



The Bulldog Spotlight

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Valedictorians and Salutatorian for 2011

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Sinking Fund Allows for Repairs and Improvements

We are very appreciative of the ongoing community support that is extended to Yale Public Schools by our voters. This year is no different. As a result of the approval of the 1 mill Sinking Fund, we will have the opportunity to make necessary repairs and improvements to our aging facilities. Much of the scheduled repair and renovation will be aimed at capturing energy savings from improved lighting and heating, improve parking lots and traffic flow, as well as making enhancements to our softball fields and tennis courts. The availability of these monies could not have come at a better time, especially noting the reduction of state funding beginning the 2011-2012 school year. We would again like to thank the voters for their investment into their schools, and vote of confidence in helping us build for a better community.

Lorraine Schrand
Valedictorian

Scott Fladzinski
Valedictorian

Gregory Palmateer
Salutatorian

Yale High School Principal, Mr. Paul Flynn, proudly announced the 2011 Valedictorians and Salutatorian last Spring. This was another exceptional year for students as well as for Yale High School. We are so very fortunate to have the privilege of honoring the following individuals. Lorraine Constance Schrand and Scott Anthony Fladzinski have both achieved the rank of Valedictorian and Gregory Steven Palmateer has achieved the rank of Salutatorian for the Yale High School Class of 2011.

Lorraine Constance Schrand is the daughter of Andrew and Mary Schrand of Avoca. She served as Student Council Representative (4 years), President for the Class of 2011 (3 years), is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Science Club, and was a University of Michigan Math Field Day Team Participant, and Michigan Youth Leadership representative. She has received the Yale Board of Education Award and the Yale High School Academic Letter for the past four years, and also has received the honor of the Presidential Academic Excellence Award. Lorraine was the recipient of the Bausch & Lomb Award for Outstanding Junior in Science, as well as the Society of Women Engineer Award for Math and Science Outstanding Junior and the Comcast Leaders and Achievers Award. Lorraine has received numerous Yale High School Teacher Recognition Awards, and was a recipient of the Blue Water Area Conference All Academic Team, 1st Team. She was honored in the Detroit

Free Press "Valedictorians" Class Acts Publication, the "Salute To Youth" program sponsored by Radio First/Liggett Communications and Port Huron Hospital, and has also received the Detroit News "Catch" Award. She earned a Varsity letter in tennis and ran cross country. She also served as the Girls Varsity Tennis Team Captain, BWAC All Academic Team award for Tennis, as well as the BWAC 1st Team for Tennis. Lorraine has served her school as a Tennis and Volleyball Camp volunteer, Yale High School Student tutor, and volunteer for the "Julie's Kids" Program and the American Red Cross Blood Drive Coordinator.

Lorraine is very active in the community working as volunteer and participant for the Walk America Project, Adopt a Highway Cleanup Project, Port Huron Hospital, Port Huron Chilly Fest Program, Pine River Nature Center Treehouse Project, St. Clair County Community Foundation

Projects, as well as a Counselor in Training at Camp Midicha (Michigan Diabetes Camp). She has also served as Vice-President of East Mill Creek 4-H Club and has been a member of the St Clair County Youth Advisory Council. Lorraine has received various offers for academic scholarships from several colleges and universities, including the Central Michigan University Centralis Scholar Award and will begin her college education at Central Michigan University in the Pre-Med Program, majoring in Dietetics.

