Congratulations Mrs. Baldi-38 Years of Excellence

By: Nicolette Faragalli

The Raider family and community is saying goodbye to the heart of the Raider, Principal Mrs. Anne Baldi. Six years ago, Mrs. Baldi became the principal at High School East and her presence was felt immediately. She works hard each and every day to make East the best possible school. School safety, test scores, respect and excellence are only a few of the key components of East that she has strived to achieve for both her staff and students. Mrs. Baldi encompasses what being a Raider is all about: Excellence. Prior to East, Mrs. Baldi was at HS South, and although hesitant to leave South, Mrs. Baldi grew to love High School East and all of her co-workers, especially her “guys,” Assistant Principals Mr. Thomas, Mr. Rutter, and Mr. Gillen. “I have been fortunate to work with great assistant principals, and that has made a huge difference,” Mrs. Baldi said.

Throughout her 38 years in education, Mrs. Baldi taught or was an administrator at all three high schools. It’s a safe assumption to say that Mrs. Baldi is ending her career knowing that she made a huge impact on education, especially at HS East. The Raiders really do rule the river! Mrs. Baldi started off her 38 years of education as an English teacher at High School North when she was just twenty-one years old. After teaching English for 22 years, she became acting vice principal at TR North and immediately fell in love with the administrative position. Mrs. Baldi continued the position as the acting vice principal for six years at the Home of the Mariners, then moved on to High School South and was an assistant principal at South for another six years. Mrs. Baldi was skeptical about leaving Toms River South and coming to East, but after the move she was glad and “fortunate” to have “stepped into such an amazing environment.” “I think the East community is very warm, the kids are nice and down to earth,” Mrs. Baldi said.

During Mrs. Baldi’s eight years at East, the school’s test scores have improved each year. She is constantly encouraging her staff and students to try their best and put their all into everything they do. This achievement in Mrs. Baldi’s career at East is only one example of how great the school is under her leadership and dedication. To add to this, East was the only high school to have every 2014 graduating senior pass the HSPA, enabling them to graduate, and that was a very proud moment for the school. It’s the combined effort of the leadership of the administration, staff, and students, but truly a remarkable achievement as a building administrator.

Not only has Mrs. Baldi put in an extensive effort in re-vamping High School East for the better, she has formed great relationships with the students and teachers, making her time at East special. “The contributions that Mrs. Baldi has made to this district and Toms River are immeasurable. Her hard work, dedication, and drive to aid the children of this school system epitomize that of a true professional educator. We are grateful for all that she has done and we wish her and her family great health and happiness. She will be missed greatly,” Assistant Principal Mr. Gillen said.

Considering Mrs. Baldi has spent the past thirty-eight years in the Toms River High Schools, she is looking forward to enjoying her retirement. Her daughter and son-in-law will be home from Italy for six weeks, which is something that Mrs. Baldi is looking forward to. She is also looking forward to visiting her vacation home in North Carolina and spending as much time as possible with her family. Most importantly, Mrs. Baldi is looking forward to waking up in the morning and doing what she wants to do rather than what she has to do.

Mrs. Baldi has made an unforgettable impact on High School East. Upon her start here in 2008, she has drastically changed East, and changed it for the better. It is a safer place, which is a direct result of Mrs. Baldi’s efforts to make East the best school in Toms River. Mrs. Baldi will be missed by the entire East community, and we wish her the best of luck on her retirement! Thank you for your dedication to the world of education for the past 38 years!
What a Year!
Year in Review: 2013-2014

By: Katie Greco

As the 2013-2014 school year comes to an end, it is time to reflect on all of the fun that the Raider family had! Here at East, "Excellence IS the expected standard of a Raider." From the field, to the stage, to the classroom, the students and staff at East have achieved excellence in many ways.

In September, the Raider family welcomed new staff members to the East family. Mrs. Arminio, Ms. DeChiaro, and Ms. Netis were welcomed to the English Department, Mr. Goodman to the Physical Education Department, Mr. Weidenbush to the History Department, Mr. Coiro and Mr. Polhemus to Special Education Department, Ms. Salvaggione and Ms. Tammaro to the Guidance Office, Mrs. Steinhart as the new Media Secretary and last, but certainly not least, East welcomed Mrs. Harz as the Media Specialist promoted from the Media Secretary.

The Raider football team kicked off their season on September 12, 2013, and the Marching Raiders showcased their halftime show. Also in the fall season, for the first time in years, Trick or Treating was held on Halloween instead of the day before, changing the date of the annual Halloween Parade.

The Raider Cheerleaders hosted the annual Homecoming Dance on October 19th. The theme was The Great Gatsby. The Homecoming King and Queen were seniors Billy Caruso and Samantha Colucci. As the fall season continued, the seniors won the annual Powder Puff game vs. the juniors.

Although it was an exceptionally long and cold winter, the Raiders continued to showcase their excellence. The Lady Raider Cross Country team hosted the 6th Annual Steven N. Sprague Memorial Run. The Raiders also participated in Hoops For Heart in February for National Heart Month. The Raiders also held the last Great Amazing HSPA Race. The Eastside Theatre Company (ETC) put on their production of The Drowsy Chaperone on February 6th, 7th, and 8th. As always, it was another hit for ETC. On February 28th, Mrs. DeLucci, Chorale, Concert Choir, Master's Choir, Music of Broadway, and Exploring music teacher, was presented with the Teacher of the Year award. She is a great example of Raider Excellence with her positive attitude and outlook on life.

The annual Winter Formal took place on March 1st due to weather delays. The theme was Hollywood. On March 13th, the annual Mr. TRE competition was held. Hosted by Billy Caruso and Maryann DeRiggi, it was full of talented skits and laughs. Mr. TRE was awarded to Dean Ramos.

Throughout the 2013-2014 school year, the Raider sports teams showed dedication and excellence, from the football field all the way through baseball season. Congratulations to the Raider sports teams on their many accomplishments!

The spring season continues with proms, Scholarship Night, Awards and Honor Roll Breakfasts, Academic Awards, Senior Night, and finally graduation to be held on June 25th. East will also see a shift in administration next year, as Principal Mrs. Baldi announced her retirement, making the Class of 2014 her last.

To the underclassmen, continue your hard work and continue to strive for excellence. To the class of 2014, remember, there is nothing greater than a Raider. Best of luck in all of your future endeavors.

