



June 2015

# The Owl

## Senior Awards' Night

By Danny Gelles

The night of June 4<sup>th</sup> was a typical night for most of Hudson High students. On this night some students had their nose in books studying hard for finals and others, not so much. However for the seniors, this night could be viewed as only second to graduation. On this night, Hudson seniors were acknowledged for all their hard work the last four years, and what better way to show appreciation than over \$67,000 worth of scholarships. There were many winners that night, but it was clear that those who put in the most over the last four years got the most out of that night.

The size of the scholarships varied. Some seniors got up to \$3,000 in a single scholarship and others received brand new learning tools for college; such as laptops. The scholarships also reflected the many skills, talents, and hard work of Hudson seniors. Meaning that the awards ceremony wasn't solely for those students who maintain a high GPA but rather appreciating the seniors for all their skills. Many awards were given for extensive involvement in the community, arts, and leadership qualities as well. On that night everyone who gave it their all those last four years, was a winner. Congratulations class of 2015!



## **High School Teacher Awarded for Excellence**

**By Gina Leccese**

In May, High School Chemistry teacher Mr. Antonelli was awarded the New York State Senate Award for Teaching Excellence. This award goes to excellent teachers who have proven to be dedicated to their work and serve as an inspiration to students. Mr. Antonelli was nominated for this award by the members of Student Council, many of which are his former students. The award included a plaque and \$500 for the school to use. Mr. Antonelli was honored to receive the award. He has been a teacher for eighteen years and has taught chemistry for fourteen years.

## **Spring Concert 2015**

**Jenna Gregory**

On Tuesday June 9th, Hudson High School had its spring concert. The concert was filled with performances from the choir, conducted by Mrs. Mastrianni, and from the band, conducted by Mr. Vorwald. There were also performances from the jazz band and Avis, a band formed by Brent Decker. The audience enjoyed many wonderful musical pieces from the participating students.

The concert kicked off with performances by the band. The band played such pieces as "Encanto," "Balladair," "Symphony 9," and ended with "The Final Countdown." The crowd enjoyed all of the performances, as evidenced by their enthusiastic clapping and cheering. All of the students worked very hard throughout the past couple of months.

The choir performed next. Some songs were sung acapela, and every song had four different parts. The songs sang were "Carry Me Home," "Voices of the Night," "Over the Rainbow," "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," and "Ain't No Windin'." There were solos featuring Brent Decker, Daniel Folds, Amber Harris, Emily Spateholts, Becky Ward, and Kristen Ward.

The Jazz Band was third in the lineup. They played many catchy songs that had the crowd bobbing their heads. There were many solos as well. The solos were performed by Brent Decker, Jake Ebel, Adriana Tampasis, Kristen Tampasis, and Brianna Tsitera.

Avis performed last. Avis is a band that was originally created to save the music department. Band members include Tyler Brown, Zyan Brown, Daniel Folds, Emily Spateholts, and Adriana Tampasis. The band performed the song "Ain't It Fun," with Emily Spateholts as the lead singer.

For the seniors, the spring concert was their last concert at Hudson High School. Although it's their last concert, there are more performances to come. The Hudson High School Band will be marching in the Flag Day parade. Make sure to go and cheer them on! Select band members will be performing at the graduation ceremony on June 26th.

## **Travon Alert Track Update**

**By Richard Dellavechia**

Travon Alert has made States in the 100 meter dash, the 200 meter dash, and the 4x100 relay. He will compete on the weekend of June 12-14. Travon finished first in the 200 meter dash, second in the 100 meter dash, and was a part of the 4x100 relay team that finished first at state qualifiers. Travon will start his events on the 12<sup>th</sup> with 100 meter dash. Good luck from your peers at Hudson High!

## SENIOR SEARCH 2015

<b>Name</b>	<b>College</b>	<b>Major</b>
Greg Abreu	HVCC	Nursing
Nabila Akhter	Siena College	Undecided
Roby Akhter	CGCC	Undecided
Mohanned Alamin	United States Army	
Travon Alert	HVCC	Undecided
Kelsey Alvarez	Russell Sage	Occupational Therapy
Azaria Barnett	HVCC	Undecided
Jeffrey Beers	HVCC	
Atia Begh	Clark University, MA	Undecided
Daniel Bellacicco	Le Moyne	Biology
John Berth	Onondaga Community College	
Ahsan Beshal	College of St. Rose	
Nazmul Bhuiyan	HVCC	
Trishanee Blake	HVCC	
Ashley Bracero	CGCC	
Jean Busta	CGCC	Environmental Studies
Mikai Carrington	HVCC	
Amanda Chaplin	Russell Sage	History
Dave Christian	HVCC	Construction Technology
Megan Clark	CGCC	Nursing
Daniel Clarke		
Evian Coleman	CGCC	Individual Studies
Austin Decker	Employment	
Brent Decker	HVCC	Film
Josue DeJesus	CGCC	
Richard Dellavechia	Cazenovia College	Sports Management/Business Management
Taylor di Monda	Morrisville	Automotive Tech.
Vinny Drahushuk	CGCC	Physical Fitness
Lucilia Eaton	CGCC	
Samuel Elie	CGCC	
Austin Ellsworth	CGCC	Computer Science/Software Engineering
Angelina Faccio	Community College, NJ	
Savannah Ferguson	HVCC	
Shane Finn	CGCC	
Nya Franklin	CGCC	Undecided
Charissa Gardener	CGCC	Nursing
Angela Grandinetti	CGCC	
Amber Harris	MCLA	Creative Writing/Music
Hannah Hart	CGCC	Psychology
Marcus Hinds	CGCC	
Alexandria Hoffman	College at Brockport	Biology
SM Huq	RIT	Industrial & Systematic Engineering
Fahim Hussain	HVCC	Computer Science
MD Islam	HVCC	Information Technology
Ja-Nayia Ivery	CGCC	
Douglecia Jacobs	CGCC	Nursing/Psychology
Zoe Johnson	SUNY Purchase	Environmental Science
Wickson Joseph	HVCC	Undecided

