

# Eagle Eye

BOLTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## GRADUATION

# Congratulations Class of 2009!

Generation Y, Echo Boomers, iGeneration, Millennium, Einstein, Google or Facebook Generation

Whatever the label for this group born in the palindrome year of 1991, they are the children of Baby Boomers and have grown up in a digital world.



### JUST THE FACTS

#### BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY

will take place on:

**Thursday, June 25 at 7 p.m.**

**First Baptist Church**

The ceremony is a joint effort between the senior class and church representatives from all faiths in the Bolton community.

#### CLASS OF 2009 COMMENCEMENT

will take place on:

**Friday, June 26 at 7 p.m.**

**BCS Gymnasium**

Each graduate will present flowers to their parents/guardians. Diplomas, as well as scholarships, will be conferred.



BCS graduating class gathers together before beginning the new chapter in their lives. Not pictured are: Tyler Ganter and Margaret Dagle, who are full-time students at Adirondack Community College.

Some demographers view the 1986 Challenger explosion and the fall of the Berlin Wall as the first major events that older Generation Yers will remember, separating them from Generation X. The fall of the Soviet Union and the First Gulf War serves as the midpoint and the 9/11 terrorist attacks as the endpoint, according to an article in "The Oberlin Review." The article also stated that the current Iraq War is the war this generation will likely identify with along with other recent occurrences such as Hurricane Katrina, the Indian Ocean Tsunami and the Columbine High School shooting.

The death of Princess Diana, the return of Hong Kong to China, the O.J. Simpson trial, the Oklahoma City bombing, the Monica Lewinsky scandal, Y2K, anthrax scares, the SARS epidemic and the avian flu are other events that will be remembered by this generation.

Transformers, Pogs, Cabbage Patch Kids, Tickle Me Elmo, Beanie Babies and Furby stuffed animals top their pop culture list.

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## Class of 2009 Continued from front cover.

For Cindy Ackerle, who has been the Class of 2009's class advisor since they were in seventh grade, this class could be described as dreamers and she wanted to share these words about daydreaming with them:

**"... There is no admonition severe enough to dislodge the day – dreams that fill a child's head. Rather than suppress those dreams, he should be ordered to obey them, for they are the true harbingers of his future self. They tell him who he is and what he wants and in which direction he should tend."**

**- An excerpt from "First You Have to Row a Little Boat" by Richard Bode.**

Mrs. Ackerle also described the graduating class as challenging and fun-loving. Some of her favorite memories of this class include a pen pal project when they were in seventh and eighth grades. Mrs. Ackerle said the students had pen pals with residents from the Countryside Adult Home, an assisted living facility. The students wrote letters and made cards for their pen pals and ended the project by spending half a day with the residents. "It was rewarding for all," commented Mrs. Ackerle.

This class also had a very unique prom, Mrs. Ackerle added. "In addition to the students taking ballroom dancing in preparation for the prom, they were the first class to hold an after-prom party. I was always surprised with the new things they were willing to try. They are all going to turn out fine in the future. The quieter kids are going to surprise everyone."

Retiring this year, Ted Caldwell, K-12 enrichment program coordinator; and Anne Greene and Mary Ann Ross, fourth grade teachers; all have fond memories of the students in the Class of 2009. One of the most memorable recollections for Ms. Ross was that this was the first class that went on local history trips with Mr. Caldwell when the students were in fourth grade.

Ms. Ross and Mrs. Greene said it was a good group of students. They worked hard as a group and got along well. Ms. Ross pointed out that there were three Dylans in the class when they were in fourth grade, that's when Dylan DiMauro took on the moniker of D.J. According to popular names for 1991, Dylan was 46th in the list. Another observation was there were a lot more boys in the class. To date, the class is comprised of 64 percent boys.

Mr. Caldwell recalls: "In mid September of 2002, I took the Class of 2009 to Raquette Lake for three days of canoeing and outdoor education. One canoe trip took us up the Marion River to the railroad carry that led to Utowanna Lake. About a mile from the carry we came upon a low beaver dam that blocked the river. Some of the canoes were able to power over the dam and continue on. One canoe, however, contained Officer McKinney in the stern and Mark Lemise in the bow. With Officer McKinney's encouragement Mark summoned up all of his strength, and they attempted to power the canoe over the dam. Other canoes approached the scene to find Mark sitting in the bow smiling and Officer McKinney in the stern looking forlorn. The dam had become the fulcrum of a canoe seesaw, and the cheering students were saying, "Officer McKinney, we 'dare' you to get out of the canoe.

