NPHS FRIDAY MESSAGE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

March 31, 2023

Happy Friday NPHS Families,

With spring recess on the horizon, I know we are all looking forward to taking a break from our academic and extracurricular activities. The academic year has been challenging, yet encouraging. Today H.S. students had a chance to unplug during our Wellness Afternoon activities which included live music, a dance party, a badminton tournament, lawn games, board games, sidewalk chalk and quiet spaces in the Library. Thank you to all of our staff members that helped make this possible.

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April 3-7 Spring Recess (school closed)

April 10 No BOCES Classes

April 14 End of 3rd Marking Period



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SPANISH

Students in Mr. Knittel's Spanish classes have been participating in the

Locura de Marzo. Over 1,500 schools from 20 different countries participated in this song competition between 16 different Spanish musicians. Students were discusses the artists and the songs, honing their listening comprehension skills, learning about different aspects of Hispanic culture and dance in class. Argentine rapper Paulo Londra won the final with his song No Puedo against Shakira and BZRAP's song Music sessions #53. Much fun was had over the last three weeks of this competition.



ENGLISH

Over the past three weeks, English 10 classes visited the Denizen Theater in New Paltz to view a production of An Iliad, a modern adaptation of Homer's classic. Afterwards they participated in the Q&A session with the lead actor, cellist, stage producer, and executive director of the theater.

Perturb. Dramaturgy. Schooner. Rhododendron.

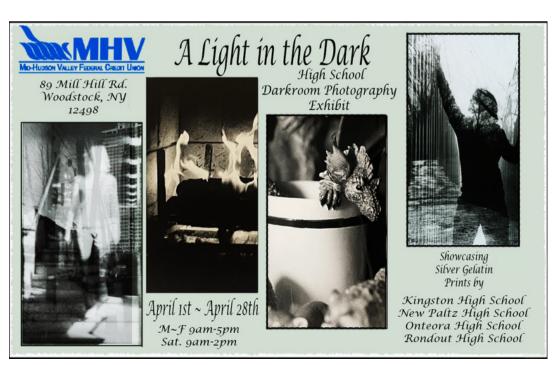
On Tuesday March 28th, 16 students from New Paltz High School participated in the Literacy Connections of the Hudson Valley 29th Annual Community Spelling Bee! Designed to bring people together to have fun for a good cause. The Bee directly supports literacy services for adults and children in our community. In pairs of two, students participated in ten rounds of spelling, with three student teams from New Paltz even making the finals of the event! Students also enjoyed a campus tour of Marist College, the continental breakfast, and door prizes and swag bags from the event - including a stuffed dinosaur! -Ms. Hayden





PHOTOGRAPHY

Nylla Gullickson, Johnny Lynn, Mackenzie MacPadden-Gambler, Phoebe Stacey and Fiona Walsh, students in Mr. Martin's Studio in Photography course have been selected to represent New Paltz High School at the 11th Annual 'A Light in the Dark High School Photography Show.' The work displayed will consist of area high schools that continue to work in traditional black and white film photography. The other area high schools participating are Kingston, Onteora and Rondout. The show will be at the Mid-**Hudson Valley Credit Union in** Woodstock. - Mr. Martin



Music, smiles, and even dancing were present this Wednesday at the NPHS Band's Jazz Cabaret! Great job to student band members, drum majors, and section leaders, and a special thank you to Mr. Castro and Mrs. Schaefer-Salamone for organizing the dance finale. Thank you also to our sponsors - Starbucks (coffee), ShopRite (supplies and groceries), Keegan Ales (Root Beer), and Stewart's Shops (Ice Cream and dishware). - Mr. Newsome