Scott Anthony Fladzinski is the son of Chris and Maureen Fladzinski of Greenwood. He is a member of the National Honor Society, has attended the SC4 Math and Science Academy for the past 3 years, achieving President's Honor List every semester, and is an inductee in the Phi Theta Kappa (a junior college honors society). Scott has received the Yale Board of

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Education Academic Award and the Yale High School Academic letter award for the past four years, as well as the Blue Water Area Conference All Academic Team 1st team. He has received numerous Yale High School Teacher Recognition Awards, and has achieved the honor of the Presidential Academic Excellence Award. Scott will be honored in the Detroit Free Press "Valedictorians" Class Acts Publication and the "Salute To Youth" program, sponsored by Radio First/Liggett Communications and Port Huron Hospital, as well as the WXYZ-TV Brightest and Best Program spots to be aired throughout the summer. He has also served as a Michigan Youth Leadership Conference Participant (MSU), and was a National Youth Leadership Nominee. Scott has been a member of the High School Jazz Band, Marching Band, Pep band, and Pit Band and has received honors in Regional Solo and Ensemble Competition Level "1" for sax-flute duet, as well as State Solo and Ensemble Competition Level "1" for sax-flute duet.

Scott has been very involved in his community as a member of the Holy Family Parish, writing and arranging his own music for weekly mass as soloist and with the church band and received the Timothy Youth Appreciation Award for his leadership in Christian Service and commitment to his parish. He is an active member of Bushido Martial Arts of Richmond, assisting and teaching students. He has participated in the Annual Bushido Martial Arts Kick-A-Thon, helping to raise funds for terminally ill children through the Make-A-Wish Foundation and the Rainbow Connection.

Scott has also received many offers for academic scholarships from several universities and colleges and will begin his college education in the Honors Program at the University of Michigan's College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, pursuing a double major in Mathematics, Chemistry, and Writing, with a strong focus on Education and Research.

Gregory Steven Palmateer is the son of Steven and Katherine Palmateer of Clyde Township. He was a member and President of the National Honor Society, Art Club, and Spanish Club. He has received numerous Yale High School Teacher Recognition Awards, as well as the Yale High School Academic Letter award (4 years), the Yale Board of Education Academic Award (4 years), and the BWAC All Academic Team Honorable Mention. Gregory has also achieved the honor of the Presidential Academic Excellence Award, Yale High School Perfect Attendance Award, and has been a nominee and participant for the

National Leadership Youth Conference for 2 years. He was nominated for the MHSAA Student Athlete Scholarship as well as the Meet of Champs Invitational and the Michigan State Invitational for Track and Field. Greg has received Varsity letters in wrestling, track and field, and football, and was selected for the All Academic Team Blue Water Area Conference for Varsity Wrestling. He was also chosen out of over 400 applicants to participate in the highly selective Detroit Arsenal (TARDEC) Program.

Gregory is also very involved in his community participating in a home building project with the Habitat For Humanity group, serving as leader of the Friend to Friend Group, and the Youth For Christ Steering Committee, and also received the Youth For Christ Student Leadership Award for 2011. He has attended a Mission Trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico to clean the school and feed the children with the leadership group at Colonial Woods Missionary Church.

He has also received many offers for academic scholarships, and will begin his college career at Spring Arbor University pursuing a career in medicine.

ROUNDING OUT THE TOP STUDENTS FOR THE YALE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2011 WITH THE VALEDICTORIANS AND SALUTORIAN ARE:

MICHAEL ARTRIP
HANNAH CIEPLECHOWICZ-FODOR
CHARLES DECKER
JESSICA MCKILLOP
TROY PRATER
CHANCELOE SMEZNIK
KEVIN SMITH
SARA TAYLOR
CHELSEY TIMLIN
KAYLA WESCOTT
DANIELLE WILSON
JAMES YONTS



**CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK FROM
THE STAFF OF YALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

Bulldog Transportation News

With the start of school fast approaching here are a few safety tips involving school bus transportation. Keeping our children safe is our number one priority. We take pride in working with our community to achieve this goal.

Students: If you ride a bus, learn and practice the safety rules while walking to the bus stop, waiting at the bus stop. Always follow the bus drivers instructions when riding the bus, never cross the roadway without instruction from the bus driver.

Parents: Have your children at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to the buses arrival. Teach your children to follow the bus safety rules and the driver's instruction when crossing the roadway.

