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## **799-Insider** News Beyond the Walls

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### SWW Celebrates Black History

### Northeast Winter Storm: Rochester

A review of the March 13<sup>th</sup> blizzard that greatly affected the Northeast, calling for travel bans, burying cars and closing several schools, among other buildings.

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Find out about the latest celebrity feud between Nicki Minaj and Remy Ma. Get the latest on Love and Hip Hop Atlanta. Is Kodak back at his old ways? Find out more on Pages 6 & 7.



On March 7th. School Without Walls celebrated Black History. The event was put together and hosted by the Black History Committee. A member of the committee, Lacie said "My goal was to keep the tradition going. The events of the past few years and the awakening of the **Black Lives Matter** movement inspired me to propose an alternative to the over saturation of the dead black bodies in the media. No one should ever become desensitized to that image so I wanted students and staff to celebrate the beautiful lively

souls that exist in our school now. It brings us together and reminds us of our purpose, as well as educates us all at the same time. This has been the third year that Black History has been celebrated at SWW. The celebration began being planned a little after Thanksgiving. On the day of, everyone was hands on. Teachers and students enjoyed the food offered, guest drummers, a reader, and several student participations.

The celebration ended with a little trivia, and the award given to Lacie called SWW Barack Obama Award. "I am grateful and at a loss for words to get the SWW Barack Obama Award. SWW is a gift to me and I feel blessed to come to work everyday because it is an honor to work with such beautiful souls."

By: Eric Remillard

# SWW Opportunities & Reminders:

### MCC High Tech Exploration Night 03/22:

This event is for students who want to hear about in demand high-tech careers in engineering and technology. RSVP 292-3725 or at www.monroecc.edu/go/hightechexpo

### Summer of Opportunity 02/20:

This program is for youth ages 14-20 who want a 6-week paid summer work experience. Get an application at www.summeryouthemployment.org

#### Senior Exit Interview Day 02/09:

This is a required event for all seniors. It will take place at the Board of Education. Be at school by 8:15, the bus leaves at 8:30. Dress for success!

### **Advertisements:**

### Gatsby Family Game Night (02/08)-

Celebrate the conclusion of SWW's All School Read with an evening of fun and games. The PTO is also holding a raffle for a 32" flat screen television. **5:00-6:00pm** 

### **SAT Registration:**

The 10<sup>th</sup> of February is the last day to sign up for the March SAT.

### **School Without Walls Bottle Drive (FY):**

To raise money for the charity *Honeoye Falls Borgne Haiti Sister Cities*, Charlotte Perez has started a bottle drive, in addition to preparing plays to raise money. Just bring your bottles or cans to Rick's stand where you will see a yellow bin. The bin will be emptied weekly, and in the process the earth will be saved, and the proceeds will go to a good cause.

### **Sports:**

Prepare for the upcoming NCAA Basketball tournament by reading a little bit about it, as well as the predicted winner.

Also, checkout upcoming tryouts in outdoor track, baseball, and rugby. More details will become available on www.799insider.com throughout the week.

Finally, checkout the latest NBA scores! Find this all on:



Picture from: Sport, Prime. "NCAA Basketball Tournament Tickets." PrimeSport. N.p., n.d. Web. 18 Mar. 2017.

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### Northeast Winter Storm: Rochester

On Monday, March 13th the Northeast prepared for a major snow storm leaving more than 26 inches of snow at places like the Rochester airport. Everyone had a lot to deal with as a state of emergency was issued on Monday at midnight. Several buildings were closed, including schools and libraries. Some areas issued travel bans because the snow was too much to keep up with. With damage leftover from the windstorm, some people did not even have power, therefore shelters remained open.

According to the National Weather Service, within 24 hours on Tuesday, snow had reached 11 inches in the greater Rochester area. In the morning, it wasn't as much compared to the afternoon. To adhere to the city's parking laws, and allow plows to do their work, many people that

parked on the street, had to move to the other side of the street. This was a very tedious task as cars were buried.

