

Horizons

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HIGH SCHOOL ADVANCED MUSIC ENSEMBLES PERFORM IN ALBANY TO CELEBRATE "MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH"

On Thursday, March 24th, 2022, Hauppauge High School's Advanced Music Ensembles performed at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, New York. The Chamber Orchestra, the Chamber Choir, and the Wind Ensemble were invited to perform for New York State Legislators in celebration of "Music In Our Schools Month."

Sponsored by the New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA), the event was created in Nassau County in 1972, with its purpose to advocate for music education programs throughout New York State.

Below are photos of our students in their music ensembles.











#MuscMatters

BE A SPARK. IGNITE THE MUSIC.

BRETTON WOODS STUDENTS DRESS COLORFULLY FOR "WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY"

Autism is a colorful phenomenon with a variety of symptoms and as such, has several related symbols and colors. In honor of World Autism Awareness Day (Saturday, April 2nd) we are inviting students to dress in bright colors on Monday, April 4th! In joining together, we build our capacity to accept differences and embrace acts of empathy, compassion, and kindness. We want everyone to realize that we all have BRIGHTER futures when we have the support of our families, teachers, classmates, and friends.











DANCE STUDENTS TRAVEL TO THE "BROADWAY DANCE CENTER"

On Wednesday March 30th, students from the high school's dance and musical theater classes spent a day in the city attending dance classes at the "Broadway Dance Center." After the classes, they took in the Broadway show "Moulin Rouge" with teachers Carolyn Cavuoto and Ruthie Pincus.

The students took an array of challenging and fun dance classes - tap, contemporary lyrical, theater, and jazz funk, with master teachers at this world renowned studio. "Moulin Rouge," the first Broadway show for several students, was a feast for the eyes and ears with spectacular dancing, music and costumes. It was a wonderful day!

Here are some photos of the group enjoying this wonderful opportunity!









"THE RACHEL QUINN CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION" FIRST FUNDRAISING EVENT IS SCHEDULED

By: Danielle Sukoff Grade 4 Teacher - Bretton Woods

With the launch of "The Rachel Quinn Children's Foundation," it aims to emphasize kindness. Rachel kept this term at the forefront of her own life and instilled it into the young minds she taught. To her, there was little that couldn't be solved with her motto to "always be kind".

The Rachel Quinn Children's Foundation, created by her husband, Nathan Quinn along with the help of family and friends, exists to empower children through their education and spread the characteristics of kindness that Rachel embodied. With the launch of the foundation, we plan to give out more than 100 backpacks filled with school supplies by the end of 2022 with the intention of increasing the amount of school bags we can give out year after year. We look forward to beginning this journey together and honoring the legacy Rachel left behind.

Our first major fundraising event will be a cocktail party on June 14th at the Betterman in Patchogue. Join us for cocktails, passed bites, raffles and more — in Rachel Quinn's honor. The website is now live so be sure to stop by for foundation and event information. Tickets to the cocktail benefit will be available to purchase starting Friday, April 8.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in sponsoring the event or would like to donate directly, please visit our website for more information or contact Danielle Sukoff.

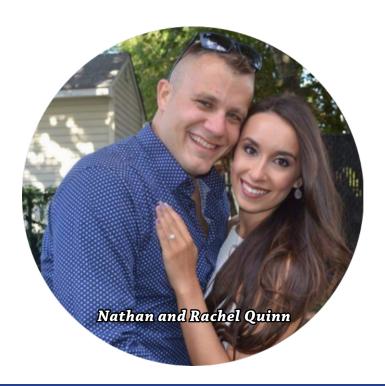
"The Rachel Quinn Children's Foundation:"

Website: https://racfoundation.org

Event info: https://racfoundation.org/events/

Purchase event tickets: https://e.givesmart.com/events/qkK/
Donate here: https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/rqcfoundation

As you go through your own life, remember to keep Rachel's motto in mind. Lead with purpose, with kindness towards others, and with compassion in your heart.



FOREST BROOK STUDENTS TAKE THEIR SPECIAL GUESTS TO THE "BOOK FAIR"

This week, Forest Brook elementary students were treated to a "Book Fair." Students were able to have their special quests attend with them to help with their selections. Here are some lovely photos.