"I have worked with the Class of 2009 for 13 years, and every year brought experiences such as Raquette Lake. The class has been a pleasure, and I have loved sharing my wisdom with such a unique group of young people."

According to a questionnaire given to members of the senior class to discover some of their favorite memories from their years at BCS, what they remember most include: field trips, sports, Senior Seminar, Board meetings, crew, The Spot, band trips and parades, Model U.N. trips, passing notes in class, lunch, prom, field trips, bake sales, driver's education, and basketball practices.

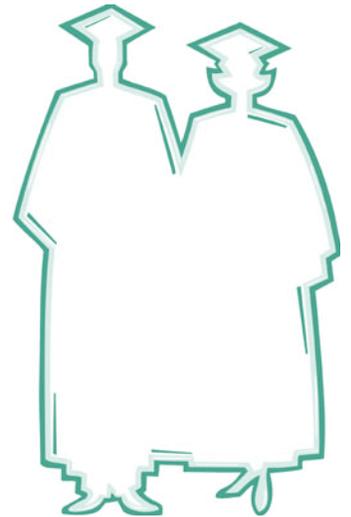
Amanda Moffit commented that some of her favorite memories are the crazy nicknames, jokes and random noises her class came up with.

For half of the 22 Class of 2009 students, who began their education at BCS in kindergarten, they've already spent 75 percent of their lives together creating a camaraderie to last a lifetime.

Catie Smith summed it up when she answered a questionnaire about her favorite memories at BCS. She said, "My favorite memories have been all of my friends and our class really bonding and all becoming friends this year."



High school study support teacher Cindy Ackerle was the Class of 2009's advisor.



# Top Five Academic Students

## Rising Stars from the Class of 2009

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The top five students are: Benjamin Gaddy, Michael Pratt, Kathleen Bliley, Tyler Ganter, and Margaret Dagle.

**Benjamin, Valedictorian**, is the son of Deborah and John Gaddy of Bolton Landing. He has achieved an average of 92.1% in his high school career. He has been active in the Outing and Key Clubs, Student Council, Youth and Government, Model U.N., has been a member of the National Honor Society since 10th grade, and played the trombone in band. He also played Varsity soccer, basketball and baseball.

Attending BCS since kindergarten, Ben said, "I'm glad I was able to be in everything. I like the small classes. In Bolton you are someone and everyone knows who you are."

He will attend Ohio State University where he will take the exploration program, which is a general program exploring different interests. Ben said he's not sure in which direction he'll go yet, he's leaning toward aviation or medicine.

**Michael, Salutatorian**, is the son of Stacia and Donald Pratt. He has achieved an average of 90.72%. Michael said despite having an undeclared major at SUNY Oswego, where he'll attend in the fall, he's interested in science and will probably major in biology or chemistry in the future.

Born in Tampa, Fla., Michael moved around a lot before settling into attending BCS in seventh grade. He's been a member of the National Honor Society since 10th grade, involved in Drama Club, Outing Club, and Model U.N., played the trumpet in band and jazz band, and was in chorus. Michael also played Varsity baseball, soccer and basketball. He played the role of the beast in "Beauty and the Beast," and Raoul, the Vicomte de Chegny in "Phantom of the Opera."

When asked what his most favorite memory from BCS was he said, "I loved the Outing Trip this year to the Grand Canyon and Las Vegas."

**Kathleen** is the daughter of Jeannene Weichbrodt of Bolton Landing. She has achieved an average of 90.55% during her high school career. Katie has been a member of the National Honor Society since 10th grade, a member of the Spanish and Key Clubs, played Varsity soccer, basketball and softball. She will attend Towson University in Maryland and study either biology or chemistry.

She's not sure what she wants to do yet, but is thinking maybe a physical therapist or pharmacist.

She attended BCS since kindergarten and said what she liked best about her school experience was that she was able to play Varsity sports.

**Tyler**, the son of Joanne Ganter and Chris Fracchia, lives in Diamond Point. He has achieved an average of 88.925% during his high school career. He attended Adirondack Community College in his senior year and will transfer this fall to the University at Buffalo and major in industrial engineering.

