nadia Gibril	Joudenie Germain	Lizzie Reyes	Michael Bowser



Pictured: Scenes from Lincoln Avenue Science Fair.

Coming Attractions

See flyer below for Spring 2013 - Visual and Performing Arts Calendar
 Please note - Park Avenue Dance Concert to be rescheduled.

- **Friday, May 31, 2013 – Orange Public School District 2013 Lego Robotics Competition, 3:15 p.m. at Lincoln Avenue School (See flyer below)**
- **Friday, June 7, 2013 – Orange Education Foundation Zumbathon® Fundraiser, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Lincoln Avenue Elementary School (See flyer below – a portion of the proceeds to benefit Orange Preparatory Academy Bison Robotics Club)**
- **Saturday, June 8, 2013 – “Write on Track Writer’s Festival” (New Date - See flyer below)**
- **Monday, June 17, 2013 – Students dismissed at 2:30 p.m.**

Orange Township Public Schools
 Visual & Performing Arts Department
2013 SPRING ARTS EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
May 16, 2013	OPA Spring Dance Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
May 20, 2013	Lincoln Avenue School-wide Art Exhibit	6:00 PM	Lincoln Cafeteria
May 20, 2013	Lincoln Avenue Spring Concert	7:00 PM	Lincoln Gymnasium
May 21, 2013	OPA Spring Music Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
May 22, 2013	Heywood Avenue Spring Music Concert	6:30 PM	Heywood Auditorium
May 23, 2013	Central Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Central Auditorium
May 28, 2013	Park Avenue School-wide Art Exhibit	5:30 PM	Park Hallways
May 28, 2013	Park Avenue Spring Concert	6:30 PM	Park Cafetorium
May 29, 2013	OHS Spring Music Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
To Be Rescheduled	Park Spring Dance Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
May 31, 2013	Oakwood Avenue School-wide Art Exhibit	5:30 PM	Oakwood Auditorium
May 31, 2013	Oakwood Avenue Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Oakwood Auditorium
June 3, 2013	9th Annual OHS School-wide Art Exhibit	6:00 PM	OHS Gymnasium
June 4, 2013	4th Annual Drama Project	7:00 PM	Lincoln Gymnasium
June 5, 2013	OPA Art Reception	6:00 PM	Administration Building
June 6, 2013	Forest Street School-wide Art Exhibit	6:00 PM	Forest Hallways
June 6, 2013	Forest Street Spring Concert	7:00 PM	Forest Gymnasium
June 7, 2013	OHS Spring Dance Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
June 12, 2013	Cleveland Street School-wide Art Exhibit	5:30 PM	Park Lobby
June 12, 2013	Cleveland Street Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Park Gymnasium
June 13, 2013	OHS 2 nd Annual Drama Showcase	7:00 PM	OPA Stage
June 18, 2013	Rosa Parks Spring Music Concert	6:30 PM	Central Auditorium

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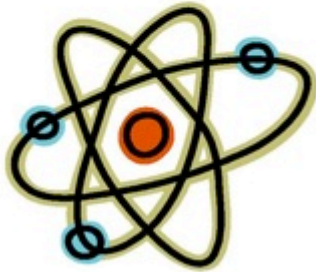
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The Oakwood Avenue
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Forest Ave. School

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Rosa Parks / Central School

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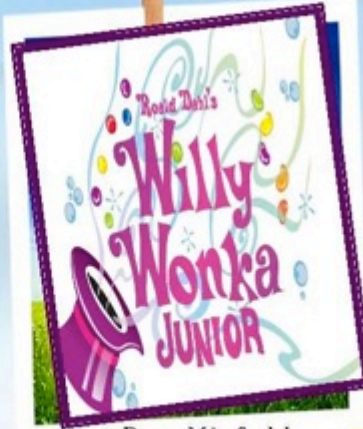
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Strings Beulah Cox



Art: Helen Kwon



Drama Mike Seidel



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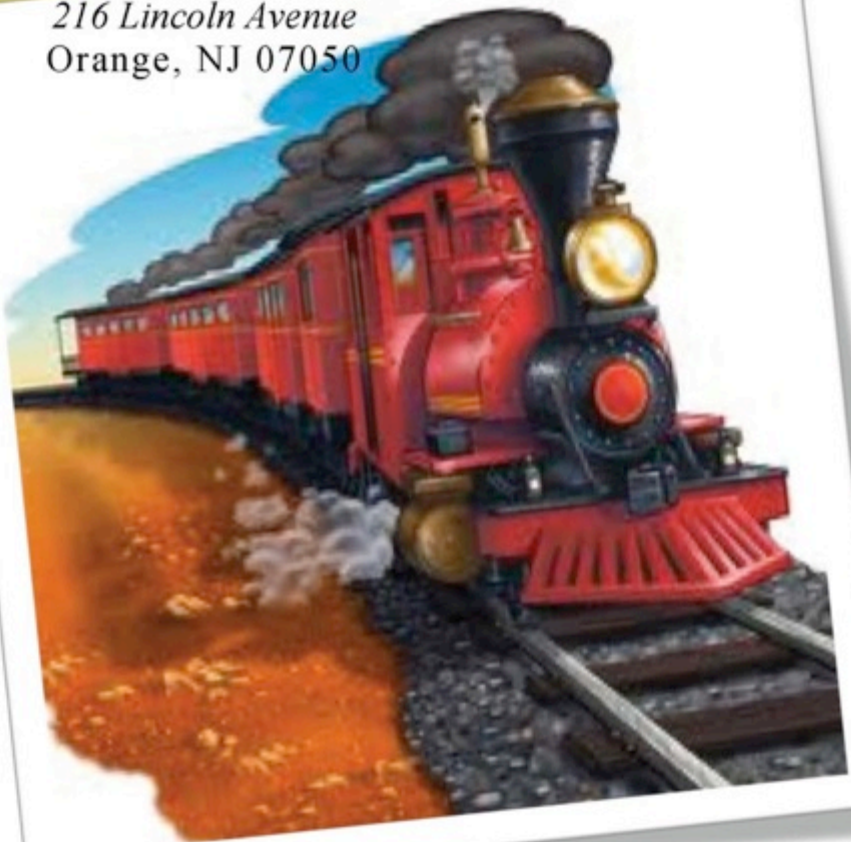
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