

# N P H S F R I D A Y M E S S A G E

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

March 28, 2025



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*It is with great pride and excitement that I announce the distinguished members of the Class of 2025 who have earned the titles of Valedictorian and Salutatorian.*

*Charles DePoala has been named the Valedictorian of the Class of 2025. Through his exceptional academic achievements, dedication, and commitment to excellence, Charlie has consistently demonstrated outstanding leadership and a passion for learning. We are confident that Charlie will continue to inspire those around him as he moves forward into the next chapter of his academic journey.*

*Brian Koji Amaya Tierney has been named the Salutatorian of the Class of 2025. Brian's hard work, intellectual curiosity, and perseverance have earned him this well deserved honor. His contributions to our school community and his academic accomplishments serve as a testament to his dedication and drive.*

*Please join me in congratulating Charlie and Brian for their remarkable achievements. We look forward to celebrating their success during the upcoming graduation ceremonies.*

*Principal Simms*

# Important Dates

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- March 27, 28 HS Spring Musical 7:30 pm
- March 29- HS Spring Musical 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm
- April 2- Music Night @ NPHS cafeteria 6:00 pm
- April 4- Spring Fling dance 7:30 to 10:00 pm (cafeteria)
- April 11- End of Third Quarter
- April 11-21 Spring Recess
- April 18- Holiday-Good Friday

New Paltz High School Presents  
The musical:



March 27, 28 & 29 - 7:30 PM Curtain  
Matinee (3/29) 2:00 PM  
130 So. Putt Corners Rd. NP. HS Auditorium  
Scan code to order tickets (reserved seating)



Tickets also available at the door.  
(Box office opens 1 hour before curtain.)

## COLLEGE VISITS

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New England College visiting on April 2 at 10:30 am  
Bennington College Visiting on April 2 at 1:00 pm

## Around NPHS

Juniors listen up!

# PROM TICKETS

GO ON SALE:  
*This Monday, March 31*  
until  
**Thursday April 10!!**  
(no purchases after this date)

**75\$ NPHS students, 90\$ non NPHS students**

Where: at Diamond Mills in Saugerties  
When: Friday May 2, 2025 6-10pm

**\*Students on the ineligibility list will not be permitted to attend the dance or prom.**

# MUSICAL - BIG FISH

Congratulations to the Cast and Crew of Big Fish on an amazing opening night performance. Thank you to Ms. Nancy Owen, Director and Ms. Foti, Music Director for all of their hard work with the students. I encourage everyone to get a ticket to watch the show. You will not be disappointed. -Dr. Simms

## The Cast (In Order of Appearance)

Edward Bloom ..... Sam DePoala  
Will Bloom ..... JP Fabella  
Sandra Bloom ..... Nafi Diedhiou  
Young Will ..... Abbie Adams\*  
The Mermaid ..... Audrey Shannon\*  
The Witch ..... Savannah Trinkle\*  
Younger Edward ..... Finn Lochard  
Don Price ..... Charlie DePoala  
Zacky Price ..... Jacob Lehet  
Karl (the Giant) ..... Michael Giraldi  
Josephine ..... Emily Bishop  
Dr. Bennett ..... Zachary Lieme  
Jenny Hill ..... Amelia Crisafi  
Ashton Mayor ..... Dylan Freer  
Amos Calloway ..... Marco Todaro  
Younger Sandra ..... Lily Nocito\*  
Scouts ..... Morgan Langer, Della Sheridan  
General Patterson ..... Sawyer Ivchenko  
Red Fang ..... Ben Gorney  
Will's son ..... Peter Torborg  
Cameo Circus performer ..... Mr. Stephen Gratto  
Guest performer ..... Sharon Randolph



## Ensemble

(\* = Featured dancers, + = Select Singers, ^ = Featured ensemble)

Mackenzie Bailin ^, Sonora Brigagliano +, Aether Burke ^, Francesca Ciulla +, Audrey Cuddire ^, Lillian Culpepper ^, Gala Dixey +, Dylan Freer ^, Moira Goudy \*, Linedaina Irand ^, Sawyer Ivchenko ^, Cady Kubart ^, Morgan Langer +, Ruby LeRoy+, Paige Lucchesi ^, Ellie O'Rourke \*, Sandra Rodriguez^, Sasha Saint-Louis +, Jillian Score +, Josie Shanley ^, Della Sheridan +, Noah Solano ^, Cadence Vigna \*, Sarah Wohlrab.