Since sixth grade, Tyler has attended BCS and participated in Youth and Government, the Outing Club, and played Varsity soccer and basketball. Outside of school, he kayaks, rock climbs, and plays guitar.

**Margaret** is the daughter of Vandra and Chester Dagle of Bolton Landing. She has achieved an average of 86% during her high school career. She attended Adirondack Community College during her senior year majoring in liberal arts. She's not sure which college she'll transfer to, but she'd like to become a special education teacher.

One of her favorite memories from her 13 years at BCS, is playing basketball, which she played from fourth grade to her junior year. While at BCS, she was involved in chorus and Youth and Government.





# Meet BCS's C

## It's just the beginning of their lives for this year's graduates

The graduates take with them memories from their school days as they begin a new chapter in their lives. Which



**Kathleen Bliley**, daughter of Jeannene Weichbrodt of Bolton Landing, will attend Towson University in Maryland in the fall.



**Bianca Braman**, daughter of Margaret and Warren Braman, lives in Bolton Landing. Bianca will attend SUNY Potsdam where she will major in art education.



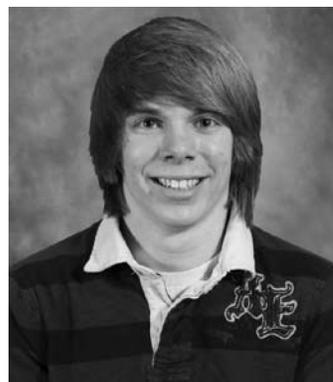
**Jennifer Butterfield**, daughter of Julie Curren and Michael Butterfield, lives in Diamond Point. Jennifer will attend Adirondack Community College, where she will study structural design.



**Robert Chapman**, son of Laura and Stuart Chapman of Diamond Point, will attend Hudson Valley Community College, where he will study auto body work.



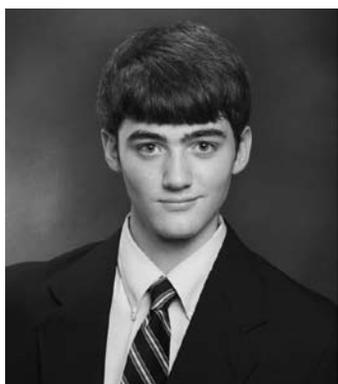
**Tyler Ganter**, son of Joanne Ganter and Chris Fracchia, lives in Diamond Point. Tyler will attend the University at Buffalo and major in industrial engineering.



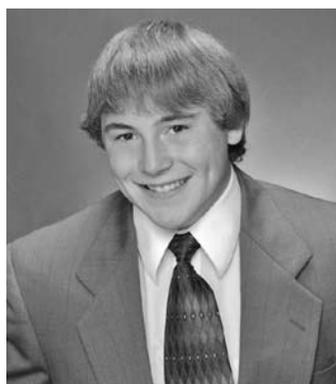
**Dylan Grzyb**, son of Cheryl and Barry Grzyb of Bolton Landing, will attend Hudson Valley Community College where he will major in computer science.



**Mark Lemise**, son of Robin and Mark Lemise of Bolton Landing, will attend Adirondack Community College where he will study media arts.



**Michael Pratt**, son of Stacia and Donald Pratt, lives in Bolton Landing. Michael will attend SUNY Oswego.



**Casey Russ**, son of Melanie Masters of Bolton Landing, will attend New England College in New Hampshire.



**Jacob Russell**, son of Leslie and Donald Russell of Bolton Landing, will attend Herkimer Community College, where he will major in liberal arts.



**Raymond Sammis**, son of Judy and Richard Sammis of Bolton Landing, will attend Adirondack Community College where he will major in criminal justice.

# Class of 2009

es as they move forward to discover what life has to offer.



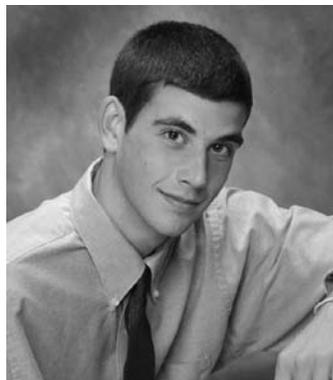
path to take, is upmost on their minds. Here's a snapshot of which direction they have chosen (at least for now).



