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UNIFIED BASKETBALL

CHLOE BERNSTEIN AND SAMANTHA MILEWICZ ATTEND 2023 SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT DINNER

Congratulations to Byram Hills High School seniors **Chloe Bernstein** and **Samantha Milewicz**, who were invited to attend the Scholastic Achievement Dinner held by the Lower Hudson Council of School Superintendents on Wednesday, May 24th. The students attended with Superintendent Dr. Jen Lamia, Principal Christopher Walsh, and Board of Education President Lara Stangel.



REMI MATZA AND KELSEY VAQUERO, NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to National Merit \$2,500 Scholarship winners **Remi Matza** and **Kelsey Vaquero**. The 2,500 recipients were among the 15,000 National Merit Scholarship Program finalists and were judged by having the strongest mix of accomplishments, skills, and potential for success in a rigorous college program.

They were appraised on their academic record, including the difficulty level of courses and their grades, scores from the

Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, contributions and leadership in their school and community, an essay, and a high school recommendation.



AIDEN ALDEA-LUSTIG, NYS COMPETITIVE SPEECH CHAMPION

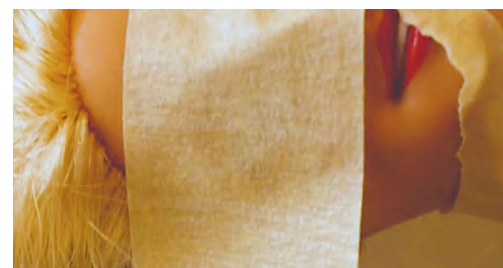
Congratulations to **Aidan Aldea-Lustig**, who made school history by winning the first New York State Championship in Competitive Speech! Aidan finished first in Original Oratory, a discipline that requires students to write, memorize and perform a 10-minute speech on a topic they have researched. Aidan's speech on the need to have fear has earned him awards throughout this competitive season. Aidan will travel to Phoenix later this month to compete in the National

Speech and Debate Association's National Championship, where we hope he continues his historic season.



ETHAN SUTTON WINS PRESIDENTS' AWARD FOR SHORT FILM

Senior **Ethan Sutton** won a Presidents' Award for film from the Lower Hudson Region of the New York State Media Arts Teachers Association in May. The honor goes to a student "whose entire body of work shows noteworthy content, a creative approach, attention to composition, a command of craft, is visually and technically outstanding, or a Video/Film that was considered "visually or technically outstanding."



Ethan created "Doll," an interpretive short film inspired by the 1971 work of women's rights activist and poet Marge Piercy. He spent about three months creating the movie and told an important story without actors.

ETHAN SUTTON CONT

A record 251 high school students from 14 Lower Hudson Region high schools submitted 475 works of art, and 32 short films. Ethan was one of seven students to win the Presidents' Award. In his Moviemaking & Media class taught by Michael Chunev, Ethan was assigned to create a metaphor movie with unique audio. He and his classmates were challenged to explore the uses of colors, sounds, and even character traits within a visual motif.



CHLOE BERNSTEIN, SAMANTHA MILEWICZ, AND EMILY STANGEL WIN AWARDS AT ISEF SCIENCE COMPETITION

Three BHHS Authentic Science Research Program students presented their original research at the Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair in Dallas, Texas, and won awards on May 18-19. The students, seniors **Chloe Bernstein**, **Samantha Milewicz** and **Emily Stangel**, earned a spot at the international competition, known as ISEF, by winning top awards at the Westchester Science and Engineering Fair in March.

At ISEF, **Chloe** won third place in Environmental Engineering and a \$1,000 award.

Samantha won second place in Translational Medical Science and a \$2,000 award, and third from the National Anti-Vivisection Society and a \$2,500 award for her work that supported an alternative to the use of animal testing in research.

Emily won a \$500 second-place award from the Patent and Trademark Office Society for outstanding originality, analysis, and clarity in her research.



UNIFIED BASKETBALL WINS BIG

On Tuesday, May 16th, our Unified Basketball Team faced Horace Greeley in a 1 PM home game with a packed house of students, faculty, and staff. Unified basketball joins people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same team. It's inspired by a simple principle: training together and playing together is a quick path to friendship and understanding. The event brought our school together in an extremely positive way and made a significant impact on everyone who was there.

