Roslyn High School

Senior Departmental Awards

May 29, 2019
MANDANA SHOJAEIFARD graduated from Roslyn High School in 2009, and was preparing to attend SUNY New Paltz when her life was tragically cut short that summer. Standing out among her many accomplishments during her time at RHS was her involvement with the Roslyn Film Society. After attending her first meeting as a freshman almost on a whim, she developed a passion and dedication for film that culminated in her year of service as President of the Society. In her time with us, the RFS and the film program, in general, grew by leaps and bounds; much of that success was a result of her commitment and energy. In It's a Wonderful Life, the angel says, “Each person’s life touches so many other lives. When they aren't around, they leave an awful hole, don't they?” In how she lived her life, Mandana proved this to be true.

IFTIMIE SIMION was a master teacher in the Mathematics Department from September 2002 until May 2010. His unparalleled passion for the subject matter combined with his in-depth knowledge of mathematics served as an inspiration to his students and colleagues. He was the ultimate “go-to guy”. If one was to ask any of the teachers in the department about Mr. Simion, they would certainly say that they are better teachers because of him. His passing has left an indelible memory on all who had the opportunity to know him.

A. JEFFREY WEINPER, a former Roslyn High School student, was a liberal individual, with an exceptional array of varied interests and sparkling creativity. He aspired to be a writer, chose to fight for peace, and wanted to learn about life through first-hand experience. Therefore, he enlisted for airborne infantry and Vietnam in 1967, at a time when many of his peers contended that fighting could never be a method of peace. In an article by Jeffrey published in Avant Garde Magazine, 1968, he explained, "For the many who stay behind, having no doubt found some substitute for experience (such as reading up on it, speaking to somebody who was there, etc.) to you, dear people, I promise this: If and when I come back, should you bystanders try to tell me anything about war or Vietnam or killing, I plan to look at you with all the contempt I can muster and sneer..."

A. Jeffrey Weinper was killed in April of 1968 and received the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. The memorial award in his honor commemorates Jeffrey's true interest: creative writing.
Memorial Award

Biographies
ART

Outstanding Achievement in Art

Drawing and Painting:  
   Michaela Shuster

Photography:  
   Carlie Littman

2D Studio Art:  
   Alison Mei

North Shore Community Arts Center Award

2D Studio Art  
   Isabella Rowe

SOCIAL STUDIES

Roslyn High School Social Studies Award  
   Jayna Kurlender

League of Women Voters Government Award  
   Jasmine Berger

Roslyn High School Civics Award  
   Arielle Fishler

Roslyn High School Social Studies Humanities Award  
   Jessica Yeroshalmi  
   Socrates Patestas

American Psychological Association Award  
   Michael Wechsler

Long Island Council for the Social Studies Award  
   Lauren Christenson  
   Johanna Kann  
   Asher Bykov  
   Michael Wechsler  
   Melanie Landesberg

Roslyn High School History Award  
   Adrian Ke
**SCIENCE**

Long Island Science Education Leadership Association Award for Advanced Placement in Physics 1

*Adrian Ke, Gemma Schneider and Sarah Pethani*

Long Island Science Education Leadership Association Award for Advanced Placement in Physics 2

*Abigail Drucker and Louis Kotler*

Long Island Science Education Leadership Association Award for Advanced Placement in Physics C

*Sarah Pethani*

Long Island Science Education Leadership Association Award for Advanced Placement in Chemistry

*Emily Leventhal*

Long Island Science Education Leadership Association Award for Advanced Placement in Environmental Science

*Taylor Diamond, Emily Mintz, Gabrielle Weiss and Jeffrey Yu*

Long Island Science Education Leadership Association Award for Advanced Placement in Biology

*Kevin Lam, Emily Mintz and Lindsey Rust*

American Association of Physics Teachers Award

*Karan Phokela*

Principles of Engineering

*Ankit Agrawal*

**MATH**

Outstanding Senior Mathlete

*Johanna Kann*

Outstanding Achievement in Advanced Placement Calculus AB Award

*Abigail Drucker, Emily Mintz and Eli Weiner*

Outstanding Achievement in Advanced Placement Calculus BC Award

*Michael Wechsler*

Outstanding Achievement in Multivariable Calculus Award

*Johanna Kann*

Outstanding Achievement in Advanced Placement Statistics Award

*Marisa Radulescu and Benjamin Weissman*

Iftimie Simion Memorial Award

*Melanie Landesberg*

Outstanding Achievement in Advanced Placement Computer Science A Award

*Louis Kotler*

Outstanding Achievement in Advanced Placement Computer Science Principles Award

*Priscilla Lee and Ethan Sims*

Outstanding Achievement in College Calculus Award

*Lee Gerstman, Kazuki Neo and Karan Phokela*
ENGLISH

The 21st Century Book Award

William Liang

Writing Award
A. Jeffrey Weinper Memorial Award:

Ryan Kim

Outstanding Achievement
Independent Scholarship in English:

Gemma Schneider

Commitment and Excellence in the Humanities Program:

Jessica Yeroshalmi

Mandana Shojaeifard Memorial Award for Excellence in Film:

Farnaz Chowdhury and Shertaz Chowdhury

Four Year Awards
Achievement & Participation in English:

Estee Sharabani

General Excellence in English:

Adrian Ke and Jayna Kurlender

BUSINESS

Outstanding Achievement in Business Award

Benjamin Klein

Business Ethics Award

Mason Huckins

Business Edge Award

Alexander Golub and Ethan Lipetz

Financial Management Award

Zachary Goldschmid

Marketing Visionary Award

Savanna Silver

Entrepreneurial Spirit Award

Barr Bercho
WORLD LANGUAGES

French Achievement Award
   *Jasmine Ting*

Spanish Achievement Award
   *Emily Mintz*

Board of Directors of the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages

French: *Taylor Diamond*
Spanish: *Jillian Klener*

Kiwanis Awards in Memory of John Bosch
Provided by Kiwanis of Roslyn, Mr. Dennis Trottier, President

French: *Jayna Kurlender*
Spanish: *Lindsey Rust*

ENL Senior Achievement Award
   *John Barreto*

Miguel de Cervantes Award
   *Adrian Ke*

MUSIC - ORCHESTRA

North Shore Community Arts Center Award for Orchestra
   *Brandon Lee*

Outstanding Orchestra
   *Adrian Ke*
   *Melanie Landesberg*
   *Alex Liu*

NYSCAME Leadership Award
   *Mark Russ*

MUSIC - BAND

North Shore Community Arts Center Award for Band
   *Isabelle Friedfeld-Gebaide*

North Shore Community Arts Center Award for Marching Band
   *Kazuki Neo*

North Shore Community Arts Center Award for Jazz Band
   *Michael Sun*

Outstanding Band
   *Priscilla Lee*

Outstanding Marching Band
   *Jayna Kurlender*
Outstanding Jazz Band

Ryan Kim

NYSFBC Scholarship Award

Lauren Christenson

MUSIC - CHORUS

North Shore Community Arts Center Award for Chorus

Abigail Drucker

Outstanding Chorus

Mason Huckins
Emily Mintz
Mark Russ

DRAMA

North Shore Community Arts Center Drama Award

Mason Huckins

June Moffat Award

Abigail Drucker
Benjamin Heller

Katie Goldberg Memorial Award

Mark Russ
Samantha Matthews

Brad Frey Award

Saul Rockmore
Charlotte Trezza

Stage Crew Award

Ross Rosenfeld
Molly Frank