On Tuesday I came out to move my car, and the first thing I did was brush it off. I got in and prepared to drive forward, the snow was a lot more on the back then it was on the front. I began moving, and got stuck. There was a car behind me so I had to reverse and go forward numerous times. At one point I was in the middle of the street, stuck. I managed to get moving after about five minutes and began driving. My street is a one way and I was forced to



Picture by: Wolfe, Jonathan, Andy Newman, and Alexandra S. Levine. "Snowstorm Strikes Northeast." The New York Times. The New York Times, 14 Mar. 2017. Web. 16 Mar. 2017.

drive around the block since there was no way I could reverse to the other side. Each corner I took, the car would go into a slide. It was even worse on Wednesday, I had to shovel out the car, and still managed to get stuck.

According to the National Weather Service, snow had reached over 15 inches in the greater Rochester area after 24 hours and schools, as well as other buildings, were closed again. The blizzard was handled very well by the City of Rochester. With most indoors, they managed to continuously plow streets so that by Thursday it would be safe for drivers. Of course there are now mountains of snow on the side of roads and several sidewalks. Some two lane roads are now one and a half, but little by little it should deplete, with an expected 43 degrees by the 20th.

#### By: Eric Remillard

Sources: SeanLahman.official. "Stella Dumps 26.5 Inches of Snow on Rochester." Rochester Democrat and Chronicle. N.p., 15 Mar. 2017. Web. 16 Mar. 2017.

National Operational Hydrologic Remote Sensing Center. "Nearest Observations - NOHRSC - The Ultimate Source for Snow Information." National Weather Service, 12 Jan. 2009. Web. 16 Mar. 2017.

## Teacher & Student of the Month

To show support for fellow students and teachers, the Teacher & Student of the Month column was created. For this issue of 799Insider, a survey was sent out where anyone was able to enter nominations of a student or teacher. The winner of the March issue of 799Insider is Edward Wilson and Shakara Height!

Born and Raised in Rochester, Edward parent's moved here in the 40's searching for employment, along with many others. Years later, Edward got his Bachelors in Business at the University of Albany, his Masters in General Education at Nazareth, and his Masters in Education Administration at St. John Fisher. Teaching for twenty-seven years, four at School Without Walls CA, Edward stated his perspective on teaching. "Teaching is a profession where it is critical to have young teachers. A lot of people don't want to go into education, and we need younger teachers to relate with students, it's a lost resource."

Mr. Wilson, as some students know him, is skilled in drawing and singing. On his free time he likes to be active. Edward has many awards, some of which being, Daughter's of the American Revolution, Son's of the American Revolution, Leadership Award for Administrators, and so much more. Finishing the interview, Edward added, "I hope kids take initiative to be involved in their future and take education serious, you can only go to high school one time."

Shakara was nominated for being a good student, and being friendly with everyone. As a senior with more courses to graduate early, Shakara talked about the process. "It has been challenging and testing my patience. My biggest struggles have been with organization and time management. But when I walk the stage in June, it will all be worth it." Shakara currently takes two English classes, two Social Studies classes, a Chemistry class, and a Math class. Shakara does Aerial Arts (Pole Fitness) for her senior project and holds a Black Belt in Karate. Shakara finishes stating "I am thankful to have been nominated and am grateful to have won." After graduating she wants to attend Nazareth and study international law.

By: Eric Remillard



Pictures taken by: Tomari Catledge



### Ask Column

The Ask Column was created for students that have questions, but don't want to reveal themselves. Maybe they are going through something in regards to a relationship, it could even be an academic question, for example, "Where can I get help with homework?" Questions will be anonymous and reviewed by the Ask committee. The questions were submitted and it was noticed that there was a low amount of Ask questions. In the future, the team is considering more effective ways to receive your questions in the most discreet way possible. If you have any suggestions or questions, you may email 799insider@gmail.com. Please note that the Ask Column was designed to help you get answers to questions you may not feel comfortable asking. No question is a bad question, and it will not be answered in a judgemental way. If 799Insider receives an overwhelming amount of questions, they can be found at www.799insider.com where you can also check out extras.

#### Q: I have a very fake friend that sends me negative energy. What do I do?

A: It is always very sad when friends do hurtful things to each other and it is usual for teens to experience these kind things in friendships. But if a friend is bringing negative energy around you then maybe it's best to separate yourself because negative energy is never wanted, nor needed. This hurts most especially when you consider them a close friend. Don't change someone unless they are willing to change on their own, not all friendships last forever.