BHHS Junior and Marketing & Media Club member Charlie Jacobs had a chance to sit down with the team and discuss their season on an episode of Inside the Game. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the episode.



VARLEY PLAYERS BRING IT HOME WITH "CAN'T STOP THE FEELING"

Congratulations to the cast, crew, and production staff of 'Can't Stop the Feeling - A Musical Revue.' The performance brought the audience on a journey through songs, scenes, and monologues. In addition to a cast of committed high school students performing numbers from hit Broadway shows, a group of Wampus students fresh off their successful run of Willy Wonka Jr. performed a number from the show Annie.



STARTUP FINAL PITCH NIGHT SUCCESS

Congratulations to the student presenters and the staff, faculty, and administrators involved in the organization and creation of the inaugural BHHS StartUP Pitch Night. The event, held on Monday, May 22nd, began with a 6 PM reception where the community voted for The Scoop to present that evening on the big stage as a wildcard. The final 10-minute presentations began at 7 PM in an immaculately decorated theater. Our community member panel of judges engaged each group with a series of questions about their product and viability.

Congratulations to WorkAware for winning the People's Choice Award that evening and FootFit for winning the event with the judge's vote. FootFit will now have the chance to present at the national pitch event this summer

Thank you to the Byram Hills Education Foundation for making this event possible.

To view the full event, [CLICK HERE](#).

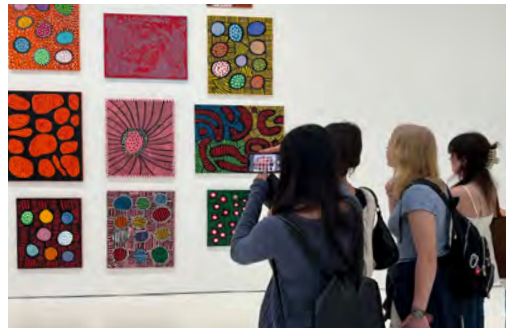


BHHS STUDENTS CELEBRATED AT ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

The Byram Hills High School Annual Awards Ceremony took place on Wednesday, May 31st. Congratulations to all of this year's winners. The ceremony will be available soon and can be found on the [District's Youtube Page](#).

NAHS STUDENTS VISIT YAYOI KUSAMA GALLERY

On Tuesday, May 23rd, BHHS students in the National Art Honor Society traveled to the David Zwirner Gallery in NYC to see the work of Yayoi Kusama. Kusama is a Japanese contemporary artist who works primarily in sculpture and installation and is active in painting, performance, video art, fashion, poetry, and fiction.



AUTHENTIC SCIENCE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

Byram Hills High School will be hosting the 34th Annual Authentic Science Research Symposium honoring our graduating class of 2023. The Authentic Science Research Program is a three-year course that encourages students to pursue excellence in areas of original and unique research; and thus we celebrate our future generation of scientists and leaders in our community here at Byram Hills.

This year's Symposium will showcase 23 Senior speakers, including many nationally and locally recognized award winning student researchers. Additionally, there will be a poster session where our Juniors and Sophomores will present their ongoing work. A keynote address will be delivered by Dr. Allegra Nevins, a former ASR student from the class of 2011, who is currently a clinical psychologist. Dr. Nevins provides masterful psychotherapy services to adults presenting with a variety of mental health concerns, including addiction, trauma, depression, and anxiety, in order to improve quality of life and self-awareness in her patients. Students, parents, and all members of the community are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

When: Wednesday, June 7th, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Where: Byram Hills High School, 12 Tripp Lane, Armonk, NY 10504

PAWS & RELAX RETURNS

Therapy dogs from Therapy Dogs of Rockland will make their final visit to high school students on June 2nd from 11:15 am to 12:15 pm in Bobcat Hall! In conjunction with the initiatives of Challenge Success, the dogs offered students an opportunity to “Paws & Relax” during the school day. Long-established and reliable research shows that animals, especially dogs, significantly affect human comfort and well-being.

SENIOR INTERNSHIP NEWS

JUNE

Senior Internship concludes on June 9, 2023. Final presentations will be scheduled by the Byram Hills Internship advisor. Final Google forms must be submitted.

REGENTS EXAM SCHEDULE

The June Regents/Final Exam schedule can be seen by [CLICKING HERE](#).

