

ARHS HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER



"I have no special talents. I am only passionately curious." -*Albert Einstein*

Throughout the month of May we have focused on the core value of **passion** in our various communications, activities and events. Since last weekend, members of our high school community have been participating in a variety of activities that highlight so many different passions, from raising awareness and funds, to helping our neighbors in need. Last Saturday, the ARHS PTSO partnered with the AMSB PTSO to host a pizza dinner in the high school cafeteria for all Bethany residents who were impacted by the tornado. Thanks to everyone who donated, helped out and delivered left-over pizza to the Bethany Fire Department. Last Saturday was also the annual BOW Relay for Life event, where many of our students were able to demonstrate their passion for helping to find cures to cancer through their fundraising and camaraderie. This week we had our final Spartan Seminar of the year, Mr. Spartan Contest, Underclass Awards, STEAM day, Link Crew May Development Day, Senior Picnic and tonight we will hold our 2018 Senior Prom at the Omni Hotel. All attendees must arrive at the prom by no later than 8:00 (doors open at 7:30) and are allowed to leave no earlier than 10:30 (dance concludes at 11). All attendees must submit to a passive alcohol sensor before entering the dance. We are looking forward to celebrating the end of the year with the seniors as they come together as a full class one more time before yearbook distribution, senior breakfast and graduation on June 15th. Have a wonderful Memorial Day weekend!

Sincerely,

Anna N. Mahon

Principal

Happenings and Information

2018 Graduation letters to seniors and parents: The official letters for graduation to seniors and parents will give you information regarding the procedures leading up to and including

graduation. Please find the parent letter [here](#) and the student letter [here](#).

PTSO Project Graduation Balloons: Parents and friends of graduating seniors-now is the time to purchase your congratulatory balloons for those friends and family who will be graduating on June 15th. Follow this [link](#) to purchase a bunch of balloons and support the PTSO at the same time.

Class of 2019 Senior Portraits: Due to last Wednesday's school cancellation, there has been a slight adjustment made to the schedule for June's senior portraits sessions. All sessions previously scheduled for Monday, June 11th, have been moved to Monday, June 18th. Appointment times will remain the same. All other appointment dates and times will remain unchanged. Sessions will be held in the lecture hall. All students should have received an appointment card and flyer through the mail at their home addresses. The schedule is also available [here](#) (students will need to log into their amityschools.org account to view) as well as posted on both the yearbook office and main office doors. To request a schedule change, please call Robert Taylor Photography directly at (203) 377-0739. Write to embers@amityschools.org with any questions.

Senior Breakfast: The annual Senior Breakfast sponsored by the PTSO will be held on June 14 at 9:45, prior to graduation rehearsals. PTSO is looking for donations of food items, volunteers and raffle prizes. Use this [link](#) to donate or volunteer. Please contact Wendy Frieden with any questions, wendy.frieden@yahoo.com.

Third Annual STEAM Day: This year's Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) Day was held on May 24th. During this information fair, secondary students and teachers shared information and projects from these 5 areas with Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge 5th graders.

2017-2018 Homework Help Center: The last day of the Homework Help Center for the 2017-2018 school year was May 24th. Thanks to all of our tutors, our advisors, our snack providers and our participants.

Senior Happenings

Senior Yearbook Distribution (Tuesday, June 5th): The 2018 yearbook dedication, distribution, and signing celebration will take place in the Paul D. Mengold gymnasium on Tuesday, June

5th, from 1:30-3:00. Seniors participating in the SSLP are invited back during the last session of the school day to take part in the event and are advised to make arrangements with their internship supervisors in advance; this school activity counts toward their internship hours. If students have not yet purchased a yearbook, they can do so at the event for \$80.00 (cash only). Please note that this event is for seniors only; underclassmen will receive their yearbooks during lunch waves beginning the following day.

