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Ricardo Rios, Jhanilisa Cartegena and Jessie Fermin brought down the house with "Finale" from In The Heights, and PFA's Christopher Vega entertained the crowd once again with "Piragua." It was a special night that brought together the past and present of Lawrence High School theater. Director Matt Evangelista said "Watching students that I have worked with over the years brought it home for me. It's hard to see your impact day to day but seeing those students on stage reestablished the importance of what we do

as teachers and the importance of strong and consistent theater arts here at the high school. It's much more than having a great performance, it's about community" A crowd of 50-plus enjoyed the evening and the silent auction raised money for the theater program. Thanks to all the alums who donated their time and talents!

LANCER BASEBALL IN STATE PLAYOFFS!



The Lancer baseball team enjoyed a thrilling run in the state playoffs over the last week. In what the Eagle-Tribune newspaper described as “another classic,” they defeated cross-city rival Central Catholic in the Division 1 North Sectional quarterfinal round at home last Monday, June 6, by the score of 4-2.

On Wednesday June 8, they defeated Billerica in the semi-final round by the score of 13-5, to advance to the play top-seeded Lincoln Sudbury in the Division One North Sectional Finals on Sunday, June 12, at Fraser Field in Lynn. In a well-played game featuring strong pitching by sophomore Jairo Vasquez, the Lancers fell, 2-1, ending their season with a record of 16-7. Congratulations to Coach Neilon and the Lancer baseball team for a fine season.

GRULLON CHOOSES STANFORD

The college admissions process can be stressful for all high school seniors, but for HHS' Imanni Grullon, it was especially difficult: she had too many good choices. She was accepted to EIGHT outstanding schools: the University of Massachusetts, Boston University, Tufts, the University of Virginia, the University of Southern California, Harvard University, The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Stanford University, as well as to a post-graduate year at Phillips Academy. "I was surprised because they all have such low acceptance rates" Grullon reflected. It came down to Harvard, Stanford and MIT for the aspiring engineer. After a trip to visit the Stanford campus in Palo Alto, California, over the weekend of April 30, Grullon made her decision: she will attend Stanford on a full scholarship, where she plans to major in aerospace engineering. "I want to be adventurous, try

something new" said Grullon. "It was a hard decision because they are all great schools and



I was afraid of making a choice I'd regret." She adds with a smile, "but Stanford seems like it's more chill." Currently enrolled in four Advanced Placement classes – English, US History, Physics and Calculus – Grullon sports a 4.67 GPA and will graduate #1 in the Lawrence High School class of more than 700 on June 3rd. Her list of activities in high school is dizzying: MIT SEED program, Phillips

Academy Summer Session, the National Honor Society, and Team Adrenaline (model race cars), among others. "The MIT SEED and MITES programs really opened my mind, she added. I thought I wanted to be a doctor, but they helped me realize there are so many other things I can do or study." She credits her mother, Dalia Grullon, teachers such



as Mr. Fichera of MST, and HHS guidance counselor Ms. Cepeda-Romulus for helping her along the way. Her advice to younger stu-

dents who wish to follow in her path? "Study hard. The SAT's really do matter." Her only regrets? "I wish I hadn't done things just to fluff my resume" she says, "I wish I had chosen a few things I liked and concentrated on them." Good luck to Imanni at Stanford!

INT CAPSTONE PROJECT



Ramon Pena, Emmanuel Nunez, Sandra Diaz, Jonathan Taveras, Mrs. Power, Arizon Pimentel

Seniors in the international School enrolled in Mrs. Power's English Comprehensive classes are required to present a Capstone project on a literary theme. This year's projects revolved around the Mark Twain short stories, *The Story of the Good Little Boy* and *The Story of the Bad Little Boy*. Students compared the stories on plot and theme, and delivered Power Point presentations on their work to an audience of other

students, and a panel of adult judges including Mr. Gorham, Ms. Alonzo, Mr. Haubert, Ms. Gonzalez, and others. Most of the students have been in the US less than one year and are enrolled in ESL-1 classes. Despite limited familiarity with academic English, students prepared and delivered a five-minute, standards-based oral presentation, and answered questions from the panelists and the audience. Mrs. Power

and the students came in on Saturdays for three weeks to perfect their delivery. By presenting to a panel of judges and their peers, students developed the academic self-confidence that will help them be successful in the future.

