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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

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*Happy Friday
New Paltz High
School Families!*

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*“Heroism doesn’t always happen
in a burst of glory.
Sometimes small triumphs and
large hearts change the course of history.”*

~Mary Roach

Important Dates

May 27th- Progress Report

May 30th- Memorial Day (school closed)

June 1st- Please see email sent on 5/26

June 3rd- Faculty and Staff Basketball Game 6 pm

Around NPHS

It was a beautiful day on Tuesday at Ole Savannah, and the weather was nice, too! Band Students from New Paltz High School met their counterparts in the brass ensemble from the Mount Academy, and enjoyed conversation and greetings before sharing music for a grateful crowd! Residents walking on the street and passing by in boats stopped to listen to music provided by the Brass Ensembles as well as the Old Capital Brass Quintet. At the end of the afternoon, all brass players joined in and sight-read versions of favorite Disney tunes. It was a wonderful day of music and community! -Mr. Newsome



Brass Day

NPHS BAND
MOUNT ACADEMY
OLD CAPITAL BRASS



PIGLETS

On Thursday, PIGLETS hosted a health awareness day. Several organizations, including ASTOR services, Family of New Paltz, and The Grace Smith House visited to provide information and address questions for students during lunch. In addition, NPHS's Peer Education group sold consent t-shirts and the PIGLETS group shared information about "The Box". - Ms. Masseo



This past weekend NPHS PIGLET's worked with One Epic Place to collect art supply donations for their Free Art Libraries. These libraries will be established in various community spaces around New Paltz at the beginning of June. -Ms. Masseo

CHINATOWN TRIP

On Thursday May 26 18 students from various classes, an aide, and three teachers visited Chinatown and Little Italy. The group visited Mahayana Temple Buddhist Association's temple where one nice man walked one of the students through a small prayer ceremony; praying to be free of difficult times- They will happen in Life, but to be given the strength. During lunch at Joe's Shanghai, a popular Chinatown restaurant, we saw some students taking a dare to try new foods including jellyfish. The students got a specialty ice cream cone at Taiyaki later in the afternoon, as they walked around seeing the different sights and sounds of the two neighborhoods. - Ms. Sherburne



CHORUS TRIP TO BROADWAY



The NPHS Choir was able to bring back its annual trip to Broadway in NYC this past Wednesday! Mrs. Foti and her team of chaperones brought 75 Choir students to see the show "Paradise Square". The students enjoyed lunch and sightseeing around Times Square before settling in to watch this powerful new musical. It was a beautiful day full of music and fun!



ATHLETICS



Oliver Watson finished 4th in the Section 9 Golf Tournament and qualified for his second trip to the State Championship in Elmira next week. - Mr. Bell

P.E. Classes Fishing



SENIORS

Tickets are now being sold for the Senior Prom at the Grandview in Poughkeepsie and the Senior Trip to Six Flags, New England. Tickets will be on sale through June 2nd. Payment and permission slips must be submitted to Mr. Dolan in Room 171. Additional information, order forms and permission slips are available on the Senior Class website, in the Class of 2022 Google Classroom and from Ms. Masseo or Mr. Dolan. If financial assistance is needed, please see Ms. Masseo or Mr. Dolan before June 2nd.

SEAL OF BILITERACY CEREMONY

Yesterday night we celebrated 13 of our students who will receive the seal of biliteracy on their diplomas. The New York State Seal of Biliteracy is an award given by a school, district or county office of education in recognition of students who have attained proficiency in two or more world languages, one of which must be English, by high school graduation. To earn the Seal of Biliteracy, students had to maintain an 85% or better in both their English and World Language Courses and complete a portfolio documenting their skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing in both languages.

-Mr. Castro

Congratulations to you all!

Anna Adams (English & Spanish)

Elise Gingold (English, Spanish & Swedish)

Merin Hemminger (English & Spanish) Camden Holland-Shepler (English & Spanish)

Emily Lawrence (English & Spanish)

Flora Pierson (English & Spanish)

Brandon Sirof (English & Spanish)

Kaitlyn Weinerman (English & Spanish)

Ivelisse Cabrera (English & Spanish)

Reggie Gold (English & Spanish)

Sophia Luczak (English & Spanish)

Jena Russo (English & Spanish)

Ella Urrico (English & Spanish)



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