

NPHS FRIDAY MESSAGE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

February 24, 2023



SOCA members with Mr. Drew Andrews and members of the Center 4 Creative Education

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Happy Friday NPHS Families,

We look forward to hosting our Parent Teacher Conferences, which will take place on Thursday, March 16th from 6:00-8:00 pm. To schedule an appointment, visit the high school website under For Parents and click Parent/Teacher Conferences in the drop-down menu. Bookings will close on March 16th at noon.

Please note that you must include an email address when booking your appointment. All conferences will be in person. You will receive a confirmation email containing your appointment schedule immediately after booking.

If you would like interpreter services, please click on the Interpreter box in Schoolbookings.

As always, please contact Annie DeLongis in the main office at 845-256-4102; adelongis@newpaltz.k12.ny.us. if you have questions.

Important Dates

February 24th- Snow Ball Dance 7:00 - 9:30 pm

March 3rd- End of 25-week marking period

March Musical Production Dates Thursday, 23rd @ 7:30pm

Friday, 24th @ 7:30pm, Saturday, 25th @ 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Around NPHS

Thank you to the SOCA Club, Mr. Cook and all families and staff members that helped in making this year's Black History Month celebration a huge success!



PIGLETS

The PIGLETS Class of 2023 visited the NYS Capitol on Monday, February 6, 2023. They had the opportunity to see the NYS Senate and Assembly. In addition, PIGLET, Nora Preston, connected with NYS Senator Michelle Hinchey and coordinated a class meeting with her to discuss serving as an elected official and state issues.



FIVE STUDENTS (MARZAN AKTHER, CARMELA CIARDIELLO, EMILY INGA, SADIA ISLAM, AND JAHARA MALIHA) WERE ACCEPTED INTO THE NEW YORK STATE STEP (SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ENTRY PROGRAM) STEP'S MISSION IS TO ENHANCE THE MATH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SKILLS OF UNDERREPRESENTED AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS FROM LOCAL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS. THIS PAST FRIDAY, THEY ATTENDED THEIR FIRST OF FIVE SATURDAY ACADEMIES WHERE THEY SPENT THE DAY PARTICIPATING IN SCIENCE MODULES AND EXPERIMENTS RANGING FROM COMPUTER SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS, ROBOTICS, PSYCHOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, LAW, AND THE MEDICAL FIELD. AT THIS PROGRAM WHICH IS BEING HELD AT SUNY NEW PALTZ, PARENTS ARE ALSO INVITED TO ATTEND FREE WORKSHOPS ON FINANCIAL AID AND OTHER TOPICS RELATED TO SUPPORTING THEIR STUDENTS' EDUCATION. THEIR SATURDAY ACADEMIES WILL TAKE PLACE ONCE A MONTH UNTIL JUNE AND THEY ALL HAVE REPORTED VERY POSITIVE EXPERIENCES.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, YOU CAN REACH MR. CASTRO AT
RCASTRO@NEWPALTZ.K12.NY.US.**

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

The Science Olympiad team competed against 33 teams in the Mid Hudson Regional Tournament at John Jay High School. NPHS was represented by Mike Lynn, Sage Rochetti, Sofia Loyer, Aaron Birnbaum, Joe Birnbaum, Darren Chen, Charlie DePoala, Charlie Ettinger, Mason Eyler, Aurora Gerber, Lalita Ma, Calvin Maher, Clio Miller, Josh Ridenour, and Brooke Pitcher.

All of our graduating seniors won medals in their events!!

Sage Rochetti and Joseph Birnbaum won a medal in the Green Generation event (8th overall),
Michael Lynn and Sofia Loyer won a medal in the Write it Do it event (5th overall),
Mason Eyler and Charles DePoala won a medal in the Fermi Questions event (2nd overall),
Lalita Ma and Sofia Loyer won a medal in the Cell Biology event (8th overall).

Congratulations to all participating students and thank you for all of the hard work involved!



ASIAN CULTURE CLUB

On January 28th 20 students from Asian Culture Club went down to Flushing Queens to try out some Korean BBQ at 99 Flavor Taste. We grilled up a huge variety of meats, seafood and veggies paired with any equally impressive selection of sauces. On our way there we had stopped at the Queen Botanical Garden Chinese Lunar New Year celebration but unfortunately didn't get a picture with Miffy, this year's mascot for the year of the rabbit. Everyone had a great time trying out new flavors and spending time together, next time we'll have to explore around some more.



Senior Class News



Senior Class News:

The Class of 2023 is getting ready for graduation. They ordered their caps and gowns earlier this week. If any orders still need to be submitted, seniors must do so online. Please visit the Senior Class website or Google Classroom for the link.