LHS ART AT NEW PAINT!



Several Lawrence High School students exhibited and sold art work at the Essex Art Center's annual New Paint art auction and fundraiser held at 60 Island Street on Saturday night. Led by PFA art teacher John Travlos, the students also served as volunteers for the event, which serves as a major fundraiser for the Essex Art Center. The sale of the student art work raised money for scholarships to help deserving Lawrence High School graduates study art in college. Retired LHS art teacher David Meehan entertained the crowd with his descriptions of the art work and LHS alum Patrick Guerrero served as Master of Ceremonies.

TINEO WINS STATE TITLE!



Fabian Tineo '16 took home the individual title in the 400 hurdles at the Division One state track meet held on Sunday May 23, then placed second in the

All State meet on Saturday June 3rd. He has run a 55.61, which is the fastest time in the area this spring. Teammate Benny Rodriguez leads the area with a

school-record tying high jump of 6'6". Congratulations to Fabian, Benny and their coaches!

CITY COUNCIL HONORS VALEDICTORIANS



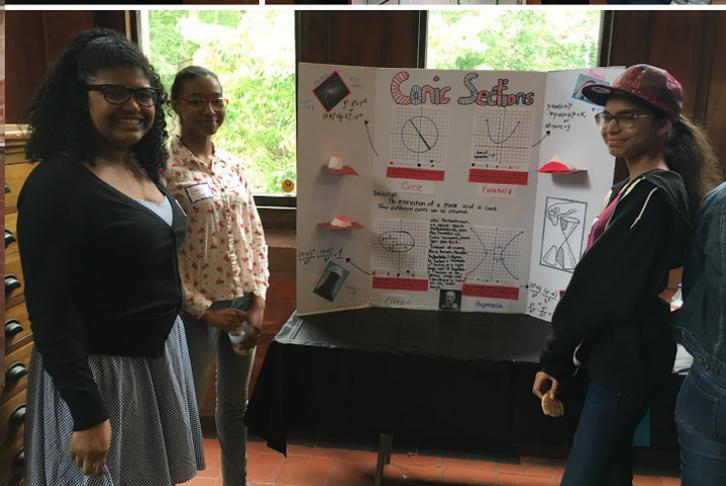
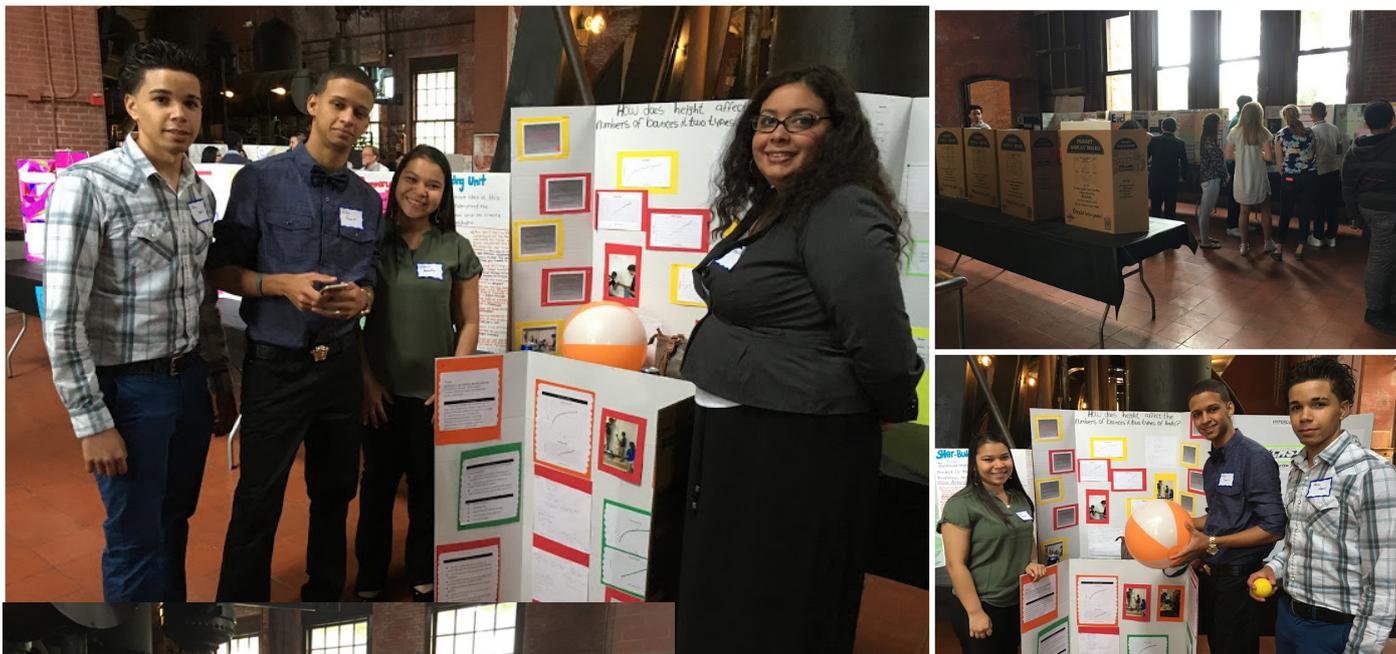
Just a few days after delivering their speeches at graduation, the six Lawrence High School Class of 2016 valedictorians were honored at the City Council meeting on Tuesday evening, June 7th. Imanni Grullon of HHS, Jazmin Torres of BME, Josue Rivera of MST, Emely Rojas of PFA, Yamilex Moya of HLD and Jhon DeJesus of INT each received a proclamation from the City Council honoring them for their academic achievement. Grullon plans to attend Stanford, Torres is heading to Holy Cross, Rivera is bound

