



The Good News

December 2020

- Rogers Middle School fourth-grader Carmello Paulino and Dake Jr. High School eighth-grader, Alyssa Yanosh, received a Do The Right Thing award from the Rochester Police Department. Carmello raised money for good causes and Alyssa helped her brother after he suffered a serious leg injury last June.
- Southlawn kindergarten teacher, Miss Meaghan Yeatts, won Channel 8's prestigious Golden Apple award for teaching excellence.
- K-12 Social Studies Curriculum Supervisor, Mrs. Kim Cristal, and senior Tyra Oglesby were interviewed live on "Good Day, Rochester!" on Fox 31 this morning for a story on our district's Land Acknowledgement to honor the ancestral grounds on which our schools are built.
- Student Council members wrote more than 100 holiday cards to the residents at St. Ann's Community with the hope to put smiles on their faces and also went to the Charles Settlement House to deliver 30 gifts to children.
- The Class of 2023 filled 20 stockings with items and collected food for the Irondequoit Community Cupboard. The Class of 2024 also collected toys and women's and children's clothing to support the Willow Center.
- Southlawn teacher Dena Kropman helped organize our annual District-wide gift drive that she calls "Project Holiday" for the Irondequoit Community Cupboard; 138 families in East and West Irondequoit received gifts and stockings also were stuffed with goodies to give to 260 families.
- Junior Candace Tytler successfully defended her Class A Cross Country championship and classmate Annalee Capuano was fourth. Based on times, each would have qualified for the state championships again. Tytler also was 17th in an elite field of 60 runners at the East Coast Championships in New Jersey.
- Senior swimmer Alicia Wood repeated as the Section V Class B champion in the 200 individual medley. Wood and teammates Katie Taberski, Ellen Patterson and Gigi Guagliardo also captured multiple runner-up finishes.
- Football lineman, Rowan McGwin, signed his national letter of intent earlier today with the University at Buffalo.
- And first-team Monroe County All-Stars in Fall sports went to:
 - Cross country runners Cooper Branch, Dylan Lyons, Brendan McCollum, Candace Tytler and Annalee Capauno
 - Tennis players Carly Armitage, Grace Buckley, Cara Saunders
 - Swimmers Ruby Flanigen, Gigi Guagliardo, Ellen Patterson, Kathleen Taberski and Alicia Wood
 - Soccer players Bryan Friedel and Leah Memmott

- Field hockey player Claire Steckley
- Six fall sports teams earned Scholar-Athlete status from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, meaning at least 75% of the team had to have an academic average of 90 or greater. They were: Boys and Girls Cross Country, Field Hockey, Girls Soccer, Girls Swimming and Girls Tennis. A total of 78 fall athletes earned Scholar-Athlete distinction. The IHS squad with the most players was field hockey with 17.