

# NPHS FRIDAY MESSAGE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

May 13, 2022

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Dear New Paltz High School Families,

There are a number of upcoming events. On June 1st, the U.S. History Regents will be administered to juniors. To provide a quiet testing environment our 9th and 10th grade will be engaged in the reading of the memoir "Night" in a day. Students will listen to readers, watch video clips and engage in valuable discussions. Our seniors will enjoy a fun day bowling and roller skating. There are some smaller trips going out on that day as well. The last instructional day will be on June 14th with Regents Exams starting on the 15th. Finally, Graduation will be held on June 24th at 6 pm on our Field (more information to follow).

All the best,  
Samuelle

# Important Dates

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May 13th- Spring Fling- Open to NPHS students

May 16th- 20th- AP Late Exams Exams

May 17th- Budget Vote, Art Show, HS Spring Concert



## Around NPHS

R.Y.A.N.

On May 11, our 9th and 10th grade students participated in an assembly arranged through R.Y.A.N. (Raising Your Awareness about Narcotics), an organization created in memory of Ryan Vincent Kelder. There were three speakers; Randi Kelder, Nick Palmer and Frankie Wright, who shared personal stories on the experiences that they and loved ones have had with substance use and addiction.



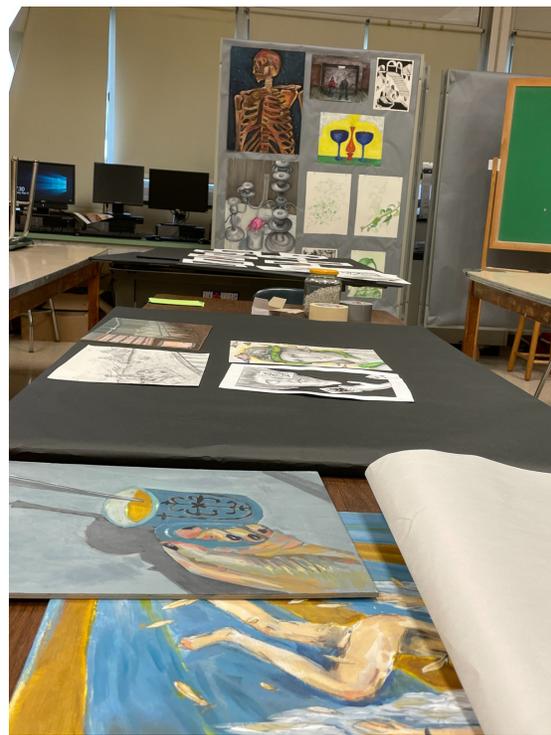
## PIGLETs

The PIGLETs group, affectionately called "The Golden Girls," consisting of Anna Adams, Christine Vigliotti, Natalee Watts, and Kelly Hansen, played music and sang with the residents at Mountain Valley Manor in Kingston as a part of their ongoing series of activities making connections with senior citizens in our community. -Mr. Dolan



## ART

The art department has been busy working on (and are very excited about) the return of the Art Show! Please join us on Tuesday, May 17th from 5-7pm. -Ms Pountain



# PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT

Today 15 Participation in Government students attended a field trip to the Ulster County Courthouse where they watched a Naturalization Ceremony. It is always nice to watch as people are so excited to become US citizens. Before the ceremony began they got to have a Q&A session with a NYS Supreme Court Justice. It was a fun day! - Ms. Kiley



# THE DUCKS

Thursday afternoon, a duck and her 12 ducklings emerged from the courtyard and made their way through the halls. The family was gently led out of the building into the wild, with the help of students and staff.



## BAND

NPBS Band Students will be joining forces with music students from the Mount Academy in Esopus and the Old Capital Brass Quintet (a professional brass quintet) in an exciting and welcoming musical event! On Tuesday, May 24th, students will perform and listen to other groups, and finally combine for one piece featuring all performers in a grand finale!

This event is being graciously hosted by Ole Savannah restaurant, which features stunning acoustics in its beautiful and historic brick building. This event is free and open to all. Come on down!

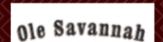


THE MOUNT ACADEMY,  
NEW PALTZ HIGH SCHOOL  
BAND, AND THE OLD  
CAPITAL BRASS QUINTET  
PRESENT...