## Ashton Kids

Nora Dinsmore, Naomi Eppley, Joey Foti, Lizzie Foti, Harrison McCann, Coretta Sheridan, Peter Torborg

## Student Production Staff/Crew

Choreographer (Red, White and True) ..... Ben Gorney  
Stage Manager ..... Julia Fetherolf  
Asst. Stage Manager ..... Bentley McNulty  
Program and T-shirt design ..... Tierney Reed  
Lighting Technicians ..... Calvin Maher, Zoe Gelber  
Sound Technicians .... Lizzie Mitais, CJ Newell, David Rodriguez

## Stage Crew

Iris Allred, Haylee Coddington, Julia Fetherolf, Logan Fillette,  
Zoe Gelber, Calvin Maher, Lizzie Mitais, Suki McNair,  
Bentley McNulty, CJ Newell, Tierney Reed, Josh Ridenour,  
Davis Rodriguez, Stella Zigouras

## Pit Musicians

Violin ..... Valentine Morales  
French Horn ..... Samuel Hollman





# ATHLETICS

We finally got to honor our Nordic Seniors. Thanks so much to Roxy DeNey-Bhagat and Sam Hollman for all your dedication over the four years. You will be missed.

Check out those great looking sunglasses!!!

-Coach Ann and Mark



## WOMEN'S HISTORY SCAVENGER HUNT

NPHS held a Women's History Scavenger Hunt today in honor of Women's History Month. Several students and teachers dressed up as accomplished or well-known women in history or women's rights advocates. Students who found the most people out of the 27 historical characters earned prizes. There was also a prize for the best costume. The hunt was coordinated by our Women's History 2 history class members. Well done! -Ms. Seim



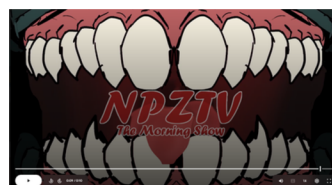
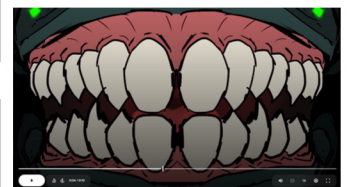
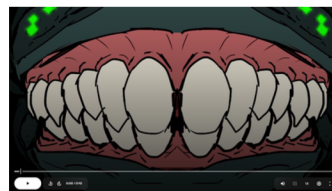


# MEDIA ARTS



Intro To Media Arts students took a quick trip over to SUNY New Paltz for a tour of the Digital Design and Fabrication lab. They got to see first hand new technologies for 3D printing including full color realistic models, alternate materials along with variable cushioning/density, and how traditional 3D print PLA and ABS are becoming easily recyclable and reusable in house at the lab. Students also were educated on future college paths and careers within the 3D printing industry. Anyone interested in using or learning more about 3D printing at the High School can stop in the Makerplace Tuesdays afterschool!

Computer Graphics students are now into animation! Check out their first moving image project "NPZ BEATS". [CLICK for Folder of student work samples](#). Students were tasked with creating hand-drawn entertaining short animations in Adobe Photoshop with music tracks to open the NPZ Morning Show each day. They are quickly gaining advanced skills and are currently working on more in depth animations and cartoons, check back soon for more amazing samples!



Intro To Film students continue to transition from basic video editors to advanced film students. Check out these samples from Jason Ruhe, Giselle Eisenberg, and Lucian Hayles of a recent class challenge where students were all given the same prompts of a main character, prop, verbatim line, background story and only FIVE CLASS DAYS to build their own unique film around. [Sample Video 1](#)

-Mr. Woods

# IMPORTANT INFO

NPHS INTERACT CLUB PRESENTS  
**PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT**

**APRIL 5TH, 2025**  
KIDS (12-17 YRS) 9AM - 12PM  
ADULTS (18+) 12PM - 3PM

ADULT DOUBLE TEAM  
**\$40**

REGISTER NOW UNTIL 4/3

KIDS DOUBLE TEAM  
**\$20**

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFO + TO REGISTER

**NEW PALTZ HIGH SCHOOL GYM**  
130 S PUTT CORNERS RD

3 GAMES GUARANTEED!  
FUNDS GO TO FAMILY OF NEW PALTZ

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**Maya Gold Foundation**

Are you interested in becoming certified in Teen Mental Health First Aid?

Looking for students Grades 10-12

6 week course, 1 meeting a week

More information at [mayagoldfoundation.org](http://mayagoldfoundation.org) or see Ms. Seim in room 262



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## Yearbook!!!

You can now order your 2025 Yearbook directly on the New Paltz High School Homepage!! Click the direct link under announcements!

The yearbook website is also updated and active.... You can find it in the "Clubs" tab on the High School Homepage!! Please check often for submission deadlines and information!!

Thank you!  
Ms. McKenna & Ms. Hewitt