



# The Buzz

## Have you heard the buzz?

Welcome to Byron-Bergen Central School's eNewsletter! Stay in the loop of school news and updates.

### Math League Champions



B-B's defending interscholastic mathematics champions have done it again, but bigger than before. Led by coach and Math Teacher Jon DiLaura, the Bees placed first in three of four competitions against 14 other teams. This is the first year that the Genesee Region has combined both north and south districts, doubling the number of teams.

"Byron-Bergen's math team has done incredibly, all season long," said DiLaura. "We have some new people, we have our veterans. They've all worked hard."

Over a series of rounds, the competitors solve math questions in the advanced topics such as logarithms, trigonometry, systems of equations, and matrices.

"Everyone on the team works really hard and puts in the practice," said Senior Hope Hersom. "When the competition comes around, we all score well and place first."

### 100 Days of School Service Project

Every year, the elementary students and staff undertake a school-wide community service project to coincide with the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. This year's project was to create 100 care bags for residents of Premier Genesee Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation in Batavia.



"We wanted residents to know, in spite of not being able to have family visit, their community has not forgotten about them," said project organizer and Kindergarten Teacher Ayn Gardner.

The care bags included snacks, personal care products, and adult coloring books and supplies. Each grade level was assigned a certain item to collect to fill the bags, such as shampoo. On Friday, February 19, the school-wide effort resulted in 114 bags for delivery to Premier Genesee.

### Genesee Region Champions

The BBL girls swim team won the Genesee Regional Championship for the first time in 10 years, placing first out of seven teams!

Senior Alaura Rehwaldt won the 100-meter butterfly and broke her own school record with a time of 1:03.59. Alaura Rehwaldt, Jorie Strzelecki, Peyton Koukides and Natalee Shepard won the 200-meter freestyle relay and also broke their own school record with a time of 1:46.36.



**Congratulations!**

# Students of the Quarter

Every quarter, the Byron-Bergen Faculty Association nominates students and votes for the Students of the Quarter, one for each grade level. These students exemplify the Byron-Bergen core values. Congratulations to this quarter's recipients:

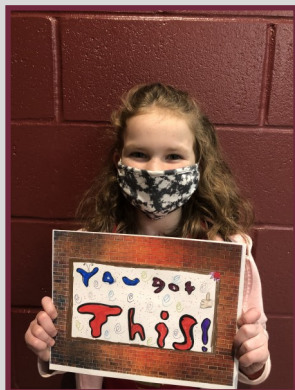
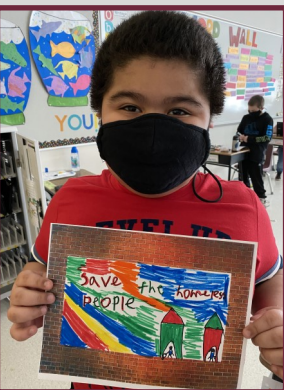
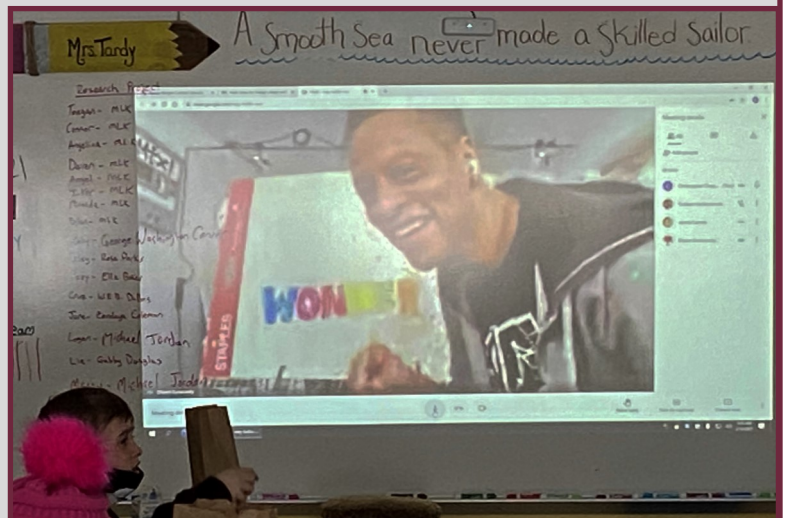
- 7th Grade: Grace Mundell
- 8th Grade: Amber Cromey
- 8th Grade - Quarter 1: Roman Smith
- 9th Grade: Tyler Chapman
- 10th Grade: Elizabeth (Libby) Piper
- 11th Grade: Alexandra (Lexi) Vurraro
- 12th Grade: Bianca Brumsted



# Rochester artist teaches the (super) power of art

As part of their Black History Month studies, fourth- and fifth-grade students created art projects with, and inspired by, acclaimed Rochester public artist Shawn Dunwoody.

Dunwoody discussed murals and public art with the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students. He then created a collaborative mural design with them featuring the words "U R Wonderful" in bright colors. Students then designed their own murals, using Dunwoody's work as inspiration. Their finished projects included messages of support for environmental and social causes as well as simple words of kindness such as "You got this," "Love yourself," and "You are awesome."