# BRASS DAY!

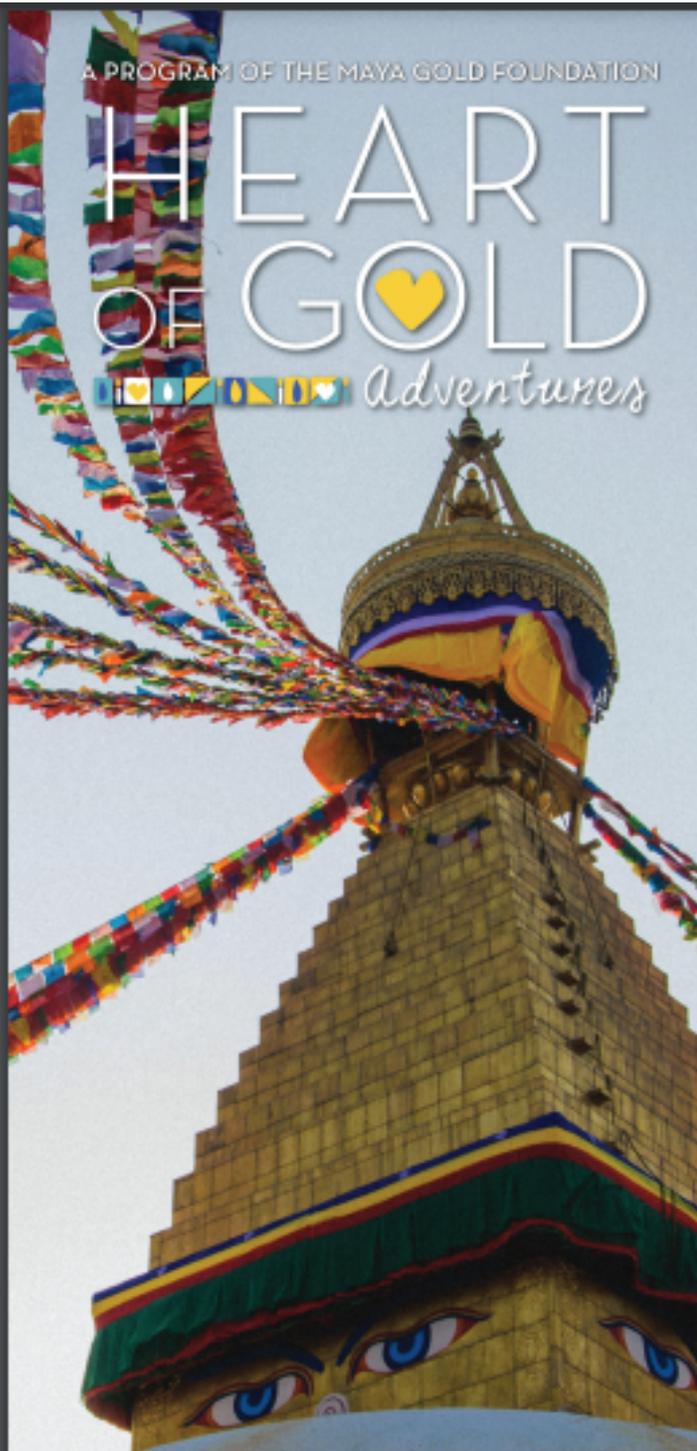
SHARING THE GIFTS OF  
MUSIC AND COMMUNITY

Tuesday, May 24th 2022  
Ole Savannah Restaurant  
100 Rondout Landing  
Kingston, NY  
4:00 PM



A PROGRAM OF THE MAYA GOLD FOUNDATION

# HEART OF GOLD Adventures



The mission of the Maya Gold Foundation is to:

*Empower youth to  
access their inner wisdom  
and realize their dreams.*

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## 2022 YOUTH AMBASSADOR PRESENTATIONS

JOIN US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MAYA GOLD FOUNDATION'S RECENT TRIP TO NEPAL ON THE HEART OF GOLD ADVENTURES CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND SERVICE LEARNING TRIP.

EACH YOUTH AMBASSADOR WILL SHARE A PRESENTATION ON A TOPIC OF THEIR CHOOSING, FOLLOWED BY A Q AND A SESSION. ALL PRESENTATIONS ARE FREE AND ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.

presentations take place at the

**ELTING LIBRARY IN NEW PALTZ  
6:00-8:00 PM**

### MAY 22

**EVA GOLDSCHN**: The Threads that Form Connections

**JULIA CROFTON**: On Community and Love

**MARCUS TIERNEY**: Remittances and the Nepali Economy

**NOOR ELJAMAL**: The Practice of Chhaupadi

### MAY 26

**CLEO VERDEROSA**: Buddhism: A Religion or a Philosophy?

**HARPER BRANITZ**: Ancient Structures of Nepal

**OWEN BARRETT**: Connection and Community

**ZLATA SHMARINA**: Exploring Spiritual Diversity Through Culture and Practices

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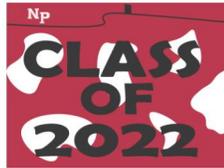
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NPHSPTSA PRESENTS

# NPHS CLASS OF 2022 GRADUATION LAWN SIGNS



Purchase a lawn sign to celebrate your senior!  
Created by seniors Kaden Bredberg and Marcus Tierney!  
Signs are double sided, featuring both designs and come  
with a stand.

\$25 per sign \* Order deadline May 10

Pick up time will be shared

Questions? Email: [hsptsanpcsd@gmail.com](mailto:hsptsanpcsd@gmail.com)

Order now here:



**Senior Class Good News: The caps and gowns have arrived! They will be distributed at graduation rehearsal on June 22nd. If any graduating seniors still need to place an order, we encourage them to do so as soon as possible in order to avoid significant shipping costs. If graduating seniors are borrowing a cap and gown from a friend or family member but wish to have a Class of 2022 tassel, please be sure to place an order. Ordering information can be found on the senior class website. Financial assistance is available. Any graduating senior who needs assistance should complete the form posted in the Senior Class of 2022 Google Classroom.**

Hello NPHS students!

Join us at Spring Fling!

May 13th 7:30 - 10

At NPHS

Semi formal attire



encouraged!



Cost of admission \$10

\*see Maseo or Dolan for financial help!

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