"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be"-Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Junior Prom Wrap up

By: Morgan Hoopengardner

The junior prom was held on May 17th, from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. in the East Student Center. "Once Upon a Prom" was a smash hit with great music and great food. DJ Funicelli was the DJ for the night. The theme was "Fairy Tale" with horse carriages and winding brick roads. The pinks, whites, and purples truly gave the prom a dreamy feeling. Junior Olivia Henderson said, "I had a great time dancing with my friends and it was something I won't forget."

The chaperones at the event selected the prom king and queen for the evening. Nick Cottone was crowned king and Kathryn Kusion was crowned queen. "The kids worked really hard on the decorations and it showed that night. It really was a "Fairy Tale" prom,“ Junior Class Advisor Ms. Fitzgerald said.

Take Your Child to Work Day

By: Nick DeVito

Take Your Child to Work Day was on Thursday, April 24, 2014. The kids got to walk the halls and experience what their parents do every day. Mrs. Baldi gave a warm welcoming message at the beginning of the day. They got to spend the day with all of the students, teachers, and the principals. Senior English teacher Mrs. Nadeau said, “It’s an excellent opportunity for a teacher to show another side of their personality.”

Environmental Science teacher Mrs. Mason said, “I feel that bringing my daughter to work with me allows her to see where I actually go each day; she is young and sometimes does not understand why I cannot stay home. It also sets a good example in terms of work ethic for all the kids who visit their parents in the workplace. You have to work hard and earn the things you desire.” The teachers definitely believe that this truly is a great opportunity for the kids to see what they do at their job.
**Student Council**  
By: Drew Williams

**Introduction:**  
**Student Body President**- Meaghan Sullivan  
- Meeting for newly elected officials.  
- Electing new student body members.  
- Decades Week: June 16 – June 20.

**Presidential Reports:**  
**Senior**- Billy Caruso  
- Successful Junior Prom.  
- Kiss a Senior Goodbye fundraiser.  
- New events/fundraisers planned for next year.

**Junior**- Josh Sommerer  
- Graduation banners on sale.

**Sophomore**- Jenna Platten  
- Field Day- June 10, 2014.  
- Chipotle Fundraiser.

**Freshman**- Rhiannon Vaz  
- Dodgeball tournament.

**Elections 2014-2015 School Year:**  
**President** – Josh Sommerer  
**Vice President (attendance)**- Kathryn Kusion  
**Vice President (liaison)** – John Pizzuto  
**Treasurer**- Nancy Perez  
**Recording Secretary**- Gianna Kistner  
**Corresponding Secretary** – Amanda Kennedy

**Guidance News**  
By: Mary Knight

**Seniors:**  
- Inform the Guidance Department of your final post-secondary decision.  
- Be sure to celebrate all your accomplishments with your family and friends. Congratulations to the Class of 2014.

**Summer Action Plan:**  
**Freshmen & Sophomores:**  
- Look for great summer opportunities like jobs, internships, or volunteer positions.  
- Speak with your counselor or search online for summer academic programs for high school students.

**Juniors:**  
- Plan your summer activities early. Enrich yourself by volunteering, getting a job or internship, or signing up for summer learning programs.  
- Plan college visits and register for campus tours at colleges you’re interested in. Be sure to schedule interviews with admissions counselors. Don’t forget to bring your campus visit checklist. See Page 12.

**Tennis Spotlight**  
By: Erika Pedersen

The boys’ tennis team had a great season with a record of 17-3. Their success was similar to last season, but this year the team captured titles. Not only did they win the A-South Division, but they also won the Ocean County Tournament.

The captain of the team was junior Derek Muniz. The senior player was Matt Palmieri. The other junior players included: Chris Cairone, Kemal Kansu, Adam Greengrove, and Bobby Roche. The sophomore players include: Patrick Flores, Walter Mills, and Chris Woolley.

Mr. Malagiere, the head coach of the team said he was, “Very thankful to the student body for all of their support, and hopes to see it continue next year.”

To end the season, Walter Mills and Chris Cairone were awarded the Varsity MVPs.

Congratulations to the Raider Tennis Team on a successful season.

**Dodgeball Tournament**  
By: Max Lasky

Mr. Cicalese and Mrs. Fazzini, the freshman class advisors, did an excellent job setting up the First Annual High School East Dodgeball Tournament. In total, 168 students and faculty members participated to form 19 teams who came together with the spectators to raise $1,200. *A Lesson in Pain,* a team comprised of teachers and led by Captain Mr. Alfieri, won the championship and took home the belt. Thank you to all that participated.

"The dodgeball tournament was a huge success and I look forward to hosting it in future years," freshman class advisor Mr. Cicalese said.

It was a great success and helped the freshman class raise a lot of money.

**Environmental News**  
By: Drew Williams

Summer is almost here and since we will all be sharing much of the summer break with the outdoors, such as the bay and the ocean, it’s important to know what we can do to give back to the environment. Here are some helpful tips to make the bay a better place:

Obey the fishing laws, fishing limits, and boating policies. Many species are being over-fished in the bay, and their population is decreasing. Make sure if the fish is one you can eat, obey the daily catch limit, and the minimum size for that species. Make sure you bring a ruler when you go fishing or crabbing.

Don’t pollute and keep the bay and ocean clean.
RAIDER NEWS
Seniors of the Month-April

Eric Weck
By: Melanie Fernandez

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: The committee likes me.

Q: What activities are you involved in at East?
A: Student Council, Safety Team, Ambassadors, TEAM, NHS, Spanish NHS, Student Improvement Team, and Interact and Key Club.

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: They should be a good student and be dedicated to servicing the community.

Q: What teacher has influenced you the most? Why?
A: Mrs. Muscillo. It was in her class that I discovered my love for Spanish, which later lead me to go to Spain and decide to double major just so I could study further into the language.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: My friends. Each one is so inspiring in their own way. COLLECTIVELY, they make up who I am.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The community feel. Most people are extremely welcoming and nice to everyone.

Q: What is your favorite quote, one that reflects your beliefs/goals?
A: "I grew up in a very nice house in...went to private school all my life and I've never been to the hood. Not that there's anything wrong with the 'hood." –Beyoncé Knowles

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: The Senior of the Month should be respectful to both peers and teachers/administration, should display leadership qualities, and should be compassionate and understanding.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: Relay for Life and Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

Q: Where are you planning on going to college?
A: The University of Tampa.