for U-Mass Dartmouth, Rojas for Hamilton College, Moya for Denison of Ohio, and DeJesus for Middlesex. Mayor Daniel Rivera, City Council President Kendrys Vasquez, City Councilor Marc Laplante and the other city councilors welcomed the students and their families. Campus Headmaster Michael



Fiato was presented with a city of Lawrence pin by Councilor Jeovanny Rodriguez in recognition of his leadership. Congratulations to our valedictorians!

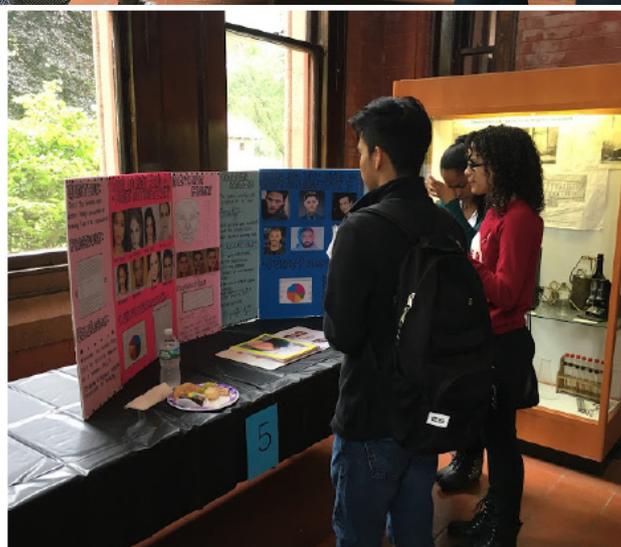
LHS AT JUNE 11TH MATH EXPO IN BOSTON



By Shigehito Tanaka

Many students from ALA, INT, BMF and MST represented the Lawrence Public Schools at the 13th Annual Mathematics Exposition held in the Metropolitan Waterworks Museum, Boston on Saturday June 11. Organized by Focus on Math, the exposition included work by students from across Massachusetts. The projects displayed each year are selected on the basis of

their mathematical depth, extent of research, creativity, effort, and presentation. Among other districts, LHS had the most projects with high quality and wide variety. Our students professionally represented LHS very well with deep mathematical understanding, integrity and a respectful manner!



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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2016!

