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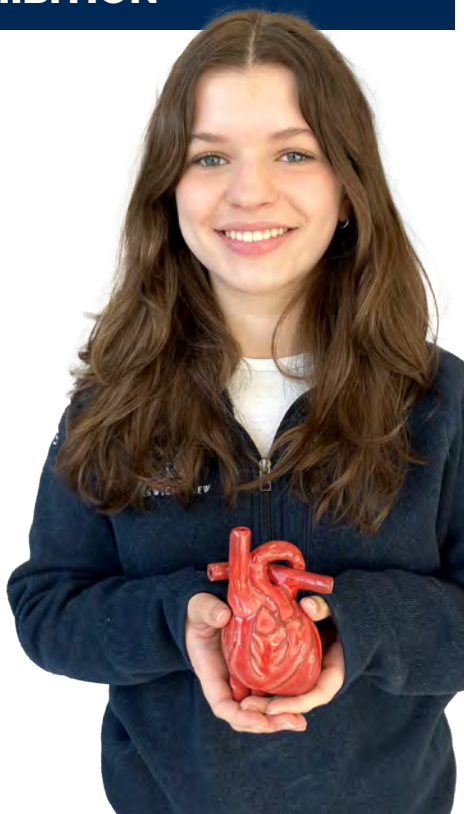
FREAKY FRIDAY IS ANOTHER HIT FOR THE VARLEY PLAYERS

A wonderful performance based on the beloved 1972 novel by Mary Rodgers and the hit Disney films was presented on the Byram Hills High School stage last weekend! Congratulations to the entire cast, crew, and production team! Thank you to all of the community members who supported this run.



ELSA ROLFS' ARTWORK SELECTED FOR THE 2023 NATIONAL K-12 CLAY EXHIBITION

The Fine Arts Department proudly announces that junior **Elsa Rolfs'** work has been selected for the 2023 National K-12 Clay exhibition. This show is in conjunction with the annual conference of the National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts (NCECA). The conference attracts the most talented clay artists and has approximately 4,000 members in the U.S. and participants from over 20 other countries. The K-12 clay show will be held in Cincinnati this year from March 15-17. Elsa's piece, an ocarina in the form of a human heart, is one of only 152 pieces selected from more than 1,300 submissions.



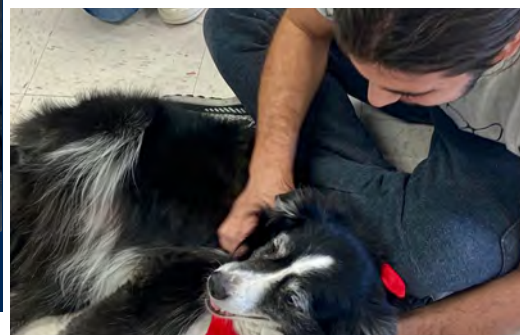
HANG UP AND DRIVE

On Monday, March 20th, all juniors will take part in the Hang Up and Drive Assembly sponsored by the PTSA. This annual presentation by Jacy Good and Steve Johnson is mandatory for all juniors who intend to apply for a school parking pass after the seniors leave for their internships. Additional information about the program can be found here:

www.hangupanddrive.com

PAWS AND RELAX RETURNS TO BHHS

Therapy dogs from Therapy Dogs of Rockland visited high school students during lunch on March 3rd! 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. The program will continue throughout the remainder of the year.



OPERATION PROM

On Wednesday, March 22nd, BHHS's Senior and Sophomore classes, in conjunction with Operation PROM, will be conducting a prom dress drive to help less fortunate teens in our area. The event will take place in the cafeteria between 2:30-3:30.

Please consider donating any and all of the following items:

- Prom Gowns
- Bridesmaids Dresses
- Other Formal Gowns (short/ long)
- Tuxedos
- Evening Bags, Jewelry, Shawls

Donations should be...

- trendy & fancy, not older than 3 years old
- free of damages and excessive stains
- no long sleeves or velvet

If you've got a closet full of formal wear and nothing to do with it, we hope to see you on the 22nd. Let's help kids make some important high school memories

Questions can be directed to DHubbs@byramhills.org

SENIOR INTERNSHIP NEWS

MARCH

March 17th - Online form due and hard copy of transportation and medical emergency release form due in the main office.

APRIL

Sites should be secured at this time. Students who do not have sites will meet with Mrs. Croke and Mr. August. The last formal meeting with students during office hours are on **April 17th** and **April 18th**.

There will be an after-school meeting on **April 18th**. Students must attend one of these sessions.

All academic obligations should be fulfilled before leaving for internship.

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.

PARENT & TEACHER TRAINING FOR THE BHCS D INTERVIEW COMMITTEE

Each year, the Byram Hills Central School District establishes interview teams for the hiring of teachers and administrators. The District has been very successful in hiring and retaining excellent

teachers and administrators as a result of teacher and parent committee participation.

Gina Cunningham, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, will be offering two sessions for parents and teachers to attend a training session in order to be part of a hiring committee in the future.

If interested, please email Laura Coughlan at lcoughlan@byramhills.org with one of the following session date:

Session 2: Tuesday, March 21st, 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM



MARCH SOFT SKILL

The soft skill of the month for March is a *Sense of Humor*. Countless studies have shown the tremendous impact that a strong sense of humor has on a student's overall wellness. Seeing humor in situations gives a greater sense of perspective and can help students reduce stress and anxiety.

