



New Paltz Central High School

NEWS SHEET

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March 2014

A Smoke Free Campus

Dear Parents / Guardians:



It's Spring! No more snow, snow days or delayed openings! It is now time for sun, flowers, baseball, softball, lacrosse, track and the Spring Musical, Cinderella. Spring is also the time of the year when Seniors are finalizing post-high school plans and students in grades 8-11 are busy selecting courses for the fall. Parents are urged to visit the high school website for a complete listing of upcoming events and contact the High School Guidance office at 256-4120 or the Main Office at 256-4100 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Barbara P. Clinton
Principal



Please Note:

In addition to the Budget Vote on May 20th, a capital project addressing program and infrastructure improvements in the four buildings will be presented for public approval. Detailed information on the budget and the capital project is posted on the district website.

Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the Class of 2014

The Valedictorian of the Class of 2014 is John Fullam with a grade point average of 100.681%. The Salutatorian of the Class of 2014 is Tal Schwartz with a grade point average of 99.867%. Congratulations to both of these outstanding young men!

John Fullam



Tal Schwartz



Congratulations

Congratulations to the following teams who have earned the NY State Scholar Athlete Team award. The award is given to Varsity teams who have the required number of athletes with a combined GPA of 90% or higher: Varsity Girls Nordic Skiing—96.602%, Varsity Girls Basketball—93.492%, Varsity Boys Swimming—93.144%, Varsity Boys Nordic Skiing—92.508%, Varsity Boys Basketball—91.108%, and Varsity Gymnastics—90.503%.

Congratulations to Hudson Carroll who set school records in 100 Freestyle, 100 Backstroke and 100 Butterfly at the NY State Swim Championships. He also has All American Consideration Time in the 100 Butterfly. Hudson is automatically an All American in the 100 Backstroke, and has set a new Section IX record.

Congratulations to Coach Bartlett and the Boys Swim team... the 2013-14 Section IX Champions.

Congratulations to Karma Lama who has been accepted at Lycoming College and has been offered a Third Century Scholarship worth \$14,000 per year.

Congratulations to Claire McAllister who is the 2014 winner of the DAR Good Citizen Essay contest. She and the other Good Citizens will be honored at a dinner given by the Wiltwyck Chapter of the DAR on April 7th in Kingston.

If you wish to support the district initiative to go paperless, please sign into the Parent Portal at <http://ps.newpaltz.k12.ny.us>, and click on the "Paperless" icon.

Upcoming Events

March 20

Career Conference-all 10th graders
At UCCC

Parent/Teacher Conferences

(By Appointment Only)-7 p.m.-9 p.m.

March 21

All-County Orchestra Festival-UCCC

March 25

Federal Reserve Challenge—NYC

Community Partnership- Work Readiness
for students workshop-2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

March 26

“Night in a Day” presentation

Youth Job Fair-cafeteria-2:30-4:30 p.m.

March 27

Science Research Information Night
Audion- 6:30 p.m.

March 28-29

Snow date—All-County Choral/Band
Festival—UCCC

April 2

Board of Education meeting—7 p.m.

April 3-5

“Cinderella” -Spring Musical

April 7

Incoming 9th Grade Orientation—
6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. —HS Auditorium

April 14-18

Spring Break - NO SCHOOL

April 24

Staff Appreciation Day

April 25

Junior Prom

April 27

Athletic Assoc. Raffle

April 28

NPBS Scholarship Auction-Gilded Otter

May 2

Physics Field Study—Great Adventure

May 5-16

AP EXAMS

HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE

At our high school website www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us you can access the Guidance web pages to keep informed about career information, college advisement, community service suggestions, pre-college checklist, senior calendar, scholarship bulletins, college related upcoming events, etc. Athletic events are online at our high school website: www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us or ociaa.oubooces.org or you may listen to them by calling the SPORTS HOTLINE at: (845) 256-4045. This HOTLINE is updated regularly with information pertaining to games, meets and, if necessary, cancellations and re-scheduling.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

In addition to listening to the radio, you can find the closings/delays online at cancellations.COM, as well as on our district website, www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us after 6:00 a.m. You can still call our weather hotline at 256-4099 which is updated at 5:45 a.m.

Did You Know ?

Day of Percussion at UCCC

On Saturday, April 5, 2014, some of our NPBS musicians will be participating at SUNY Ulster in a **Day of Percussion** for high school percussionists. The day will feature guest clinicians and performers working with high school students in master classes, demonstrations and group performances. Students will perform in percussion ensembles, including an African Drumming group, organized for this event. The day-long event will begin at 10:00 a.m. and concludes with a free concert at 4:00 p.m.

Senior Citizen Dinner

NPBS National Honor Society and Student Government are hosting the Annual Senior Citizen Dinner in the high school cafeteria on Thursday, April 3rd at 5:30 p.m. Please call the high school for reservations at 256-4100.

Cinderella



Fairy tales do come true as you will see April 3rd, 4th and 5th when New Paltz High School presents Rogers and Hammerstein's Cinderella. Currently on Broadway, this familiar tale uses gorgeous music, a talented cast of 48, an amazing orchestra and beautiful costumes to weave together the perfect family musical. Evening shows are at 7:30 p.m. with a specially priced 2:00 p.m. matinee on Saturday, April 5th. All the young-at-heart are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite fairy tale character and join in a costume parade during intermission. (Small prizes for all costumed attendees will be handed out). The box office opens mid-March and reservations can be made by calling 256-4111. Ticket prices remain at the low price of \$10 for students/senior citizens, \$12 for adults and \$8 for the matinee. Hope to see you at the “happiest ever-after” NPBS musical and, remember, magic doesn't last forever—only for 4 performances!



NPBS Mathletes

Our Mathletes club has been very busy this year! Our thirty-plus active members have enjoyed success at the DUSO Mathematics League contests, held at Kingston High School. With twelve teams from five schools competing, our A team came in first place for the season and will be going to sectionals this month. In addition, for the first time, one of our Mathletes was chosen go to the state meet, Kenrick Cai will be representing New Paltz High School at States next month in Syracuse.

Mathletes is open to any student who enjoys math. In addition to the DUSO League math contests, our club competes in the New York Math League High School Contest. For more information, contact Kathryn Stewart at the high school.

Mr. Martin's Photography classes and Mrs. Pountain's AP Studio Art students are participating in a Teen Photo Contest held by *The Elting Library Teen Advisory Committee*. The photographs will be on display from March 15th until April 15th. There will be a reception on Tuesday, April 8th, and at that time the winners of the contest will be announced. Please come to the library to view the photos, and all are welcome to come to the reception.

PTSA NEWS

Everyone—parents, educators, students and community members—is invited to join our PTSA!

The next PTSA meeting is Monday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m.



*If you have any questions, please contact
Renee Brenner at Reneedream@aol.com*

*Special thanks to students & staff for their support of the
PTSA Book Fair!*



** New Paltz High School...caring, connecting, and making a difference **

Mission Statement: To become a community of learners that emphasizes mutual respect and responsibility in which everyone realizes his or her potential.