

## Academic Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded their academic awards at an assembly during Homecoming Week.

### Academic Pin:

Christina Alworden	Brad Liberty
Jamie Alworden	Jessica Lung
Gabriel Aschbacher	Holly Martinson
Jared Berlinski	William Morrow
Kayla Bialik	Christopher Nelson
Joseph Boch	Heidi Nolde
Sonya Carlson	Rachel Sabin
Joshua Cowen	Nicholas Sailer
Chad Deno	Matthew Sedenquist
Zachary Emling	Augie Skultety
Joseph Evans	Dylan Tauzer
Beth Frazer	Natasha Taylor
Brandon Frazho	Kelsie Thompson
Stacy Garlow	Raeann Tourangeau
Kacey Gartland	Gina Trombly
Cierra Gibson	Stephen Vanderlinden
Joshua Hadel	Jonathan Van Steen
Alex Harvala	Thomas Weyers
Kyle Jensen	Katie Wulf
Scott Kleiman	Kyle Wydra
Sandi Knutson	Jonathan Young

### Academic Letter:

Jordan Borchert	Rebecca Mayo
Matthew Cseter	Ann Reese

## National Honor Society Inductee

On Sunday, October 26th, Gladstone High School held the 50th Anniversary of the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony at the Danforth Place. In attendance were three charter members of the 1958 GHS National Honor Society. They were Diane Oja, Marcia Skellenger Carlson and Thomas Butch. Thomas Butch also was a featured speaker. Forty students were inducted into this prestigious

society. This brings the total membership to 68 students. The advisor is Mrs. Susan Beranek.



**Front Row (L to R)** Olivia Olsen, Patricia Alexander, Brittany Menard, Alissa Riggio, Hilary Austin, Andrea Litts, Abigail Riggio, Samantha Kallman, Jenna Berson, Natalie Johnson, Amy Gilbert, Mitchel West **Middle Row (L to R)** Christopher LaMarche, Jennifer Bialik, Jessie Gagnon, Ann Reese, Andria Nyenhuis, Alexandria Platias, Hillary Mahoney, Tamara Pouliot, Jessica Wickman, Emily Whitmer, Cody Anderson, Jacob Lund, Curtis Knauf **Back Row (L to R)** Kent King, Alex Pickard, Philip Schumaker, Daniel Becker, Caleb Whitmer, Kollin Jensen, Zachary Chenier, W. John Cretens, Ryan Jacques, Steven Seronko, Kyle Thompson, Jacob Hadel, Michael Williams, Jordan Borchert (absent: Heidi Nolde) (Photo courtesy of James Lund)



## World History Class



Students in Mrs. Nicholas' World History class after performing the classroom version of the Greek tragedy *Antigone*.

## Yearbook Early Sale

Gladstone yearbooks are now on sale until December 15th for \$50. After December 15th the price will increase to \$55.

Starting in February books will be on sale through Jostens. Information will be coming to you in the mail. The cost through Jostens will be about \$57 after sales tax is added. This will allow you to purchase online or over the phone.

To purchase a yearbook early bring a check payable to Gladstone Yearbook to Mr. Trombly in room 170. If you have any questions call 789-8368 or e-mail your question to [rtrombly@gladstone.k12.mi.us](mailto:rtrombly@gladstone.k12.mi.us)

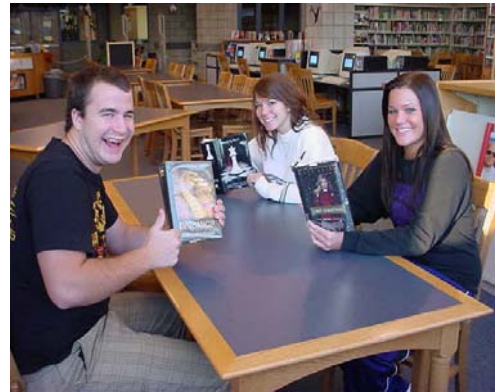
## Election Fever Spreads to GHS

This year the GHS Mock Presidential Election was organized by the Current Issues class. The class started by dividing the school's lockers into electoral states and registering interested students to vote. Then Team Obama and Team McCain spent two weeks researching the candidates and preparing campaign materials to

try to sway the student voters towards their respective candidates. They used posters, announcements, and even made appearances in some classes. On October 31<sup>st</sup>, the election was officially held, and Senator Barack Obama was named the winner. Obama garnered 297 electoral votes and 49.3% of the popular vote.

## Library News

The Library Media Center's goal is to link the students to an ever-wider circle of literature, knowledge, and information.



