

LIFE

A pictorial perspective on student success



Summer camp - having fun, making friends, exploring the future See center spread

Inside: Events, activities focus on student success

Not just for the birds





It doesn't take an ornithologist to appreciate the value in this bird house building project. While it's uncertain if any of our avian friends will ever occupy the tiny structures, the camaraderie enjoyed by the two diverse groups of students creating them was a high-flying success in and of itself.



**Working to help the planet -
one scrap at a time**





Students in our New Visions Law & Government Academy spent a recent morning scouring a section of Southside Binghamton gathering and logging the many pieces of trash and other items strewn along the roadway.

As part of a class project, the students conducted a waste assessment and brand audit to gather data that will be submitted to a global initiative designed to address single use plastic pollution.

Donning gloves and toting large plastic bags, the students picked up countless items found along Conklin Avenue between Southside Park and the Broome County Humane Society.



**This
means
War!**





Students in our culinary arts and cosmetology programs put their skills to the test in a full-on competition that challenged them heart, soul and mind. Performing before a large audience of staff members and peers, both groups rose to the occasion and produced crowd-pleasing results.

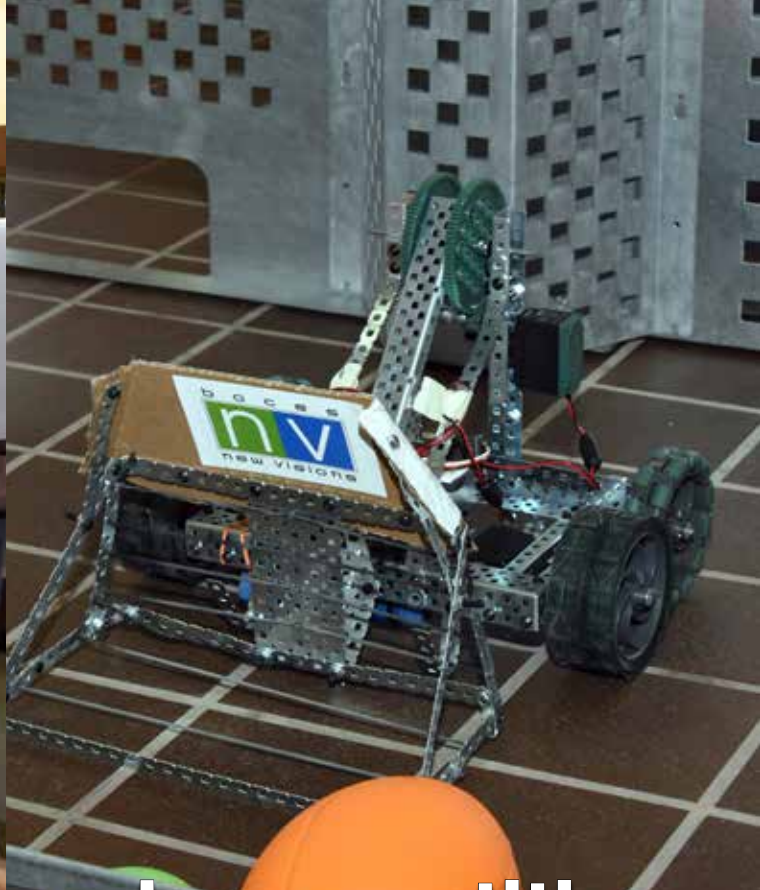




Supporting the community

When the Discovery Center of Binghamton wanted to turn the rusty husk of a 1949 Chevrolet into a child-friendly replica of a popular children's book character - "Little Blue Truck" - they turned to BOCES, where students learn to do it all.





Honing skills through competition



Local robotics competitions such as the one conducted annually at SUNY Broome Community College enable students to apply what they have learned in a pressure-filled environment while testing their skills against those of their counterparts from throughout the region. It's also great fun.



A try-out for the future

In keeping with the old saying, “you’re never too young to start thinking about the future,” area fifth-graders are invited to attend our Career & Technical Education Summer Camp, where they get hands-on opportunities to explore a variety potential future pathways.









Celebrity support with a side of pasta

The annual Oak Tree Celebrity Pasta Dinner is a fun-filled and flavourful fundraiser that supports Oak Tree program projects throughout the year at Broome-Tioga BOCES.



A time to dance - a time to shine



Students in our PALS and Oak Tree programs each year get to enjoy an evening designed with the sole purpose of having fun. Dressed in their finest, they dance the night away, as the song says, while learning about the importance of cultivating friendships and building memories.



A place where young people can learn ... and remember



The tragic death of a child with cancer produced an outpouring of shared grief, introspection and support for the family. Among those spurred to action was Chenango Bridge third-grader Caleb Dancesia, who proposed creating a special corner for kids at the Fenton Free Library in Hillcrest, which was designed and built by students in our Tech Academy.

When emotion runs high

There are few events on the educational calendar that can even begin to match graduation when it comes to raw excitement and emotion. Each year, BOCES graduates hundreds of students from a wide and diverse range of programs covering special, career, alternative and adult education. Running through all is a common thread; a combination of smiles, hugs and tears of joy.





Where learning becomes boot deep and dirty



There is no substitute for hands-on experience when it comes to construction trades such as masonry. Students learn the skills necessary to succeed literally from the ground up, as was the case with this class replacing a sidewalk on the BOCES campus.



The local "Day of Caring" inspires people from all walks of life to stop and consider how they might contribute to improving our world. For the young people in our New Visions Law & Government Academy, thoughts turned to the elderly and helping out at a local senior center.



A time for giving back

Current Resident
or

Postal Customer
Local

Congratulations



Overcoming adversity through determination and sheer force of character, Clyde Van Dyke, a student in our P-TECH program, was named the national winner of the 2019 4-H Youth in Action Award. He earned the solo distinction after having received one of four national 4-H Youth in Action STEM “pillar” awards for his work in mapping the impact of the opioid epidemic across the country from 2000-2016



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