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Brocton Central School names Hall of Fame inductees

The Brocton Central School Alumni Association is pleased to announce the Hall of Fame inductees for the 2013-2014 year. The committee reviewed and studied several applications for this year's selection and induction. Two outstanding candidates were selected — Mark Zanghi, Class of 1972, and Derek Gee, Class of 1996.

eyes of The Buffalo News for the last 13 years. Gee was born in Provo, Utah and resided there until the family moved to Brocton. He is the son of Sharon and Scott Gee and has five brothers. Gee currently resides in Buffalo with his wife, Denise, who is a columnist and reporter at The Buffalo News and their 3-month-old son.

degrees from Hilbert College in Hamburg, NY (B.S. in Paralegal Studies, 2000) and Fredonia State University in Fredonia, NY (B.A. in Political Science, 1976). Mark was admitted to practice law in the state of Ohio in November 2004 and in the Federal Courts for the Southern District of Ohio in January 2012. He has been a member of the Ohio State Bar Association since 2004. Mark is a former member of the Knox County Bar Association, where he served as president, vice-president and secretary. He also formerly served as chairman of the Knox County Law Library Resources Board and on the Knox County Regional Planning Commission as representative for the city of Mount Vernon.



Derek Gee
Class of '96



Mark Zanghi
Class of '72

Derek Gee is the chief photographer at The Buffalo News, a position he was granted in 2009 after nearly a decade at the paper.

Gee joined the newspaper as an intern in 1999 and returned full-time after graduating with a degree in journalism from Boston University in 2000. During his tenure, he has won numerous awards from the Associated Press and the New York Newspaper Publishers Association and has seen his images published around the world. He is a 1996 graduate of Brocton High School, where he was editor-in-chief of the Brocton Review.

The spectrum of events and stories Gee has covered range from the aftermath of tragedies, such as the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the crash of Flight 3407 in Clarence, to history-making moments, like President Obama's visits to Western New York and Nik Wallenda's walk over Niagara Falls. Whether history in the making or simply the whimsy and joy of everyday life, Derek's extraordinary work ethic, creativity and sense of adventure are what have made him the

Mark is an assistant prosecuting attorney in the Civil Division of the Office of the Licking County, Ohio Prosecutor's Office.

Prior to joining the prosecutor's office in June 2011, he was an assistant Knox County Public Defender (2004-2011) and an associate attorney at the law firm of McDevitt, Mayhew and Malek, LPA in Mount Vernon, Ohio (2004-2011). Mark is a 2003 graduate of the Ohio Northern University College of Law in Ada, Ohio. While attending Ohio Northern, he was a member of the William Howard Taft Chapter of the American Inns of Court (2002-2003) and taught a civil procedure review class for first year law students (2001-2003). Mark was also the student representative at Ohio Northern for LexisNexis (2001-2003).

Mark served as law clerk (2002-2003) for the Hon. Richard K. Warren of the Allen County Common Pleas Court in Lima, Ohio. He also served judicial internships for the Hon. Salvatore Martoche (2001) and the Hon. Joseph Gerace (2000) of the New York State Supreme Court in Mayville, NY. Mark obtained his undergraduate

Prior to the commencement of his legal career in 2000, Mark was a sales representative (1994-1999) for Power Drives, Inc. in Falconer, NY, a distributor of electro-mechanical, hydraulic and pneumatic motion control products for industry. He was also formerly employed as the director of sales and marketing (1981-1994) for A.J. Wahl Inc. in Brocton, NY, a designer and manufacturer of machinery for the ceramic industry. Mark is a former member of the American Ceramic Society and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

Mark resides in Zanesville, Ohio with his wife, Pamela Kirst, and their son James Zanghi. Pam is the coordinator of adjunct services for Zane State College. Their older son Matthew resides in Jamestown, NY, with his wife Julie and daughters Alyssa and Kaelyn.

The Brocton Central School Alumni Association congratulates both of these inductees.

A Hall of Fame celebration will take place with a dinner on Saturday, Sept. 21, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Nickel Depot on Central Avenue in Brocton. For more information, please contact Mary Ellen Westin at 792-9472.



Submitted Photo
In this 2012 file photo, Monica Woodward, SUNY Fredonia graduate and Greystone Nature Preserve intern, gathers plastic litter.

International Coastal Cleanup on Saturday

The 2013 International Coastal Cleanup day is Saturday and marks the 28th year the Great Lakes Beach Sweep has participated in this important, annual event. After the large scale destruction caused by super storm Sandy, this year more than ever, your help is needed in cleaning the shores, rivers, beaches, lakes, streams and shorelines of marine debris.

Last year 5,645 volunteers removed 62,633 pounds of debris from 244 miles of New York shoreline. If you would like to see the results of the 2012 New York State Beach Cleanup, please visit the Cleanup Site at www.NYSBeachCleanup.org. All your hard work and enthusiasm is greatly appreciated and organizers hope they can

count on you again this year to join their effort.

This event has proven to be a significant activity for school children from elementary grades to college. Please encourage any educator or scout leader you know to participate. Cleanups are not only about trash. Cleanups are really about people making a difference and having an impact on the environment.

Diane Clark and Bill Moran with Greystone Nature Preserve is inviting the public at 10 a.m. to noon to the Barcelona beach. They will provide gloves, collection bags and data sheets. The results will be compiled and sent to the International Coastal Cleanup.

Sinclairville History fair winners announced

The Valley Historical Society has announced the winners of the various contests held at the 2013 Sinclairville History Fair.

The winners in the Grandma's Fruit Pie contest were Joe Maciejewski, first place, Helen Runge, second place and Jessie Anderson, third place. In the beautiful Baby Contest, Nevean Sarabria was named Pretty Princess and Donny Easton was named Prince Charming. Other winners were Emily Dingman, Andy Dollard, Kristen Heath, Wyatt Ellis, Katie Gustafson, Cooper Davis, Scotland Delahoy, Joseph Kelly, Owen Wilson, Bella

Swanson and Connor Nickerson.

In the Log Cutting Contest the winners were Josh Richir, under 2CI, Don Palmer under 3CI, Don Palmer under 4CI, Kyle Bolona under 5CI and Kyle Balona in the Any Saw class.

In the Car Cruise-in winners were Dan O'Brien 1936 Fairlane, first place, John Tontala 1979 Lincoln, second place and Don Dorman

1951 Ford, third place. The winners in the Antique Tractor show were Phyllis and Herb Skinner 1935 John Deere, Charles Palmer 1941 John Deere and Luke Risley 1952 John Deere.

In the Outhouse Races, first place was Doo Doo Express, second place was Bowel Function Junction and third place was Dirty Politics.