Q: There's always ridiculous rumors about me going around school. I don't know what to do. Help? A: This is a common issue that teens encounter as they go through high school. Rumors are something that you simply can't avoid especially when you go to a school as small as School Without Walls. I suggest staying to yourself and not addressing these rumors because it will die down, like all rumors do.

Q: I am a virgin, and I am nervous about having sex for the first time. What do I do? A: ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS, wait until you are ready to have sex. Sex is not a hobby or an activity that you do in your spare time, it is something special and important to you, so treat it that way. From the school newspaper committee we suggest that you wait to have sex, but your decisions are up to you, and if you decide to have sex, use protection. About 50% of youth contract STD's by the age of 25 and be mindful that STD's cannot only be transmitted through penetrational sex but also oral sex. Be safe and wait as long as YOU think you should. For information on sexual health, testing and condoms visit: www.plannedparenthood.org

> Ask Column Overseen By, Tomari Catledge

### Tea Time with Tomari

### Nicki Minaj vs. Remy Ma

Are you dead or have you been living under a rock? Because you must have been asleep if you don't know about the beef between rappers Nicki Minaj and Remy Ma. Apparently there has been an ongoing battle between the two rappers for some years now. The beef reportedly started in 2007 when Nicki released a freestyle from her album "Playtime Is Over", throwing shots at Remy. Since then Remy has been arrested for shooting a member of her entourage, but when released in 2014 she continued making music and the two artists have been throwing shade in their music back and forth. But now Remy has had enough, on February 25th, she released a single titled Shether which is a freestyle over Nas's diss track "Ether". She made multiple insults in the song pertaining to Nicki's fake



Picture from: "Nicki Minaj -- "No Frauds" Ft. Lil Wayne & Drake (Stream & Download)." Southpawer - Supporting Eminem. N.p., 10 Mar, 2017. Web, 17

butt, what she did for fame, and her brother being a child molester. The song was a clapback after Nick released "Make Love' two days prior, making insults to Remy's career and her jealousy of Minaj. After a quiet two weeks after Remy's disses, Nicki finally came back proving Remy very right as her record "No Frauds" featuring Wayne and Drake was "wack". Hunty, it took you two weeks for a diss that you had help on? Remy took 48 hours to release a seven minute track that shut her down. Nicki bow down as we hand Remy her crown.

"To be the queen of rap, you gotta actually rap"- Remy Ma

Sources: Ma, Remy. "ShETHER." Genius. N.p., 25 Feb. 2017. Web. 17 Mar. 2017.

### Tea Time With Tomari

### Kodak Back at it Again!

Black was heard making sexual remarks at a teen which initiated the rumors about the two having a sexual relationship. Mind you, Kodak is 19 and Danielle (cash me ouside) is 13, her actions may make her appear older than what she is but she is still a child. Speaking of child, Kodak has been thrown in the cage...again, rapper Black was arrested late February for violation of his probation, that boy has already had too much shine on this paper but I can't help but cover it.

### Love and Hip Hop Drama

Has anyone watched Love and Hip Hop Atlanta lately? The drama is in the kitchen and it's getting pretty heated. Supposedly a former stripper named Jasmine, is claiming that she has a baby and Kirk Frost is the daddy. Kirk is married to Rasheeda, so Jasmine is lying or she better have some tea worthy receipts to hold her weight. According to TMZ, the niece of Rasheeda Frost also assistant to Jasmine's prison man, Rod. Has video documents and texts messages proving that Kirk is the father and that Rasheeda did in fact know about this

### Khloe's Relationship Status

"The blacker the berry, the sweeter the juice", peep Khloe Kardashian with bae Tristan Thompson. Not only did I notice your beautiful French braids and best face, but girrrrrl that ring though . According to (cafemom), khloe was spotted in a Snapchat video wearing some heavy once on her ring finger on her left hand.



Picture from: "Khloe Kardashian Dares Malika Haqq to Give Tyga & Scott Disick a Lap Dance -- So Awkward!" Toofab.com. N.p., n.d. Web.

