



Career Expo

On May 24, 2018, Roosevelt High School Early College Studies in partnership with the Nepperhan Community Center's Gateway Academy hosted its Second Annual Trade and Career Expo.

In attendance were students representing grades 9 through 12 as well as over forty vendors from various technical and trade schools, federal and local law enforcement agencies, the armed forces, local unions, businesses and community based organizations.

To complete the host of vendors there were representatives from the fields of automotive, cosmetology, virtual reality technology, professional sports, nursing, security, the arts, a multinational beverage company and many more.

The students met with employers and recruiters and learned specifics about the training needed to enter the area of interest as well as the career opportunities available in the fields.

The Trade and Career Expo accomplished its intended purpose: to expose students and provide an opportunity for them to practice networking skills and to gain awareness of the technical skills required to perform the tasks of a specific job. We are already looking forward to next year's Expo.

-Mrs. Parrotta



Sharks Sports Awards!

On May 24th Roosevelt held its 4th Annual Sports Banquet at "The Fairways" at Dunwoodie golf course. Student athletes from Football, Basketball, Soccer, volleyball, Softball, Baseball, Lacrosse, Wrestling, and Track received awards for sportsmanship, scholar athlete, most improved and most valuable player.

One highlight of the night was Ly'rell Walker, our basketball star, who was presented with a ball inscribed by Tom Muniz (thanks Tom) and a banner which will be hung for eternity in the lower gym.

Kyle Calabro, (pictured above with the volleyball team), won **Coach of the Year** for coaching not one but 3 of our Roosevelt teams: Volleyball, Girls' Basketball, and the districtwide Lax team. He also won the coach of the year for Section One Class A Lacrosse. – **Coach Touhey**

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Mrs. Hines - Book Club

As an end of the school year activity, our Saturday Book Club decided to have the 1st Grand Poetry Slam in honor of National Poetry Month. The seniors of Sunrise-Crestwood Nursing Home were our honored guests. The idea to invite our Yonkers senior citizens to our club came from one of our members in February. She said to Mrs. Hines "Could we read to the elderly?" From there we began to act upon the idea. So on April 28, 2018, we came together to celebrate spring and recite poetry to our delightful seniors.

Our book club/teen advisory committee is unique because it is composed of over 12 students from different/various high schools in Yonkers. We also have one student that attends Mount Saint Michael and a senior college student from Mount Saint Vincent. As a group, we meet on the last Saturday of each month at the Grinton I. Will Public Library in the Teen/Young Adult Section from 2p.m. to 4 p.m. Each month we read a different book and discuss how it relates to teen life and world around us. During the teen advisory component of our meeting we are informed about events occurring at the public library and the need for teen involvement.

This year we read The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls, Everything Everything by Nicola Yoon, Hidden Figures by Margo Lee Shetterly, Becoming Maria by Sonia Manzano and Turtles All The Way Down by John Green.



Book Review/Recommendation by Yulisa Paz Salazar

Everything Everything by Nicola Yoon

"If you love reading romantic books as well as drama; Everything Everything is a fantastic book. It shows how all humans; no matter if you have a disorder can have feeling towards someone or something. This book made me realize so many things. If you want to find out what I mean "Read This Book!"

Book Review/Recommendation by Shahru Labyango

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

"It's an amazing book, very informative. It covers racism, sexism, and the struggles for people to find work and educational opportunities in a time in our country's history. It's one of the few nonfiction books I would pick up and read again. This book should certainly be taught in school."

If you love reading books and would like to be in our club next year, see Mrs. Hines.

Submitted by Yulisa Paz Salazar, Shahru Labyango and Mrs. Hines



Graduating Class 2019

- Complete college essay and resume.
- Review your transcript.
- Visit college campuses and schedule interviews.
- Requests letters of recommendations.
- Continue community service.
- Register for an account on commonapp.org
- Memorize your social security number.



My Brother's Keeper

Under the leadership of Mr. Sony Grandoit and Mr. Marino Ricart, Roosevelt's MBK "Sharks" put their skills to the test, as they walked over every Thursday afternoon to mentor and support future scholars in School 31.