Great Christmas ideas of book titles that specifically appeal to young adults:

*Brisingr* (Inheritance, Book 3) by Christopher Paolini

*Twilight Series* by Stephenie Meyer

*Identical* by Ellen Hopkins

*Revelation* by Kate Brian

*Last Christmas* by Kate Brian

*Love & Peaches* by Jodi Lynn Anderson

*Demonata* by Darren Shan

*Superior Saturday* by Garth Nix

*The Tales of Beedle the Bard* by J. K. Rowling

***GHS Key Club***  
***Kiwanis Educating Youth***  
***Caring, Our Way of Life***

- ❑ Key Club is an international, student-led organization that offers its members the opportunity to provide service, build character, and develop leadership. It is open to all high school students wanting and willing to serve. Our club at Gladstone High School is sponsored by the Gladstone Kiwanis.
- ❑ If you would like to join Key Club, forms are available from Key Club Faculty Advisor Mrs. Thomas. There is a \$12 membership fee.
- ❑ Meetings are every other Wednesday during 1<sup>st</sup> lunch in the Biology Room.
- ❑ The 2008 Key Club Officers are:  
President – Michelle Treganowan  
Vice-President – Sam Kallman  
Treasurer – Kayla Bialik  
Secretary – Emily Whitmer
- ❑ Service Projects and Activities so far this year:
  - Volunteer with the ABCD After-School Program
  - Sold tickets and helped at Kiwanis Chicken BBQ
  - Ran concession stand at GHS Cross-Country meet
  - Helped at the Flu Clinic
  - Made Christmas cards for soldiers
  - Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF
  - Collected donations for the St. Vincent DePaul food pantry
  - Sponsored Fall Dance
- ❑ Upcoming events:
  - Volunteer with Gladstone Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration
  - Bell Ringing for Salvation Army
  - Collect donations for baby supplies for Salvation Army
  - Christmas Party
  - Candy Bar Fundraiser
  - Volunteer at CHAT Dance
  - District Convention in Green Bay, March 13 – 15<sup>th</sup>

## **Candidates Visit GHS**

Throughout the month of October, the Youth in Government club held a series of “Twenty-Minute Talks” during lunch in the auditorium geared at introducing the candidates to the students in an informal, interactive manner. These presentations consisted of brief biographical introductions, discussions of motivations for the offices candidates seek and what they entail, and question and answer sessions. The sessions were well-attended and enjoyed by the candidates and the students. Sincere thanks go out to all the speakers who volunteered their time: Mr. Bill Lake, Drain Commissioner Don Shirley, Delta County Commissioner Les Ruohomaki, Mr. Mike Falcon, Bay College Trustee Eric Lundin, Delta Country Treasurer Sandy Bucklund, Representative Tom Casperson, and Congressman Bart Stupak.



## **Senior News**

As we approach the New Year, the Class of 2009 have been busy. Our Jostens graduation packets have been ordered. The class has decided on our motto, song and flower: Song: No Raid -Blind Melon; Motto: What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us – Oliver Wendell Holmes; Flower: Lily Stargazer. Thanks to the class officers and class for their votes.

Our Senior shirt orders will be available in the next two weeks so orders can be sent in before Thanksgiving break. Amanda Danhoff has designed the front of the shirt for the class.

Senior Roll Call Committee is working on the forms for students and parents. We would like the parent pages completed by January 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Jensen at 789-8358 or email her at [jjensen@gladstone.k12.mi.us](mailto:jjensen@gladstone.k12.mi.us).

## Writing Across The Curriculum Initiative

*Brady S. Downey, Principal*

As we begin to evaluate solid Michigan Merit Exam data being sent to us by the Department of Education, our current writing scores are going to be the focus this year. As we look to improve these writing scores, the Writing Across the Curriculum Initiative came to the forefront. For the 2008-2009 school year, we will have 12 school wide writing prompts. These prompts will be given to each student during a particular hour and they will be given 30 minutes to write a persuasive essay. The ultimate goal will be to use the ACT scoring rubric and dramatically improve writing skills.

The following was the first prompt:

Many schools have closed campus for lunch; students must remain on school grounds during their lunch break. Some people want a closed campus because students are tardy back to class or may get into trouble during their lunch. Others believe high school students are old enough to leave the school and deserve this opportunity. In your opinion, should students be allowed to leave school campus during lunch?

If you have any questions about the writing initiative, give me a call at 789-8314.