Q: What do you plan on majoring in?
A: Double major in International Business with Marketing and Spanish.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The feeling of community and belonging.

Q: What teachers have influenced you the most? Why?
A: Mr. Burke, Mrs. Fazzini, Mr. Peck, Mr. Cohen, and Mrs. Nadeau all have been supportive and motivating educators. I am so grateful that I had them as teachers.

Q: What are your plans for your future?
A: Get involved: The arts, athletics, clubs, and maintain your focus on academics. Also, enjoy every moment at East. Time goes by so quickly and be sure to go to all of the dances!

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: I've worked really hard during my four years of high school both academically and in a variety of extracurricular activities. I've tried to be a positive role model to my peers and underclassmen.

Q: What activities are you involved in at East?
A: Student Council, NHS, Spanish NHS, Interact and Key Club, Writing Center, and History Club. I also played field hockey, lacrosse, and participated in spring track.

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: The Senior of the Month should be respectful to both peers and teachers/administration, should display leadership qualities, and should be compassionate and understanding.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: I volunteered at Community Medical Center and I am a student volunteer on the Superior Court of NJ Juvenile Conference Committee. I also maintain a part time job at C&G's Country cafe as a server.

Q: Who have been your greatest influences?
A: My greatest influence has been my parents. They encourage me to be my best not only with regard to my grades but also with regard to my character.

Q: What is your favorite quote, one that reflects your beliefs/goals?
A: My favorite quote is "I think, therefore I am"-René Descartes. I interpret this quote as meaning that everyone's opinion matters and that everyone can make a difference in the world.

Q: What are your plans for your future?
A: After attending four years of college, I hope to work in NYC as a Publicist or Communication Director for a large company or non-profit entity.

Q: If you could switch lives with anyone, living or dead, who would it be and why?
A: Blue Ivy-Carter, my parents would be Bey and Jay and I would be one of the richest/most powerful people in the world at two years old.

Q: What is your favorite television show?
A: Psych.

Francesca Ricotta
By: Kortney Kerico

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: I've been accepted into the School of the Arts and I plan to study Organizational Communication and Public Relations.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The feeling of community and belonging.

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: They should be a good student and be dedicated to servicing the community. They should be a good student and be dedicated to servicing the community. They should be a good student and be dedicated to servicing the community. They should be a good student and be dedicated to servicing the community.

Q: What activities are you involved in?
A: Double major in International Business with Marketing and Spanish.

Q: Where are you going to college?
A: I will be attending Montclair State University.

Q: What do you plan on majoring in?
A: I've worked really hard during my four years of high school both academically and in a variety of extracurricular activities. I've tried to be a positive role model to my peers and underclassmen.

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Q: If you could switch lives with anyone, living or dead, who would it be and why?
A: If I could switch lives with anyone, it would be Kate Middleton. I just love British Royalty.

Q: What is your favorite television show?
A: Downtown Abbey. As you can tell, I have an obsession with the UK.
George Carancho
By: Erika Pedersen

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: My energetic (and often loud) personality. I always love making someone laugh and bringing a smile to their face.

Q: What activities are you involved in at East?
A: Marching Band, German Club, German National Honor Society, Interact and Key Club, Math League, and Jazz Band.

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: The ability to work well with others.

Q: What teachers have influenced you the most? Why?
A: By far, Mrs. Marotto. She believed in me when I didn’t. She not only taught me math, but gave me confidence to succeed.

Q: Do you have any advice for the underclassmen?
A: Don’t be afraid to meet new people. Also, a simple “hello” to someone goes a long way.

Q: Where are you planning on going to college?
A: Rutgers University.

Q: What do you plan on majoring in?
A: Biochemistry.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The irreplaceable friendships I have here.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: I volunteer at Community Medical Center.

Q: Who have been your greatest influences?
A: My parents. My mom said to me, “Always love others,” and my dad added, “And do it with justice.”

Q: What is your favorite quote, one that reflects your beliefs/goals?
A: “To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved” – George MacDonald.

Q: If you could switch lives with anyone, living or dead, who would it be and why?
A: Walter White from Breaking Bad. Watch the show to find out why.

Q: What are your favorite television shows?

Q: What are your favorite movies?
A: Anything with DC or Marvel Comics. Also, Star Wars, Lord of the Rings, and James Bond.

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: My positive attitude and involvement with East.

Q: What activities are you involved in at East?

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: Good attitude, respect for teacher and classmates, and good work ethic.

Q: What teachers have influenced you the most? Why?
A: Mr. Scallon, Mr. Burke, and Mr. Cohen. History was my weakness and I went in Mr. Cohen’s class hating it and he has completely changed my opinion. Also, I walked out with a few life lessons that have already helped me in situations this year. Mr. Scallon for the work ethic and the responsibility he has taught me that has come in hand in and out of the pool. Mr. Burke for making me not so tense in the academic world and teaching me one bad grade is not the end of the world.

Q: Do you have any advice for the underclassmen?
A: Work hard and be involved so there is nothing to regret.

Q: Where are you planning on going to college?
A: Rutgers University School of Business.

Q: What do you plan on majoring in?
A: Accounting.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The atmosphere.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: My church youth group.

Q: Who have been your greatest influences?
A: My older siblings.

Q: If you could switch lives with anyone, living or dead, who would it be and why?
A: No one, I am making my own path.

Q: What is your favorite television show?
A: Lost

Q: What is your favorite movie?
A: Remember the Titans.

Q: Where do you see yourself in ten years?
A: Working in an office, married to a handsome successful man, and happy.

Q: What are your greatest achievements?
A: Senior prom and prom weekend with my closest friends that I consider family.

Q: What’s your favorite memory at East?
A: Being voted best all around by my peers.
Seniors of the Month

Andy Zheng
By: Emily Schiabor

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: I dedicate my time to school work as well as many clubs and activities.

Q: What activities are you involved in at East?
A: TEAM, Interact and Key Club, FBLA, and Spanish NHS.

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: Be involved in school and be respectful to faculty.

Q: What teacher has influenced you the most? Why?
A: Mrs. Applegate because she has influenced me by always believing that I can do better.

