## South Buffalo Charter School

## Jaguar Journal



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Ue would like to recognize star staff that work here at sble. Ghank jou for making itt a better place.

Mr. Dalio

Job: Spanish teacher
Favorite holiday: Christmas
Favorite vacation: Chicago
Spare time: sports/family time
Fun fact: Grew up in Long Island and was a radio announcer

Favorite food: pizza

## Mrs. Callahan

Jolb: teacher assistant
Favorite holiday; Christmas
Favorite vacation: Alleghany state park
Spare time: Gardening/Crochet
Fun fact: was a phlebotomist
Favorite food: chicken

## Mres. Menlones

Jolb: School Nurse
Favorite holiday: Christmas
Favorite vacation: Palm Island
Spare time: Go rumming
Fun fact: Enjoy occasional map
Favorite Food: cheese and crackers


## Mrs. DiCanio

Job: Kindergarten Teacher
Favorite holiday: Christmas
Favorite vacation: Jamaica
Spare time: Spend time with family
Fun fact: A camp connselor at 16 beiore a teacher
Favorite Food: Pizza

## Mrs. Konieczny

Jols: 5/6 Science teacher
Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving
Favorite vacation: Carolina Beach
Spare time: Read and Garden
Fun fact: In college she spent a semester on the
Spirit of Massachusetts (A 125 it. schooner)
Favorite Food: Potatoes


Mrs. Ventresca
Job: Instructional coach/helps students and teacher

## Favorite Moliday: Christmas

Favorite Vacation: Savannah, Georgia
Spare time: Family, Iodge, outside, read
Fun Fact: She will take any dance ofi.
Favorite food: pizna with extra sauce

## Ms. Rueter

Jols: Math Intervention

## Favorite Holiday: Christmas

What she likes to do on her free time: Spend time with her family

Favorite vacation spot: Lake Placid, N.Y.
Favorite food: BBQ chicken and coleslaw
Fun Fact: She is getting married in August!


Mrs. Anderson
Job: Attendance Clerk and Records Clerk
Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving
What she likes to do on her spare time: Reading
Favorite Food: Sushi and Grilled Salmon
Fun Fact: She once rode in a real submarine Favorite vacation spot: Portland, Dregon

## Boys Basketball!

By: Victoria Carroll-O'Connor
This year's boys basketball team was astounding! The team members, Laurent Swanson, Isaiah Donmore, Naszier Jackson, Cullen Tonge, Myekel Scisson, Jeremiah Caviness, DeMarcus Sanders, Alhagie Sesay, Chris Galligan, and Dyontai Williams did a fantastic job this year!

The team's overall record was 6-1, one of the best seasons we've had. They also won the championship in their league, which was 5-0, and went 1 -1 in the Timon Tournament.

The coaches Ms. Schrimmel and Mr. Diggins had help from Donald O'Connor and Matt Collins, former students from SBCS. They always encourage the players to do their best and have fun while playing.

Congratulations to the players of SBCS boys basketball team for another great year!


## Girls Basketball

The girls' basketball team had their best record yet at SBCS. Their season record was 5-3. Their games were played on Friday nights. Their coaches are Mr. Peck and Ms. Geib. There were no playoffs because their season was too long. They finished in $3^{\text {rd }}$ place. The girls on the basketball team are...
Christina Divincenzo (8)
Patricia Rigby (8)
Jasmine Rose (7)
Treneazja Giddens (7)
Angelina Lopez (6)

Cianna Boone (6)
Corrionna Fugate (6)
Gillian Cammarano (6)
Kayla Pulvino (6)
Marisol DuBose (6)
Raven Gatti (6)

Sierra Caminero

Great season, girls!

## GIRLS ON THE RUN

By: Natalie Mullen

The Girls on the Run program is for girls in $6-8$ th grade. They learn lessons on self esteem, peer pressure, and making healthy choices. During the 12 week program the girls also train for a $5 \mathbf{k}(3$ miles). The fall season ended with a $5 k$ at Delaware Park on November 10, 2013. The Spring season of Girls on the Run began on Monday, March $\mathbf{2 4 , 2 0 1 4}$. They will end their season with a $5 k$ at UB on Sunday, June 8th.