CHROMEBOOKS DUE BACK

Please return your Chromebook to **THE HIGH SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY OFFICE** between the dates of June 14th - June 21st. The replacement value for your Chromebook is \$250. The replacement value of the charger is \$50. Checks for missing Chromebooks and chargers can be made out to Byram Hills High School.

ARMONK LIONS CLUB HOST ANNUAL FOL-DE-ROL

The Armonk Lions Club’s annual Fol-de-Rol Festival and Market in the Park is back June 8-11. This beloved community tradition offers four days of entertainment, fun and delicious food for you and your family. The festival is one of our town’s signature events, attracting hundreds of Byram Hills families every year. This year’s Fol-de-Rol festival will feature carnival rides & games, over 55 vendors, live music, unique and handmade gifts, food trucks, hot-air-balloon rides, modern and classic car shows, Touch-a-Truck, racing pigs and more.

All proceeds from the festival go to support the Lions Club’s numerous charitable efforts locally and at the state and international levels. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us at Wampus Brook Park in Armonk.

Please visit their Facebook and Instagram pages for additional details:

[instagram.com/armonkfolderol](https://www.instagram.com/armonkfolderol)

[facebook.com/ArmonkFolDeRol](https://www.facebook.com/ArmonkFolDeRol)

JUNE SOFT SKILL

Flexibility/Adaptability - The ability to shift focus and direction quickly and easily. Employers are increasingly seeking individuals who can naturally adapt to many situations. Managers have noted that their most valued employees are often the ones who can “think on their feet and wear many hats.”

UPCOMING SENIOR EVENTS

Tuesday, June 13th

Senior Night - 6:30 PM

BHEF Movie - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, June 14th

Graduation Rehearsal - 9:30 AM at BHHS

Thursday, June 15th

Prom - 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Community Reception on BHHS campus. 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM at Glen Island Harbour Club in New Rochelle.

Tickets will cost \$175 and can be purchased in the Main Office between May 8th and May 26th. All students and parents must watch a prom information/safety video and complete the attestation before purchasing tickets. All non-BHHS guests must be approved by our Assistant Principals by June 9th. All students will return to the high school between 11:30 PM and midnight.

Parents are strongly encouraged to pick up their students and their guests upon their return to the high school. Outside transportation companies will not be permitted on campus to drop off or pick up students. This includes party vans and limousines.

Tuesday, June 20th

Graduation - 5 PM at BHHS

Rain Date - Wednesday, June 22nd at 5 PM

COVID GUIDELINES UPDATE

Please follow the CDC guidelines for Covid. The website can be found [here](#).

If your child tests positive for Covid:

- Your child must stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home. (Note: If your child has no symptoms, Day 0 is the day they test positive. If your child has symptoms, Day 0 is the day of their first symptoms).

Ending isolation:

- Your child may not end isolation if symptoms are not improving.
- Your child may end isolation after Day 5 if symptoms are improving and your child is fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Your child must wear a mask through Day 10 at home and in public, including at school.

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ATHLETICS
UPDATES

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, June 3rd

- SAT Test

Tuesday, June 6th

- PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am
- Board of Ed. Mtg. 7:30 pm

Wednesday, June 7th

- Science Research Symposium 7 pm

Thursday, June 8th

- BHEF Board of Directors Mtg @ DO 7 pm

Saturday, June 10th

- ACT Test

Monday, June 12th

- Senior Athletic Awards Night 7 pm

Tuesday, June 13th

- Senior Night 6:30 pm
- Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm

Wednesday, June 14th

- Regents Exams
- Graduation Rehearsal 9:30 am
- Fall Sports Preseason Mtg. (Gr. 7-12) 7 pm

