# Highlights

of the Sayville School District

#### SUMMER 2007

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#### Newsworthy

## **ALUMNI WALK** at 2007 Commencement







(l-r) The four Bolger sisters participated in the Alumni Walk:Theresa ('44), Joan ('50), Madeline ('60), and Carolyn ('57).



#### The following participated in the Alumni Walk 2007:

1943 Marjorie Feeney, Corinne Berger Robinson (Anderson), Kenneth Rehm, Bill Uckert; 1944 Theresa Bolger; 1945 Ruth Colson Krsnak, Arthur Krsnak; 1946 Marilyn Cejka Kussmaul; 1947 William Paauwe, June Smith, Ernest A. Kussmaul, Elaine Beebe, Louis LaFountain, Jane VanderBogh, Charles Oelkers, Doris vanHolstentos, Gloria Cariotte; 1948 Charlene Tichy Schneeberg, Harold Schneeberg, John Wells, Butzy Nagel Van Wyen; 1949 Marilyn Schneider Levin, Jean Zahradka McCarthy, Carole Mortensen Meade; 1950 Gertrude Fritzche Sutorius, Walter Sutorius, Joan Bolger; 1952 Alice Delkers Gray, Dorothy Boogertman Newhouse; 1953 Katherine Paauwe; 1955 Frances Sorrentino Kaelin, Ann Wolstencroft La Fountain, Howard Jones, Janet Weedon Gianquinto, Connie Edwards Ott; 1957 Carolyn Bolger; 1960 Madeline Bolger, Sandy Case Moore 1967 Catherine Sorrentino, Charles Cobb, Michael Fairbanks, Frances Klecak, John Newton, Karen

Pett, Lauren Thelen, Robert Vernola; 1970 Thomas Reeve, Glen Urban, Mary Ellen Aliperti; 1973 Cynthia Schneeberg Smith, Chris Cannizzaro, Sherie Lacara; 1974 Pat Ambrosio Williams; 1978 Carol Reeve

### SUNNY SKIES

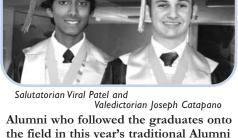


## (What a Difference a Year Makes!) **for the Class of 2007**

Unlike last year's washout, this year's High School Commencement saw the return of bright sun, steady breezes, and low humidity. Once again, the graduating seniors appeared as an undulating ribbon of gleaming gold and purple that unfurled the span from the building to the football field.

Superintendent Dr. Rosemary Jones and Sayville's Board of Education President John Verdone led the procession, while the Sayville High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Pete DeSalvo, marked the traditional march with *Pomp and Circumstance*. Much like all their predecessors, the Class of 2007 expressed buoyant anticipation as they took their seats, reciprocating hoots and hollers with the spectators who filled the bleachers.

Class-year flags flapped above the heads of approximately fifty Sayville



Alumni who followed the graduates onto the field in this year's traditional Alumni Walk. Under the shady refuge of a canopy specifically set up for their comfort, Alumni from the years 1943 to 1978 could observe the ceremonies.

Ceremonies opened with the National Anthem, sung in perfect a cappella harmony by the Senior members of the High School Jazz Choir: Katherine Buono, Garret Fujarski, Lea Johnson, Michael Keeney, Amanda Lowth, Lorraine Rilling, and Kieran Siao, who were conducted by Mr. Jeff Hoffman.

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#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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#### **BOARD NOTES**

#### At the July $2^{\text{nd}}$ BOE Reorganizational Meeting

- John Verdone was elected Board of Education President
- Norm deVenau was elected Board of Education Vice President

At the July  $2^{\scriptscriptstyle{ND}}$  BOE Meeting

DR. ROSEMARY F. JONES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, REPORTED ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. Board Meeting Dates for:

August Business Meeting October Business Meeting December Business Meeting

- 2. Kindergarten Registration 2006-07 Status Report Ms. Lamanno
- 3. Status of Secondary Summer School Program Dr. Sullivan Keck
- 4. Education Grants Dr. Sullivan Keck
- 5. Textbook Adoptions Dr. Sullivan Keck

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION

• Board of Education's Presentation/Discussion Schedule

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

August 22 Scheduled for *Wednesday*,
Board of Education
Business Meeting,
Admin. Bldg. 6 p.m.

