



TAMMI KNAPIK

## Scientifically speaking

Imagine Nation hosted St. Joseph School's science fair on Feb. 9. Above, these first graders-- Patrick Russo, left, Jordyn Platz, Betzy Guaman, Ben Shea, and Emma Perron worked together on a project about matter. Below, Bartosz Rucz did his project on what elements makes nails rust faster



## Forestville group offering annual scholarships

The Forestville Village Association is again offering an annual scholarship. This \$500 scholarship will be presented to a graduating senior continuing his or her education at a two- or four-year college. He or she will be a student who lives in or has a family/job connection to Forestville. Although a connection is not mandatory to win this scholarship, it

will be preferred. The FVA encourages others to apply. The recipient must live in Bristol/Forestville or attend a Bristol school. He or she will be at least a solid "B" student involved in com-

munity and/or extracurricular school activities. All applications must be returned to your guidance office no later than March 31.

## Bristol TEC holding open house

Bristol Technical Education Center will hold an evening Open House on Thursday, March 18 from 5 to 7 p.m. (Snow date is March 22).

The unique program of studies at Bristol Tech allows students in their junior and senior year to learn a technical skill that supplements their sending school's academic program. In addition to the technical training, BTEC also provide academic courses in English, mathematics and three areas of social studies so that students will gain the credits necessary to earn their high school diploma from their sending school at the same time as the rest of

their graduating class. Bristol Tech students are also allowed to participate in all of their sending school's extracurricular activities (sports, the arts, etc.). An additional benefit of our school is that all eligible students have an opportunity through on the job training to earn income and gain trade work experience by participating in the Work Based Learning Program (W.B.L.).

Students who successfully complete the program will receive a certificate in their technical area in addition to a high school diploma from their sending school (upon completion of graduation requirements).

At the Open House, demonstrations will be offered in six technical areas: Automotive, Culinary Arts, Electronics, Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning/Refrigeration, Manufacturing Technology and Welding/Metal Fabrication.

These programs are also available for post high school graduates interested in a new career or in changing careers.

For more information please visit our website at [www.cttech.org/bristol](http://www.cttech.org/bristol) or call (860) 584-8433 ext. 323.

Bristol Technical Education Center is located at 431 Minor St. Bristol, CT 06010.

## Runner to hit marathon to help Jamie Botteon

James O'Brien is going the extra mile—26.2 miles to be exact.

He is currently training to compete in the Mayor's Marathon in Anchorage, Alaska, which will take place on June 19. In conjunction with his training, O'Brien also is raising money for the Connecticut chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society with its Team in Training program. James is participating in honor of 16-year-old Jamie Botteon from Bristol who was diagnosed

with Acute Myelogenous Leukemia on Dec. 15. She is currently undergoing chemotherapy.

Each member of the society's Team in Training program is paired with a local honored teammate who acts as his/ her inspiration go finish the race. A professional staff of coaches provides a comprehensive training program to keep participants informed on preparation, nutrition and injury prevention.

O'Brien, a Bristol

Eastern graduate and UConn graduate, is a Bank of America employee. This will be his second marathon for Team in Training.

O'Brien is looking to raise \$5,200 for leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's Disease and melanoma research, patient services and community service programs by April 9. Send checks to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society to James O'Brien, 600 Clark Ave., Unit 41, Bristol, CT 06010.

## Youth Recognition Award nominees sought

The Bristol Youth Commission is seeking nominations of youth of all ages who in the last year have volunteered to make a meaningful contribution to their school, community or non-profit organization. Applications to nominate a

youth or youth group may be obtained by visiting the website

at [www.ci.bristol.ct.us](http://www.ci.bristol.ct.us), Youth Services, Youth Recognition Awards or call Bristol Youth Services at (860) 314-4690. Nominations must be submitted no later than April 5

by 4:00 p.m.

Qualifying youth will be recognized and honored by the mayor, City Council and the Youth Commission at the May 11 City Council Meeting, Bristol City Hall, North Main Street, Bristol at 7 p.m.

## Dunkin' Donuts offering \$1,000 scholarships

Dunkin' Donuts franchisees will award 100 \$1,000 scholarships to qualified high school seniors in Connecticut. Applications are online at [www.dunkin-](http://www.dunkin-)

[www.dunkin-donuts.com/scholarship](http://www.dunkin-donuts.com/scholarship).

The scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an

accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.

The deadline date for all online applications is March 15, 2010.

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