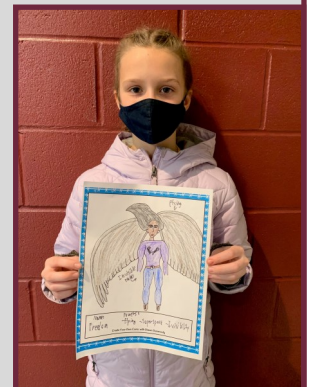
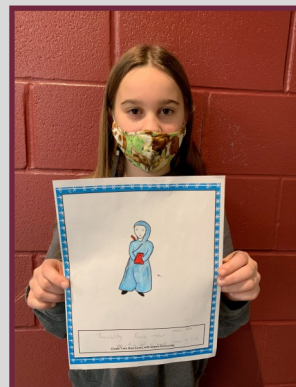


In a similar presentation to fifth-grade students, Dunwoody discussed his original comic characters, the Legion of Legends which includes local historical figures Susan B. Anthony, Frederick Douglass, and George Eastman.

After creating a collaborative character with the fifth-grade classes, students created their own super heroes with special powers to fight for social justice. Among the heroes were those with the

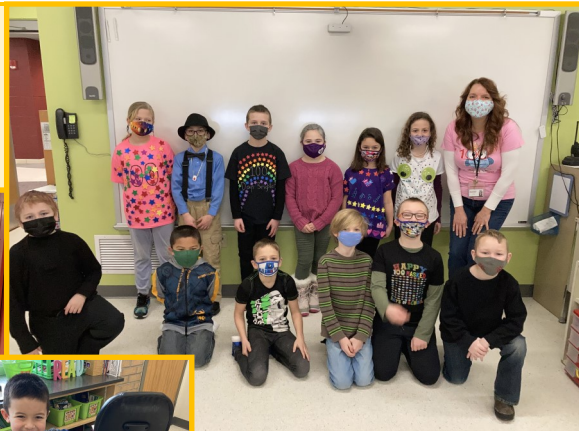
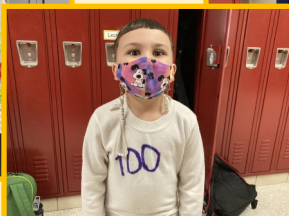
powers to fight for freedom and create peace. Their collaborative hero was "Super Miss Stephen" with the power of writing and the ability to make drawings come to life.

Special thanks to all of the teachers who helped organize this day!



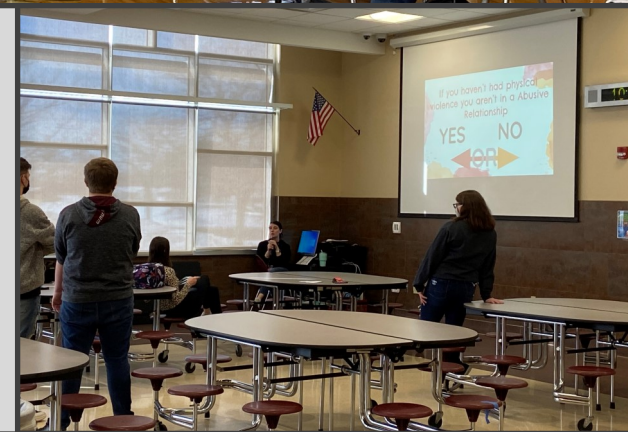
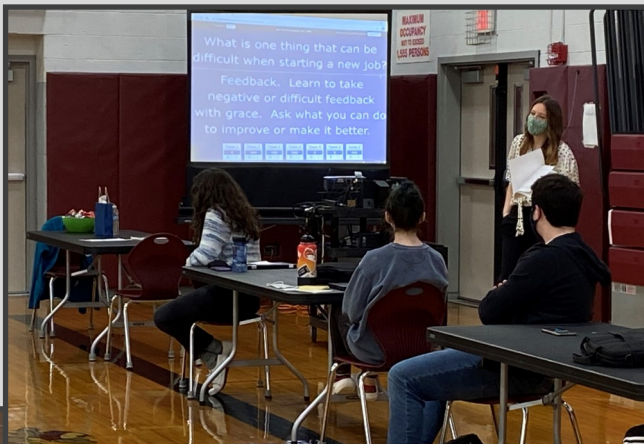
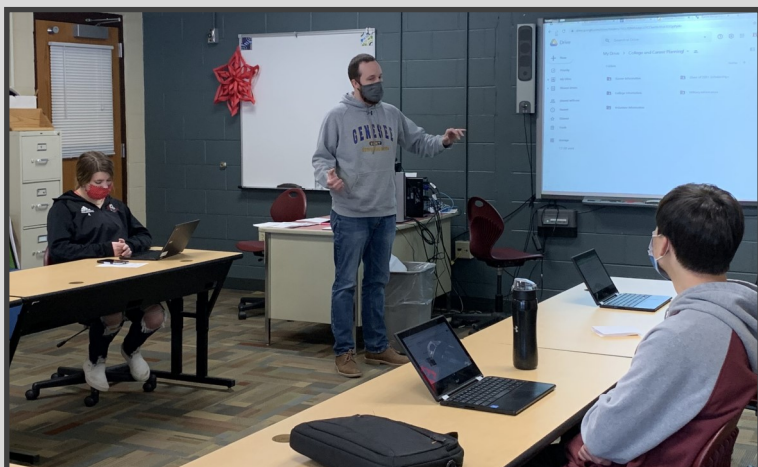
# 100 Days of School

Monday, February 22 was the 100th Day of School and the Elementary School students and staff celebrated with their traditional enthusiasm and creativity!



# Class of 2022 Cohort Wednesday

On Wednesday, February 24, the Class of 2022 gathered at the High School for morning informational sessions on finance, human resources, college and career planning, and internet safety. In the afternoon, they played a Kahoot and enjoyed the beautiful weather outside.



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