Motorists: Slow down and drive with caution when approaching a school bus; be alert and ready to stop if overhead yellow lights are flashing. You must stop when overhead red lights are flashing, state law requires you stop at least 20 feet from the front or rear of a school bus. Watch for children gathering or walking to bus stops and when backing out of driveways.



School bus schedules will be posted and available at the respective school buildings on August 29. Please remember the bus route times posted are approximate. Have your children ready and waiting at least 10 minutes before the bus is scheduled at the stop for the first week or so until bus routes are established in to a time pattern. If you should have any questions at all about transportation, please contact the transportation office at 810-387-3010.

During bad weather conditions, changes in school and bus information are announced on both radio and television. Calls are made to WPHM (1380 AM), WHLS (1450 AM), WSAQ (107 FM), WBTV (96.9 FM), and WMIC (660 AM). Also TV Channels 2, 4, 7, are notified. Please listen/watch for these school bulletins. On foggy days, buses may run late, but the schools will be open on their regular schedules. You may also call the transportation hotline at 810-387-3010 and press 1 for any bus delays or school closing information.

Dr. Michael McClelland Honored for Years of Service

Dr. Michael McClelland, shown on the right, has proudly represented and served Yale Public Schools as a member of the Yale Board of Education. June 30, 2011 marked the end of his 8 (eight) years of continuous public service to the district and students of Yale Public Schools.

During his tenure, Dr. McClelland had served the Board in varying capacities, most notably as Board President, where he was able to share a vision of making Yale Schools one of the premier programs in the area. Dr. McClelland was not only able to help sustain programs and services to our students during very difficult times, he was also able to continue to support and provide the necessary tools for Educational Excellence and the realization of a vision.

Dr. McClelland will be sorely missed as he "takes a break" from his public service and spends quality time with his wife Marcy and their six children: Josh, Luke, Matthew, Stephen, Timothy and Micayla. We know that the light of the Bulldog spirit will continue to shine brightly in the heart and home of the McClelland's and we wish him all the best. Yale Public Schools is a better place because of the dedication, devotion and efforts of Dr. McClelland. Thank You!

Yale Students Experience the "Wild" ... Up Close and Personal

Yale Public School students from Ms. Karl's and Mrs. Rees' classes visited the Detroit Zoo Thursday, June 9th. The students were able to enjoy the many exhibits the zoo has to offer to increase their understandings of life science concepts. Students were able to freely observe animals of their choice such as zebras, polar bears, giraffes, tigers, and many more. To enhance the students' experiences and promote school pride, students received specially designed Bulldog t-shirts made by Main Street Creations. This exciting trip and t-shirts were made possible through the generous donation from the Knights of Columbus of the Sacred Heart Church of Yale from their annual "Tootsie Roll" fundraising efforts.

Race for the Cure

On Saturday June 21, 2011 a team from Yale High School drove to Detroit to compete in the Race for the Cure. This is a fundraiser for the Susan Komen Breast Cancer Research. The runners from Yale represented the school well despite the heat. Over 40,000 runners and walkers participated. The Yale team hopes to make this an annual event for the women's cross country program. Pictured are Mrs. Seros, Sgt. Shelby Bixler from the United States Army, Nancee Armstrong, Taylor Stawecki, Eliza Seros, Alana Koeopf and Amanda Roberts.

YJHS Bulldog Quiz Bowl

Quiz Bowl is open to all interested students at Yale Junior High. They compete against teams from Marlette, Croswell-Lexington, Sandusky, Brown City, Kingston and Carsonville-Port Sanilac. Students participate in quiz bowl practice weekly, and compete in five league matches and a culminating individual tournament that focuses on students' strengths in Science, Social Studies, Math, Language Arts and Current Events. Students compete for medals and cash scholarships. The Yale Junior High Quiz Bowl teams performed well during the 2011 season, winning many of their matches.