Q: What advice do you have for the underclassmen?
A: Enjoy your four years of high school and make the best of it.

Q: Where are you going to college?
A: Rutgers University.

Q: What do you plan on majoring in?
A: Biochemistry.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The teachers are always willing to help the students.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: Helping out at my family’s restaurant and the Peoples’ Pantry.

Q: Who have been your greatest influences?
A: Ms. Tammaro and Mrs. Shubert because they have supported me with everything I do.

Q: What is your favorite quote, one that reflects your beliefs and goals?
A: “When it is obvious that the goals cannot be reached, don’t adjust the goals, adjust the action steps” - Confucius.

Q: What are your plans for your future?
A: I plan on going to medical school to become a doctor.

Q: If you could switch lives with anyone, living or dead, who would it be and why?
A: Paul Walker because he influenced others with his passion for cars and family.

Q: What is your favorite television show?

Q: What are your favorite movies?
A: The Fast and the Furious and Rush Hour.

Nicolette Faragalli
By: Morgan Hoopengardner

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for Senior of the Month?
A: My hardworking, positive attitude, involvement in various clubs and charities, and my friendly relationship with teachers and students.

Q: What activities are you involved in at East?
A: Interact and Key Club, TEAM, Ambassadors, the Safety Team, Student Council, and lacrosse.

Q: What qualities should the Senior of the Month have?
A: They should be hardworking and extremely involved in extracurricular activities. They should also be caring, kind, friendly, motivated, and they should strive to be the best version of themselves.

Q: What teacher has influenced you the most and why?
A: Mr. Cohen has without a doubt been the best teacher I have ever had. He helps his students so much while preparing for AP exams, always motivating and giving the proper reviews. He made me realize what truly loving your job looks like.

Q: What advice do you have for underclassmen?
A: Get involved. Joining clubs and participating has helped me create the best friends in my high school career. Also, get good grades and work hard. That is extremely important and will reflect on you for the rest of high school.

Q: Where are you going to college?
A: The Ohio State University.

Q: What do you plan on majoring in?
A: English.

Q: What is your favorite aspect about East?
A: The teachers.

Q: What outside activities are you involved in?
A: I am involved in a non-profit organization Ocean County AMBUCS, and I also work part-time.

Q: What is your favorite quote, one that reflects your beliefs?

Q: What are your plans for the future?
A: To have a job in which I can be successful, have a family, be involved in charity work, and hopefully become a published author.

Q: What are your favorite television shows?
A: Modern Family, Law and Order SUV, Glee, and Big Brother.

Q: What are your favorite movies?
Mrs. Keefer Retirement
By: Ashley Davidson

Mrs. Keefer recently retired from High School East. She taught for 31 years as a Health and Physical Education teacher for grades 9-12. Mrs. Keefer enjoyed teaching the 10th grade level the most throughout her career and East is where Mrs. Keefer taught for her entire career.

“I will miss my students and the interaction with the other teachers most,” Mrs. Keefer said. She will also miss all the different sporting activities she did with her students. Mrs. Keefer’s students influenced her the most because they taught her patience, tolerance, and kindness.

Now that she is retired, Mrs. Keefer plans to exercise, read, and be a stay at home mom.

The Raider family wishes you much joy, health, and relaxation as you embark on this new chapter of your life. Congratulations on your retirement, Mrs. Keefer.

100 Goals—Lacrosse Success
By: Jessica Rij

This year, the Raider Girls Lacrosse Team had a successful season with a record of nine wins and seven losses. The team was led by coaches Ms. Clark, Ms. Piper, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Anders, and Ms. Tocko, along with senior captains Nicolette Faragalli, Jackie Schwartz, and Meaghan Sullivan.

Nicolette Faragalli made an accomplishment that not everyone can make, scoring her 100th goal of her high school career. “Accomplishing my 100th goal is something I will never forget,” Faragalli said, “I could not have asked for a more memorable and unforgettable season.”

During the season these girls constantly practiced plays, working as a team to guarantee wins. Before each game, Faragalli mentally prepares herself for the competition ahead. “I try to keep myself calm and not to get too nervous,” she said, “I don’t usually get nervous unless we play TR North or TR South.”

As the season comes to the end, Nicolette has some advice for the upcoming varsity players. “Work hard and practice. Always take the opportunity to work on your catching, cradling, and throwing because those three things are essential to winning games. Also, make relationships with your team and coaches. Enjoy the season because it flies by.”

Congratulations to Nicolette and the entire Raider lacrosse team on a successful 2014 season!

Mrs. Basile Retirement
By: Erika Pedersen

Congratulations to Ms. Basile on her retirement. Mrs. Basile taught Marketing I, Marketing II, Marketing III (as a co-op), and Marketing for special needs students. Mrs. Basile started teaching at High School East in 1990, after teaching at High School North for 12 years. She also taught at a vocational school named Sypeck Center, located in Trenton, for one year.

Mrs. Basile’s favorite aspect of East is the “friendly atmosphere among students and staff.” Her favorite memory is when she was teaching inventory to her students, and when they would apply what she taught them when inventory arrived. “It was total havoc, but fun.”

Mrs. Basile’s plan for retirement is to not have to wake up at 4:30 in the morning, and to “continue on my journey wherever it takes me.”

Congratulations on your retirement. The East community will surely miss you.

Baseball Success
By: Melanie Fernandez

The Raider Baseball Team had an exceptional 2014 season. With a record of 13-5, they are “A” South Champs.

Coach Frank said, “This team has played together for the past three years and are a very experienced bunch of kids. This team never gave up.”

In his 30th and final year of coaching, Coach Frank said his best memory was winning the overall Group IV State Championship in 2001 and being ranked 18th in the entire country.

Congratulations to the team on a successful season, and congratulations to Coach Frank on an even more successful coaching career!!

Modern Music Program
By: Katie Greco

The Modern Music Masters Honors Society, otherwise known as TRI-M Music Honors Society, is a club for anyone who is involved in band, chorus, orchestra, or anything music related. The advisor is Ms. Sanford who is also one of the band directors at East.

“Our goal is to combine community service and music. We perform at community homes, hospitals, and give music lessons to middle school students,” senior Amy Finkelstein said.