SEPT 4 First day of School for teachers

SEPT 6 Schools Open for students



Class Advisors: (*I-r*) Mrs. Susan Censoplano, Mr. Matthew Nani, and Mrs. Tammy Sinishtaj await the 2007 Commencement ceremonies with *their* Seniors.

#### SUNNY SKIES

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#### Salutatorian: "It's Not Who I Am, But What I Do"

Using tongue-in-cheek humor, Salutatorian Viral Patel tallied the time—in class periods, days, and years—spent by the Class of 2007 in High School. The reward is a "commemorative case that declares us high school graduates. Now, while all of you get to sit there and relax among your friends in a sea of purple and gold, I am

'rewarded' with the honor of giving a speech—lucky me."

Switching to a slightly more serious tone, Viral reflected on the "journey of classification, identification, and recognition," which occurs not just in High School, or further education, but throughout life. Whatever social prominence we attain, everyone must try to improve the world, "because as Batman so beautifully put it, 'IT'S NOT WHO I AM UNDERNEATH, BUT WHAT I DO THAT DEFINES ME."

After referencing the superhero's attributes, Viral alluded to a real-life hero, the so-called 'Unknown Rebel.' Only a day after the Tiananmen Square massacre

(in which hundreds of workers, students, doctors, and even children were killed in retaliation for public protest), this common man stood alone, holding shopping bags, before the tanks. He appealed to the humanity of the lead-tank driver and "became an icon for the fight for human rights and a symbol of courage because he stood up and did something."

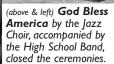
On a more personal level, Viral explained how his uncle "took a chance and worked hard to come here to America" from an impoverished community in India. "He opened a prospering local business. With the money he earned, he was able to move his siblings here and establish a successful living for each and every one of them. Now, he is adored by my family—for he is a symbol of our success—and has even made his way into his nephew's salutatory address."

Recognizing that there is so "much wrong" in today's world, Viral urged his classmates to make an impact, get up and take action—with the reminder, "It's not who I am, but what I do."



(photo left) Senior
Jesse Collins
played a solo on
the bagpipes in a
memorial tribute
for Billy Raimo, a
member of the
Class of 2007
who died
tragically this
year.





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## Valedictorian: "The Road of Truth"

Opening with a quote from Robert F. Kennedy: "Fear not the path of truth for the lack of people walking on it," Valedictorian Joseph Catapano contemplated the beckoning road ahead, "...and whether you have chosen to turn left at the fork towards college or right towards a career, the experiences will undoubtedly be unfamiliar."

Primarily, it may seem to be a quest for knowledge or for monetary

gain, Joseph remarked, but he speculated how those bumps in life's unavoidable journey will shape one's values and character as well. "It will be one of discovery, self-discovery.... At every turn and every bend, you will happen upon new truths, alter longstanding morals, and abandon beliefs you no longer hold dear. As you travel the road after high school, your experiences will direct you towards discovering your ethics. Your experiences will guide you towards unearthing your inner spirit."



Although the world may "urge you to turn right," even if "you want to turn left," Joseph reminded his classmates that the decision is individual. "The course of your journey will be entirely up to you."

Joseph added that this road toward self-discovery will not be without conflict or temptation, "because there will always be people who oppose your sacred truths..." or pitfalls that will "coax you into abandoning your beliefs for the sake of personal gain."

In his parting words, Joseph encouraged his fellow graduates with a universal truth: "Never compromise your sense of self simply to move forward. Whether you create, join, accept, or denounce, any action must reflect your inner values... 'fear not [your] [road] of truth;' embrace it!"



"Technology is changing your world—a world that has amazing opportunities for you," said United States Senator Charles Schumer during his special appearance at the Sayville High School Commencement. In addition to congratulating the Class of

2007 for graduating from one of the finest High Schools on Long Island, Mr. Schumer encouraged them "to GO for it! You may make some mistakes, but pick yourself up, dust yourself off, and move forward."