The team is coached by teachers Sally Morgan and Janice Hedge.

7th / 8th Blue Team

Logan Lees
Justin Evola
Bobby Felster
Chuck Greb
Kyle Danielkiewicz
Grace McGhee
Anthony Anderson
Jasmine Schuette

7th / 8th White Team

Ted Zabor
Kara Carr
Kenny Peltier
Katherinam Bahr
Chris Heidt
Tyler Wright
Ashlyn Kulek
Matthew Buckmaster (6th grader)



6th Grade White Team

Alyssa Derrick
Scott Donnellon
Eric Heidt
Jessica Hessel
Megan Wilcoxin
Brandon Thompson
Claire Vincent
Justin Wright
Bobby Zuniga

6th Grade Blue Team

Gabby Flynn
A'Leah Fockler
Olivia Hoist
Libby Huston
Kaleigh Ketelhut
Hannah Langewicz
Angel Polzin
Lauren Steen

MiChild and Healthy Kids Insurance for Children

Michigan offers two health insurance programs, MiChild and Healthy Kids for Children up to their 19th birthday who qualify. The cost is \$10 per family per month or no cost, depending on the child's eligibility. The comprehensive health insurance coverage includes:

- ⌘ Ambulance
- ⌘ Dental services
- ⌘ Doctor visits and health check-ups
- ⌘ Family planning
- ⌘ Hearing and speech therapy
- ⌘ Hospital care
- ⌘ Immunizations (shots)
- ⌘ Lab and x-ray tests
- ⌘ Medical supplies
- ⌘ Medicine
- ⌘ Mental health services
- ⌘ Physical therapy
- ⌘ Prenatal care and support services
- ⌘ Substance abuse services
- ⌘ Surgery
- ⌘ Vision care
- ⌘ Well-child visits

MiChild/Healthy Kids applications are available at your school and through the Outreach Program, St. Clair County Health Dept. at (810) 987-5000. Families can also apply online at www.healthcare4mi.com

Michigan Integrated Pest Management Plan/Asbestos Plan Available for Review

Parents of school-aged children have the right to be notified prior to the application of any pesticides applied in schools. Posting of Pesticide Application will always be posted on the Main Entrance of the school three days prior to application during normal school days. If you wish to be notified prior to the application of pesticides, please send a letter of request prior to November 30, 2011 to the following:

Director of Buildings and Grounds
Yale Public Schools
198 School Drive Yale, MI 48097

Please note that typically applications are made only during summer recess and extended non-school days.

Asbestos Management Plan Available for Review by Parents, Teachers and Employees

Yale School District has conducted an extensive asbestos survey of all of the buildings. Based on the findings of this inspection, a comprehensive management plan was drafted. This plan details the response actions that the district will take regarding asbestos containing materials found in our buildings.

This plan is available for inspection at our offices without cost or restriction during normal business hours. If you desire to have a personal copy, please notify the main administrative office and it will be supplied to you within five (5) working days at a cost of \$.30 per page.

Our main administrative office is located at: 198 School Drive, Yale, MI 48097

We have endeavored to make our schools a safe place in which students can learn. Our procedures for dealing with this problem reflect that concern. Please let us know if we can answer any questions.

Greg Manger, Director of Buildings and Grounds

Student-Athletes Demonstrate Prowess in the Classroom and on the Playing Field

Pictured are the Yale representatives for the **BWAC All Academic Team for 2011.**

In the back row from the left are: Chance Smeznik, Scott Fladzinski and James Yonts.

In the front row from the left are: Michael Artrip, Lorraine Schrand, Sara Taylor and Greg Palmateer.

Athletic Director Maureen Klocke has reported that 74% of our athletes who participated in this past spring sports season received recognition for their outstanding performance in the classroom. From a field of 103 varsity athletes, 76 students achieved the Blue Water Area Conference All-Academic recognition. The criteria consists of earning a varsity letter while achieving a minimum of a 3.0 GPA for the marking period. We are proud of our student-athlete's accomplishments.