The TRI-M Music Honors Society is for sophomores, juniors, and seniors who have been selected by a teacher, but students must have a certain GPA to join.

The president is senior Justin Romano, vice president is junior Alexis Bamonte, secretary is junior Maria Laya, treasurer is senior Julie Paris, and historian is senior Melanie Dato.
**Boys Tennis**  
By: Jessica Rij

**Coach:** Mr. Malagiere.  
**Captain:** Derek Muniz.  
**Season Highlights:** Winning both A-South and Ocean County Tournament. Our record was 13-1.

**Softball**  
By: Mary Knight

**Coaches:** Ms. Wood, Mr. Kanarkowski, Ms. Copping-er, and Ms. Fitzgerald.  
**Captains:** Gianna Depalma, Valerie Hirschfeld, and Cassie Varvaro.  
**Season Highlights:** Having a winning record of 13-10, beating Central in SCT tourney, and competing in A South. “As a new head coach it was a highlight to get to know my new team and to have as much fun as we did,” Coach Ms. Wood said.

**Boys Track**  
By: Nick DeVito

**Coaches:** Mr. Roth, Mr. Trumble, Mr. Sandberg, and Mr. Draesel.  
**Captains:** Shawn Bengali, Nick Goglia, Gilligan Greenlow, Tyler King, Devante Rodriguez, and Zach Sylvester.  
**Season Highlights:** Gilligan Greenlow taking first place in the State Sectional and State Group Championships in the Discus. Dan Gilligan placing in the State Sectional and State Group in the shot put and discus.

**Girls Lacrosse**  
By: Emily Schiabor

**Coaches:** Ms. Clark, Ms. Piper, Ms. Cox, Mrs. Anders, and Ms. Tocko.  
**Captains:** Nicolette Faragalli, Jackie Schwartz, and Meaghan Sullivan.  
**Season Highlights:** Our record is 9-4. Nicolette Faragalli scored her 100th goal this season. We won against Jackson Liberty twice, TR South, and TR North, which were big wins. Our motto is “No Mercy” and has been for 18 years since LAX started here at TR East.

**Baseball**  
By: Jessica Rij

**Coaches:** Mr. Frank, Mr. Biscotti, and Mr. Wedding.  
**Captains:** Jeff Cannova, C.J. Hirsch, and Charlie Mule.  
**Season Highlights:** Winning the Class “A” South Title and the J.V. team winning the Ocean County Tournament.

**Boys Volleyball**  
By: Erika Pedersen

**Head Coach:** Mr. Maskale.  
**Volunteer Assistant Coach:** Mr. Lang.  
**Captains:** Tyler Luszik (varsity) Michael Huntenberg (junior varsity)  
**Season Highlights:** The varsity team split the Season Series with North and swept all other Toms River high schools and had a great tournament showing at Eastern. The junior varsity team had a great record with 15-2, thanks to pure teamwork and selflessness.

**Girls Golf**  
By: Mary Knight

**Coaches:** Mr. Cohen and Mr. Fazzini.  
**Season Highlight:** Winning three matches this year after only winning a couple of matches over the past three seasons.

**Girls Track**  
By: Katie Greco

**Coaches:** Mr. Dirk, Ms. Schultz, Ms. Scala, and Mr. Scallon.  
**Seniors:** Angelina Berardi, Morgan Blusewicz, Christina Caches, Meesha Carter, Valerie Casalino, Julie Chrzanowski, Alex Florke, Carly Franco, and Karina Wolff.  
**Season Highlights:** “Everyone worked together to achieve their goal. We finished the year with a ton of personal bests and that’s the most exciting thing for coaches,” Ms. Schultz said.
Raider Spotlights

All Things Senior
By: Katie Greco and Mary Knight

Attention seniors! The end of the year is here, which means there are many end of the year activities to enjoy. Senior Night was held on Thursday, June 12th at 5 p.m. in the Student Center. The dinner was Chipotle and pizza. There was ice cream from an ice cream truck, a hypnotist, senior t-shirts, and the senior slide show.

This year’s scholarship night was held on Wednesday, June 4, 2014. On this special night deserving seniors of High School East were awarded scholarships for their academic achievements. Students were able to apply for scholarships through guidance or were nominated by teachers. Receiving these scholarships will help aid students in their future academic endeavors.

Senior Christina Morgese said, “I feel very grateful to have been chosen for the scholarships I have received.” The night was coordinated by Guidance Counselor Mrs. Arzonico and was a great night all around.

Another activity coming up is the annual Senior Breakfast. Senior breakfast is on June 25th at 7 a.m. in the Student Center before graduation practice.

Seniors, sit back, relax, eat, and enjoy your last days of high school.

What is Community Service?
By: Kortney Kerico

What is community service? Community service is helping others without getting paid. If you are interested in community service, there are some clubs that you can get involved in here at East. The clubs include: T.E.A.M., Interact and Key Club, National Honor Society, Writing Center, and Peer Leadership. There are also a variety of community service activities such as volunteering at local animal shelters and hospitals.

Community service is not a graduation requirement, but it looks good on job and college applications. Community service will also enhance your character and help you interact with different people and situations. Finding an organization that you are passionate about will make your volunteering experience more enjoyable.

Hours need to be documented. Green cards are available in the Guidance Office. Guidance also accepts letters from outside organizations that you volunteered at.

Hours are collected during the months of June of the previous year school year until May of the current school year. All green cards need to be turned in to Mrs. Millard in the Guidance Office.

For a list and a description of all clubs, see page 10.

March4Music
By: Erika Pedersen

The Toms River High School East Marching Raider Band are holding a fundraiser called March4Music. The event will be held on Saturday, June 14th from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. at High School East. Band Director Mr. Figueroa said the event will “feature performances by the school’s different instrumental ensembles, different games, events, concessions, and a constant charity walk type experience. The band members will walk laps to cover the amount of donations that were brought in by different sections of the band.”

The band is fundraising in hopes to purchase new instruments to use for the start of the 2014 competition season. Every band member will have an online page where people can donate through June 28. They can share the pages on Facebook, Twitter, and various other social media outlets.

