



# The Spotlight

November 2018

## Cosmetology Class Practices Facials



*Cosmetology students study structure, disease and disorders of the skin as they practice facials. Each student will be performing a facial on an outside-the-classroom client this month.*



## New School Resource Officer at Fourth Street



*CiTi welcomes a new school resource officer to the Fourth Street School in Fulton, NY. From left, CiTi Assistant Superintendent for Personnel Mark LaFountain, CiTi Principal Guy Linton, School Resource Officer Rick Hahn and CiTi Principal Erin Simmons.*

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Partnering with the Fulton City Police Department, Officer Rick Hahn will be at the school Monday through Friday helping to enhance safety for all students, staff and visitors.

Hahn brings nearly fifteen years of experience from the police force. Part of his responsibilities as a school resource officer include providing a familiar and consistent presence in the hallways and classrooms, perimeter sweeps, assistance with drills and lockdowns and developing positive relationships with the students, staff and families.



# First 2018-19 OCAY League



*Oswego City School District takes first place at the school year's first OCAY League event, "Around the World."*



*Central Square School District takes second place.*



*Fulton City School District takes third place.*

## CCCE Practical Nursing Students Thrive



*CCCE Practical Nursing students practice blood draws during clinical. From left, Kasya Wittcop and Ashleigh Spencer.*

Students in the Practical Nursing program at the Center for Career and Community Education (CCCE) seem to be thriving as the 2017-18 NCLEX-PN pass rate was 95.45 percent.

The NCLEX-PN (New York National Council Licensure Examination) measures student competency in nursing judgement, the nursing process, application

and analysis of nursing content through questions that measure analytical and intuitive thinking. Candidates passing the NCLEX-PN are able to obtain employment as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) in a variety of fields such as long-term care nursing, physician's offices, hospitals, dialysis, schools, hospice, home care and more.

"The practical nursing program is a non-credit bearing, 1200-hour program that starts at the end of August and finishes at the end of June the following year," said CCCE Health Occupation Coordinator Elizabeth Rice. "Incorporated into the program are 144 hours of lab and 364 hours of clinical time."

Practical Nursing students attend classes Monday through Friday. Clinical time provides rigorous, hands-on training and application in nursing skills such as medication administration, IV insertion, dressing changes, catheter placement, trach care and data collection.

"Students are taught nursing concepts such as fundamental nursing, geriatric nursing, pharmacology, anatomy and physiology as well as specialties such as nutrition, mental health, reproductive and pediatric care," said Rice.



# CiT CARE Program Hosts Drumming Circle



*Certified drum facilitator Sandra Sabene leads the CiTi Care program in a drumming circle.*

Sabene has been offering drum programs since 2005. She leads the longest running community drum circle in Syracuse, NY and has offered programs to groups of ten to 100 since her certification with Jim Donovan's Drum Circle and Drum Chant training program in 2010.

Organizations that have hosted her "Rhythm Wellness" Programs for events and ongoing events are: Upstate Hospital, Veteran's Hospital, Syracuse University, Onondaga Community College, Le Moyne College and more.

CiT's CARE program (Credit Accrual & Recovery for Everyone) recently hosted a drumming circle with certified drum facilitator Sandra Sabene.

Sabene's "Rhythm Connections" inspires and strengthens a sense of community through various facilitated rhythm modules, creating a safe space for building self-confidence and exploring powerful tools of self-expression based on ancient traditions.

"The ultimate goals for this program are to have fun, learn new ways to observe what's really going on around us and find our true voice," said Sabene.

# Hovercraft Building Inspires Teamwork Among CiTi Students



CiT students worked cooperatively to build their own hovercrafts guided by Matt Chase of The Hovercraft Project.

The students had to brainstorm as they went through many trials of varied distances riding the hovercraft. The project reinforced mathematical and problem-solving skills as the groups kept track of their data and made improvements to see if they could make the device go farther across the gym floor.

"I saw some wonderful collaboration between kids," said CiTi Director of Curriculum and Instruction John Ramin. "There were a lot of opportunities for teamwork, and frankly, our kids stepped up."



# More than 600 Oswego County Educators Collaborate to Support Reading Achievement



*More than 600 Oswego County educators discuss reading achievement strategies.*

language and vocabulary comprehension development, phoneme awareness and lesson structures for skills remediation.

“Today’s session was very informative and well-organized,” said Mexico Teacher Denise Perkins. “There are a lot of activities that teachers can take back to their classrooms.”

A group of teachers from Kingsford Park Elementary shared that they really loved seeing all the county’s districts coming together as a community for the same cause.

“One takeaway I had was the use of wordless picture books to help develop language,” said Hannibal First Grade Teacher Dylan France.

The Oswego County Literacy Initiative (OCLI) is a collaboration between all nine Oswego County school districts, the CNYOC Teacher Center, CiTi BOCES and the Reading League, whose goal is support reading achievement throughout Oswego County.

On the same day, more than 300 education professionals also trained with the Reading League at Michael A. Maroun Elementary as part of the initiative.

“We’re very excited about the initiative,” said APW Pre-K Teacher Maria Hendrix. “Even after 31 years of teaching, we can still learn from new evidence and apply it.”

For more information, visit [CiTiboces.org/OCLI](http://CiTiboces.org/OCLI).

More than 600 Oswego County educators of pre-kindergarten to third grade attended a fall Oswego County Literacy Initiative (OCLI) event held at the Lake Ontario Events Center in Oswego for the region’s staff development day.

The event was filled with presentations as well as table discussion regarding oral



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