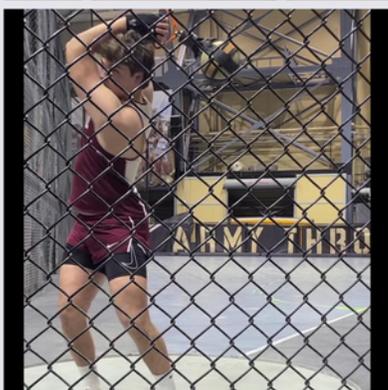
SPANISH 6

The Spanish 6 classes are very proud to announce the launching of our Spanish-language website and printed newsletter: *Mi Gente New Paltz*. The newsletter and website will contain a weekly article for Spanish-speaking students and parents. One newsletter will offer tips and advice for new (or seasoned) students to Duzine, Lenape, Middle School, and the High School, their daily activities, events, and after school activities. Another newsletter is intended to help Spanish-speaking parents of our students and classmates giving them tips and advice on how to help their children with school work, how to attend school events such as Open House or Parent/Teacher Conferences, how to navigate life as an immigrant in New Paltz, recommendations for our town events, etc. The website www.migentenewpaltz.com has the content from both newsletters. The website and newsletters are student-produced; they research, collaborate, and produce all of the material in writing and video. We also have four student editors who continue to do an amazing job working on the editing and layout of both the newsletter and website. This Newsletter and Website will run during the 3rd Quarter (and maybe 4th Quarter if it is well received). If anyone has recommendations for our writers and editors, please let Mr. Castro know via email at rcastro@newpaltz.k12.ny.us.



ATHLETICS

INDOOR TRACK HELD THEIR SENIOR RECOGNITION DINNER ON THURSDAY, FEB 9 TO CELEBRATE THE 12 SENIORS ON THE TEAM.



Congratulations to the boys indoor track and field team. They placed 2nd out of 21 teams at the Indoor track and field section championship meet last Saturday. Individual champions were Finn Gibson, who won the triple jump, and Aidan Ifkovits, who won both the weight throw and the shot put. Finn also placed 2nd in both the 300 and the High Jump, Landon Fracasse was 4th in the 600, Elijah Flynn was 2nd and Chace Snyder was 4th in the 1000, Max Hawkins was 3rd and Mason Eyler was 5th in the two mile. In addition, the 4 x 400 relay team of Max Hawkins, Landon Fracasse, Jude Herman and Chace Snyder placed fourth. The 4 x 800 relay team of Chace Snyder, Kian Walsh, Mason Eyler and Elijah Flynn also placed fourth. Great job!

The guys travel to NYC tomorrow to compete for a chance in the state meet. Wish them luck.

-Ms. Seim

ATHLETICS

-The Unified Bowling team competed in the playoffs on Tuesday, 2/14 where they also recognized their seniors.



--On Monday, 2/13, Claire Coiteux attended the Varsity Gymnastics Section IX Championship and qualified for the State Championship which she will compete in on Saturday, 3/4 in Buffalo, NY.



Girls Varsity Basketball News:

On Tuesday, February 7th, the New Paltz Girls Varsity Basketball team hosted our senior recognition to honor seniors, Alyvia Burda and Lily Sturgis and their families. Alyvia and Lily have been integral members of the basketball program for the last 4 years. On Tuesday night they helped bring the team our first win of the season with our victory over Rondout. We will miss them next season and wish them all the best. - Ms. Maseo



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--On Monday, 2/13, Claire Coiteux attended the Varsity Gymnastics Section IX Championship and qualified for the State Championship which she will compete in on Saturday, 3/4 in Buffalo, NY.



The Varsity Wrestling Section IX Championship took place Sunday, 2/12. Cole Cuppett took 1st place at 152 lbs, and Justin Coiteux won at 145 lbs. Coiteux was also named Most Outstanding Wrestler. Tomasz Zaborowski (215 lbs) and Logan Ormond (285 lbs) placed second. Cuppett and Coiteux will be competing in the State Championship Friday, 2/24 and Saturday, 2/25 in Albany, NY.



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-Cayden Dones and Tony Drewnowski have been named the MHAL American Conference All-Star team for Varsity Boys Basketball. The Varsity Boys Basketball team will take on Port Jervis on Monday, 2/27 at 6:00 PM at New Paltz High School for the first leg of the Section IX Class A Boys Basketball Championship.

-The Varsity Boys Swim team competed in the Section IX Championship on Saturday, 2/18 where they beat out Red Hook by .5 points to claim 7th place.

-Varsity Boys and Girls Nordic Ski captured the Section IX Championship on Tuesday, 2/14. Several New Paltz skiers earned a spot on the section's state team and will compete on Monday, 2/27 and Tuesday 2/28 at the State Championship in Springwater, NY. Congratulations to Roxy DeNey-Bhagat, Beckett Evans, Hannah Ettinger, Rory Gerber, Matei Jirka, Nathaniel Johnson, and Henry Wheeler.