Fall season:

Kaylee Obstarczyk
Natalie Mullen
Marisol DuBose
Kayla Pulvino
Naya Parara
Taylor Kurnik
Georgia Lynn Cook
Kaycee Kleinbach
Alyssa Bace

Katelyn Speidel
Katie Kulbacki
Cassie Kulbacki
Carissa Sweat
Deanna Edwards
Megan Huttenlocker
Carli Canonico


## National Junior Honor Society

## By: Victoria Carroll-O'Connor

We talked to Shea Halpenny, President of National Junior Honor Society, about what NJHS is and what the members do. The members of National Junior Honor Society were chosen by the teachers based on, not only good grades and behavior, but based on their character. She said the students show good leadership, kindness, responsibility, are helpful, and much more. This year the members of NJHS have volunteered at many school events, such as fall festival and the Holiday Gala. They have volunteered at events, both in and outside of school, sold candy bars, tutored others, and also ran a pop-can tab drive to benefit the Ronald McDonald House! Shea believes that all students in NJHS are hardworking people and if you work hard enough you can be in NJHS one day too.


## SBCS Takes a stand against Bullying

National bullying month was in October. SBCS sold orange t-shirts that students and teachers can wear one Wednesday per month to show our support against bullying! To kick-off anti-bullying there was an antibullying magic show with Mike Seege. In this event kids and teachers were able to participate on stage. We also wrote on orange helping hands stating how to stop bullying and hung them all around the school. If you see any bullying stand up to them and tell them to STOP or tell an adult.


## 2014: Spelling Bee!

This year's spelling bee was a great one. The participates were in grades from 5-8. It was an intense battle right to the finish. We would like to congratulate all contestants, especially the winners Hawraa Ahmed, who came in first place, Andrew Calabrese, second place, and Thalia Dinh, in third place. Hawraa went on to take an exam for the Erie County Spelling Bee and tested in the top twenty middle school spellers in Erie County. Congratulations on all your hard work and dedication!

2014 participants were: Martin Mahon, Ambilique Sierra, Hawraa Ahmed, Andrew Calabrese, Ryan Amer, Michael Soto, Cullen Tonge, Kenneth Klyczek, Christina DiVincenzo, McKala Sagliani, Jason Wheeler, and Shea Halpenny, Robert Folck, Carly Downey, Dalis Velazquez, Thalia Dinh, and Matthew Hernandez, Kristen Appleford, Allonnah Staufenberger, Taylor Kurnik, Kaylee Obstarczyk, Emmanuel Rodriguez, Jason Price, and Jaron Amos.

## Poetry Slam

Although fifteen 7th and 8th graders submitted original poems relating to the theme "changing the world", 4 student poets were chosen ( by the BASCS Slam Committee) to be a part of the 2014 Poetry Slam, hosted by Buffalo Academy of Science Charter School. Hawraa came in third place in the 6-12 grade competition. Shea Halpenny, JazzaRae Curne, and Christina DiVincenzo also performed their original poetry at the Auditorium in the Buffalo Public Central Library.
Hawraa won $\$ 150$ with her third place prize - a first for any South Buffalo Charter Student (and middle schooler) ever in this competition!


## Reading gets crazy!

By: Victoria Carroll-0'Connor
Here at SBCS we believe that it is important for students to read as much as they can. To make sure this happens, while making it fun, SBCS held a reading rally! Teachers all throughout the school dressed as book characters, students won baskets of books, and Mr. Castonguay read the book Oh The Places You'll Go by Dr. Seuss. After that, Kindergarten and $1^{\text {st }}$ grade and a Dr. Seuss Crazy Week! Students had crazy sock day, crazy hat day, crazy hair day, and even backwards clothes day! Reading is very important and fun!!


## Spanish Club Fun!

Among many other exciting things, students in Spanish club learned about the tradition of making and breaking a piñata. Students enjoyed learning about this tradition and were even able to try it out !


By: Jada Price
On March $18^{\text {th }}$ eighth grade went to Shea's Performing Arts Center to see "Buffalo Soldier."
"Buffalo Soldiers" got their name in the involvement in the Spanish-American War. The "Buffalo Soldier" usually refers to African American men who fought in this war. "In four months of fighting the Spanish under these adverse conditions, the Buffalo Soldiers were described as most gallant and soldierly" These soldiers had a great impact on this war, and without them America probably wouldn't be able to in the war. After the play $8^{\text {th }}$ grade got to go to the Old Country Buffet.


