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Drop the Mic for Bayside's Music Studio

by Devika Sagar, Class of 2019

As a student in the Music: Performance & Production CTE Program, I was thrilled when I heard the news about the construction of an actual recording studio in our school. The new space is perfect for our specialized music and digital courses, such as Foundations of Commercial Music, DJ Technology, Recording Technologies 1 & 2, and Recording Technologies 3 & 4. I love to sing and write songs and it has always been a dream of mine to record professionally. With this upcoming studio, that dream for me and my fellow students is closer than ever.

Our state-of-the-art music complex is becoming a reality thanks in part to New York City Council Member, Paul Vallone. CTE Program Director, Mr. Charles Wang, and instructor, Mr. John Gundersen, have commented that they are very excited about this new project. The vision of having a music studio and live room between the music production lab and the newly-minted orchestra rehearsal room is finally coming true.

Mr. Wang said, "with the new studio, we can now fully integrate the program and curriculum to have the technology students work with the performance students." He also added, "This new studio can now be a tool for Bayside High School to connect with the community by offering our audio production and recording services: valuable work-based learning experiences for our CTE students."

Mr. Gundersen believes that with this new state-of-the-art-studio, students will now have the opportunity, not only to study what is going on in the music business, but to learn their craft hands-on.



2	College Visit: SUNY Binghamton
5	College Visit: St. Bonaventure University
6	Election Day / Students Not in Attendance
9	End of Marking Period 2 Term 1
12	School Closed / Veterans Day Observed
13	College Visit: Vaughn College SUNY Plattsburgh
14	College Visit: LaGuardia Community College
20	College Visit: Adelphi University
22 - 23	School Closed / Thanksgiving Recess
26	College Visit: Johnson and Wales
27	College Visit: Lincoln Tech
28	SLT Meeting, 4:15 pm PTA Executive Meeting, 6:00 pm PTA General Meeting, 7:15 pm
29	Parent-Teacher Conference Evening, 6:30 - 9 pm
30	Parent-Teacher Conference Afternoon, 12:40 - 2:45 pm

DECEMBER

4	Fall Blood Drive
13	Marking Period 2
14	Multi-Cultural Festival
15	Auditions for Art & Music Programs, 9 am - 1 pm
19	SLT Meeting, 4:15 pm PTA Executive Meeting, 6:00 pm PTA General Meeting, 7:15 pm
24-JAN 1	Winter Recess / School Closed
JAN 2	School Resumes

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Outdoors Club Climbs to New Heights

by Ivy Lu, Outdoors Club President, Class of 2019

Thirty miles north of New York City, deep into Harriman State Park, Bayside's Outdoors Club prepared to spend Memorial Day weekend. Without phone service or air conditioning, most of us were outside of our comfort zone. However, stepping beyond the borders of one's comfort zone can be as exciting as well as daunting. Despite the initial unfamiliarity, campers almost instantly acclimated to the crisp air and greenery of our temporary home. The silence and serenity of the woods were a refreshing change from the noise pollution of the city.



Pictures courtesy of Jonathan Dharmadi & Karen Liu

The weekend was filled with activities, such as singing campfire songs and fighting off gnats, but perhaps the most memorable event was the hike. What we assumed would be an easy hike up the mountain with beautiful scenery and relaxing seclusion, was a little more tricky. It quickly became clear that the journey was less about how far one could walk, but more about how high one could climb. We strolled single-file over flat boulders and creeks, supporting each other when climbing on slippery slopes. When faced with what appeared to be an unclimbable plateau, we used determination and teamwork to shakily find footing in crevices of the hill and pull ourselves up.

The hours and the miles flew by and we reached the mountain peak. It became clear that our efforts were worth it. The natural beauty of the surroundings stood out even more at that altitude. The rolling hills and trees that were once looming above, were now shrubbery hundreds of feet below. Reflecting on the trip later, Vinmie Huang said, "I think the spirit of the team was very energetic."

Speaking about her time on the trip, Tiffany Gao said, "Life is too short. Joining the Outdoors Club allowed me to experience the joy of nature."