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ATHLETICS
UPDATES

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, March 15

- Senior Fashion Show 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 19

- BHEF Wizards Event @ 2 pm

Monday, March 20

- Hang Up & Drive @ 9:15 am
- Gr. 8 Parent Orientation @ BHHS 7 pm

Tuesday, March 21

- Principal's Coffee 9 am
- PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am
- Board of Ed Mtg. & Budget Hearing II. 7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 22

- Operation Prom
- BHEF Board of Directors Mtg. @ DO 7 pm
- Ramadan Begins

Tuesday, March 28

- Board of Ed. Mtg. & Budget Hearing III, 7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 29

- National Art Honor Society Induction 7 pm

Monday, April 3

- Spring Recess, Schools Closed/Offices Open
- Regular Athletic Schedule

Tuesday, April 4

- Spring Recess, Schools Closed/Offices Open
- Regular Athletic Schedule

Wednesday, April 5

- Passover Begins at Sundown
- Spring Recess, Schools Closed/Offices Open
- Regular Athletic Schedule

Thursday, April 6

- Spring Recess, Schools Closed/Offices Open
- Regular Athletic Schedule

Friday, April 7

- Good Friday
- Spring Recess, Schools Closed/Offices Closed
- No Athletic Games are Practices

Saturday, April 8

- No Athletic Games or Practices

Sunday, April 9

- Easter

Monday, April 10

- Schools Reopen

Tuesday, April 11

- PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am
- Board of Ed. Mtg. & Budget Hearing IV, 7:30 pm

Thursday, April 13

- Last Day of Passover

Friday, April 14

- End of 3rd Marking Period
- Byram Blues Jazz Coffeehouse 7 pm

Saturday, April 15

- ACT Test

March 2023 - Focus

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1-3 Spring Sports Online Registration Begins Gr. 7-12	2-4	3-5 Therapy Dog Day	4
5	6-6	7-7 School Counseling Discussion Group 9 am PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am Board of Ed. Mtg. Presentation of Administration's Proposed Budget 7:30 pm	8-8 Holi	9-1 The Varley Players Performance 7 pm	10-2 The Varley Players Performance 7 pm	11 SAT Test The Varley Players Performance 2 & 7 pm
12 Daylight Saving Time Begins	13-3 Spring High School Sports Begin	14-4 Senior Fashion Show Dress Rehearsal 7:30 pm	15-5 Senior Fashion Show 7:30 pm	16-6	17-7	18
19 BHEF Wizards Event 2:00 pm	20-8 Hang Up & Drive 9:15 am Gr. 8 Parent Orientation @ BHHS 7 pm	21-1 Principal's Coffee 9 am PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am Board of Ed. Mtg. & Budget Hearing II, 7:30 pm	22-2 Operation Prom BHEF Board of Directors Mtg. @ DO 7 pm Ramadan Begins	23-3	24-4	25
26	27-5	28-6 Board of Ed. Mtg. & Budget Hearing III, 7:30 pm	29-7 National Art Honor Society Induction 7 pm	30-8	31-1	

BYRAM HILLS

COME WATCH THE SENIORS STRUT
THEIR STUFF ON THE CATWALK!

SENIOR FASHION SHOW

A GRADE ACTIVITIES
BOARD EVENT TO
HONOR THE SENIOR
CLASS OF 2023

Wednesday, March
15th at 7:30

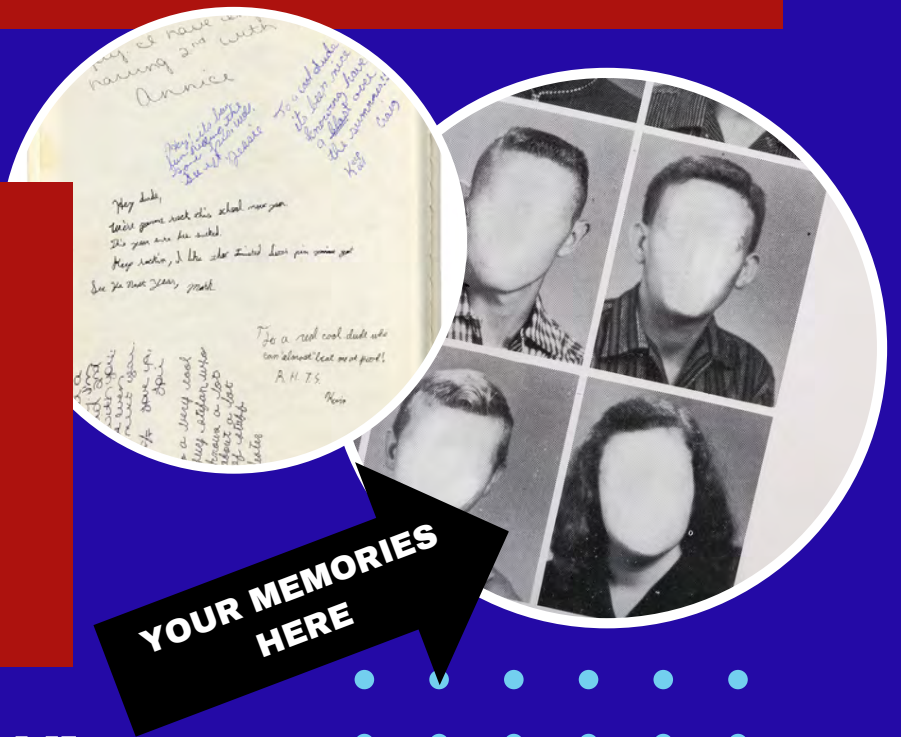
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