L-PIN AWARDS AND NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY



The Lawrence High School chapter of the National Honor Society held its annual induction ceremony on Thursday evening, in conjunction with the L-Pin awards ceremony. Forty-nine juniors and forty-four seniors were awarded the L-Pin for scholastic excellence – Lawrence High’s highest academic award. These students have been enrolled at Lawrence High School for at least two consecutive years and accumulated a GPA of at least 3.8. Each senior L-Pin

recipient also received a \$200 scholarship funded by the Prone Family Foundation. Also, forty-two juniors and twenty-three seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society. They join the forty-two seniors who were inducted last year. These students have demonstrated excellence in each of the four standards of the National Honor Society – Scholarship, Character, Leadership and Service. By tradition, the National Honor Society ceremony was

conducted by students, led by the governing board of Franchesca Arias HLD, Michaela Gimmas MST, Carilyn Polanco HHS, Deymarie Mora-Rivera PFA and Kermie Castillo BMF, assisted by Master of Ceremonies Nairobi Ubilez, HLD. Congratulations to the honorees, and many thanks to the Prone Family Foundation for their ongoing support of Lawrence High School.





L-PIN RECIPIENTS

BMF CLASS OF 2017

Bryan Acosta
 Suleimy Figueroa
 Rose Angela Gonzalez
 Anny Heredia
 Lindsay Laipaix-West
 Daniel Mezquita
 Michelle Rodriguez
 HHS Class of 2017
 Alenny Acevedo
 Darianna Alcantara
 Jacklyn Cruz
 Melanny Felix
 Yefri Gaitan
 Laura Gonzalez
 Yuleinny Salcedo
 Rosbeliz Valentin

HLD CLASS OF 2017

Darnnellyz Batista
 Roberto Castillo
 Eliannee Delacruz
 Kenisha Delarosa
 Crystal Gutierrez
 Leslie Marrero
 Arlyne Pena
 Ilana Raimundo
 Joshua Rivera

MST CLASS OF 2017

Julio Cabrera
 Saul Delacruz
 Illianny Grullon
 Ronald Henriquez
 Diego Marroquin
 Kayla Ortega
 Mimi Phan
 Edith Samboy
 Sammy Santana
 Junie Sok
 Anthony Thai
 Ky Ton

PFA CLASS OF 2017

Shayra Castillo
 Leslie Fernandez
 Nicole Garcia
 Rocio Jerez
 Cristian Lantigua
 Jadhina Lu
 Destiny Medina
 Alejandra Negrón
 Kianaly Ortega
 Brianna Romero
 Cristal Salazar
 Jasmine Santana
 Genesis Toledo

BMF CLASS OF 2016

Helen Acevedo
 Bryant Aquino
 Kermie Castillo
 Ariangna Gonzalez
 Christopher Hernandez
 Oriana Lara
 Berny Lugo
 Adrelys Mateo Santana
 Danibel Peralta
 Jazmin Torres
 Dannelly Zalazar

HHS CLASS OF 2016

Maria Andrade
 Glorimar Estevez
 Daritza Germosen
 Melissa Gomez
 Imanni Grullon
 Royser Guerrero
 Angelie Heredia
 Gabriel Nguyen
 Wanderley Tejada
 Harvey Vargas

HLD CLASS OF 2016

Alysia Calderon
 Diana Cepeda
 Yamilex Moya
 Emely Rijo
 Loenny Valdez Gutierrez

MST CLASS OF 2016

Enmanuel Almonte
 Michaela Gimás
 Nicole Gonzalez
 Ronald Long
 Judellies Pichardo
 Josue Rivera
 Aysha Rodriguez
 Taheena Sanon
 Kevin Vanderhorst

PFA CLASS OF 2016

Melissa Antigua
 Kimberly Casso
 Katie Castillo
 Sage Couture
 Igor Dasilva
 Yaimer Leon-Ortiz
 Diana Phan
 Eliana Ramirez
 Emely Rojas

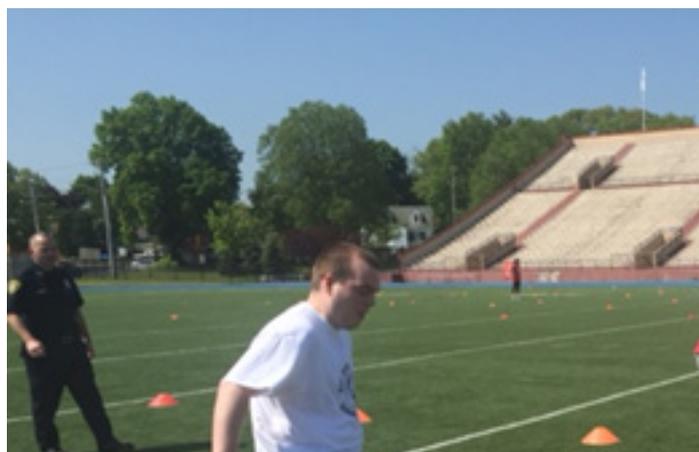
SPECIAL OLYMPICS DRAWS 435 ATHLETES!

