



## AMERICAN STUDIES ROLLS TOWARD A BRONX TITLE *By Danelia Dillion('10)*

Last year Mr. Iurato and a band of pioneering athletes started the High School of American Studies bowling team. The team practices during the week at Stadium Lanes on 161<sup>st</sup> street near Yankee Stadium.

This year, over twenty-four kids have joined the bowling team. Some of them are very passionate about it and some are doing it because the sport interests them.

The team has been doing great; they are winning games and having a lot of fun.

Our team has the most enthusiastic supporters and cheerleaders who show good sportsmanship by cheering for the other team as well. They just don't cheer as loudly.

One HSAS bowler, Andy Bell-Baltaci('12), said he likes bowling because "It's relaxing. It is not as stressful as other sports and it's more about learning how to be a better bowler than about competition."

Coach Iurato said that this year, "the bowling team is awesome."

He also added that "we have a lot of mid-bowlers this year and when these guys get out to bowl they just



Stadium Lanes hosts American Studies' bowlers.

shine."

So how do the bowlers feel about the team? Andy Bell-Baltaci('12) said, "They are helpful, and they give me some good tips when I need it. They are also very supportive and they cheer me on even when I mess up."

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Fanta NGom('10) shared that, "the bowling team is mad fun."

Adding, "my teammates say things to make me laugh when I mess up and really need a little cheering up."

Janina Quilacio('10) told *Common Sense* that, "The team is great, and it is a lot of fun. I was on it last year and if I were a junior I would be on it again next year."

Janina also felt that, "this year is better because it's a lot more people from my grade. Last year it was a lot of seniors."

We got our very own bowling

balls this year and Fanta('10) described them as "mad sexy and pretty."

*Common Sense* asked students at HSAS what they thought of the newest addition to our sports line up.

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Freisi Alfonseca('11) said she, "thinks the team is amazing, plus, professional bowlers are hot."

She also thought that Elias, Mark and Keenan (her hopeful future husband) have amazing potential.

This year there are no freshmen on the team but Fabian Thompson('13) said that, "Although I am not on the bowling team, I hear they are awesome and they are winning their matches."

He also added that "the kids on the bowling team are mad cool and they make me want to join the team."

The bowling team is doing well, so when you see the team members in the hallway feel free to congratulate them. ☺

### BRONX BOWLING STANDINGS

Bowling Bronx II 2009-2010 Standings			Bowling Bronx I 2009-2010 Standings		
School Name	Wins	Losses	School Name	Wins	Losses
HS Of American Studies @ Lehman College	9	1	Herbert H. Lehman	6	3
Bronx HS Of Science	8	1	Christopher Columbus HS	5	2
A. Philip Randolph Campus High School	7	2	Dewitt Clinton	5	4
Manhattan Center for Science & Math	5	4	John F. Kennedy	4	4
South Bronx	3	7	James Monroe Campus	4	5
Bronx school/Law, Govt & Justice	2	7	Walton Campus	3	5
Taft Educational Campus	0	12	Alfred E. Smith	2	6

### PHOTOS FROM XC BRONX CHAMPS



## DIVISION "A"

# CROSS COUNTRY BRONX CHAMPIONSHIPS

### MEN'S RESULTS VARSITY RACE

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE BRONX SCIENCE  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE AMERICAN STUDIES  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE JOHN F. KENNEDY

### JUNIOR VARSITY RACE

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE BRONX SCIENCE  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE AMERICAN STUDIES  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE LEHMAN HS (CHEATED)  
4<sup>TH</sup> PLACE DEWITT CLINTON

### WOMEN'S RESULTS VARSITY RACE

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE HARRY S. TRUMMAN  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE DEWITT CLINTON  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE BRONX SCIENCE  
4<sup>TH</sup> PLACE AMERICAN STUDIES

### JUNIOR VARSITY RACE

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE DEWITT CLINTON  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE AMERICAN STUDIES  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE

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CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS ARE ON  
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