#### Superintendent: "Do Good…Anyway!"

In her opening statement, Sayville Superintendent Dr. Rosemary F. Jones first greeted the Sayville faculty, the Board of Education, and family members in attendance; then she gave special acknowledgement to the returning Sayville Alumni who participated in the traditional processional. "You will always be part of Sayville, even after 50 years!"

Addressing the graduates, Dr. Jones congratulated them for not just "making it," but for surpassing every other graduating

class in the numbers going off to college, of students participating in AP courses, or attaining awards, accolades, or championships. "You are amazing!"

After asking the graduates to reflect on the support they received

so far, she encouraged them to look ahead. "Through their experience, your parents

have a good idea of what you're about to face in the real world, and true, many experiences and opportunities you have will be unlike theirs."

"You may not be as concerned as they are either. You are probably filled with optimism...with great plans and undaunted enthusiasm. And this is how it should be! Your forward-looking and forward-thinking is the progress we all hope for—and even though what's ahead is unknown, you are going to get there and try anyway. We want you to try anyway."

Since they already demonstrated their capacity for doing well, the Superintendent reminded the graduates that "you are also capable of doing good, of using your gifts for the betterment of the world around you." Dr. Jones cited a poem (see insert) entitled Anyway, written by a Yale University Sophomore, and later embellished upon by Mother Theresa, that

exemplified life's challenges.

Upon her invitation to join in on each refrain, the graduates grew braver and louder, landing resoundingly on the word ANYWAY in the final stanza. "No matter what path you follow," Dr. Jones concluded in her own words, "No matter what obstacles you face, get out there and Do good ANYWAY [students shouted the chorus]....You've been an AWESOME class. God Bless you and good luck!"

#### **ANYWAY**

- People are often unreasonable, illogical and self-centered.; FORGIVE THEM ANYWAY.
- If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; BE KIND ANYWAY.
- If you succeed, you will win some false friends and some genuine enemies; **SUCCEED ANYWAY**.
- If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you; BE HONEST AND SINCERE ANYWAY.
- •What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; BUILD ANYWAY.
- If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous; **BE HAPPY ANYWAY.**
- •The good you do today, will often be forgotten tomorrow; DO GOOD ANYWAY.
- Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; GIVE THE WORLD YOUR BEST ANYWAY.

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#### SUNNY SKIES

BOE Tresident:
"Live, love, laugh..."

As the Sayville Board of Education representative (and as a father of one of the graduates), President John Verdone imparted words of farewell: "Thirty years ago, when I was in your seat I never thought I would be speaking to High School graduates in front of my son Rob. I've known many of you since your days in kindergarten. Many more, building stage crew sets...."

Mr. Verdone admitted that as he prepared his speech, he "had no idea what to say," so he aked around for advice. "Many said, 'keep it short; wish them the best. Whatever you do, don't tell a joke.' So, I closed my eyes for a moment and reflected back to a beautiful summer day in 1977, sitting on a football



field much like this yourself, listening to a person much like myself."

Conveying that as time goes on "today will remain in your memories forever," Mr. Verdone praised the graduates. "The very fact that you are sitting

here today is a testament of your hard work, your intelligence, and your drive. The world you are about to enter will be different for each and everyone of you. Find your purpose. Take pride in your endeavors. Your success will truly be what you believe in."

Lastly, quoting from Thomas Jefferson

(Our greatest happiness does no depend on the condition of life in which chance has placed us, but is always the result of a good conscience, good health, occupation, and freedom in all just pursuits), Mr. Verdone gave succinct advice: "Live, love, laugh, and remember where you

roots are."





ollowing the presentation of diplomas to the Class of 2007, Class President Rosalie Serra offered the traditional Response.

Rosalie Serra stood before her classmates for the last time as their president. Citing *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Steven Chbosky as one of the most important books she read outside of school, Rosalie explained why. "[it] made me contemplate the ending of high school and what the future read.

school and what the future may bring as we graduate...I am proud to say that our class has met the challenges and taken advantage of the opportunities that have been offered to us."