March4Music is a new fundraiser presented by USBANDS, the competitive circuit that the band competes in. The fundraiser is a combination of a charity walk, fuel-a-thon, and a Kickstarter online donation site, which has resulted in being a “super-fundraiser”. According to the fundraiser’s coordinator, Jonathan Swengler, who works for USBANDS, “the reason why we got into this was because we wanted to give young adults the opportunity to speak and stand up for something that they care about, which is music and music education.”

If you have any questions, feel free to talk to a band member or one of the Band Directors, Mr. Figueroa or Ms. Sanford, in room C-11.

“Once Upon a Special Prom”
By: Melanie Fernandez & Jessica Rij

On Monday, May 19th, the Special Prom was held in the Media Center. About 75 students attended, which included Mrs. Crowell’s classes and CAP students. The DJ was Mr. Nichol, the food was from Naples along with some food from the junior prom. The flowers were donated from Narcissus and the limo rides were compliments of Joseph’s Limo Services. Pictures were taken by seniors Kate Reenstra and Megan Stoner.

Senior CAP student Justina Lameo said, “I feel very good about how everything came out. I was stressing out all day Monday and then as soon as I got there, everyone started dancing. I was very pleased with the way everything ended up.” All students and staff members had a great time, thanks to all the hard work from the CAP students, Mrs. Crowell, her students, and everyone else who participated.
GET INVOLVED FOR 2014-2015

Underclassmen who are looking to get involved for the 2014-2015 school, East is filled with amazing clubs and organizations. Whether it's to make new friends, look for a change, or experience something new, the Home of the Raiders has a plethora of clubs that are always looking for new members. Read below to see what you can get involved in for next year: All clubs were researched and interviews were conducted by Melanie Fernandez

**Academic Challenge Team**- Mr. Tierney– This club travels to other schools in the Monmouth and Ocean County area competing in trivia competitions. The team is made up of students of all grade levels with different areas of expertise.

**Ambassadors**- Ms. Schultz and Mrs. Daniel– A prestigious program at East where selected students promote High School East in a positive light. Ambassadors attend East events and community service events throughout the community. All ambassadors are expected to be in a good standing academically and behaviorally. Some activities Ambassadors attend are the school play, scholarship night, band and orchestra concerts, and community events as well.

**Bible Club**- Ms. Angilletta– The Bible Club, Awaken, has been meeting every Thursday in M08. The students have a great time encouraging each other and studying different books of the Bible.

**Computer Science Club**- Ms. Signorelly– This club is open to all students and meets every other Thursday. Students that come complete various activities such as Lego Mind storms, robotics creation and software, C++ programs for students to type in, and using code.org for different software to create games, cards, and apps.


**Fashion Club**- Ms. Mahony– This club creates a fashion blog with tips and advice about fashion and beauty. There are also some do-it-yourself fashion and beauty projects. This was the first year of Fashion Club.

**FBLA**- Mrs. Morrissey– Future Business Leaders of America is a community service based club. The club participates in the Susan G. Komen Race for a Cure and The Ronald McDonald Pop a Top fundraiser for children with serious illnesses. The club also competes in business competitions.

**Fishing Club**- Mr. Koscinski- The Fishing Club is open to all students. It is a great cross section of the East family. Members enjoy a day sailing on the ocean, making new friends, and sharing in the common bond of sportmanship.

**French Club**- Ms. Doulong– This club invites students to delve into the French culture through fun activities such as cheese tastings, coffee shops, cuisine nights, Christmas caroling, and movie nights.

**German Club**- Mr. Tourjee– This club celebrates the cultural traditions of Germany and other German speaking regions around the world.

**History Club**- Mr. Cohen- The History Club has been around since 2001. Each year the club goes on four or five day trips. Over the years the club has visited Philadelphia, Washington D.C., Gettysburg, Medieval Times, Baltimore, The Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, Renaissance fairs, WWII fairs, and other revolutionary and civil war forts. There are over 150 students in a given school year that attend the trips.

**Interact Club**- Mr. Peck– this club is the high school level subdivision of Rotary International. Here at East there is anywhere from 50-100 active members during different seasons.

**Key Club**- Mr. Peck– This club is the high school subdivision of Kiwanis International. There are anywhere from 50-100 active members during different seasons.

**Medical Club**- Mrs. Applegate-This club invites students who are interested in pursuing careers in the medical field to get involved. The club has hosted speakers from the nursing field, emergency/trauma care, and pre-med college programs. The club is new and the members are enthusiastic to increase student involvement.

**Paws**- Ms. Patterson-A club that raises donations for the local animal shelters. The club collects food, blankets, cat and dog toys, and any other useful items. The club runs a fall and spring drive, but donations are welcome all year long. Some students independently volunteer at the local shelters.

**Peer Leadership**- Mrs. Nadaeu, Mrs. Hay, and Mrs. Rose-This is a community service club at East. Members work together to promote and encourage positive thinking and positive actions within the school.

**Photography Club**- Mrs. Marotto and Ms. Steinhart- Members document, through their photography, school events, community events, and locations in the area. There are guest speakers and activities to enhance their photographs into a “work of art.”

**The Raider Readout**- Mrs. Daniel-Although not technically a club, students who take Journalism I, II, and III have the opportunity to have their name in black and white and published in the student run newspaper. See Mrs. Daniel or your guidance counselor for more information.

**Rebel**- Ms. Aulisi- Reaching Everyone By Exposing Lies is an organization that exposes lies that tobacco companies spread about tobacco use. REBEL is a state-wide, youth-led, youth-driven anti-tobacco movement whose mission is to reach, educate and empower N.J.’s youth to make healthy lifestyle decisions and support non-smoking norms.

**Ski Club**- Mrs. Morrissey- An active group of around 60 students who travel to ski resorts in PA, NY, VT, and ME for day and weekend trips.

**Spanish Club**- Ms. Muscillo- The East Spanish Club strives to provide all students with cultural exposure to foods, dance, and arts of the Hispanic world.

**Student Council**- Mrs. Calicchio- This is made up of students elected by their peers to represent them. These students organize sales and events to raise money for their class.

**Team**- Ms. Aulisi- Together Everyone Achieves More is an educational program designed to bring high school students into elementary schools. The club also does a variety of community service activities.
Raider Features

Summer Fun
By: Ashley Davidson & Morgan Hoopengardner

After a long and cold winter, with record-breaking low temperatures, Raider students and staff are looking forward to summer.