**Margaret Dagles**, daughter of Vandra and Chester Dagles of Bolton Landing, will attend Adirondack Community College where she will major in liberal arts.



**Dylan DiMauro**, son of Kathy and Laurence DiMauro of Bolton Landing, will attend Arkansas State University, where he will study music education.



**Samuel Gabriels**, son of Gail and Chris Gabriels of Bolton Landing, will attend Green Mountain College in Vermont.



**Benjamin Gaddy**, son of Deborah and John Gaddy of Bolton Landing, will attend Ohio State University, where he will major in the exploration program.



**Amanda Moffitt**, daughter of Connie and Steve Moffitt of Diamond Point, will attend Hudson Valley Community College where she will major in business.



**Cassandra Norton**, daughter of Shirley and David Norton of Bolton Landing, will attend Russell Sage College and major in musical theater.



**Ashley Olden**, daughter of Tammy Goodnow and Todd Olden, lives in Bolton Landing. Ashley will attend Adirondack Community College.



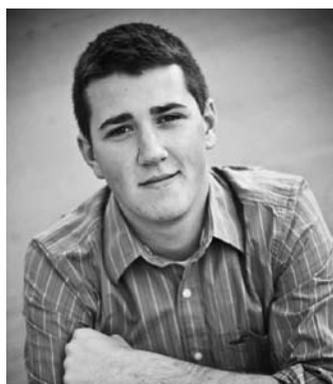
**Hsiu-Ming Tu**, better known as Cindy, is the daughter of the Reverend Doctor Te Ming Tu and Mrs. Dale Ching of Taipei, Taiwan.\*



**Catherine Smith**, daughter of Susan Millington and Tom Smith, lives in Bolton Landing. Catherine will attend the University of New Haven in Connecticut and major in liberal arts.



**Ryan St. Amour**, son of Cindy St. Amour and David Tice, lives in Bolton Landing. Ryan will attend the Career and Technical Education program and study HVAC and building trades.



**Shawn Thomson**, son of Kelly and Stephen Baker of Bolton Landing, will attend Hudson Valley Community College.



**Brian Vilmar**, son of Pamela and Donald Vilmar of Diamond Point, will attend the Universal Technical Institute where he will study auto mechanics.

\*Cindy has spent this year as a Rotary International sponsored member of the senior class of Bolton Central School. She is considered an honorary graduate and as an exchange student is not eligible to receive a diploma.

# Scholarship Association.....

## Continuing to Assist Bolton Grads

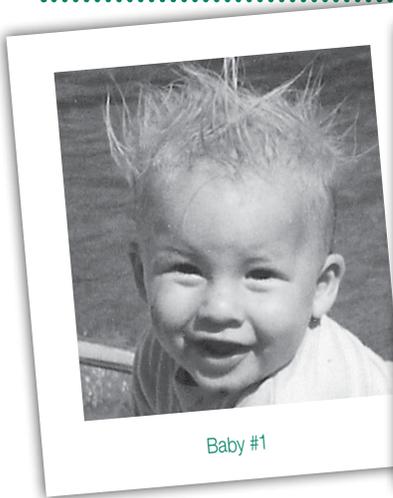
Thirty more BCS alumni have received cash grants from the Bolton Scholarship Association for 2009. The Bolton Scholarship Association has now awarded a total of more than \$200,000 in financial assistance to former Bolton students enrolled in college.

The Bolton Scholarship Committee met in February and awarded 30 new scholarships to deserving alumni from Bolton Central School. The total amount disbursed this year was \$5,983. Originally established as a loan-giving group, the Scholarship Committee now grants the scholarships outright to deserving Bolton graduates. The Class of 2009 will be eligible to apply for scholarships when they complete their freshman year of college.

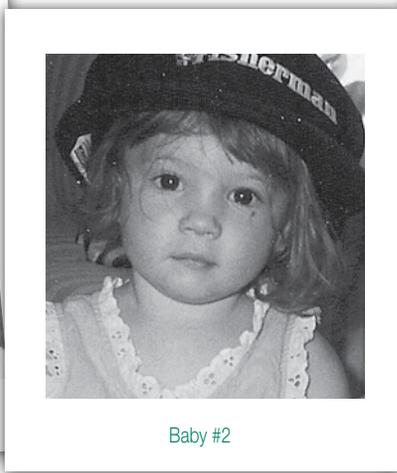
Students must submit a college transcript and have a G.P.A. of at least 2.50 to qualify. Awards are granted to students attending two-year and four year colleges and technical/trade schools.