The mentors pushed in to individual classes and led one on one sessions with their students, supporting the teachers. During their meetings, the mentors/tutors supported each student in different subject areas, for example, science, math, and literature.

The goal of each session is to allow students to utilize their leadership skills and create a supportive environment for the young scholars. The "MBK Sharks" serve as an example of what the young people strive for - productive citizens within one's own community.

During each session, mentors/tutors not only discuss their specific subject area, but also engage in conversation about their passions and interests.

The MBK "Sharks" learned quickly that, "It's more than tutoring; it's actually about making a connection." As stated by Ishtar Noel and Scott Jefferson, class of 2018.

Dr. Banks, and the rest of the staff that make up School 31 have been very welcoming and supportive. Since the first session, the leaders have felt "right at home", as Jonathan Munoz, class of 2018, stated.

Senior, Ishtar Noel was also quoted, saying, "I like helping young people because I like to stick around to witness the results."

-Mr. Marino Ricart



RHS Autism Program Highlights:

Throughout the year, students in the RHS Autistic program participated in various projects and events to help support the Roosevelt High School community. This year, The Community Unity Club raised over \$500 dollars during Autism Awareness Month for the Autism Awareness Campaign.

Below, students help Coach Touhey prepare the awards for the Sports Awards Dinner.



Students celebrate the Jeans for Troops fundraiser by creating flags and attaching them to their jeans.



The Class trip to Medieval Times:



As always, students help the community by keeping Roosevelt safe and clean.



Student v. Faculty Softball Game:

The Second Annual Student Faculty Softball Game was a thriller! The Faculty won in dramatic fashion thanks to a Mr. Lopez walk off hit, scoring Safety Officer Stefanik in the bottom of the 6th inning. The game was tightly contested with the two sides trading runs every inning, playing to an 8-8 tie until Mr. Lopez's heroics. Mr. Fairclough, Thor himself, chipped in 3 huge hits of his own, a homerun and two triples, to help pace the faculty squad.

The students had their share of standouts with senior Shamaya Diaz, junior Jordan Torres and sophomores Frank Martinez and Andry Castro all contributing. A special thanks goes out to Mrs. George for all her planning and organizing, as well as to Mr. Solana and Mr. Williams for managing the grill, Mr. Ricart for crowd control, Ms. Mercadante, safety and Mr. DeChent and all the administrative staff for making this all possible. Can't wait until next year!

- Mr. Cerasuolo



Sharks Baseball Season Summary:

The 2018 Baseball season has come to a close for the Sharks. Growth was the season's theme as once again a young team built on their previous year and doubled their win total. The Sharks and their fans should be proud of their accomplishments considering the team started only one senior, four first year players and a mix of underclassmen.

Junior Kevin Castillo continued to shine winning the team's MVP award with consistent hitting and standout pitching. Transfer junior Sam Santoro showed he was a leader from day one in winter workouts and brought skill and grit to the team. Sophomore Richie Correa continued his impressive growth and earned All-League honors with a stellar season.

Huge steps forward by juniors Jordan Torres, this years Most Improved Award winner Yovanis Reyes and Noah Oliveras along with sophomore Andry Castro also give an already optimistic feel to 2019. The boys worked hard and reaped what they sowed. Myself and Coach Lopez want to thank everyone mentioned above for their dedication and hard work, as well as Jonah Munoz, Jonathan Flores, John Quelix, Elijah Vargas, Da'Juan Sledge, Albert Quelix, Albert Cuervas, Luis Almarante, Frank Martinez and Pedro Tavares. We are looking forward to an even better season in 2019!

- Mr. Cerasuolo

Student Highlight: Bejin Philip Benny

One of our very own, Bejin Philip Benny received the Career and Technical Education Student of the Year Award regarding his outstanding participation in our Media and Automotive programs. Bejin was handed the Certification of Recognition from Mayor Mike Spano and City Council President Mike Khader in regards to his performance in our own CT programs.