We are very fortunate to live in such a beautiful area with many outdoor places to visit and outdoor activities to do during our summer vacations.

There are local waterparks and amusement parks to visit. The Seaside pier and boardwalk are right across the bridge. New Jersey also has some of the most beautiful beaches in the United States giving many options such as Point Pleasant, Ortley, Lavallette, Seaside Heights, Seaside Park, and Island Beach State Park, just to name a few.

The Raider Readout staff took a poll of what Raider students were looking forward to most about their summer vacation. The obvious winner is the beach. “My favorite Jersey Shore beach to go to is definitely Island Beach State Park,” freshman Haylie Montemurno said.

Freshman Nikolas Tighe said, “I am looking forward to having time to play basketball this summer, but I am also looking forward to going to the beach.”

The Raider Readout staff wishes our Raider family a very happy and healthy summer. Enjoy the beach!

Transitioning to College/Tips
By: JT Burge & Drew Williams

Making the transition from high school to college can be stressful, but exciting all at once. Managing your time to be successful academically, while maintaining a healthy social life is key. Remember to take a step back from studying to make new friends, explore the area, and become involved in campus life.

Most colleges offer a variety of extracurricular activities, sports, community service, and part-time jobs. Try new things, figure out where you belong, and never miss out on an opportunity for fear of failing. You have to know yourself and recognize your strengths and weaknesses. If you’re not a morning person, don’t schedule classes for 7 a.m.

Set yourself up for success! If you usually procrastinate, find your most motivated time of day and work around that. Most importantly, find what you love to do and always follow your dreams.

Best of luck to the graduating class of 2014.

TIPS FOR TRANSITIONING SUCCESS

- **Go to New Student Orientation** – This is the fastest way to get information on college resources.
- **Time Management** – Understand that taking 15 credit hours is equivalent to a full-time job. Plan on spending 2-3 hours of time on coursework outside of the classroom for each hour spent inside the classroom.
- **Take Initiative** – Ask questions, seek help, attend every class, get to know your professors, and follow your degree plan.
- **Self Reflection and Assessments** – Reflect on what you enjoy the most. Make sure you select a major that leads you into a career that you love.
- **Utilize Study Groups and Tutoring** – Seek out a study group and apply for free tutoring groups early in the semester.
- **Sign up for the Writing Center** – When you are assigned your first essay, make an appointment with the Writing Center. It can help you understand the expectations for college-level writing.
- **Go to the Library and Computer Labs** – Familiarize yourself with the library and meet the librarians so that you already know about your resources.
- **Get Connected** – Join an organization or study group. The more connected you are, the stronger your support system is.
- **Take a Class You Really Like** – This will keep you motivated as you encounter challenges during that first semester.
- **Rest/Have Fun** – A rested mind can recall much more than a tired, crammed mind. College is a time of taking risks, overcoming obstacles, and self-discovery. Make the most of it and enjoy every minute because, while it may not seem like it now, time will fly by.

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**Horoscope**

**By: Kortney Kerico**

**Cancer** - June 22 - July 22

Your month starts out with a great big beautiful bang! You are feeling great, looking good, and you are doing fantastic work. Your projects are great, your wardrobe is amazing, Your hair is marvelous! Embrace it!

**Leo** - July 23 - August 22

There is a real possibility that your inner wisdom is speaking right now. How wonderful is that? If you take this seriously, the answer is pretty wonderful. There will be some amazing news toward the end of the month.

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**Schools Raider Graduates are Attending**

**By: JT Burdge**

- Ocean County College
- Rutgers University
- Monmouth University
- Seton Hall University
- Kutztown University
- Brookdale Community College
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Richard Stockton College of New Jersey
- Florida Atlantic University
- Caldwell College
- East Carolina University
- Ohio State University
- James Madison University
- Ramapo College
- George Washington University
- Montclair State University
- St. John’s University
- Pennsylvania State University

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**College Corner - College Visit Checklist**

**By: J.T. Burdge & Max Lasky**

**Underclassmen:** Picking a college can be an overwhelming experience. Plan as many college visits as possible and know what to ask. Here is a checklist to help you as you search. Communication is key.

- **College Visit Checklist**
  - **Name of College:**
  - **Date of Visit:**
  - **Compliments of:** [Website Link]

**Preparation:**

- Schedule a private or group tour.
- Look at a map of the campus and make note of specific places you want to visit.
- Make a list of questions you want to ask that aren’t covered here
- Arrange an interview with an admissions officer.
- Schedule a time to sit in on a class.
- Check to see if the school offers an overnight stay with a current student.

**Things to Do:**

- Eat at a dining hall.
- Pick up a copy of the college newspaper.
- Sit in on a class.
- Visit a computer lab and the campus library.
- Walk through a freshman residence hall.
- Check out the gym, recreational facilities, and student center.
- Visit the career services center.

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**Questions to ask a Student:**

- What is the best part of this college?
- What do students complain about the most?
- Why did you choose this college?
- How much time do you spend doing homework/studying every week?
- Can students park on campus?
- Are fraternities and sororities a major factor in the school’s social life?
- Is there a lot of school pride?
- Do professors know your name?
- How do you feel about the school’s academic requirements?
- Is the education at this school geared toward getting a job or learning for its own sake?
- What kinds of students would feel out of place at this school?
- Where are most students at this school from?
- What are the most popular groups, organizations, or teams on campus?
- What traditions/events happen each year?

**Questions to ask an Admissions Officer:**

- Will your financial need be a factor in the admissions process?
- How much is tuition/room and board?
- How much do students usually spend on books per semester?
- What percentage of undergraduates receives aid?
- Does the college offer its own scholarships? How does one apply?
- What percentage of freshmen return the following year?
Senior Wills 2014

-Raider Administration-
Principal: Mrs. Baldi
Assistant Principal: Mr. Rutter
Assistant Principal: Mr. Thomas
Assistant Principal: Mr. Gillen

-Student Council-
President: Meaghan Sullivan
Vice President 1: Chris Higham
Vice President/Liaison: Erica Maire
Treasurer: Francesca Ricotta
Recording Secretary: Samantha Colucci
Corresponding Secretary: Shawn Bengali.