Rosalie highlighted memories that "tested our teamwork and our resilience." With this

year's homecoming parade postponed by a fierce rainstorm, their Senior float—"the largest float anyone had ever seen, complete with a working cannon," didn't get to parade through main street.

"Our disappointment was short lived, however, when we had created the first-ever Sayville High School Spirit Night, which I believe, was one of the most exciting and unique homecoming celebrations ever!"

Thanking the many people over the past four years who supported the class, Rosalie acknowledged the many challenge that tested their resolve—especially the recent tremendous loss: "The members of the Class or 2007 are carrying flowers in memory of our classmate Billy Raimo. He and his family are in all of

our hearts today.'

Assured that their strength will sustain them through their futures, Rosalie closed with Bill Gate's poignant advice in a book entitled *The Things You Never Learned in School*.

With a hearty shout, Rosalie wished congratulations to the Class of 2007.



### Enumerating (see below) the statistics of class accomplishments with a "great deal of pride and satisfaction," Mr. Buderman also announced the Community Scholarship winners.

"Members of the Class of 2007 won significant honors both *individually* and *collectively* and have been tremendous representatives of our school."

- The graduates met and/or exceeded the academic standards at Sayville High School: 93% of the students in the Class of 2007 will go on to further education and 92% have earned a Regents Diploma this year.
- At the 33rd Annual Scholastic Awards program, administrators, faculty, and staff presented 192 awards to 102 deserving students. Gold or purple medallions worn by the graduates indicated these awards
- So far, 81 students received academic or community scholarship awards that value well over 1.8 million dollars

- Six students were recognized by the National Merit Scholarship foundation for academic excellence. The National Merit Commended students are William Beck, Trevor Caverly, Michelle DeBonis, Caryn Rebecca Rosenberg, April Louise Rueb, and Lara Schmitt. Trevor Caverly was named a National Merit Scholarship winner.
- Art students earned numerous awards and received great recognition at such exhibits as SAVA, the BAFFA High School Student Invitational Art Exhibit, as well as at the Congressional District Art Competition.
- Our Music Department held many outstanding concerts throughout the year and received many outstanding awards. Of special note: The High School Wind Ensemble under the direction of Mr. Peter DeSalvo received the Level 6 (Gold) Rating with Distinction at the New York State Festival; our Jazz Ensemble, along with the Wind

Ensemble, won first-place awards for best overall ensemble and six soloist awards at the Music Festival this spring. In addition, the Music Department worked collaboratively with Sayville Theatre Arts and successfully produced this year's outstanding musical 42nd Street.

- In addition to the Musical, our Theatre Arts students performed Fall One-Act Plays, Winter Backstage Theatre Plays, and Seniors directed or wrote the May One-Act Plays.
- In the arena of Interscholastic
   Athletics, Sayville had a spectacular year:
   22 of our 25 varsity teams participated in postseason competitions;
   22 student-

athletes won an unprecedented number of Gold Key Awards from Section XI this year, 25 teams were Scholar-Athlete Teams. Sayville won individual and

team championships in 13 sports; our athletes also earned County and Long Island Championship titles. *This year, we won more Team, Division, County, and Long Island Championships than any other school in Suffolk County.* 

• High School Service organizations provided volunteers, support, and raised money for The Special Olympics, The American Heart Association, The Lupus Foundation, The Salvation Army, The American Cancer Society, The March of Dimes, Relay for Life, Earth Day, The 5th Annual March to the Sea to Fight Leukemia, The Keith Nintzel 5K Memorial Event, and raised thousands of dollars and tons of food, clothing, and toys for





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During his closing remarks,
Principal Joseph Buderman thanked all
for their support throughout the
academic and cocurricular careers of
the students; especially the retiring
members Mrs. Myszka, Mrs. O'Leary,
and Mr. Taber for their years of
dedication. Additionally, he
acknowledged the teamwork,
commitment, and cooperation of the
Central Office Administrators, the Board of
Education members, Cayville faculty,
staff, and grounds crew. Without their

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support, Sayville would not be able provide the excellent programs it currently offers.