# Congratulations to the sudents who stayed on green for the first half of the year!! 

Kindergarten
Dunbar, Jayden
Hussey, Isabella
Kuwik, Luciana
Osborne, Amelia
Wicher, Juliana
Williams, Jada
Zientara, Angelina
Appleford, Ryan
Bartram, Lydia
Cortez, Cheryl
Hill, Jayden
Kline, Veronica
Lavin, Lily
Romero, Rudolph
Valentin, Hayden
Vidal, Gabriel
Aboussir, Naja
Gomez, Amalia
Grover, Allan
Main, Scarlet
Smith, Logan
Daruszka, Thaddeus
Deeb, Maya

Dumas, Ivan
Figueroa, Jenessa
Forant, Brayden
Rosado, Xuedely
Torres, Rylee
$1^{\text {st }}$ Grade
Barlow, Jasmyn
Clark, Minnayjah
Nickerson, Leah
Peake, Makayla
Sciortino, Dante
Binga, Emily
Bodine, Ryan
Crawford, Karlei
Grover, Kevin
Lamberty, Jovahn
Rodriguez, Anelise
Soto, Noah
Speidel, Daniel
Waz, Michelle
Durmaj, Charlie
Isch, Michael
Maracle, Lincoln

Peake, Ania
Queeno, Seth
Swagerty, Arwen

2nd Grade
Canonico, Carmen
Elliott, Destiny
Gilbert, Sienna
Green, Jamar
Griffin, Tarjai
Milne, Annaleis
Rodriguez, Jaenette
Rosado, Yomaris
Small, Tayonna
Walenka, Isabelle
Blaszek, Nicholas
C'Aiken, Aleena
Carroll, Michael
Creely, Dakota
Crosby, Aniyah
Erdolini, Abigail
Leith, Courtney
O'Hara, Ethan
Weber, Jacob

| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Grade | Sesay, Safia | Sundell, Angie |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Boerschig, Victoria | Waz, Genavieve | Vasquez, Irving |
| Brown, Aiden | Cislo, Trenton | Amra, Hannah |
| Fini, Bianca | Crawford, Aleyah | Kent, Alexandria |
| Galligan, Benjamin | Ginter, America | Morales, Arianna |
| Gyamfi, Akue(Vanessa) | Jones, Jorryn | Sciortino, Isabella |
| Zak, Kyla | Kania, Marrissa | Velazquez, Justyn |
| Zimmer, Jacob | Knauber, Katelyn | Groves, Lara |
| Cintron, Nylah | Milne, Ella | Kornowski, Diana |
| Cretacci, Cassidy | Oehmler, JaydeAnn | Kotrys, Jenna |
| Dicenzo, McKenzie | Smith, Mallory | Proper, Mickayla |
| Kotrys, Emily | Snead, Lorenzo |  |
| Mutka, Alexis | Wesser, Bianca | $6^{\text {th }}$ Grade |
| Queeno, Brooklynn |  | Carney, Jakob |
| Rosado, Irianalys | $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade | Cortes, Elizabeth |
| Ruiz, Anjely | Abreu, Edwin | Lopez, Angelina |
| Santiago, Amelia | Bace, Elizabeth | Owens, Jazyiah |
|  | Folck, Michael | Smardz, Abbigail |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Grade | Green, Alexia | Smigiera, Mackenzie |
| Conrad, Robert | LaMarti, Alanna | Klein, Cassie |
| Daruszka, Mykaylah | Leistner, Gabby | Maracle, Nicodemus |
| Erdolino, Alexandra | Powell, Caitlyn | Miller, Robert |
| Morseon, Brynn | Rine, Alana | Obstarczyk, Kaylee |
| Staufenberger, Caileigh | Rodriguez, Lorenzo | Cortes, Brian |
| Capozzi, Angele | Smith, Mollie | Elliott, Imaad |
| Diaz, Avelissa | Speidel, Edward | Galligan, Christopher |
| Pawlicki, Sarah | Stevens, Kamaiya | Kurnik, Taylor |

Prusinski, Li
Pulvino, Kayla
Schwilk, Mikaela
VanWey, Aryanna
$7^{\text {th }}$ Grade
Canonico, Carli
Dinh, Thalia
Mendez, Xavier
Knightner, Jerryionna
Worunchuk, Aubrey
Carroll-O'Connor, Victoria
Loatman, Keyazha
Lopez, Victoria
Rosalia, Johnathon
Snead, Angelina
$8^{\text {th }}$ Grade
Mack, Elizabeth
Miller, Katie
Ahmed, Hawraa
Cullen, Matthew
Small, Taijha

## Great job everyone!!

## $7 / 8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Survey

## Favorite snack: chips

Favorite color: blue

Favorite movie: bad grandpa

Favorite band/artist: one direction

Favorite food: pizza
Favorite band/artist: Pearl Jam \& Billy Joel Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite TV show: Big Bang Theory


## Thank you SBCS for another

 successful Bald for Bucks event! This year we raised $\$ 14,000$ for Roswell!

