

# Skyline Eagle News

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## Principal's Message:

Our school has been selected to represent Utah by participating in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). NAEP is given by the U.S. Department of Education and tells us what American students know and can do in key subject areas. It is the only ongoing nationally representative assessment that provides this valuable information.

NAEP has been given in schools nationwide for more than 35 years. You may have taken the test yourself when you were in school. The results are published in a report called *The Nation's Report Card* and provides reliable student achievement information to educators, parents, and other citizens.

In our school, the NAEP assessment will be given on January 24, 2007 in reading and writing. Your student may be selected to take the assessment. In addition to subject area questions, students will be asked some background questions such as how often they use computers and what types of classes they take.

It will take approximately 90 minutes for students to complete NAEP. The results are completely confidential, and your student's grades will not be affected. Your student may be excused from participation for any reason, is not required to finish the assessment, and is not required to answer any test question. While NAEP is voluntary, without student participation we cannot collect information on student achievement to make improvements in education. Your student will represent many other students, so participation is very important. However, **if you do not want your student to participate, please notify me in writing by December 1, 2006.**

There is no need to study in preparation for NAEP. We do ask parents to encourage their children's best efforts and to have them get plenty of rest the night before the assessment. For additional information about NAEP, please visit the web site at: <http://nationsreportcard.gov>. You may also

contact me at 646-5420 or via e-mail at [kathy.clark@granite.k12.ut.us](mailto:kathy.clark@granite.k12.ut.us).

We are excited that our school will be participating in NAEP, and we are pleased that your student may be selected. We know that Skyline's students will help us to show the achievement of American students!

Kathy Clark  
Principal

## Parent & Teen Forum

with Sherri Wittwer,  
Director of NAMI

Wednesday, November 15

7:00 p.m.

Skyline Media Center



*This forum is for anyone who is concerned with the issues that teens face today regarding depression, mood disorders and substance abuse.*

Sponsored by the PTSA

## Hall of Fame

Four years ago, Skyline celebrated her 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. Part of that celebration was to begin a Skyline Hall of Fame. This project is sponsored each Homecoming by the Skyline Community Council. In the intervening four years, Skyline has inducted a former Miss America, several outstanding professional athletes, a former Salt Lake City Mayor, a Salt Lake Tribune columnist and several former Skyline teachers and coaches.

In this year's homecoming assembly, we inducted two new people into the Hall of Fame:



## Karen Wood Morgan

Karen graduated from Skyline in 1970. Since that time she has become a mother and a grandmother. She earned her teaching degree from Weber State University, and has served in the Utah State Legislature for four terms. She is currently running a very busy campaign for her fifth term. She is founder of the University of Utah Reading Clinic and Co-Founder of the Utah Children's Reading Foundation. Karen currently serves on Gov. Huntsman's Commission on Literacy. Have you ever heard the expression, "Read with a child 20 minutes a day?" This suggestion is from our new inductee!



## Fred Kempe

Fred graduated from Skyline in 1972, where he was the sports editor for the Skyline *Horizon* newspaper. Fred went on to not only excel in the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism, but also be given their Top Alumni Achievement Award. He became the award winning correspondent, columnist, editor and associate publisher for the Wall Street Journal (Europe). Fred was a member of a two-time Pulitzer Prize winning reporting team and he was named as one of the 15 most influential Europeans, even though he is an American. Fred currently is President and CEO of the Atlantic Council of the United States. This inductee is considered "one of the world's most accomplished and respected experts on transatlantic relations, security and foreign policy."

## GRADUATION



MAY 31, 2007

7:00 P.M.

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## Arts & Humanities Council

Membership in the Skyline Arts & Humanities Council is open to all Skyline parents and community members who wish to join with us in supporting and encouraging artistic excellence at Skyline.

**Memberships in the council are \$25/year** and support a variety of programs and projects funded by the council. Through council memberships and contributions to our Capital Campaign and Lega-Seat programs, we have recently been able to contribute to **new curtains in the auditorium, a new pottery kiln, replacement and repair of musical instruments, a digital camera for the photographing of AP and IB art projects, rental of a professional dance floor for dance concerts** (however, we'd love to own one!), and many more departmental needs through individual teacher grants.