On the trip back to the campsite we meandered past glittering rivers and colorful plants. At the end of the night, in absolute darkness, the group gathered by the lakeside. Fulfilling a local superstition, everyone gathered rocks and wrote blessings to exchange with each other. Then, at the count of three, we threw them into the lake and the messages of "happiness" and "freedom" sank to the bottom.

Student Ambassadors Provide Helping Hands

by Shawn Hong Han Wu, Class of 2019



Bayside High School Student Ambassadors

During my three years at Bayside, I have helped at freshmen orientations, open houses, beginning-of-the-year administrative preparation, and high school fairs. Participating in these activities helped me come out of my shell. Initially, a friend dragged me along to help with the freshmen orientation. Since our school is so large, many freshmen get lost and need assistance. Even though it was stressful, I enjoyed the challenge. Thereafter, I volunteered for more events - they are enjoyable because of the interaction with others.

These occasions usually start a bit hectic, but there's always a solution. For example, when we stuffed envelopes for incoming and returning students, the volunteers and I developed a system. These events have helped with my communication skills, have tested my leadership ability, and have created bonds between fellow volunteers and myself. I am proud to be a Student Ambassador, part of a group of dedicated students who spend time helping to get it done.

American Cancer Society: Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk of Queens

by Theodora Kouloglou, Class of 2019

Everywhere you look, all you see is pink. Forty mile-per-hour winds cannot stop our movement. On October 21, 2018 at Flushing Meadows Corona Park, the members of Bayside High School's Arista, Key Club, Leadership, and Smiles for Miles joined the fight against breast cancer with their participation in the community walk.

From the opening ceremony to the post-walk entertainment, the event was "a celebration of survivors and opportunity to remember loved-ones lost." Approximately 252,710 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year.



Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walks serve as a catalyst for increasing awareness and raising money to fund innovative research, support services, and early detection.

Collectively, the clubs were able to surpass the goal of \$750 and made a donation of \$881 to help advocate the movement. Survivors, caregivers, friends, families, and those passionate about saving lives from breast cancer all came together this early Sunday morning to show support

for the cause - the warmth of their hearts outweighed the frigid feel of the weather.

Lowe's Grant Supports Gears for Creative Minds

by Ms. Sara Margolin, Partnership Development Director

Bayside High School has received a \$5,000 Lowe's Toolbox for Education grant for our Computer Programming & Web Design CTE project "Gears for Creative Minds." Our grant application was based on the goal of motivating students about futures in computer science by enabling them to program physical devices. Students explore concepts in Internet of Things, Robotics and Python as they develop prototypes of intrusion alert systems and information gathering robots.

We look forward to sharing the "Gears for Creative Minds" project with the Bayside High School community. This initiative will help the school guide more students to pursue careers in STEM fields other than those of traditional software development programs. With our Internet of Things and Robotics, we hope to inspire a new batch of students to participate in the FIRST FTC and VEX Robotics Competitions.

The "Gears for Creative Minds" project is a three-month project that will be incorporated into the Programming Technologies freshman classes. Using physical devices will provide students an easy platform for combining computer programming with robotics and electronics. This fall, we are excited to order and organize components and collaborate with staff to conduct professional development. We plan to implement the Internet of Things and Robotics curriculum by early spring.

"Our school and community will greatly benefit from this grant. We wish to thank our friends at Lowe's for generously supporting this important project," said Melissa Haroutunian, Assistant Principal, School Development.

A Garden Grant Beautifies Bayside

by Mr. Steven Jacoby, Key Club Advisor



Key Club and the Garden Club collaborated on a flower planting project on Tuesday, October 16th to beautify the main entrance garden of Bayside High School. With \$300.00 received from a Key Club grant, 10 Key Club members and five Garden Club members added new blooms and bulbs to the flower beds that border the walkway up to the front entrance.

Mums, soil, mulch, gloves and tulip bulbs were purchased. Students planted the mums and bulbs, added mulch to the soil, and cleaned up the existing flowerbeds. The two clubs plan to continue the project in the Spring when the bulbs bloom and add more flowers to the front entryway.