After God Hess America was sung, Mr. Buderman thanked the class officers, class advisors, and complimented the Class of 2007 for their commitment to excellence in all renas. "I can honestly say without hestation that the Class of 2001 has been a tremendous class to work with in every regard. I applicate and encourage you to continue to be as energetic, hardworking, and



Before he could finish the words "I congratulate the Class of 2007," gold and purple caps skyrosteted toward the sunny skies.



# Highlights of the Sayville School District Moving Up through flementary Moments The Sayville District auditorium on Greene Avenue afforded each

Avenue afforded each

elementary school a spacious venue for their individual Moving-Up ceremonies. On different days and at varying times, Cherry, Lincoln, and Sunrise created their own distinctive programs that included music, quest speakers, the Principal's Address, recognition to outstanding students (see lists below), nostalgic essays or slide presentations about their learning experiences through the years, and a PTA-sponsored reception enjoyed by all the students and their quests.





(above) During the Cherry Avenue Fifth-grade Moving-Up Ceremony, Raymond J. Nelson (right), BOE trustee and father of Victoria, spoke first as a School Board Member who participates in ensuring the District is among the best, then as a parent. "For some parents," Mr. Nelson said, "this moving up is for their first, middle or baby." Pausing, Mr. Nelson admitted, "It's my baby." Aftering sharing some highlights, Mr. Nelson concluded, "We've enjoyed every minute. We love you very much and we're incredibly proud of you. Congratulations!"



(photos, I-r) Legislator Bill Lindsay praised the students for their good works and wished them luck. As their former principal, Dr. Sullivan Keck encouraged the students to be proactive in making positive changes. (below left) D.A.R.E. Officer Ralph

Clanton reminded the students that the Middle School will have many positive alternatives and opportunities. (below far right). Later, for the audience, the students performed an amazing musical number on xylophones.













Principal John Stimmel enlisted the help of some Fifth-graders to hold props used in his previous addresses: a lantern "Let your light shine"; a megaphone "Let your voice be heard"; a telescope "Seek new knowledge to understand and make the world a better place and this year **a photo** from the movie Meet the Robinsons with the message: "Don't give up! Keep moving forward even if disappointments happen.'

#### The following is a list of Fifth-grade 2006-2007 Presidential Academic and Physical Fitness Award Winners...

#### Presidential Academic Fitness SAWARD (GOLD) Anthony Cardillo **■** Julia Magnani Michelle Civitella Victoria Nelson ➤ Jillian Coughlin ➤ Emily Nowlan Joseph DePompeo Ryan O'Mara Bénjamin Diehl Elizabeth Palma Theodore Ebarb Joseph Reilly John French Jack Rosa Shannon Hickey Eric Laliberty Sean Lorthióir (SILVER) Jay Abad Kristen Bricker

Richelle Galante

Kenneth Weckerle

William Potts

Jessica Rogers Sean Tully

Morgan Young

PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARD Justine O'Reilly Morgan Young Emma Keenan SUFFOLK ZONE **WINNERS** (above right) Joseph DePompeo Justine O'Reilly **COUNTY EXECUTIVE** STEVE LEVY PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD (center left) Kiera Layne

PRESIDENTIAL

AWARD (center right) Rebecca Grennan KEMPER AWARD (left) Kevin McCarthy Caitlin Slevin

COMPTROLLER

**ELIOT SPITZER** TRIPLE C (right) Caroline Greco Eric Laliberty







PRESIDENTIAL ACADEMIC FITNESS
AWARD (GOLD)

Robert Danzi Tiare Fridrich

Dara Hofmann Liam Hofmeister z Jennifer Lembeck

ō Danielle McDermott Susan Mangaluz

Conor Martin Sarah Monastero Stephen Pace Tejas Patel

Tristan Ramirez laimee Sheridan Mary Thayer Shannon Wisseman (SILVER) Kerry Barrett Kathleen Barry Sara Cliff Michael Coan Killian Geraghty Erin McDonald **Iill Mediatore** Michael Pigott

**PRESIDENTIAL** PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARD Teresa Acierno Sarah Cliff lessica Crawford , Dara Hofmann Aneri Kinariwalla Scott Litvin Victoria Ross COMPTROLLER

AWARD Robert

Danzi (below)



Taking a stroll down memory lane, Lincoln Avenue students prepared personalized statements and recollections for each Fifthgrade teacher at the Moving-Up Ceremony.



