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U.S. PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR SAMANTHA MILEWICZ

Congratulations to **Samantha Milewicz** on being named a 2023 U.S. Presidential Scholar! This achievement is one of the highest awards the Nation can bestow upon a graduating high school senior! This award is based on her scholastic achievement, artistic excellence, career preparation, demonstrated leadership ability, community service, strong character and commitment to high ideals.

Samantha and the fellow Scholars' Class of 2023 will be recognized at the online National Recognition Program in late June.



CONGRATULATIONS SEAN SIEGEL, CON ED SCHOLASTIC ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to **Sean Siegel** from Varsity Boys Lacrosse on being awarded the Con Edison Scholastic Athlete of the Week! This is awarded to individuals for their outstanding achievement inside and outside the classroom, and on the field.



SAMANTHA SCHAEVITZ PRESENTS AT AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NEUROLOGY ANNUAL MEETING

Congratulations to Byram Hills High School senior **Samantha Schaevitz** for presenting her research on a promising brain cancer treatment at the American Academy of Neurology's annual meeting in Boston. Samantha was invited to share her work as a winner of the academy's Neuroscience Research Prize. Samantha, a part of the Byram Hills Authentic Science Research Program, also won a \$1,000 prize for her research into a potential new method for a more effective treatment for the most aggressive form of brain cancer.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

April was a busy month full of performances! The String Orchestra, Concert Choir, and Concert Band finished off the month of April with two fantastic performances: The Spring Concert on Wednesday, April 26th (HS Theatre) and the Music in the Parks Festival on Saturday, April 29th (Middletown, NJ).

All 3 ensembles did a great job at the Music in the Parks Festival, receiving the following accolades for their performances:

“Superior” rating (highest) for all 3 ensembles (Band/Orchestra/Choir)

“1st place” for all 3 ensembles in our “A” class

“Best Overall” earned by the String Orchestra in the A/AA Orchestra category

Thank you to our parents, families, and the Byram Hills Administration for supporting all the students in the music program!

Byram Hills High School
presents
Spring Concert
Musical Performances by the
Concert Choir
String Orchestra
Concert Band
April 26, 2023



PAWS & RELAX

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.

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

SENIOR INTERNSHIP NEWS

MAY

Internship begins! Students enrolled in AP classes will attend their classes until their exam and receive hours reduction for internship. Students in leadership programs that continue to the end of the year receive a weekly five-hour deduction. Students traveling more than 25 miles to their internship will receive a five-hour deduction weekly. Students must attend their weekly meeting with their Byram Hills Internship advisor.

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.

MAY SOFT SKILL

Self Advocacy. It is very important to articulate one’s needs to improve the quality of life, affect personal change, or correct inequalities. A great way to build self-advocacy skills is to practice and role-play potentially difficult conversations with your child in advance.

UPCOMING SENIOR EVENTS

Wednesday, May 31st
Awards Ceremony

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.

QUALITY CONTENT



BYRAM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
PRESENTS
M **TH-M Music**
HONOR SOCIETY
APRIL 26, 2023



BYRAM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
PRESENTS
MU ALPHA THETA
INDUCTION CEREMONY
APRIL 27, 2023

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 15th

Jazz on the Lawn

Tuesday, May 16th

- Principal's Coffee 9 am
- PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am
- Community Concert @ HCC 3 - 6 pm
- Board of Ed. Budget/Trustee Vote @ HCC 6:30 am - 9 pm
- Board of Ed. Mtg. @ HCC

Wednesday, May 17th

- BHEF Board of Directors Mtg. @ DO 7 pm

Thursday, May 18th

- Bus Driver Appreciation Day

Friday, May 19th

- The Varley Players Performance 7 pm

Saturday, May 20th

- The Varley Players Performance 2 pm & 7 pm

Monday, May 22nd

- StartUP Final Pitch Event 6 pm

Friday, May 26th

- Schools Closed/Offices Open

Monday, May 29th

- Regular Athletic Schedule
- Memorial Day
- Schools and Offices Closed

Wednesday, May 31st

- Awards Ceremony 7 pm

May 2023 - Focus

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1-8 Senior Internships Begin AP Exams	2-1 AP Exams PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am Board of Ed. Mtg. & Budget Hearing V, 7:30 pm	3-2 AP Exams	4-3 AP Exams Registration Deadline for 6/3 SAT PTSA Staff Appreciation Luncheon	5-4 AP Exams Registration Deadline for 6/10 ACT	6 SAT Test PTSA Mother's Day Fundraiser
7	8-5 AP Exams	9-6 AP Exams	10-7 AP Exams	11-8 AP Exams	12-1 AP Exams	13
14	15-2 Jazz on the Lawn	16-3 PTSA Exec Mtg. @ DO 9:30 am Principal's Coffee 9 am Board of Ed. Budget/Trustee Vote @ HCC 6:30 am - 9 pm Board of Ed. Mtg. @ HCC	17-4 BHEF Board of Directors Mtg. @ DO 7 pm	18-5 Bus Driver Appreciation Day	19-6 The Varley Players Performance 7 pm	20 The Varley Players Performance 2 & 7 pm
21	22-7	23-8	24-1	25*-2	26* Schools Closed Offices Open	27
28	29 Regular Athletic Schedule Memorial Day Schools & Offices Closed	30*-3	31-4 Awards Ceremony 7 pm			



Washington Reviewing Our Ally—the French—1781 by Henry Alexander Ogden. The Society of the Cincinnati, Washington, DC.

Follow the French Tour

- ★ Visit three historic Revolutionary War sites in Westchester, where French troops camped during the final year of the war.
- ★ Be guided along the route with a FREE AUDIO TOUR about the crucial French alliance with General George Washington and the Continental Army.
- ★ Come learn about the French role in winning our war for independence, see their encampment sites, visit a historic tavern, meet Generals Rochambeau and Washington, tour a pop-up museum, and pet animals from the colonial period.

**The FREE family-friendly event will take place May 20, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
You can go at your own pace and visit the sites in any order.**

The three sites are Smith's Tavern in Armonk, Odell House Rochambeau Headquarters in Hartsdale, and Rochambeau Park/Yorktown Grange Fair Grounds—where there will be a re-creation of a French campsite. Each location will have family activities.

FREE AUDIO TOUR! Download the free TravelStories *Follow the French* audio tour and learn about the sites as you drive to each location. The audio launches automatically—hands-free—as you approach each site, without the need for cell service or Wi-Fi.

TOUR SITE LOCATIONS *Audio tour works best in this order.*

- ★ Smith's Tavern Educational Complex, 440 Bedford Road, Armonk, NY
- ★ Odell House Rochambeau Headquarters, 425 Ridge Road, Hartsdale, NY
- ★ Rochambeau Park/Yorktown Grange Fair Grounds, 99 Moseman Road, Yorktown Heights, NY

Tour organized by the Friends of Odell House Rochambeau Headquarters, in collaboration with the North Castle Historical Society and the Yorktown Heritage Preservation Commission. Funding for TravelStories audio tour provided by the Scarsdale Historical Society.





BYRAM HILLS
startUP
FINAL PITCH NIGHT

MONDAY,
MAY 22, 2023

BYRAM HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
6-7PM RECEPTION / TEAM EXPO
7PM PRESENTATIONS BEGIN

EVENT IS
OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC

THE VARLEY PLAYERS PRESENT

CAN'T STOP the FEELING a musical revue



Tickets available now

BROWN PAPER TICKETS



May 19, 2023 7pm
May 20, 2023 2pm & 7pm

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