Class of 1968 Reunites in the Halls of Bayside!

by Allya Shon, Class of 2019



On Friday, November 2nd, Bayside welcomed members of the class of 1968 for a 50-year reunion. Organized by Ms. Jane S. Gabin and Mr. Walter Mugdan, with help from Bayside teacher and Alumni Liaison, Mrs. Valente, many were able to participate in the momentous occasion. Coming from places near and far, such as Massachusetts, Florida, Arizona, and California, all were excited to be in the halls of Bayside High once again.

Student tour guides showed the guests around school. The class of '68 commented how much has changed, while also staying the same. While roaming through the many floors and peeping into classrooms, many talked about fond memories of their days in the very classrooms decades ago, which emphasize how much their high school odyssey meant for them.

Mrs. Karin Johnson Barkhorn noted the graduating class of '68 was comprised of 1,400 students, which confirms the long-lived feeling that Bayside has always been - and always will be - a big family. Fur-



thermore, the alumni were not surprised to see the stampede of students exiting school doors by the first floor lobby at the end of 9th period, for Bayside High School has al-



ways been home to countless students. Like today, lockers did not exist back in the '60s, so students had to carry books from class to class. However, what was pointedly different was the drastic transformation of the dress code, explained by Ms. Sheryl Pinner. She said girls were not allowed to wear pants back then, and many met with heavy consequences for doing so. Now, pants are ubiquitous with today's attire and are considered a staple in one's wardrobe.

The student guides were honored to partake in such a celebratory occasion, as senior and current S.O. President Shirley Dong pointed out, "It was overwhelming and inspiring because they all gathered for their 50th anniversary. It made me jealous wondering if my class of 2019 will be willing to meet after 50 years."

Before the school bell rang to mark the end of the day, alumni asked students if they know the school song. Most of the current student population did not know the school song, so the day finished with all of the alumni singing our school song: "... So orange and blue are we, we'll fight for Bayside High!"

Once a Baysider, always a Baysider.



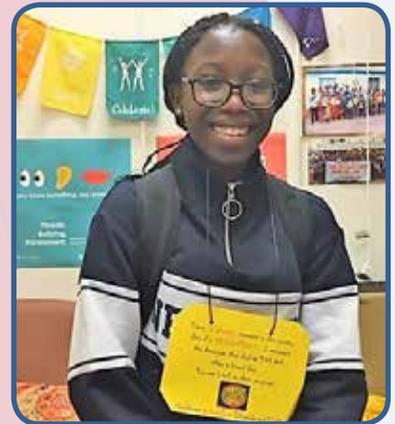
Red Ribbon Week



National Red Ribbon Campaign was established in 1985 to raise awareness of the killing and destruction caused by drugs in America. Bayside participated with a week of activities that covered important teen topics such as drug use, vaping, and alcohol abuse. Students learned that every 22 minutes an American dies of a drug overdose. To commemorate those lost, students wore signs indicating a time of death and did not speak from that time forward in order to represent a lost life. On the final day, students experienced an impaired state with the use of fatal vision goggles and then each tried to walk a straight line. Many thanks to Ms. Jaxen, SPARK advisor, and the students for raising awareness and promoting a drug-free lifestyle.

When wearing the fatal vision goggles I felt disoriented and unstable. I felt how a drunk individual must feel when he had too much to drink. I stumbled when I stood up and could not maintain a balance. Everything was blurry and it felt like I shifted from reality.

- Roslyn Udeochu, Class of 2021



It was hard to not respond to my name being called and I had to catch myself from answering automatically. I got used to it though because I knew it was an important project with a serious message.

-Kyla Harris, Class of 2022



Just feeling your grip loosening from self-control was somewhat terrifying. Knowing what my vision is like when intoxicated is a warning sign for myself or anyone who will experience liquor in their lifetime.

-Trinity Hill, Class of 2020



The glasses made me feel separated from reality, like I had no control over my body.

- Simridhi Sharma, Class of 2021



The experience of wearing this sign really implored me to take seriously the deaths caused by drug abuse. My silence drew attention to such tragedies, not just to those around me but even to myself.

