



Kane County Judges Give RMS Students Lesson on Digital Safety

Last week, Rotolo Middle School seventh graders learned how one misguided text or digital photo can quickly become criminal evidence. Kane County Chief Judge Susan Clancy Boles and Judge Clint Hull visited RMS to share their real courtroom experiences surrounding electronic devices and the legal consequences for minors. [Read more >](#)

GMS Students Visit With Astrophysicist—Virtually

Nancy Hubbard’s third-grade class at Grace McWayne is studying the sun, moon, and stars in science and got a unique opportunity to ask astrophysicist Dr. John Peterson questions via a Google Hangout. [Read more >](#)

Packed House! HWS Science Night

Hoover-Wood’s super successful Science Night on Feb. 17 included a presentation by Fermilab’s Mr. Freeze, student science experiment displays, hands-on art projects, and robotics demonstrations by students in the Fox Valley Robotics program. [View photo gallery >](#)

RMS 10th-Annual Battle of the Books Update

Congrats to Rotolo Middle School’s Battle of the Books 8th-grade team "The Quartet" for winning the final battle. It was a historic battle, too. For the first time in the history of the 10-year-old event, there was a three-way tie ... and it happened twice. All four teams battled hard, answering question after question about 12 different books. Great job!

BPS101 Role Changes

Congratulations to Tim McDermott who will be the next principal of Alice Gustafson Elementary School, replacing Dr. Jan Wright who is retiring at the end of this school year. Congratulations also to Anne Paonessa, current assistant principal at H.C. Storm Elementary School, who will be promoted to principal, replacing Mr. McDermott. Both positions will be effective July 1, 2016. [Read more >](#)

STEM School Lottery and Parent Info Meeting

Next year, eight seats will be available for incoming BPS101 third-grade students at the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School. To learn more about the STEM School, upcoming lottery for available seats, application process, and Parent Info Meeting at 6 p.m. on Tues., March 15 at the University Banquet Hall on Aurora University’s campus, [click here](#).

BPS101 Preschool Registration Closes March 1

Families with children who will be turning three and four years old by Sept. 1, 2016, and who currently reside in the boundaries of BPS101 are eligible to participate in a lottery system for open spots at the BPS101 Preschool at the Early Childhood Center in the 2016-17 school year. The new lottery-based system replaces the fee-based system, thus eliminating the monthly fee for community students. [Read more >](#)

Afternoon Child Care Opportunity for Half Day, March 3

To assist working parents, free afternoon child care for BPS101 students in grades K-5 has been planned by Batavia churches on Thurs, March 3, 2016, from 12:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Batavia. March 3 is a half day for BPS101 students and a non-attendance day for kindergarten students due to Kindergarten Preview. [Register >](#)

Kindergarten Preview is March 3. Register Today!

Kindergarten Preview is a one-hour session for incoming kindergartners to participate in activities as a small group, observed by teachers and parents. [Register >](#)

Staff/Alum Spotlight

Dominic Cattero, Manager, Batavia Fine Arts Centre, and BHS Grad (Class of 1999)

If you’ve visited the Batavia Fine Arts Centre, you’ve probably met or seen Dominic Cattero. He’s the manager of the BFAC, and so much more. [Read on >](#)

In the News

- Batavia [Girls Basketball] breezes by Addison Trail [Daily Herald >](#)
- Batavia [Boys Basketball] 'process' nearly complete [Kane County Chronicle >](#)
- Marmion, Batavia navigate challenges to produce 3A wrestling state qualifiers [Kane County Chronicle >](#)
- 'Team Coffey' days at Batavia approaching an accomplished ending [Daily Herald >](#)
- Batavia's [Girls Gymnastics] McGee leads Fox Valley area contingent to state [Daily Herald >](#)
- Frazier hits 2K mark as Batavia girls basketball team shares River crown [Kane County Chronicle >](#)

Upcoming Events

Sync your mobile device(s) with BPS101.net [school calendars](#).

BSPN Annual Parent Resource Fair

Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m., Rotolo Middle School

Meet representatives from local organizations and businesses that serve students with special needs. [Details >](#)

Board of Education Meeting

Feb. 23, 7 p.m., Rosalie Jones Admin Center

[View](#) highlights from Jan. 26 Board Meeting
[Watch](#) recordings of previous Board Meetings on BATV

Music Buff’s 7th Annual Gala Night at the Grammys

Feb. 27, 6-11 p.m. - Fishermen’s Inn

Live entertainment, dancing, silent auctions, and raffles are just some of the activities in store for Music Buff’s 7th-Annual Gala. Ticket sales end on Feb. 7. [Purchase tix >](#)

Batavia Fine Arts Festival

March 4, 5-9 p.m. - Batavia Fine Arts Centre

Batavia High School is hosting its 4th-annual Batavia Fine Arts Festival and the entire community is invited! [Details >](#)

Donate Your Gently Used Prom Dress

March 14-April 8

Zano Salons and ChipIn Batavia are teaming up again to collect gently used prom dresses and shoes for local girls in need. Drop off your items at Zano’s Batavia location (2016 W. Wilson St.) during business hours between March 14 - April 8.

Batavia Bulldog Boosters Annual Dinner Dance

April 22, 6 p.m. - Gaslite Manor Banquets

Enjoy a night of food and fun with fellow Bulldog parents, fans, and coaches to celebrate another year of Bulldog sports success and raise money for future athletes. [Purchase tix >](#)

Backpack Mail

BPS101 often receives requests from community organizations to distribute informational fliers to students in their backpacks. In an effort to be environmentally conscientious, we use an electronic format to deliver this information, which we call “Backpack Mail.”

[View Backpack Mail >](#)