Student Lunch Prices Increase for 2011-2012

This year students will see an increase in full-paid lunch prices as required by the USDA Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. Yale Public Schools is required by this statute to raise the student lunch prices to remain in compliance with the legislation. This increase is based upon a formula provided by the federal government which will result in an increase of five (5) cents per full-paid student lunch. Free and Reduced lunch prices will not be impacted by this increase. Families who believe that this increase will result in a financial hardship should consider completing an application for the Free and Reduced Breakfast/Lunch Program. (Certain eligibility requirements and restrictions apply.) Applications will be mailed to each household in the building newsletters and also are available and can be submitted on-line at www.lunchapp.com.

Local Scholarships

The Yale School community shows generosity by providing many in-district scholarships to high school graduates. Listed here are this years local donors:

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| American Legion | Thelma R. Ingram-Stewart Memorial |
| Blue Water Area Council Girl Scouts | Tri-County Bank |
| Brockway Masonic Lodge | Yale High School Alumni |
| Capac Sate Bank | Yale Chamber of Commerce |
| Dan Keegan/Ted Stine | Yale Education Association |
| Dr. Robert Kovach to SCCCC | Yale High School Quiz Bowl |
| Emmett Lions Club | Yale High School Student Council |
| Eva Graham Memorial | Yale Athletic Boosters |
| Bernice Johnson Memorial | Yale Superintendents |
| James Wilhelm Memorial | Yale VFW |
| Michigan Education Association | |
| St. Clair County Assoc. of School Boards | |
| St. Clair County RESA - Woodlands | |

YALE HIGH SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH FALL 2011 SPORTS SCHEDULE

Boys Varsity Tennis

| | | |
|-------|----------------|---|
| 8/20 | Romeo | A |
| 8/23 | Lapeer West | A |
| 8/26 | Mt. Clemens | A |
| 8/31 | Cros-Lex | A |
| 9/6 | Algonac | H |
| 9/8 | Almont | H |
| 9/13 | Armada | A |
| 9/15 | Imlay City | H |
| 9/17 | Yale Doubles | |
| | Tournament | H |
| 9/20 | Richmond | A |
| 9/26 | Goodrich | H |
| 10/1 | BWAC League | |
| | Meet IC/Almont | A |
| 10/3 | Marysville | H |
| 10/6 | Regionals | A |
| 10/14 | State Finals | H |

Coed Varsity Cross Country

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 8/25 | Cros-Lex | A |
| 8/27 | Marine City | A |
| 9/1 | Brown City | A |
| 9/10 | Bad Axe | A |
| 9/14 | BWAC Jamboree | |
| | @ Capac | A |
| 9/17 | Almont Fox & Hounds | A |
| 9/27 | BWAC Jamboree | |
| | @ Algonac | A |
| 10/6 | Marysville | A |
| 10/18 | Armada | H |
| 10/18 | BWAC Jamboree | |
| | @ Goodells | A |
| 10/22 | Caro | A |
| 10/29 | Regionals | A |
| 11/5 | State Finals | |
| | @ Brooklyn | A |

Coed JH Cross Country

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 9/10 | Bad Axe | A |
| 9/14 | BWAC Jamboree | |
| | @ Capac | A |
| 9/17 | Almont Fox & Hounds | A |
| 9/27 | BWAC Jamboree | |
| | @ Algonac | A |
| 10/3 | Brown City | A |
| 10/18 | BWAC Jamboree | |
| | @ Goodells | A |





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YALE HIGH SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH FALL 2011 SPORTS SCHEDULE

Boys Varsity Football

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 8/19 | Scrimmage | H |
| 8/26 | Lutheran High North | A |
| 9/1 | Cros-Lex | H |
| 9/9 | Algonac | A |
| 9/16 | Almont | A |
| 9/23 | Armada | H |
| 9/30 | Imlay City | A |
| 10/7 | Richmond (HC) | H |
| 10/14 | Capac | A |
| 10/21 | North Branch | H |