Thursday, June 15th

- Regents Exams
- Senior Prom

June 2023 - Focus

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1-5 Global Scholars Showcase 6:30 pm	2-6	3 SAT Test
4	5-7	6-8 PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am PTSA Annual Luncheon 11:30 am Board of Ed. Mtg. 7:30 pm	7-1 Science Research Symposium 6:30 pm	8-2 BHEF Board of Directors Mtg. @ DO 7 pm	9-3	10 ACT Test
11	12-4 Senior Athletic Awards Night 7 pm	13-5 Senior Night & BHEF Movie Night 6:30 pm Board of Ed. Mtg. 7:30 pm	14 Regents Exams Graduation Rehearsal 9:30 am Fall Sports Preseason Mtg. (Gr. 7-12) 7 pm	15 Regents Exams Senior Prom Community Reception 5 pm	16 Regents Exams Registration Deadline for 7/15 ACT (Not Available in NYS)	17
18	19 Juneteenth Schools & Offices Closed	20 Regents Exams BHHS Graduation 5 pm	21 Gr. 8 Student Orientation @ BHHS 9:45 am 11:15 am Dismissal Regents Exams Rain Date: BHHS Graduation 5 pm	22 Gr. 8 Moving Up Ceremony 7 pm Regents Exams	23 Report Cards on Portal (CH-WA-HCC-BHHS) Last Day of School	24
25	26	27	28 Eid al-Adha	29	30	

34th Annual Byram Hills High School

AUTHENTIC SCIENCE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 7TH
6:30PM

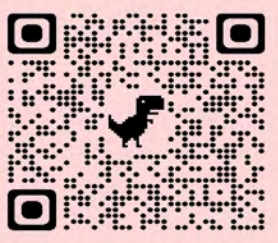
SHOWCASING
ORIGINAL RESEARCH
FROM 89 STUDENTS

KEYNOTE
SPEAKER:
DR. ALLEGRA
NEVINS, CLASS
OF 2011



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The **ARMONK LIONS CLUB**
announces its

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COUNTRY FAIR

June 8-11

**RIDES &
HOT AIR
BALLOON**

**FREE
ENTRY**

**LIVE
MUSIC &
FOOD
COURT**

**CASH
RAFFLE**



Shop with artisans
& vendors
on Saturday &
Sunday in
Wampus Brook Park



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY JUNE 8

- 6-10p Rides & Food (main field)
- 6-10p Hot Air Balloon (Wampus School)
- 6-10p Norm & Bob Band (live music - stage)

FRIDAY JUNE 9

- 6-10p Rides & Food (main field)
- 6-10p Hot Air Balloon (Wampus School)
- 6:30p & 8:30p Pig Races (racetrack)
- 6:30-9p School of Rock (live music - stage)
- Greg the Wood Carver demo (baseball diamond)

SATURDAY JUNE 10

- 11-6p Crafts in the Park (Wampus Brook Park)
- 11a Opening Day Ceremony (gazebo)
- 11a-1p Banjo Rascals (roaming in WBP)
- 11a-2p Classic Car Show (Hergenhan Center)
- 12-10p Rides & Food (main field) **Cash raffle**
- 12-10p Hot Air Balloon (Wampus School)
- 1p, 2p, 4p, 6p & 8p Pig Races (racetrack)
- 1:30 & 3p Touch-a-Truck (fairground entrance)
- 5p Cash raffle drawing (Lions Den - near gazebo)
- 6-10p White Wedding band (live music - stage)
- Greg the Wood Carver demo (baseball diamond)

SUNDAY JUNE 11

- 12-6P Rides & Food (main field) **Cash raffle**
- 12-5p Crafts in the Park (Wampus Brook Park)
- 12-3p Modern Car Show (Hergenhan Center)
- 1-3p Banjo Rascals (roaming in WBP)
- 1p, 2p & 4p Pig Races (racetrack)
- 1-4p Group Therapy (live music - stage)
- 1:30 & 3p Touch-a-Truck (fairground entrance)
- 5p Cash raffle drawing (Lions Den - near gazebo)
- Greg the Wood Carver demo (baseball diamond)

****GET YOUR CASH RAFFLE TICKETS****

LIONS DEN SATURDAY 11A-5P
SUNDAY 12-5P (drawing each day)

(schedule subject to change; check www.armonklions.org for updates)



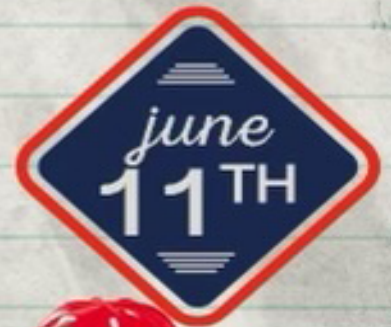
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