The Council also awarded **\$1,000 in college scholarships** last spring, and was instrumental in the establishment of **Gallery 127**, Skyline's own art and performance gallery. Be sure to check out the ongoing shows by our Skyline students!

The areas covered by the Arts & Humanities Council are: **Instrumental Music, Choral Music, Dance, Drama, Speech & Debate, Graphics, Multimedia, AP Art, Crafts, Woodworking, Painting, Drawing, Pottery, Jewelry, Air Brush, Commercial Art, Sculpture, Satorian Literary Magazine and Gallery 127.**

We appreciate the generous donations and memberships contributed thus far that have made these kinds of programs and scholarships possible. A list of our contributors and members will be in our performing arts programs this year, and Lega-Seat donors are also listed on the plaques in the auditorium foyer.



If you are interested in the Arts & Humanities Council or one of its projects, please contact the Skyline office or Susan Kaelin (Council President) at 272-0595.

Skyline will be hosting the **Speech Arts Classic** on Nov. 10 & 11, and producing the musical **"The Pirates of Penzance"** on Nov. 16, 18 & 20. Our choirs will also be participating in the choral **Veterans Day Concert** on Nov. 11, 7:00 p.m. at Taylorsville High School. Thank you for your support of the Arts & Humanities at Skyline!

## Reflections Contest 2006

It's time to get the creative juices flowing! The theme for the National PTA annual Reflections contest this year is **"My Favorite Place."** Students can respond to that theme through literature, visual arts, music composition, dance choreography, film/video, theater and 3-dimensional art. Students are given recognition and awards at the high school council, regional, state and national levels.

Rules and entry forms for each category are available in the office. Please read the rules and instructions for entering carefully, and note that only individual art projects may be submitted. No group work is allowed. The entries may be part of work completed for a class or work entirely done out of school.

The deadline for entries in the annual National PTA Reflections contest is **Monday, November 27th**. All entries must be in the box in the office by the end of school on that day. Entries are judged on artistic merit, creativity and interpretation of the theme.

### ACT Test Review Classes

*for the December 9th Test*



- Classes begin on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and run for 10 school days.
- Both English and Math classes will be offered.
- Classes are \$25 per subject.
- Math will be taught at 6:30 a.m. in Room 105 (Mrs. Croft).
- English will be taught right after school in Room 124 (Mr. Brown).
- To register, see Mrs. Croft (R. 105) or Mr. Brown (R. 124).
- Make checks payable to Skyline High School.

### Counseling Center

Senior SEOP conferences were held in October. If you did not have an appointment, contact Ms. Cannon in the Counseling Center at 646-5421.

Invitations for **Junior SEOP conferences** will be sent in early November, so watch for them in the mail. This is a very important meeting for Juniors and parents, and we look forward to meeting with all of you soon.



## Skyline IB Info

The IB class of 2007 is busy working on their extended essays (EE) and CAS hours along with their IB coursework. Extended essays should be completed by Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> -- the date when exams for the May 2007 testing season will be ordered, and the senior students who are candidates for an IB diploma should have 100 hours of service documented and turned in to Jolene Davidson, our CAS Coordinator.

**All exams must be paid for by November 2, 2006.** Pay Janice in the bookstore with a check made out to Skyline High School for the amount on your invoice.

We have a diverse group of students who have selected the IB program. Some have come from as far away as Mongolia and Switzerland, while others have lived in Utah their entire lives. It is a privilege to work with students who are so focused on learning. They are well-rounded young adults who are completing 150 hours of service as well as taking the most rigorous college prep program in the world.

We invite all students who attend Skyline High School to take any of the IB classes they are interested in. TOK (Theory of Knowledge) is an excellent class that can be taken by any student to increase their understanding of how knowledge is connected from one subject to another. You will also study the philosophy of learning. How do you know what you know? TOK is a semester class that could be interesting for anyone who enjoys learning. We invite everyone to be a part of the IB experience here at Skyline High School.