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During her address, Mrs. Gunther noted that over half of Lincoln Avenue families were making their last goodbyes with the students moving up.



sang a compelling Frosty the Snowman and wore a long blond wig, the students gave Mr. Garret Campbell a purple wig-which he donned immediately.

With exuberance, the Fifth-graders performed with their teachers Sweet Sunrise Drive, lyrics rewritten to the melody of Sweet Caroline (see excerpt below):

Look at these years And it don't seem so long We filled it up with memories. And when we go Off to Middle School

Taking tests! and more tests! FIA We will always remember these

Sweet Sunrise Drive! oh, oh, oh!/ Good times never seemed so good/ I've been inclined oh, oh, oh/ to believe they never would...

Student-performed musical interludes included For Just a Little While and Elementary Days rewritten lyrics to Happy Days. Student G. Tyson accompanied Mrs. Christine Senatore on his electric guitar.



Advantages only come with hard work, focus, and the support of your parents.

Sunrise Drive Principal Rose Castello displayed on the podium a poster of welcome cards made by the Kindergarteners (now moving-up Fifth-graders) upon her first visit to Sunrise.







#### The following is a list of Fifth-grade 2006-2007 Presidential Academic and Physical Fitness Award Winners...

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#### **PRESIDENTIAL —** ACADEMIC **FITNESS** AWARD (GOLD)

Spencer Andrews ш Marade Bergen Julia Cameron Z Kaitlyn Cassidy Julia Hirsch Zoe Kalomiris **Emily Lowe** Sabrina Mayrose Richard Salloum

Pamela-Sue Smith Kara Stenberg Shane Sullivan Briana Ward (SILVER) Conrad Bourdeau

Edward Burke Nicole DelGaudio

Ariana Garrett Jaclyn Roppelt Julia Simpson Katya Sparwasser Kenneth Weisenberger III

**PRESIDENTIAL** PHYSICAL FITNESS
AWARD WINNERS (bhoto below right

Michelle Anderson Spencer Andrews McKenna Butler Carley Farrell Ariana Garrett Danielle Grossi Matthew Hewson Christopher McGrath Olivia Russell Emma Scala Austin Walters Kaitlyn Cassidy

Nicole DelGaudio Michael Farese Zoe Kalomiris **Emily Lowe** Tyler McKenna Kara Stenberg Joseph DeBonis John Knecht Kevin Murphy Justin Siracusa Patrick Smith

**SUNRISE DRIVE** SUFFOLK ZONE WINNERS

Spencer Andrews Olivia Russell

(photo left to right)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE** STEVE LEVY PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD Britton Boyce **ELIOT SPITZER** 

Nicole Delgaudio Alexandra Murray **COMPTROLLER AWARD** Edward Burke







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Dr. Rosemary F. Jones, Superintendent of Schools

### Noving Up AND AHEAD

Exceeding their usual standards of musical excellence with an "unbeatable" percussion performance on steel garbage cans, the Middle School students proved once again why their school was the recipient of so many awards.

Following, Superintendent Dr. Rosemary

Jones offered encouraging words. "How incredibly special you are! As superintendent, I am so very proud of you. With this much talent, you will continue to bring home



awards... Good luck in High School."

Commencing his address, Dr. Schartner reflected on the students' birth year, 1993: Bill Clinton was in his first term, Tom Hanks won the Oscar for *Philadelphia*. "This

group is a very, very special group," he added. "They support and respect each other. Some have given 100 hours of community service."

Remarking that "the High School has limitless opportunities, thanks to a community that supports it," Dr. Schartner highlighted a few: "There's an Internet Radio Program; one of the top music programs in the country; a phenomenal art program. Students can even get CISCO licenses as Network technicians."