For seniors: All Amity Google email accounts will be deleted once seniors graduate in June. All students were sent an email to their school email with instructions on how to transfer any needed files. Seniors are asked to update their Naviance accounts with outcomes and to set an attending school. A final transcript will be sent in late June to the school indicated in Naviance.

Notes from Counseling Department

Community Service & Part-time Employment: In the past week there has been an influx of residents and businesses in the community looking for volunteers for the many events coming up in May and June. There are also a number of part-time jobs that have become available. If you are interested, please stop by the Career Center for a list of opportunities.

Local Community Service Opportunity: The **10th Annual Strawberry Festival** will be held at the High Plains Community Center in Orange on Saturday, June 9, 2018 from 9:00am to 5:00pm. Volunteers are needed to help organize this event starting on Wednesday, June 6th through Saturday, June 9th. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Stuart King at 203-506-1378 or snhking@gmail.com.

Important Reminders

Speak up without Saying a Word: As a reminder, we have an [anonymous tip line](#) for community members to report concerns. Use *Speak Up* to either text or leave a voice message to report bullying, drug possession, crime and other school or community safety concerns. Bethany's student contact number: 203-404-6740.

REVISED Final Exam Schedule: Final exams will start on Tuesday, June 12th and run through Friday, June 15th, with Monday,

June 18th scheduled as a make-up exam day. The graduation ceremony will still be held on Friday, June 15th at 4:00, as seniors will have completed all of their final exams before that time. Please note that exams will run in reverse order to create an equitable distribution for students between midterm exams and final exams. The final exam schedule may be found [here](#).

Athletics

Athletic Department Website: Spring sports are beginning! For all information regarding tryouts, practice and athletic schedules, please refer to the athletic department's website [here](#).

For a copy of next week's schedule, please click [here](#).

For a copy of this past week's results, please click [here](#).

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS interested in playing a fall sport: There will be an **extremely** important informational meeting of all parents and students interested in participating in the sports of cross country, soccer, field hockey, football, girls swimming, and girls volleyball on **JUNE 11th at 5:30pm in the Main gym of the high school**. ALL coaches will be in attendance and will discuss important tryout information! THIS IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT MEETING TO ATTEND FOR ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS.

SUMMER PROGRAM: ALL interested students who plan on trying out for a fall sports team at Amity Regional High School are encouraged to participate in our summer strength and conditioning program. The program is designed to increase the strength and stamina to prepare for the fall season. Flyers are attached with all important information. There is a separate program for [football](#) and all [other sports](#). Please be sure to double check you are completing the correct form. Any questions may be answered by the contact information on the form.

Community Happenings

Amity Creative Theater 10 Year Anniversary Concert: Celebrate the last ten years of Amity shows at our Anniversary Concert! We will present musical numbers from all of our great

shows; Grease, Rent, Les Miserables, Chicago, Legally Blonde, Sweeney Todd, Tarzan, In the Heights, Into the Woods and Fiddler on the Roof. Cast members from 2008 through 2018 will join us for a one night only reunion event you cannot miss! Get your tickets [here](#).

Summer Sports Camps right here at Amity: Woodbridge Recreation will be running five different instructional and FUN! summer sports camps here at Amity High School. Camps are: [Girls basketball](#), [Boys basketball](#), [Wrestling](#), [Football](#) and [Boys & Girls Soccer](#). The brochures include information for dates, times and costs. Any questions contact Len Marazzi, Len.Marazzi@reg5.k12.ct.us.

11th Annual Summer Theater Camp: Join us this summer for another wonderful summer of theater camp fun! Dates are July 2nd-27th 2018 (no July 4th). The camp runs Monday through Friday, 8am -12pm with a culminating camp show on July 27th 7pm. Everyone is welcome and it is free! Tuition includes: All activities, Ice Cream Socials, Movies, Crafts Camp Olympic and Camp T-Shirt. Register [HERE](#).

2018 Governor's Summer Reading Challenge: Please see this [notice](#) for more information about this annual activity that can be done on a child's own time throughout the summer.

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