### IB Student Writers Wanted!

*The Baccalaureate* is a news journal edited by IB students. We are looking for good journalists who want a venue for their voice.



Must be self-motivated and easily reached by e-mail. If interested, call Wyatt at 272-4471.

To see past issues of *The Baccalaureate*, go here:

<http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/SkylinePTSA/ptsa.cfm?subpage=149099>.



**Skyline High School presents:**  
*The Pirates of Penzance*

A fresh take on one of Gilbert and Sullivan's most popular comic operas, this updated version of "The Pirates of Penzance" took New York by storm when it premiered in Central Park in 1980, leading to a subsequent smash-hit Broadway run.

Wacky, irreverent and as entertaining today as it was when it first opened in 1879, "The Pirates of Penzance" spins an hilarious farce of sentimental pirates, bumbling policemen, dimwitted young lovers, dewey-eyed daughters and an eccentric Major-General, all morally bound to the often-ridiculous dictates of honor and duty.

*Don't Forget!*

*November 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in Skyline Auditorium  
7:00 p.m.  
\$7.00 for adults  
\$5.00 for students*



**High School Shakespeare Competition**

On October 5-7, Skyline's Department of Theatre participated in the Utah Shakespearean Festival/Southern Utah University/High School Shakespeare Competition. After competing in Technical Olympics, Ensemble Scenes, Mono-Acts and Scenes, the following students were recognized for outstanding achievement in their area of focus:



- **Bryan Grimm** – won the Larry Lott / Best Actor in an Ensemble Award
- **Ryan Gale** – won the Construction category in record breaking time.
- **Nick Grossaint** – went undefeated in three rounds, scoring first place each time.
- Our Ensemble Scene (Henry V) was selected as one of three productions to be showcased for the entire festival. The Ensemble Scene was also recognized with a Second Place final ranking.

**News From the Music Department**

Things continue to go well in the instrumental Music Department. We hope that everyone had a great time at our Dinner Concert! Special thanks to Romano's Macaroni Grill for sponsoring us!



Congratulations to our students who were involved with the **All-State Band & Orchestra**. They are **Junyang Wang, Nathan Zabriskie, Brittany McDowell, and David Stillman**. The concert was terrific!

This is a busy month! We are busy working the orchestra pit music for "**The Pirates of Penzance**." Please come to those performances. The show runs Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>. We are also currently rehearsing music for our Holiday Concerts in December. Other items of interest are:

- Mr. Chatelain and the Skyline Chamber Orchestra are planning to have a "**brown bag**" lunch concert once a month. Concerts are held in the choir room at lunch time – usually the last week of the month. Please see our bulletin board (outside of Mr. Larson's room) for more information.

- Those seniors interested in performing for **Concerto Night must audition on December 1<sup>st</sup>!** Auditions will be held in Room 201 from 2:30 to 5:30 PM. In order to participate, students **MUST** be **actively involved** in the Skyline Music Department – no exceptions! Please see Mr. Larson for other requirements.

- **All-State Jazz Band auditions** are Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. See Mr. Larson for details and an application form.



- We have officially announced our **spring tour**. We'll be going to San Diego, California March 28<sup>th</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>. All interested students should have received information in class. Please be aware of the payment schedule that was sent home.
- **IB Music students** need to purchase their own copies of the score for Bartok's *Concerto for Orchestra* quickly. You can find it at [jwpepper.com](http://jwpepper.com) and other sites such as [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).
- As always, feel free to contact Mr. Larson ([adam.larson@granite.k12.ut.us](mailto:adam.larson@granite.k12.ut.us)) with any questions or concerns. Thanks for your support!

**Dance**

Dance Company had their first performance of the year at the Homecoming Assembly and it was incredible. Congratulations to our girls on an awesome performance!



You can look forward to seeing the Company perform again at their **winter concert "Fearless" on December 14<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendars now because you won't want to miss out on an entertaining, exciting night of dance.

