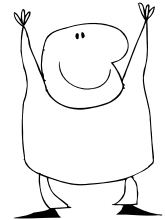


GOOD NEWS



From the West Irondequoit School District for October 2009

- Five IHS students have been recognized by the **National Merit Scholarship Program**. Joel Carini and Justin Owen earned National Semifinalist status. Commended students are Dustin Axman and Jacob Martin and Maryanne Greenaway was recognized in the National Achievement Scholarship Program.
- IHS Students Maria Currie, Melanie Falvo, Kevin King and Alexander Walts have been named members of the **2009-2010 Hochstein Youth Symphony Orchestra**, the highest level orchestra in the in the school's program. They are among 94 students from 28 different schools who have earned seats in the orchestra. The group rehearses weekly and will perform at the NYS School Music Association Conference in December.
- The IHS Volleyball Teams are supporting our community. They participated in the **Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk**, raising over \$600. In addition, at each volleyball game they are collecting non-perishable food for the Irondequoit Food Cupboard.
- IHS freshman Charles Jackson will serve as a **2009 National Youth Panel** member at the annual Healthy Communities, Healthy Youth conference in Cincinnati, Ohio in November. "Charles's creativity, enthusiasm and hard work helped design the activities of the conference." Organizers expect 1,800 attendees at the event, including 400 young people.
- During homecoming weekend, eight Economics students, two adults and IHS teacher Amanda Janas-Tramonto volunteered at the **Project Bundle Up 2009** program with the Salvation Army. They met at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday at JC Penney to shop with inner-city students for new coats, hats, gloves and jeans using money donated by others.

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