The 21st annual Special Olympics Lawrence School Day Games held Wednesday, May 25 under brilliantly sunny skies at Veteran's Memorial Stadium drew some 435 athletes from 24 schools representing nine different communities. In addition to many elementary, middle and high schools from Lawrence, athletes hailed from Tewksbury, Wilmington, Lowell, Chelmsford, the Valley Collaborative, and other places. It was sponsored by the New Balance Foundation, which

sent over 50 volunteers to work the event. Athletes participated in a series of rotating stations, including the track (with running, assisted walk, and wheelchair races), tennis ball throw, soccer, obstacle course, football kick, and long jump. Longtime Lawrence High School teacher Phil Glendye, now retired, coordinated the Games, which were held in memory of Larry Reusch, former teacher and coach at Lawrence High, who was well known as "a good friend to the special needs kids."

The opening ceremonies included the parade of athletes, welcoming remarks from Lawrence Superintendent Jeff Riley and Campus Headmaster Michael Fiato, the presentation of colors by the Lawrence High School Junior ROTC, and the National Anthem sung by the LHS Girl's Ensemble. Fiato and Riley praised New Balance for their support. Lawrence High School teacher Bill McGoldrick

delivered the coaches' oath, former Lancer athletics director Carmen Iannuccilli gave the Official's Oath, and Lawrence athlete



Miahhalya Charles gave the famous Athlete's Oath: "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." A crowd favorite was the Torch Run, provided by the Lawrence Police

Department and Officer Horace Privitera. Terry Keilty, Vice President for Community Development for Special Olympics Massachusetts, was impressed with the support she saw in Lawrence. "This is such a great community event, and shows the communi-

ty spirit of the city." She added, "The Lawrence School Day Games started out with 50 athletes and now serves close to 450. This is one of the biggest School Day Games in the state out of the

46 we run."

BMF Evaluation Team Facilitator Courtney Ryan said, "Special Olympics are important because it allows all of our children the opportunity to compete, have fun,

and have camaraderie with other students and other adults.” LHS teacher Kim Morgan praised the efforts of athlete Brenda Garcia. “Brenda is normally confined to a wheelchair. To see her up and using a walker and competing is monumental. This event supports her abilities.” One of the New Balance volunteers, Jim Diaz is a Lawrence High School alum, from the class of 1987. He said, “This is very fulfilling for me. My nephew comes to this school now. I am proud to be here.”

Athletes and coaches from other schools appreciated the opportunity to compete in the Lawrence School Day Games. “This a class goal every year, to train for this event” said Patrick Gilligan, the Life Skills coordinator at Tewksbury Memorial High School. “It’s been a fantastic experience every year, for the last nine years. Phil Glendye has done a great job. We have one hundred percent parent participation, plus our Best Buddies come to support the kids. It’s a nice way to end the year and gives us a good goal for the whole

year. It really builds camaraderie.” The Tewksbury athletes have been inspired to do more: “Competing here led to the development of the Tewksbury Adapted Skii Team” added Gilligan. Most importantly, the athletes had a positive experience. Miah-halya, who delivered the Athlete’s Oath, said “I love Special Olympics because it’s awesome and fun and it really brings the whole high school together. It’s all about equality.”



SPORTS BANQUET



On Wednesday, June 1st, Lawrence High School held the annual Sports Banquet to honor Lancer athletes and coaches from throughout the year. Awards were presented to MVP,

Most Improved, and Coaches' Award by the head coach of each team. Additionally, several special awards and scholarships were presented by LHS Athletics Director Jim Liccardi,

said, "The sports banquet is a time to enjoy our accomplishments and relive all the exciting moments of the past season, and a time for the seniors to reflect about the life-long friendships they made over the past four years. The student-athletes learn about the importance of teamwork and how playing sports have allowed them to grow as individuals. Even though, the sports banquet signals the end of high school for the seniors, it's the beginning for the underclassmen to set their own goals for the coming year."



including the Scholar-Athlete of the Year awards to Jazmin Torres of BMF and Jeremiah Lluberes of HLD. Liccardi



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