



Weekly Bulletin

“ There is just one life for each of us: our own.”
- Euripides

Upcoming Events

- Wed., July 30 – Adult Literacy Graduation
- Thurs., July 31 – Board Meeting/Retreat
- Sun., Aug. 3 – [Work Like a Dog Day](#)
- Tues., Aug. 12 – [International Youth Day](#)
- Wed., Aug. 13 – International Left Handers’ Day
- Thurs., August 21 – Regular Board Meeting

Follow this [link](#) to the BOCES Calendar of Events

A Message from Mike

Over the last 30 years how has technology changed our personal and professional lives? What are some of the innovations that were predicted during those three decades that seemed ridiculous at the time but came to fruition? Is Internet access a human right? Will we ever get to the point where we can “ingest” information – like taking a pill to learn Shakespeare? If these questions interest you, I encourage you to watch this [TED talk by MIT Media Lab founder Nicholas Negroponte](#). He examines his own predications over the last 30 years and makes new ones for the next 30. It’s a humorous and fascinating lesson about the history of recent technological advances and a stark reminder that what might seem silly, impractical, and impossible now, could actually become real and mainstream. To what extent are you able to suspend disbelief to predict the unpredictable? It’s an interesting exercise, and I hope you enjoy the video.

- Mike Doughty, Deputy Superintendent

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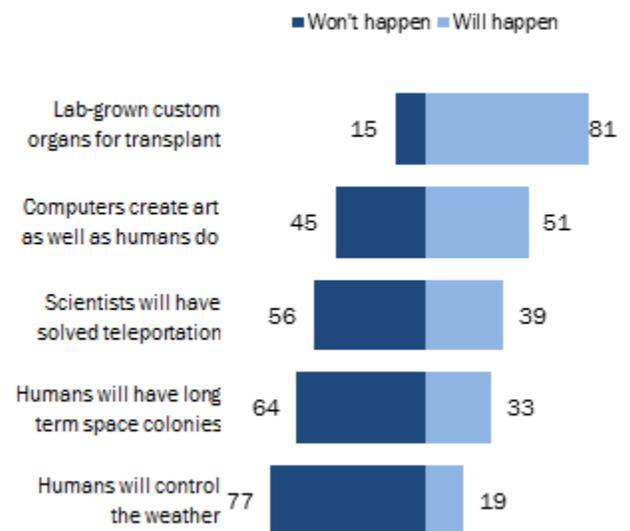
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Data Snapshot

(This might be a repeat, but it fits with what I wrote.)

50-year predictions

% of U.S. adults who feel that the following will/won't happen in the next 50 years



Pew Research Center, February 13-18 2014 survey, n=1,001.

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Technology Tip of the Week

Thanks to Diane Smith for the following tech tip:
Google Translate from English

Want to wish someone a **Happy Birthday** in another language? Click [here](#) to go to Google Translate.

1. With the dropdown arrow on the left, select the language you want to translate from. (in this example, English)
2. Next, using the dropdown arrow on the right, select the language you want to translate to. (in this example Danish)
3. Type the text you want to translate.
4. Here is how to say **Happy Birthday** in Danish: **tillykke med fødselsdagen**
5. Click on the Speaker icon to hear how it is pronounced.

The screenshot shows the Google Translate interface. The top part shows the input text 'happy birthday' and the output 'tillykke med fødselsdagen'. Red arrows point to the dropdown menus for selecting the source and target languages. The bottom part shows the expanded language selection menu with 'Danish' selected.

English	French	Spanish	Detect language	Indonesian	Danish	Spanish	
Afrikaans	Cebuano	Finnish	Hmong	Korean	Nepali	Somali	Welsh
Albanian	Chinese (Simplified)	French	Hungarian	Lao	Norwegian	Spanish	Yiddish
Arabic	Chinese (Traditional)	Galician	Icelandic	Latin	Persian	Swahili	Yoruba
Armenian	Croatian	Georgian	Igbo	Latvian	Polish	Swedish	Zulu
Azerbaijani	Czech	German	Indonesian	Lithuanian	Portuguese	Tamil	
Basque	Danish	Greek	Irish	Macedonian	Punjabi	Telugu	
Belarusian	Dutch	Gujarati	Italian	Malay	Romanian	Thai	
Bengali	English	Haitian Creole	Japanese	Maltese	Russian	Turkish	
Bosnian	Esperanto	Hausa	Javanese	Maori	Serbian	Ukrainian	
Bulgarian	Estonian	Hebrew	Kannada	Marathi	Slovak	Urdu	
Catalan	Filipino	Hindi	Khmer	Mongolian	Slovenian	Vietnamese	

Connecting with a Colleague

Each week, a staff member will be selected to complete a brief questionnaire to help us get to know him or her. This week we are connecting with **Jane Van Thof**.

- **What are your primary responsibilities?** I have many responsibilities, but my primary one would be payroll.
- **How long have you worked for BOCES?** I joined BOCES in March of 1996. I started at the Vollmer building in Henrietta, and then moved to East Rochester in June of that year to what we now call Bird/Morgan.
- **What is your favorite part of your job?** My favorite part of the job is seeing the kids. I love when they stop down to visit with us in the office. Many of them we have known since Kindergarten and it's great to see how they have progressed through the years.
- **What do you enjoy doing in your free time?** I enjoy going to our camp in Branchport on the weekends to enjoy the peace and quiet. I also enjoy spending time with my grandpuppy, Cooper.
- **What is one thing you would like people to know about you?** I love to cook for my family. I really enjoy when my boys, and daughter-in-law, stop in and we can all sit together as a family like we did when they were younger.



Programs & Services Update

NEW eLearning Bookmarks

If you haven't visited the updated [eLearning Site](#), take a look. The site is frequently updated with distance learning local and state events! We have also updated the [eLearning Bookmark](#) for quick information.

- Doreen Pietrantonj, Instructional Technology Specialist

Professional Development

The Monroe #1 Internal PD Catalog - **Keeping Us #1**

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities:

- Therapeutic Crisis Intervention - (Full Course) July 28-31 & August 25-28
- Aspects of Hearing Loss in an Aural/Oral World – August 6
- Instruction for All Cohort - begins August 18
- Creekside American Sign Language Introduction – August 21

Feedback from previous sessions of Instruction for All...

- ❖ *“This was the BEST PD I have been to in several years. I learned so much. Being out of college for a while, I appreciated the information that was imparted. It is useful for the classroom.”*
- ❖ *“Thank you to the wonderful trainers. They were interesting and kept things moving along, while giving us a chance to collaborate with colleagues.”*
- ❖ *“I loved the activities and the chance to interact with coworkers.”*

Follow this [link](#) to our Internal Catalog in **WinCapWEB** and enroll today!

- Annette Hauenstein, Coordinator of Curriculum, Instruction & Professional Development
Jodi Coniglio, Teacher Center Director

SANE (Sometimes Acronyms Need Explaining)

IAES - Interim Alternative Educational Setting

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