## Spanish Students 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Visit to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Geography Classes

For the second consecutive year, Michèle Miller's Gladstone High School Spanish II, III, and IV students visited Ms Fones' 8<sup>th</sup> grade geography class at the Gladstone Junior High School. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade geography class is studying Mexico, so the Spanish students spoke Spanish for the eighth graders along with explaining to them about the Mexican customs of *quinceañera* (15-year-old girl's birthday celebration) and the Day of the Dead, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Spanish vocabulary shared were numbers, seasons, days of the week, months, and colors. A special treat was the Bread of the Dead, which is a sweet bread traditionally baked for the Day of the Dead. It is decorated, so that the top and icing resemble skeleton bones,

thereby remembering the dead on this holiday. Both groups, the high school Spanish "student" teachers and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade geography students, recommend repeating this event next year, because so much fun was had while learning Spanish culture and vocabulary.



*(back row L to R): Tony Avilese, Ashlee Anderson, Mackenzie Shepeck, Paul Tomaszewski, Holly Fitzpatrick and Caylan Richer, Front row L to R are: Rachel Mayo, Lindsey Lusardi, Miranda Boden, Abby Ballard, and Trisha LaVigne.*

## GHS Goes Green

By: Katie Syverson

This year Mr. Barron's independent study students, Sharon Maynard and Katie Syverson, have undertaken a major project: They have begun the process necessary to classify GHS as a "green" school. In order to earn such a title, the school must implement ten environmentally friendly goals. One such goal is to make draft stoppers for every outside door in the school district, except for the main entrances. All the materials for the stoppers have been donated: Mr. Larry Young donated sawdust from the woodshop; Mr. Tom Davis donated packing peanuts from the district's new computers; Mr. Tim Barron donated planting fabric; and the Environmental Chemistry students supplied the gravel necessary to construct these energy saving devices. With the draft stopper project nearly completed, the independent study team will be investigating the possibility of supplemental wind energy here at GHS.

If you would like to take part in this worthwhile project, you may drop your used batteries off at the high school's main office or ask a student to put them in one of the many recycling containers throughout the school. With your help and the continued efforts of Mr. Barron's students, GHS will be the first school in our area to "go green".

## Activities Office News:

- ❖ Our Fall participation numbers were great this season. Football – 77, Cheerleading – 32, Girls Tennis – 33, Cross Country – 60, Volleyball – 32, Marching Band – 44, for a total of 278.
- ❖ What a great Homecoming week we had! Thanks to Mrs. Becker and the Student Council for all their hard work. The Powder Puff football game raised \$1,150.00 and was donated to the Gladstone Volunteer Fire Department for their night vision goggles project. Over 1200 people from our Community attended the viewing of the hallways and bonfire. The Homecoming dance hosted 450 high school students.
- ❖ Field improvements at Marble Athletic Field have been completed. Thanks to the Gladstone Braves Fan Club and Little Bay Concrete for the new sidewalk that extends from the concession stand to the bleachers. Also, thanks to the Class of 2007, Delta Fence and Rock Road Masonry for the beautiful new entrance. It's great to see local businesses and organizations working together to make a difference.
- ❖ The Volley-for-a-Cure volleyball game was a huge success. Our Varsity volleyball team presented a check to the Delta County Cancer Alliance for \$5,800.00.
- ❖ The Drama Department's production of The Christmas Story is well underway. The play will be presented on December 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14<sup>th</sup> in the high school auditorium. Tickets will be on sale in the near future.

- ❖ Congratulations to the following student/athletes on their post season honors.

### Tennis – All U.P. Division 1

Gina Trombly - singles – all 4 years  
Megan Movalson - singles  
Stacy Garlow & Heidi Nolde – doubles  
Gina Trombly – All State

### Cross Country - All U.P.

Lindsey Lusardi	Nick Olesak
Samantha Kallman	Casey Olson
Jessica Lung	Dan Becker
Caleb Whitmer	

### All State

Lindsey Lusardi – Dream Team  
Samantha Kallman – All State  
Nick Olesak – All State

### Volleyball – All Conference

Andria Nyenhuis – 1<sup>st</sup> Team  
Hilary Austin – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team  
Becky Mayo – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team  
Alex Pahnke – Honorable Mention  
MacKenzie Shepeck – Honorable Mention

### All State Football - All Conference

Kyle Jensen -QB & Offensive Player of the Year  
Josh Hadel - Offensive Lineman  
Kollin Jensen - Running Back  
Kent King - Linebacker – Defense  
Bruce Anderson - Linebacker – Defense  
Charlie Pfothauer - Honorable Mention – Offense  
Augie Skultety - Honorable Mention – Defense

### All U.P.

Kyle Jensen, Quarterback – Dream Team  
Josh Hadel, Guard – Dream Team  
Bruce Anderson - Linebacker  
Kollin Jensen - Defensive Back

Congratulations to the Varsity Football team on winning the Division 5 District Title. They now advance to the Regionals playing Standish Sterling in Cheboygan.