Sources: ""Cash Me Ousside" Girl Denies Having Sex With Kodak Black." HotNewHipHop. HotNewHipHop, 16 Mar. 2017. Web. 17 Mar. 2017.

Love and Hip Hop Atlanta Citation

"Khloe Kardashian's 'Engagement Ring' Is Causing Quite the Stir." CafeMom. N.p., n.d. Web. 17 Mar. 2017.

## 799Insider Sports

March Madness is a NCAA basketball bracket tournament that has been going on since March 17, 1939. The tournament has some of the most anticipated and down to the wire games in basketball right now! The tournament is consisted of 68 teams, and over the month of March, the teams are slimmed down to two teams. Those two teams play one last and final game to see who the best team in NCAA is that year. Many teams fight to become the best but teams such as University of North Carolina, Duke, and The University of Kentucky have little to no struggles winning each year.



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I would want to think that UCLA (University of California at Los Angeles) will take it all the way and become champions once again. I'm not a big college basketball fan, but this year I'm paying more attention to the young prospects trying to get their way into the NBA. My reason for this is because of one player, Lonzo ball. His performance each night is more than extraordinary and he is a wonderful person on and off the court. Lonzo is a freshman in college and is one of the best college basketball players this year. I believe that he can take his team to victory and being a NCAA champion. -Nassir Jones

Team	Score	Versus	Team	Score
Cavaliers	91	Vs.	Jazz	83
Thunder	123	Vs.		102
Nets	121	Vs.		110
Grizzlies	103	Vs.	Hawks	91
Warriors	122	Vs.		92
Mavericks	74	Vs.	76ers	116
Bulls	107	Vs.	Wizards	112
Raptors	87	Vs.	Pistons	75

### NBA Scores

#### **School Without Walls Sports**

With the seasons changing, different sports are approaching. Students at School Without Walls have the chance to either run outdoor track for Edison Tech High School or play baseball for James Monroe High School. Even rugby has started for the Rochester Barbarians, a high school rugby club. Tryouts are this week and kids can go and show their talents to join these specific teams. Visit www.799insider.com for more information on upcoming tryouts.

> Nassir Jones Eric Remillard

### SWW Library News

Submitted By: Diane Mohney

"Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers." — Charles William Eliot

#### **Recreational Reading: New Arrivals!!!**

This month we received a generous donation of graphic novels from Walter, who is a huge fan of popular comic books. New titles include Silver Surfer Vol. 2 & 3, Doctor Strange, The Vision Vol. 1 & 2, Archie: the New Riverdale, Patsie Walker, a.k.a. Hellcat!, D.C. Comics, Ms. Marvel: Crushed, Michael Midas Champion Vol. 1, and more... If you like to read books based on popular new movies, check out these new titles: Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon Before I Fall by Lauren Oliver Fences by August Wilson

#### Page Turners Book Club:

This month the book club is reading *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* by Benjamin Alire Saenz, who will be attending the Rochester Teen Book Festival at Nazareth College on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Book club members received free copies of this book thanks to the Rochester Educational Foundation. After reading the book, students can meet the author at TBF and have their books signed. There are still a few books up for grabs – See Diane for a copy. Last month, book club members read *The Cellar* by Natasha Preston. This story was published and shared for free on Wattpad, which is an online storytelling community for stories, poems, articles, fan fiction and more. Most users download the Wattpad app and read (or write) stories on their phones. The platform also allows users to comment on stories, which adds to the entertainment! The Page Turners Book Club is always looking for new members, so don't be shy; come join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:15, in room 111 (our small, but growing library).

### Local Upcoming Events:

#### Darian Lake Concerts:

Concerts in order by date. Future | Chance the Rapper Dates: May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm | May 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:00pm | Admission: Premium Pass \$69.99 Location: Darian Lake Amusement Park | Address: 9993 Alleghany Rd, Corfu, NY 14036

#### Fast Forward Film Festival:

Showcasing new environmental perspectives through short films created by aspiring and veteran film makers from the greater Rochester region. **Date:** March 31, 2017 | 7:00-8:30pm | Admission: No entry fee **Location:** The Little Theatre | Address: 240 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14604

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