-Senior Class-
President: Billy Caruso
Vice President: Matthew Gudzak
Secretary: Francesca Ricotta
Treasurer: Shawn Bengali, Samantha Colucci, MaryAnn DeRiggi, Chris Higham, Tommy Irwin, Erica Maire, Brielle Pearson, Meaghan Sullivan, and Eric Weck.
Class Advisor: Mrs. O’Donnell

Principal: Mrs. Baldi

-Seniors of the Month – 2013-2014
-September: William Caruso and Hana Non
-October: Rich Liput and Cassidy Olsen
-November: Brendan Montemurno and Meaghan Sullivan
-December: Gilligan Greenlow and Emily Koerner
-January: Kyle Keough and Valerie Hirschfeld
-February: Shawn Bengali and Susan Wong
-March: Dean Ramos and Kathleen Macalalag
-April: Eric Weck and Francesca Ricotta
-May: George Carancho and Georgette Galeana
-June: Andy Zheng and Nicolette Faragalli
Senior Wills 2014

-Class of 2014 TOP TEN-

1. Hirschfeld, Valerie
2. Caruso, William
3. Kearney, Carolyn
4. Keough, Kyle
5. Caches, Christina M.
6. Koerner, Emily
7. Ball, Gabrielle
8. Olsen, Cassidy
9. Colucci, Samantha
10. Higham, Christopher

-Senior Prom 2014-

Date: Friday, May 30, 2014
Place: South Gate Manor, Freehold, NJ
Colors: Peach and Sea Foam Green
Song: “I Lived” By: One Republic
King and Queen: DeVante Rodriguez and Hana Non
Prom Court: 1st Prince and Princess: Eric Weck and Maryann DeRiggi
2nd Prince and Princess: Dylan Jusino and Cali Feimer, and

-Junior Prom 2013-

Date: May 18, 2013
Colors: White, Silver, and Turquoise Colors
King and Queen: Matthew Gudzak and Francesca Ricotta

-Superlatives-

Most Likely to Succeed:
Boy: Billy Caruso
Girl: Valerie Hirschfeld
Most School Spirit:
Boy: Jeff Cyran
Girl: Maryann DeRiggi
Class Flirt:
Boy: Joe Clark
Girl: Alexa Revello
Class Cutie:
Boy: Jack Subers
Girl: Claudia Noto
Class Artist:
Boy: Dean Ramos
Girl: Caliann Feimer
Class Thespian:
Boy: Anthony Somma
Girl: Taylor Wallace
Class Musician:
Boy: Justin Romano
Girl: Emily Schiabor
Nicest Hair:
Boy: Mike Heuser
Girl: Veronica Niland
Class Grouch:
Boy: Brandon Filep
Girl: Melissa Hoffman
Most Changed:
Boy: Taylor Monica
Girl: Megan Dempsey
Best Laugh:
Boy: John Munoz
Girl: Laura Ellis
Best to Bring Home to Mom and Dad:
Boy: Kyle Keough
Girl: Francesca Ricotta

Best Dressed:
Boy: Eric Weck
Girl: Emily Nicol
Best All Around:
Boy: Billy Caruso
Girl: Georgette Galeana
Nicest Eyes:
Boy: Jared Wrath
Girl: Brielle Pearson
Nicest Smile:
Boy: Jimi Delucci
Girl: Sam Colucci
Most Athletic:
Boy: Matt Gudzak
Girl: Jackie Schwartz
Class Comedian:
Boy: Brian Murphy
Girl: Hana Non
Teachers Pet:
Boy: Rich Liput
Girl: Carly Franco
Class Couple:
Boy: Nick Sarnowski
Girl: Alex Charletta
Best Friends:
Boys: Ray Cortese and Dylan Jusino
Girls: Rachell Cimino and Sam Stevenson
Motor Mouth:
Boy: Joey Dilusant
Girl: Alexa Gioello
Most Absent-Minded:
Boy: Dom Spaletta
Girl: Julie Chrzanowski
Courtney Gargaloni:
My thanks to Mrs. Rankin and Mr. Trumble for being my two favorite teachers. I also give my good luck to my sister Taylor on senior year and I hope she does not get senioritis as early as I did!

Kaitlin Golden:
My status as a HSE senior to all of the juniors, and from them to all years ahead and my parking spot to the next senior with my luck of a spot far from the school.

Katie Greco:
My pirate ship to Erika Pedersen. To Ryan Caulfield, I leave you this, “You are a French toast stick” I give all my bowties to Kayla Brown because bowties are cool. To my terror twin-mischief managed.

Kortney Kerico:
I’d like to say thank you to all my amazing teachers I’ve had over the past four years. To Kelly and Meghan, stay out of trouble and enjoy the next few years, they go fast. Also, thanks to my BFF’s Emily and Mary for being there for me. Love you guys!

Corey “Indiana” Reynolds:
One ear of corn to every student and faculty member. I leave my movie collection to Ryan Tierney. I leave RECC to Bryan Bullock and Randy Spillane. I finally leave my Farmer’s Almanac written by myself for all faculty and staff of the school. That’s all!

Jessica Rij:
I leave the baseball book and clicker to Lucianna Bettencourt and Kayla Cleven. I leave all my David’s Sunflower seeds to the upcoming varsity baseball players. I wish the best of luck to all of my friends and classmates.

Danielle Robleski:
I bequeath: Larry the pin to Jenna McIntire.

Dean Ramos:
To the student who identifies as gay, don’t allow fear to cripple you. If you can, come out. People will love you anyway. And remember, “If you can’t love yourself, how in the world are you gunna love someone else?” Sincerely, Dean Ramos.

Mrs. O’Donnell, Class of 2014 Advisor:
To my Class of 2014, I wish you nothing less than a lifetime of success, love, and happiness. The past four years have been amazing as your advisor. I hope you enjoyed every moment! You have left your mark on H.S. East and will not be forgotten. As you move on to this next chapter of your life, I hope all of your dreams come true. I will miss you all and can’t wait to hear what life has in store for you. You are all capable of achieving anything you set your mind to! I am so proud of each and every one of you! CONGRATULATIONS!

“I think this year went really well. Each year presents a challenge, and this year’s challenge was the cold winter. It is hard to maintain academic success when you are at school one day, off the next day, and then with having delayed openings and early outs, but we did it. There are students who work hard, teachers who work hard, and I hope that goes on forever,” Principal Mrs. Baldi said.