Don't forget to come check out the school musical "*Pirates of Penzance*" on November 16, 18, & 20. Mrs. Strong did the choreography and has had a blast. The cast and crew are working hard and doing a tremendous job so make sure you come!

## Beautiful Skyline Flags!



They sold Out at Parent/ Teacher Conferences, but **we now have more!**

Show your school pride by purchasing a flag and flying it at your home or business! Great Christmas gifts!

Cost: \$25.00

Contact Patti Clements  
([patricia.clements@granite.k12.ut.us](mailto:patricia.clements@granite.k12.ut.us))  
or any LaNichee Drill Team Member.

## Community of Caring

Community of Caring is a school-wide service learning program. We are a club that all students can join, and everyone at Skyline is invited to participate in the service activities that we plan. Please stop by Room 156 for more information.

### Up-Coming Activities:

- Monday, October 30 -- Garden After Dark
- Tuesday, November 7 -- Lunch Meeting for Service Scholar Seniors
- Wednesday, November 8 -- Food Bank, Room 156 @ 2:15 p.m.
- Wednesday, November 15 -- Service @ Holladay Home for the Elderly

## Lady Eagles Tennis

Congratulations!! Skyline **Women's Tennis took State** on October 10! They beat out Alta by 2 points thanks to superior play by Varsity team members **Elisabeth Orth, Lydia Hays, Kara Douville, Katie Johnston, Christiana Pinborough, Allie Heagy** and **Kimi McElmurry**. It took a combination of many years of hard work, dedication, positive attitude and a love for the sport. Way to go, team!!!



## Golf Team

The Skyline golf team won the **2006 5A State Championship** at Thanksgiving Point Golf Course on October 10-11! Skyline defeated 2<sup>nd</sup> place Fremont by five strokes. This was the eighth state championship for Skyline in golf. **Bracken Ostler, Jake Hoj, Matt Dean, Richard Durham, Jordan Rodgers** and **Tom Jacobsen** represented Skyline. **Jake Hoj** and **Emily Copier** were named to the 5A Golf All-Academic Team. The All-State Golf Team will be named later in the year.



## Skyline Sophomore Football

The sophomore football team improved to 5-0 as they defeated Jordan 28-17. Great job sophomores! The captains this year are **Kevin Wagstaff, Andrew Johansen,** and **David Weixler**. The other game scores are:

Skyline 22	East	0
Skyline 30	Highland	12
Skyline 27	Hillcrest	20
Skyline 35	Taylorville	12

## Women's Basketball News

Skyline Women's Basketball team tryouts are **November 6, 7, 8** in the auxiliary gym at 3:00 – 5:30 pm. The tryouts are open for all interested girls in grades 9-12. Varsity, JV, and sophomore teams will be selected, practices will be held daily, and each team will play twenty games.



To be eligible for tryouts, a player must have at least a 2.0 GPA on her first quarter report card and no more than 1 F, and she must complete and pass a physical examination. Any questions? Call Coach Deb Bennett, 646-5420, or e-mail at [debra.bennett@granite.k12.ut.us](mailto:debra.bennett@granite.k12.ut.us).

Here are some activities open to all girls prior to tryouts:

- Mon., October 30: Open gym, 4:30 – 6:30
- Wed., Nov. 1 Open gym, 4:30 – 6:30

## Men's Basketball Team Tryouts

Tryouts for the Skyline men's basketball teams (Sophomore, Junior Varsity, and Varsity) will be held **November 6-7** in the Main Gym from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Students in grades 9-12 are eligible. Any questions? Contact Coach Derek Bunting at [derek.bunting@granite.k12.ut.us](mailto:derek.bunting@granite.k12.ut.us).



## Attendance Reporting 646-5433



Please call this number for:

- \* All-day absences
- \* Students arriving more than 20 minutes late
- \* Street passes

## Great Idea!



Rocky Mountain Power has a program called **"Cool Keeper."** They will donate \$25 per customer to the school of the customer's choice. Please watch for your next power bill and consider signing up!