Spectrum News featured the new Rogers Middle School Newspaper Club. It publishes every other month. Students are showing great pride in their work with co-advisors and teachers, Lindsay Lennertz and Jessica Steubing.

Irondequoit senior Alyssa Calarco is a DECA national finalist. She finished second in the Knowledge Matters Entrepreneurship 10-day computer simulation competition. She finished ahead of 46 teams from seven states.

The Irondequoit Rotary Club has handed out free dictionaries to our third-graders for the past 15 years and that tradition continued this year. Rotary members spoke recently to students about what Rotary does for the community and some neat things to discover in the dictionary.

Sophomore George Ligozio won his first Section V Class B diving championship! Two-time defending champion and senior Michael Wood couldn’t compete because of an injury, but Ligozio stepped up to win with a personal-best score of 429.65 points. Wood will compete in states later this month. He and IHS diving coach Teresa Fox were featured on the Connors & Ferris High School Sports Show.

On the same night the IHS hockey team honored 23 staff members on Teacher Appreciation Night, the Eagles won their first game, 4-3, over Geneseo/Avon/Livonia. Seventh-seeded IHS is playing No. 2 Aquinas right now in their Section V Class B tournament quarterfinals at Lakeshore Arena.

Monroe County Executive Adam Bello, Town Supervisor Rory Fitzpatrick, Legislator Dave Long and West Irondequoit school board member, Mrs. Ann Cunningham, were all guests in Mrs. Gottfried’s fourth-grade class at Iroquois. They spoke as part of a class project focused on change called, Stand Up.

Seniors Gabby Cannizzo, Maddie Carey and Lucie Graziano won the first Section V Championship in Nordic Skiing in school history. They won the 3-kilometer relay race at Bristol Mountain. Gabby also finished fifth in the individual race and qualified for states for the 2nd straight year.

A district-wide team of more than 20 people, including staff and students called the Irondequoit Icy Eagles, raised more than $4,200 for Special Olympics by participating in the annual Polar Plunge at Ontario Beach State Park.