Dr. Schartner also warned the parents. "In five seconds with the click of a mouse, kids know what's going on, so it's important," Dr. Schartner advised, "to network with other parents. Talk to the parents in other households to ensure proper supervision at parties, and stay involved by giving your children support,

encouragement, and guidance."

Concluding, Dr. Schartner had the students stand to face their parents. His final words, "Congratulations, Good Luck!" were swallowed by the rising swell of applause and cheers.



#### **Eighth-grade Class Statistics**

- I/3 received the Presidential Academic Award
- 63 Eighth graders were NJHS members, having a 95 average or better for four consecutive quarters
- History League Team won Suffolk County Championship for three years in a row
- Many students have received 3.5 HS credits before their Freshman year
- There were many award-winning Artists
- There were many award-winning Musicians
- There were many Varsity & JV Athletes
- MS Athletic teams won Sportsmanship

awards

7 Presidential Awards

## 7th-Grade Orchestra







#### 8th GRADE AWARDS 2006-2007 DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

ENGLISH • Rachel Crennan

SOCIAL STUDIES • Kelly Santangelo
MATHEMATICS 8 • Genna Imbrenda

MATHEMATICS A • Kathreen-Elaine Mangaluz
LIFE SCIENCE • Maureen Taylor
LIVING ENVIRONMENT • Madeline Thayer
TECHNOLOGY • Anthony Piacentini
COMPUTER APPLICATIONS • Robert Pigott
CONSUMER & FAMILY SCIENCE • Molly McCauley
PHYSICAL EDUCATION (BOYS) • Dylan DiBona
PHYSICAL EDUCATION (GIRLS) • Julia DePompeo
BAND • Nicolas Calvano

ORCHESTRA • Madeline Thayer
CHORUS • Marra Kassman
ART • Eric Abrahall
SPANISH • Catherine Rico
FRENCH • Tracey Rosa

#### The 8th Grade 2006-2007 Presidential Awards

(Students who maintained a 90+ average for 11 marking periods)

Samantha Abel
Maria Bonacore
Casey Boos
Zachary Brennan
Andrew Campbell
Eric Caputo
Francesca Cascardo
Holly Citeno
Kelsey Clair
Eileen Corrado
Timothy Cowan
Emily Crawford
Rachel Crennan
Craig DeCesare
Julia DePompeo
Andrea DeVenuto
Marisa DiNovis

Christopher Doon Jared Drzal Eric Dulmovits Ariel Durosky Donald

Esposito-Kelly Matthew Farrell Gregory Fountain Sean Fullam Carlie Garcia Ryan Gunther Michael Hewson Matthew Hillsberg Natasha Kaminsik Gregory Kane Marra Kassman Neha Kinariwalla Steven Leshinger Robert Lomangino Andrew Lottoa Christopher Lowe Brian Lutcha Lindsey Lyons Kathreen-Elaine

Mangaluz
Ashley Mangold
Michael Matson
Molly McCauley
Sean McEnerney
Alyssa Mignone
Kenneth Murray
Rebecca Neugebauer
Alexander Nolan
Tyler Nolan

Daniel Nordland Daniel O'Connell Allison O'Donnell Shannon O'Neill Patricia

O'Shaughnessy Kelly O'Sullivan Katelyn Odierna Katherine Palma Taylor Panzarino Michael Payne Austin Payret Sarah Pellegrini Amanda Pelletier Nicholas Petrella Robert Pigott Lionel Pomerantz Clint Quappe
Travis Redding
Catherine Rico
Olivia Rivera
Erin Robson
Jonathan Rolland
Lyndsey Romard
Tracey Rosa
Alexandra Russell
Daniel Ryder
Vincent Sakk
Kelly Salloum
Kelly Santangelo
Amanda Selanikio
Alexis Sermier
Daniel Siegel
Darryl Silverberg

Kaitlyn Slavik
Eric Softye
Alexandria Sullivan
Madeline Thayer
Bryan Thornlow
Kate Tobin
Nicole Troccoli
Kristi Troha
Kyle Vanduyne
Stephen Vertucci
Andrew Vetrano
Madelyn Vetrano
Christopher Weaver
Tyler Young