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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

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Happy Friday NPHS Families,

Congratulations to our Class of 2023 Valedictorian- Sofia Loyer and Salutatorian- Lauren Stolfe. We are proud of your achievements.

AP Exams start next week. Best of luck to all of you and remember to take your time.

On a general note, I would like to show some appreciation to our student body. You are an amazing group of students and I learn from so many of you each day. Your empathy, advocacy, and passion is evident in our school community.

Best wishes,
Samuelle

Important Dates

April 28 Junior Prom - 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

May 1st to 12th AP Exams

ABOVE &
BEYOND



Will Mergl
Matthieu (Matty) Short
Jack Schiffhauer
Michael Lynn
Nina Sarubbi
Rowan Carda
Joe Birnbaum



Ms. DeLongis

Around NPHS

THE DUCKS ARE BACK

The annual tradition of Ducks nesting in the courtyard continues! The ducks are left alone while they are nesting but once the ducklings have hatched, it is important to help them exit the courtyard safely as they are not able to fly like their mother. This week several student volunteers helped to carefully herd (without touching) two families of mallard ducks out of the courtyard so that they could make their way to the nearest body of water. Thank you to all the students who were there after school to assist in this process, it wouldn't have been possible without you! - Mr. Esposito



MUSIC

Last weekend, 30 of our NPHS Choir students attended the New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA) Solo Festival at Kingston High School. These students each worked hard to prepare and perform solos that were designated as levels 4, 5, 6, or All-State according to the NYSSMA Manual. All-State level solos are the highest level, and allowed to be sung by 10th and 11th graders only. Along with their solos, they also performed a sight reading example (a short piece of music that they had to learn and sing on-the-spot). 12 of these students also performed one or more duets with each other.

Congratulations to the participating students:

Abbie Adams, *Melissa Adashko-Ren, *Emily Bishop, Lindsey Clinton, *Amelia Crisafi, Julia Crofton, *Charlie DePoala, Sam DePoala, *Maggie DiDonna, Nafi Diedhiou, *Peter Dillehay, *Beckett Evans, JP Fabella, *Marla May Feeney, *Anna Guido, *Ana Kirsch, *Nicholas Kutzin, Finn Lochard, Wren MacDonald, Lily Nocito, *Quinn Oremus, *Lizzie Roff, Clea Spring, Nicholas St. George, Marco Todaro, Jenna Triguero, Savannah Trinkle, *Jenna Vasquez, *Willa Voorhis, *Aili Zissu

There were 16 students who performed an All-State level solo. Of the 16 students, 8 received a score in the A+ range and 8 scored in the A range. Three students received PERFECT scores on their All-State solos! These students are Charlie DePoala, Beckett Evans, and Jenna Vasquez.

We are so proud of everyone!

-Ms. Foti



TRIP TO ULSTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Several students who plan on attending Ulster Community College next year joined Ms. Watkins and Ms. Fiore for a tour of Ulster community college and took placement exams on a beautiful Spring Friday.



TRIP TO AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Several high school students attended a field trip to the American Museum of Natural History. They attended the planetarium show and enjoyed the dinosaur and gem exhibits a great deal. Ms. Watkins



SAFE DRIVING

This week the Ulster County of Probation Officer came in to educate our juniors about driver safety. They discussed driving under the influence and distracted driving such as texting while driving. Students had an assembly and then a follow up hands on experience simulating how driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs can impair reflexes. We encourage students to make healthy decisions while driving. Ms. Schneck



WOW!

Congratulations to Aurora Semel-Defeo for winning the Certified Nurse Assist competition at the NYS SkillsUSA competition. She is now eligible to compete at nationals in Atlanta at the end of June!



VOTER REGISTRATION



On Wednesday of this week the Ulster County Board of Elections came to the high school to host a voter registration drive. Many students came down to register and sign up to become election inspectors. We thank the Board of Elections for sending their team to our school each year to register the students! Students in Participation in Government classes registered to vote.

- Ms. Kiley & Mr. Gill

TRIP TO OLANA



SENIOR NEWS

Senior Trip and Ball tickets go on sale starting May 1st. The Senior Trip to Six Flags Massachusetts is on June 1st and the Senior Ball at Villa Borghese will be on June 22nd from 6:00-10:00 PM.

Specific details and permission slips are available in the Class of 2023 Google Classroom, on the Senior Class Website and in the main office.

Tickets will be sold online from May 1st- May 11th using the following link and password:
<https://www.showtix4u.com/events/newpaltzhs> Password: NPHSClassof2023

If you need to purchase tickets with cash or check or need financial assistance, please see Mr. Dolan.

Tickets must be purchased by May 11th. No tickets for either event will be sold after May 11th.

Permission slips must also be submitted to Mr. Dolan by May 11th.

Other good news- caps and gowns have been shipped to NPHS! If you have not placed an order and need a cap and gown or tassel, please do so ASAP to avoid additional shipping costs.

NPHS PTSA PRESENTS



NPHS CLASS OF 2023 GRADUATION LAWN SIGNS



Purchase a lawn sign to celebrate your senior!
Created by seniors Eric Jimenez and Max Levine!
Signs are double sided, featuring both designs and come with a stand.

\$25 per sign* Order deadline May 12

Pick up times will be shared later this spring

Questions? Email hsptsa.npcsd@gmail.com

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