Tiffany Kastner	CGCC	Nursing
Zach Keeler	SUNY Oneonta	Biology
Zarqa Khalid	Siena College	Biology, Pre-Med Track
Sharif Khan	Drew University, NJ	Bio-economics
Joseph Kinane	SUNY Cobleskill	
Ashley King	CGCC	Human Services
Brandon Kipp	Employment	
Jacob Kulyniak	CGCC	Environmental Studies
James Lawhorn	CGCC	
Gina Leccese	Siena College	Business
Leia Linkowski	CGCC	
Jonathan Lippman	Employment	
Sol Luna Velasquez	United States Army	
Jahnessa Mackey	CGCC	Individual Studies
Michaela Marotta	CGCC	Individual Studies
Bethann McGee	CGCC	
Dylan Meicht	HVCC	
Chris Merante	CGCC	Criminal Justice/Sports Management
Alejandro Miller-Santos		United States Marine Corps.
Naseer Morgan	HVCC	
Caryssa Morrison	Employment	
Tyler Mossman	Questar III Trade School	
Amjad Murshad	CGCC	Info. Tech.
Fardin Nabid	HVCC	Computer Science
Anna Sophie Newberry	Russell Sage	Nursing
Evan Nolan	CGCC	Fitness & Nutrition
Joe O'Connell	Schenectady CC	
Melis Odabas-Chavez	Iona College	Pharmacy
Cathryn Olivieri	HVCC	
Victor Parker	HVCC	Automotive Technology
Caitlyn Patrick	SUNY Ulster	Veterinary Technology
Alonzo Perry	National Guard	Mechanics
Alexis Peters	Sacred Heart University, CT	Physical Therapy
Kayon Phidd	CGCC	Undecided
Gia Reid	CGCC	Nursing
Erick Reyna	CGCC	
Danielle Risley	Russell Sage	Education
Joseph Rivette	HVCC	Undecided
Rochelle Robillard	Employment	
Autumn Rose	Alfred State College	
Matthew Sackett	Tompkins-Cortland CC	Criminal Justice/Psychology
Maryam Sajid	CGCC	Political Sciences
Erica Scalera	HVCC	Business Administration
Megan Schoep	CGCC	Fine Arts & Teaching
Gianna Servider	HVCC	Early Childhood Education
Mohammed Shmsuddin	The College of St. Rose	Computer Science
Justin Slater	HVCC	Business
Caitlyn Smith	HVCC	
Tei-Anna Smith	Job Corps.	
Markell Starr	HVCC	Engineering

Alexis Stevenson	SUNY Delhi	Architecture
Crystal Stoerzinger	CGCC	Undecided
Tristan Sweatt	CGCC	
Wahida Syeda	HVCC	Accounting
Adriana Tampasis	Bard College	Neuroscience w/Concentration in Music
Shanikwa Tomlinson	Dutchess CC	
Jacob Topple	SUNY Brockport	Athletic Training/Exercise Science
Destiny Van Alystine	Bryant & Stratton	
Katie Van Valkenburgh	CGCC	Undecided
Patricia Van Valkenburgh	University of Rochester	Biology
Brittany Varriale	Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	Health & Human Sciences
Peter Wagar	HVCC	
Rebecca Ward	Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	Microbiology
Trey'von Whittaker	National Guard	
Alexandra Williams	Employment	
Kadesha Wilson	CGCC	Criminal Justice
Brittany Wright	Mount Saint Mary College	Pre-Med
Dorian Wright	CGCC	History
Albaro Xiloj-Coxaj	CGCC	Undecided
Shonette Yarde	Maria College	Nursing
Tulona Zaman	CGCC	Nursing
Katherine Zanotelli	CGCC	Individual Studies



Travon Alert  
(Picture courtesy of Chip Moon)



Congratulations to the Class of  
2015! Good Luck!