Boys Junior Varsity Football

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 8/19 | Scrimmage | H |
| 8/25 | Lutheran High North | H |
| 8/31 | Cros-Lex | A |
| 9/8 | Algonac | H |
| 9/15 | Almont | H |
| 9/22 | Armada | A |
| 9/29 | Imlay City | H |
| 10/6 | Richmond | A |
| 10/13 | Capac | H |
| 10/20 | North Branch | A |

Boys Freshman Football

| | | |
|-------|-------------|---|
| 8/18 | Deckerville | A |
| 8/31 | Cros-Lex | H |
| 9/8 | Algonac | H |
| 9/15 | Almont | H |
| 9/22 | Armada | A |
| 9/29 | Imlay City | H |
| 10/6 | Richmond | A |
| 10/13 | Capac | H |

Girls JH Basketball

| | | |
|-------|---------------|---|
| 9/19 | Imlay City MS | A |
| 9/22 | Richmond MS | H |
| 9/29 | Almont | A |
| 10/3 | Armada MS | H |
| 10/6 | Algonac | H |
| 10/10 | Capac | A |
| 10/13 | Imlay City MS | H |
| 10/17 | Richmond MS | A |
| 10/24 | Almont | H |
| 10/27 | Armada MS | A |
| 11/1 | Algonac | A |
| 11/3 | Capac MS | H |

Girls Freshman Volleyball

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 9/8 | Algonac | A |
| 9/10 | MI Elite Tournament | A |
| 9/13 | Imlay City | A |
| 9/15 | Capac | H |
| 9/20 | Almont Double | A |
| 9/22 | Richmond | H |
| 9/27 | Cros-Lex | H |
| 9/29 | Armada | A |
| 10/3 | Algonac | H |
| 10/6 | Imlay City | H |
| 10/18 | Richmond | A |
| 10/20 | Cros-Lex | A |
| 10/25 | Armada | H |

Boys 8th Grade Football

| | | |
|-------|---------------|---|
| 9/14 | Imlay City MS | H |
| 9/28 | Richmond MS | H |
| 10/5 | Almont | A |
| 10/12 | Algonac | H |
| 10/19 | Capac MS | A |
| 10/26 | Armada MS | A |

Girls varsity Volleyball

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 8/13 | Anchor Bay | A |
| 8/20 | Imlay City | A |
| 8/27 | Ladywood | A |
| 9/8 | Algonac | A |
| 9/10 | MI Elite Tournament | A |
| 9/13 | Imlay City | A |
| 9/22 | Richmond | H |
| 9/24 | Lakeview | A |
| 9/27 | Cros-Lex | H |
| 9/29 | Armada | A |
| 10/3 | Algonac | H |
| 10/6 | Imlay City | H |
| 10/11 | Capac Double | A |
| 10/13 | Almont Double | H |
| 10/15 | Mt. Morris | A |
| 10/18 | Richmond | A |
| 10/20 | Cros-Lex | A |
| 10/22 | Davison | A |
| 10/25 | Armada | H |
| 10/31 | District Week | A |

Girls JV Volleyball

| | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|
| 8/13 | Anchor Bay | A |
| 9/8 | Algonac | A |
| 9/10 | MI Elite Tournament | A |
| 9/13 | Imlay City | A |
| 9/15 | Capac | H |
| 9/20 | Almont Double | A |
| 9/22 | Richmond | H |
| 9/27 | Cros-Lex | H |
| 9/29 | Armada | A |
| 10/1 | Lakeview | A |
| 10/3 | Algonac | H |
| 10/6 | Imlay City | H |
| 10/18 | Richmond | A |
| 10/20 | Cros-Lex | A |
| 10/25 | Armada | H |