PINES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LAUNCHES "RESPECT FOR ALL WEEK"

By: Dr. Claudine DiMuzio Principal

Pines ES proudly launched their tenth annual Respect for All Week. It was a great success! Coming together to read shared texts, supporting our local food drive, hosting Matt Wilhelm as our guest speaker, wearing yellow and blue to support the Ukraine, and participating in a schoolwide art project really helped to deepen our sense of community, created opportunities for discussions around important topics, and offered students the chance to work with their hands as they collaborated on making our gorgeous sunflowers that hang proudly in our school windows. I want to thank all of our staff and students for giving so much of their time and creativity to this "Respect for All" Sunflower project.

Respect for All Week also gave us the opportunity to reinforce the concepts we have been learning all year throughout our Choose Love initiative. This month, we are learning about the fourth and final component of Choose Love, which is Compassion in Action. Our April Book of the Month, A Little SPOT of Empathy: A Story about Understanding and Kindness, written and illustrated by Diane Alber, serves to reinforce and connect us with these past activities and teach us about how we can connect with others through our shared experiences involving compassion and empathy.

It is our hope that as our students navigate their relationships with themselves and with one another, activities and books such as this one, serve to deepen their connections with one another, and give them the language they need to express their emotions and thoughts. After all, language is our portal to meaning-making, connection, healing, learning, and self-awareness.

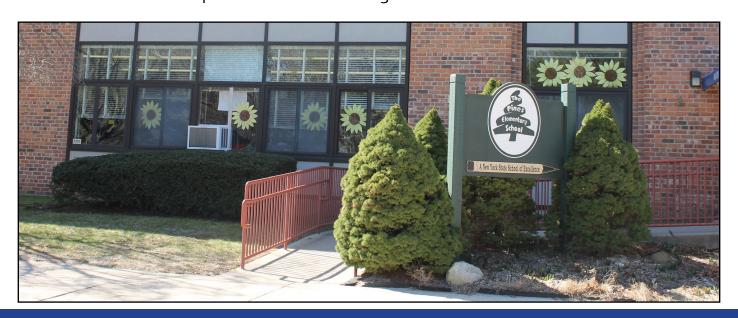
Sunflowers for Ukraine by Elisabeth Anziano, Art Teacher

COMPASSION for the people of Ukraine kicks off our "Choose Love Pillar" and "Respect for ALL Week" at Pines. The Pines windows are Blooming with Sunflowers.

The Sunflowers are the creative efforts of many at the Pines. It began with an idea from Dr. Claudine DiMuzio and Ms. Julie Ratner.

We wanted everyone to own a piece and be involved in this "Compassion in Action" effort. Sunflower centers were painted and stacks of petals made into kits by the "Cool to Be Kind Club" and Student Government. Each classroom was given a kit to assemble. Students colored the flower petals and assembled them into the giant Sunflowers.

As the saying goes "many hands make light work to get the job done" Special Thanks for Dr. DiMuzio, Mrs. Julie Rattner, Mrs. Sue Lombardo, Mrs. Tracey DeRose, Michael Preite and, Lark D'Imperio. Here are some beautiful photos of Pines "Blooming with Sunflowers!"



PINES - "BLOOMING WITH SUNFLOWERS













"MARCH MADNESS" COMES TO PINES ELEMENTARY

During the week of March 28, Pines Elementary students "teamed" together with Student Council to create and participate in a March Madness "Tournament of Movies". The movies were separated by genre and put into "brackets".

Each day movies went head to head for students and staff to vote for their favorites. At the end of each day the winner of that "bracket" went to the next level. Finally at the end of the week, voting was done & the all time favorites movie at Pines was Karate Kid!

Students and staff followed a different theme each day that week. Monday was Wear Your Favorite College Attire for March Madness Monday. Tuesday was



Team Up Tuesday - team up with a friend or 2 or 10 and dress the same. Wednesday was Wake up Wednesday and everyone was invited to wear their favorite pajamas. Thursday was Theater Thursday where all were encouraged to dress like their favorite movie characters. Finally, Friday was Fan Fanatic Friday and all were invited to wear their favorite sports team apparel.

Thank you, Karen Kerr, for the wonderful photos!





















JESSICA MAGEE



MARINE TRANSPORTATION WITH US COAST GUARD LICENSE

Jessica Magee will attend the SUNY Maritime where she will study
Marine Transportation with U.S. Coast Guard License.
She will participate in Division 3 Diving.
During high school, Jessica swam on the Varsity Swim Team for four years,
and her team are HSGVSAD County Champions.
As two-time, Varsity Swimming and Diving Captain, Jessica is a NYS Championship
qualifier, and All-County Diver.
She was also a member of NYSSMA, Select Strings, and Chamber Orchestra President.

