

# A Message from the Spackenkill Superintendent



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May 14, 2021

Dear Spackenkill Community,



We're just a few days away from our Budget Vote and Trustee Election, which will take place on Tuesday, May 18th from 7 am to 9 pm at Spackenkill High School. Please remember to vote!

## Sharpe Tradition Continues



This week, fifth grade students once again enjoyed a memory-filled day at Sharpe Reservation, where they explored the outdoors in the company of their peers. Pond studies, hikes, and even a birds of prey presentation were part of this experience, which took place under sunny skies.



Above: Scenes from Sharpe include a pond study and birds of prey presentation.

### Garden Blooms at Nassau

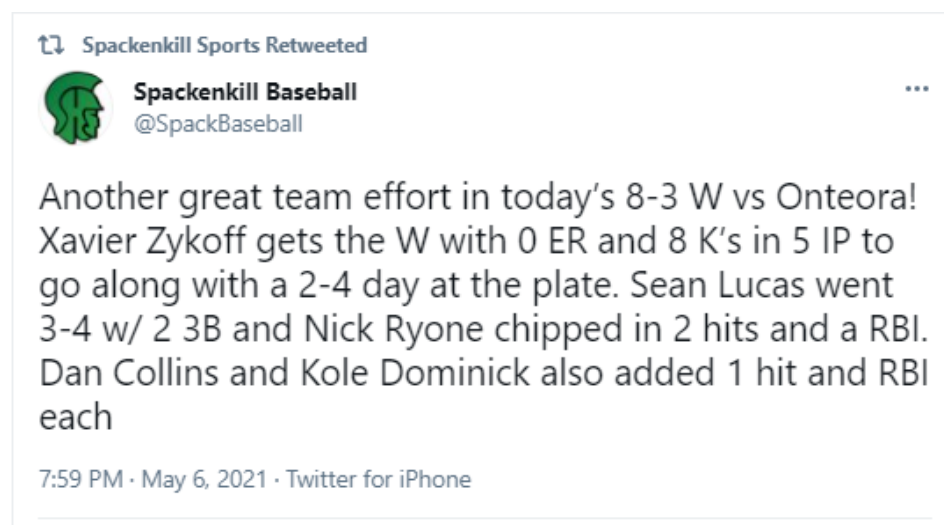
Thank you to Spackenkill Girl Scout Daisy Troop for creating a beautiful garden in the front of Nassau School. The garden looks so nice that it will be incorporated into the end-of-year second grade moving up ceremony. Each second grader will paint a rock to place in the garden on the last day of school as parents and students recognize them on their final walk!



Above: Members of Daisy Troop plant their Nassau garden.

### Varsity Baseball Season Underway

Spackenkill Varsity Baseball won its first home game on May 6 playing against the Onteora Eagles. See the Athletics Tweet below and some scenes from the game:





### Softball Scores

Spackenkill Softball is doing a great job this season! They won yesterday's game with Webutuck 23-2. See Tweet below and enjoy some photos from the game.

← **Tweet**

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 **Spackenkill Softball**  
@SpackSoftball

Good work ladies! We beat Webutuck today 23-2 and are now 3-3 on the season! We take on Ellenville on Monday! 🍌🍌🏆🏆

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### Teachers Honored



In celebration of Teacher Appreciation Week, Senator Sue Serino asked local students to participate in the A+ Teachers Award Program. Students nominated teachers they feel have kept their class on track, found new ways to be creative and engaging in the days of remote and hybrid learning, and exemplify what it means to be an A+ Teacher. Spackenkill teachers Sara Burns, Brigid Heavey, and Stephen Merrill are among the honorees. Congrats!

### Spack Onstage Spring Show

# SPACK ONSTAGE

*The Wedding Singer* will be presented on the HS football field tonight and Saturday at 8 pm. Tickets will not be sold at the door, so buy now online at:

<https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/49511>

### Remembrance Walk Returns



Please save the date, June 11, for the return of LEO Club's annual Remembrance Walk in memory of those who have passed away. The event will take place in the early evening--details to come! We will walk the Spackenkill track and then gather together for a program of events, including releasing lanterns and honoring people who have passed within the last year. LEO Club welcomes anyone who would care to speak at the event about losing a loved one during the pandemic. If you have lost a loved one please send us a picture of them along with their name so we can honor them in our slide show. Please contact Ria Bhutani at [rbhut20030@sufsdny.org](mailto:rbhut20030@sufsdny.org) if you are interested in speaking

or sending a photo.

### COVID-19 Update and Dashboard

Since we started the school year, we have had 99 positive COVID-19 cases. [You can see the breakdown by school on the NY State Report Card](#): Please continue to consult the NY State Report Card for updates. It's important that, even when they are remote, if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, they should email their principal so that we know what's going on in the community and can continue to make informed decisions.

Break a leg this weekend, Spack Onstage!

Sincerely,

Paul M. Fanuele, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



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