Jazz Band

woodwinds Molly Bogart Miko Fusco & Laura Hovey Caleb Lai Kyle Newman& Cami Sahulka Jenna Vasquez Andres Galvan Clio Miller

alto saxophone Scarlette Cabrera & Lindsey Clinton& Bebe Cosgrove& Dylan Friedman& Lexi Friedman Mia Gagne & Blanca Garcia Ashleigh Koenig Ella Pons **Bodhi Stevens** Hisashi Shimada& Jenna Vasquez

tenor saxophone Josh Cotter& JP Fahella Julia Pankowska& Maya Pizzarello

baritone saxophone Jacob Alma Max Strauchler Mia Welz &

trumpet Sam Hollman& Ella Murphy Josh Pappace Josie Quinn& Sandra Rodriguez Koby Wulfmeyer **Bradley Hart**

trombone Thornton Eis Jack Faure Landon Fracasse Loyal Goodermote& Erik Jimenez Griffin Landrum **Cadence Power** Bernard Sahulka Sofia Zigouras Phoenix Johnston

tuba John Goodermote

Jack Gates

Evan Rice

Kyle Newman & Zenon Galvan & bass Quin Harris John Kelly III &

piano Sage Rochetti& Max Hawkins& Griffin Bacon& Landon Fracasse& Sam Hollman&

<u>drums</u> Andrew Balaban **Beckett Evans** Simon Garcia Trey Nitza Ciara Reilly Ben Lipson Joaquin Cohn

& denotes student playing a second or new instrument in this ensemble



















NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION

The National Honor Society inducted 61 new members on March 27th:



Marzan Akther

Laiba Amjad

Mia Belmar

Hanna Beukelman

Riley Burdick

Piper Casey

Darren Chen

Naomi Chesky

Katherine Cholakis

Raamina Chowdhury

Claire Coiteux

Julia Combs

Kaylie DeGrassi

Giuliana DiBenedetto

Margaret DiDonna

Flavia Drazek Thornton Eis

Charles Ettinger

Hannah Ettinger Beckett Evans

Mason Eyler

Marla Mae Feeney

Sofie Figueroa

Aurora Gerber Eva Goldschein

Anna Goodman

Avery Greger

Grace Hacker

Campbell Heiz

Sadia Islam

Stella Keskey

Ana Kirsch



Melanie Kniffen

Marcus Kutzin

Nicholas Kutzin

Gray Lobell

Rebecca Lucchesi

Gabriella Lutz

Jonathan Lynn

Addison MacDonald

Jahara Maliha

Kalle Masseo

Mackenzie McPadden-Gamble

Dylan McQuade-Dolan

Yobana Mercado-Nunez

Soleil Miller

Trey Nitza

Quinn Oremus

Katie Otis

Daphne Paul-LaRonca

Parker Reed

Mae Rogers

Georgia Schultz

Santino Scilla

Oscar Vandermer

Savino Ventura

Brooke Vos

Lucas Weinman Henry Wheeler

Koby Wulfmeyer

Aili Zissu

CLUB NEWS

The International/Latino Heritage Club attended the Flamenco Ballet and Latin-American Dance Show at Tarrytown Music Hall today. Some of us made it to the stage too! A great opportunity to enjoy and share a bit of our culture. - Mr. Castro



WOMEN'S HISTORY

On Thursday, March 30, NPHS celebrated the end of Women's History Month with a scavenger hunt. Twenty-seven students and faculty dressed up as famous women or women's rights advocates. The students who found and identified these people won prizes. Alaura Sheeley won first prize, followed by Addison Mumford and Henry Millman who tied for second place. Third place winners (a three-way tie) were Roxy Deney-Bhayat, Julia Fetherolf, and Dylan Friedman. Our best costume winner was Wendy Zhao as Queen Mary I (Bloody Mary). Thanks to everyone for their participation in this fun event! Ms. Seim





ATHLETICS

Kalle Masseo represented New Paltz at the NYSPHSAA Student Leadership Conference in Albany on Thursday, March 30th where current sophomores and juniors had the opportunity to sharpen their leadership skills by listening to presentations from a variety of speakers and participating in workshops to help positively influence their teams, athletic departments, schools, and communities.



Come check out the first ever "Strike-Out Cancer" Baseball Tournament on Thursday April 6th! The New Paltz High School Varsity Baseball team will be competing against Highland at 11:00 AM and Marlboro at 1:00 PM. The tournament will be at Tony Williams Field, S Riverside Road in Highland. Food and drinks will be available for purchase, t-shirts and bracelets will also be sold. All proceeds and donations will go to the Dyson Center for Cancer Care and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center.