Congratulations, Jessica!



ERIC BROOKS

Farmingdale State College

State University of New York

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

Eric Brooks will attend Farmingdale State College where he will study Business Management.

Congratulations, Eric!



ANTHONY DEMODNA



SPORTS AND ADVENTURE MEDIA

Anthony DeModna will attend West Virginia University where he will study Sports and Adventure Media.

During high school, Anthony has been a part of the Hauppauge Photography program, as well as a member of the Hauppauge Baseball Team where he was selected as the recipient of the DeMorella Award.

Congratulations, Anthony!



MEGHAN WALSH



PSYCHOLOGY

Meghan Walsh will attend Virginia Tech
where she will study Psychology.

During high school, Meghan participated as a member of Track and Cross Country,
and was a member of the Ignition Program.

Meghan was also the Vice President of SADD/Social Awareness Club, as well as
the Vice President of German Club.
Congratulations, Meghan!



THOMAS HYDE



LIBERAL ARTS

Thomas Hyde will attend Tulane University in the Fall of 2022 where he will study Liberal Arts. Congratulations, Thomas!

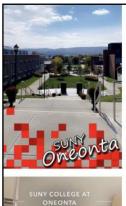


SARAH HARKER



SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Sarah Harker will attend Ithaca College where she will study Speech-Language Pathology. During high school, Sarah was involved with Best Buddies, and Kicks for Cancer. Congratulations, Sarah!









ALEXA FASTAG



EXERCISE SCIENCE

Alexa Fastag will attend SUNY Oneonta where she will study Exercise Science.

During high school, Alexa was a member of the Hauppauge Varsity Gymnastics team,

and the Varsity Swimming and Diving Team.

Alexa was named the MVP of Varsity Gymnastics in 2018-2019, and also participated in the Hauppauge Musicals, Footloose and Grease.

As a Girl Scout, Alexa has earned both the Bronze and Silver Award. A long term goal of Alexa's is to attend graduate school to get her DPT for Physical Therapy.

Congratulations, Alexa!



JOSEPH CAMBARERI



BROADCASTING & MASS COMMUNICATIONS

Joseph Cambareri will attend SUNY Oswego where he will study Broadcasting and Mass Communications. During high school, Joseph was a member of the Drama Club, Stage Crew, and was a participant in Eagle Watch. Congratulations, Joseph!



ETHAN HUMIN



HISTORY/ADOLESCENT EDUCATION

Ethan Humin will attend St. Joseph's College where he will study History and Adolescent Education on a Scholastic Achievement Scholarship Award.

Ethan has been named an AP Scholar and has also received Varsity Letters for participating in Cross Country, Wrestling, and Track. For Cross Country, Ethan received the Character Award.

Ethan is also a member of the German Honor Society, the Orchestra, and the Visible Values Committee.

Congratulations, Ethan!



VICTORIA SORDI



PSYCHOLOGY

Victoria Sordi will attend the College of Charleston where she will study Psychology. During high school, Victoria participated in DECA, as well as Cheerleading and Gymnastics. Congratulations, Victoria!



JOE LOVERDE



BUILDING CONSTRUCTION: BUILDING TRADE

Joe LoVerde will attend Alfred State College of Technology where he will study Building Construction; a Building Trade. Joe will also be competing as a wrestler, continuing a sport he competed in at the varsity level during high school. Joe was also a member of the Varsity Lacrosse team. Congratulations, Joe!



AMELIA HELMKE



JOURNALISM

Amelia Helmke will attend the University of Connecticut where she will study Journalism.

During high school, Amelia was involved in fundraising for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in an effort to continue raising cancer awareness.

Amelia was also the treasurer of the high school German Club, as well as the editor of the school newspaper.

Congratulations, Amelia!



AMANDA WILLIAMSON



CHILDHOOD EDUCATION/ PSYCHOLOGY

Amanda WIlliamson will attend Marist College
where she will study Childhood Education and Psychology.
During high school, Amanda was a leader as co-captain of the
Girls Varsity Swim Team, and
the president of Mural Club.
Amanda also participated in the school musical in Grease The Musical,
as well as National Honor Society, and the English Honor Society.
Congratulations, Amanda!

GO SENIOR EAGLES!

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