The Bolton Scholarship Committee makes the grants from its endowment fund, and awards are based on the annual interest earned by this fund. This keeps the scholarship fund self-sustaining.

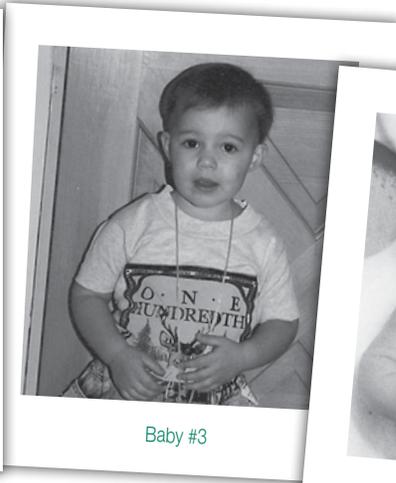
This year's scholarship recipients include: Andrea Andersen, Christopher Bliley, Jacqueline Bliley, Amanda Coreno, Kyle Cronquist, Matthew Curren, Kenneth Dagles, Devin DiMauro, Kelsey Dutra, James Gabriels, Katherine Greene, Ali Grzyb, Andrew Havey, Kelsey Kneeshaw, John Jensen, Cody Kober, Maggie O'Rourke, Brooke Persons, Lauren Quigan, Michael Quigan, Kristen Rafferty, John Reilly, Amy Rich, Alexandra Ronning, Kristy Schupp, Luke Shane, Daniel Sheridan, David Smith, Lindsay Totzke, and Ashley Truax.



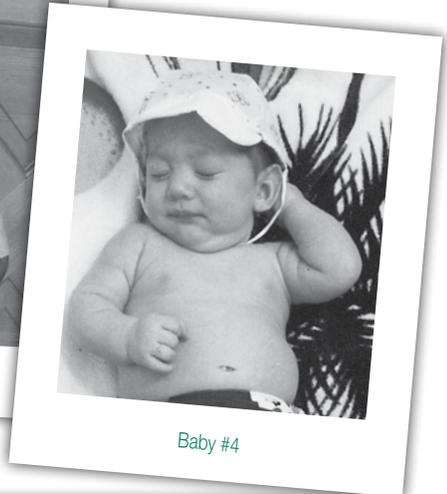
Baby #1



Baby #2



Baby #3



Baby #4

## Guess Who?

### Can You Match the Baby Photo With The Top Five Grad?

Technology is a big part of these graduates' life. Digitally archiving photos is easier than it has ever been, which also means it's more difficult to escape having us dig up old photos.

See if you can match up the top five graduates with their baby photos. Answers are listed below.

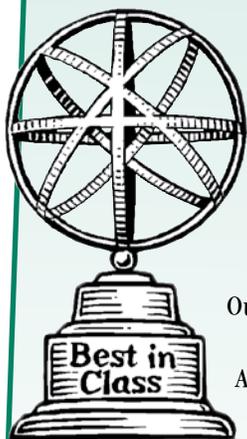


Baby #5

1. Benjamin Gaddy
2. Kathleen Bliley
3. Margaret Dagles
4. Michael Pratt
5. Tyler Ganter

# Thanks to a Generous Community Senior Awards Are Possible

Thanks to the generosity of the Bolton community, many Bolton seniors will receive awards at graduation. These awards are presented for a variety of achievements, some for academic accomplishments and others for community service. The following are the Senior Awards for 2009:



- American Legion Post 961 Awards
- Award in Memory of Amy Finkle & Helen Aldrich
- Award in Memory of Steven R. Chapman
- Award in Memory of Nancy Parker Neumann
- Award in Memory of James D. Smith, Jr.
- Col. M.C. Baillie Leadership Award
- Maria P. Baillie Kindness Award
- Phyllis Jean Baillie Friendship Award
- Bolton Booster Club Scholarships
- B.C.S.D. Board of Education Salutatorian Award
- B.C.S.D. Board of Education Valedictorian Award
- Bolton Chamber of Commerce Award in Memory of Olaf Ronning for Outstanding CTE Student
- Bolton Chamber of Commerce Award in Memory of James Slattery for Outstanding Improvement in CTE
- Bolton Fellowship Award
- Bolton Landing Business Association
- Bolton League of Fine Arts & Soave Faire Arts Award
- Bolton Rescue Squad Awards
- Bolton Teachers' Association Award
- Bolton Volunteer Fire Department Award in Memory of Rich Gollhofer
- Chic's Marina Award in Memory of James Maroney, for the Highest GPA in Physics
- Crary Foundation Award
- The Thomas and Theta Curri Award by the Curri Children
- Empire State Award
- Glens Falls Kiwanis Club Awards
- Indian Tepee Gift Shop Award for Computer Education Excellence
- Knights of Pythias Award
- Maynard D. Baker Funeral Home "Sobering Thought" Award
- McCarthy & Conlon Professional Scholarship
- NYS Lottery Scholarship
- NY State Office of Comptroller Achievement Awards
- Christine Perry Memorial Scholarship
- Principal's Leadership Award
- Senior Physical Education Awards by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Muscatello
- Outstanding Senior Music Awards by James Miller & Stanley Walkanowski
- Award in Memory of Hazel B. Ramsay by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas B. Ramsay
- Award in Memory of Elsa Reichenbach from the William Reichenbach Estate
- Roesite Awards
- Scholarships for Academic Excellence
- Snyder Family Award in Memory of Winifred Snyder for the Seniors With the Most Number of Credits
- Elsa Steinbach Award for Fine Arts
- Steves Family Technology Award in Memory of Phillips E. and Gary P. Steves
- Tennent Family & Devinlore, Inc. Award in Memory of David Lewis Tennent
- Triple C Award in recognition of Character, Courage & Commitment - from the NYS Attorney General
- Woodmen of the World Award
- Humanities Award in Memory of Eleanor Zamore
- Valedictorian Award in Memory of Harry Zamore

# Booster Club Scholarships

For the last 15 years, the Bolton Booster Club has awarded several scholarships to the athletes in our community.

The club is fortunate to be able to sponsor a golf tournament each year at the Sagamore Golf Course. The Sagamore's generosity and commitment to the youth in our community is greatly appreciated.

This year the Booster Club presented six scholarships to senior Varsity athletes. Recipients for the 2009 awards are: Katie Bliley, who will be attending Towson University; Sam Gabriels, who will be attending Green Mountain College; Ben Gaddy, who will be attending Ohio State University; Amanda Moffitt, who will be attending Hudson Valley Community College; Donny Sammis, who will be attending Adirondack Community College; and Brian Vilmar, who will be attending Universal Technical Institute. All of these student-athletes are well-rounded individuals who have contributed to their community through their involvement with sports. These students have demonstrated a commitment to their academics and other various extracurricular activities. They also display a great sense of pride in their school and are leaders to their teammates and younger students.

The Booster Club also presents an Athletic Citizenship Award to an athlete who not only shows and meets the requirements of good sportsmanship, but also possesses skills, knowledge and strong character. This year's recipient is Ben Gaddy. Ben has been involved in athletics and outdoor activities from a very young age. He has also participated on the soccer, basketball and baseball teams since seventh grade and has earned numerous awards for his outstanding participation. His commitment to Bolton is noteworthy. Ben has coached youth basketball and has participated at various events through the United Methodist Church. Ben is recognized as being a polite person, a great role model, a leader among his peers, honest, good-natured, and an individual with strong character. These all indicate that he is a well-rounded, respected graduate and has made everyone better by being around him.

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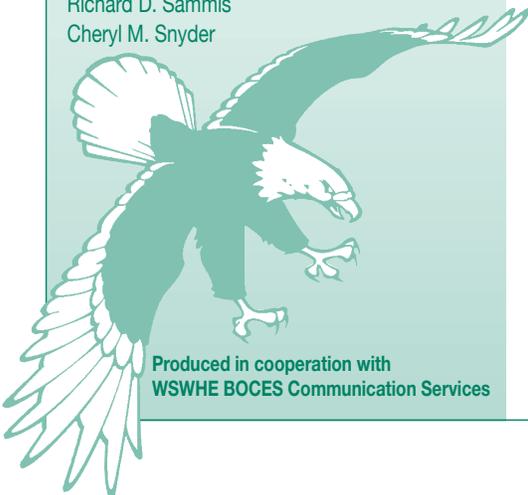
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