- Leanna Roskoff, Class of 2019



Red Ribbon Week was very informational. I learned more about drugs and alcohol abuse. I tried on the drunk goggles during lunch. This made me more aware of how drunk people feel and it was not good.

- Kristine Foto, Class of 2020



Scary Good Times

by Shirley Dong, S.O. President, Class of 2019

Hey Baysiders! It's the season for Halloween howls and pumpkin smiles. This fall, eighth grade students are applying to high school and Bayside held two Open Houses for incoming students to view the facilities and evaluate the CTE programs. Student and teacher volunteers were present offering smiling faces and expertise to help families choose Bayside!

October was Breast Cancer Awareness month. Think pink when supporting the fighters, admiring the survivors, and honoring the taken, and never, ever, giving up hope. Bayside High School's Arista, Smiles for Miles, Key Club, and Leadership class joined the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk on October 21st in Flushing Meadows Corona Park to join the fight against cancer. October was also Drug Awareness month. The S.P.A.R.K. Program participated in National Red Ribbon Week and spread awareness of the destruction caused by drugs. Students learned about the harmful effects of marijuana, vaping, smoking, alcohol, and drug overdose. Spread awareness to spread love.

Hey, Class of 2019! Don't forget Senior Quote forms are due November 20th. Also, email the Yearbook your BABY PHOTO! Send your photo as a jpeg to BHSTRIANGLE@gmail.com before December 20th! Senior Kickoff was held in the Athletic Field from 3PM to 5PM for pizza, hoodie voting and the last home game for Varsity Football. We're makin' the grade, we're livin' the dream, Class of 2019 reign supreme. Fangs for the memories and nightmares!

Bayside = College! Many college representatives continue to speak about the admission process, majors/minors, campus, dorms, financial aid, and more. Colleges, such as SUNY Cobleskill, Univ. of Scranton, Hofstra, The New School, Dartmouth, Seton Hall, Pace University, St. Joseph's College, Syracuse, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Geneseo, SUNY Buffalo, SUNY Cortland, SUNY Albany, SUNY Binghamton, St. Bonaventure, Vaughn College, LaGuardia Community, Johnson and Wales are some of the many colleges to anticipate! Please pick up a permission slip from the S.O. Office to attend! May our best wishes be with you! 2 claps on Bayside!

Spotlight on Star Athletes

by Paige Poulakis, Class of 2019



Douglas Flug

Star quarterback of the Boys Varsity Football Team, Douglas Flug, is taking all strides to leave a mark in PSAL for his senior year. Playing football since he was eight-years-old, Douglas joined the JV team as soon as he arrived at Bayside and made Varsity his sophomore year. Following the quarterback before him, Douglas and the team finished undefeated 9-0 for the first time since 1988. Not only has he contributed to Bayside history, but Douglas is making history of his own by breaking four records: passing touchdowns, passing yards, leading all of the PSAL with passing yards, and he is tied with one other player for the most touchdowns. Not only is he the quarterback, he is also the kicker and is second in the PSAL for field goals and the top spot in field goal percentage.

Before games, Douglas likes to focus and opts to warm up on the field. Douglas says the main takeaway from playing football is that, "Teamwork is important. Every person working together is important or the job will never get done. A play can go so many different ways, just by one guy not doing his job."

Between school and work, Bailey Falco is nothing but dedicated to the sport she lives and breathes: soccer. Captain of the Girls Varsity Soccer Team, Bailey demonstrates hard work and dedication. Playing soccer since the age of five, she made varsity as a freshman. Being part of the team has given Bailey confidence as a player. Before a game, she gets nervous so she listens to upbeat music, such as country, because it gives her a good vibe. Once Bailey steps on the field she becomes extremely focused and in her zone.

Bailey Falco



Being part of the team for four years has taught her how to balance school, sports, and work. Soccer has given her patience and a purpose. Once in the game, Bailey puts all her frustration on the field and plays to the best of her ability. This year might not have been the best, but Captain Bailey Falco expressed there are team memories that she will never forget.



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