

BAYSIDES' 75TH

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On March 16th, 1936, the doors to Bayside High School welcomed over 2000 people including faculty and a large student body with spirit, strength, and excellence. The idea for Bayside High School first came about when overcrowding of Flushing High School became overwhelming. According to "Excellence in Education" printed in May of 1993 with the great depression happening at the time, Bayside, along with four other high schools, was set to become a huge success.

The "History of Bayside High School" article from 1939 states that Bayside originated as an idea in the early 1920s, but did not progress until the overcrowding conditions at Flushing High School became problematic. Building started the summer of 1934, and the building's completion was expected by January of 1936; however, due to a series of unfortunate events, it wasn't until February of 1936 that people were allowed to register for the first day of classes.

Although the building wasn't completed, students and faculty members

cooperated to make the best out of a difficult situation. As a result, students from Bayside High School had to attend morning sessions at Bayside, and afternoon sessions at Flushing.

Bayside High School's construction shares the same blueprint as four other schools built during the same time period. During the Great Depression, Bayside HS, along with John Adams HS, Grover Cleveland HS, Abraham Lincoln HS and Samuel J. Tilden HS, were constructed the same way in order to save money.

With 87 faculty members, 2,276 pupils, and a first Principal, George J. Crane, Bayside was ready to become an official Queens high school. Even with only 10 extension telephones throughout the whole school and limited activities, Bayside collaborated and worked together to communicate amongst each other.

Long before *The Baysider* started, we had *The*

Polyscript. The first issue was released on April 9th, 1936, priced at 5 cents each. "The Polyscript" was created between Bayside and Flushing High Schools during renovation. The first issue of *The Baysider* included news on Flushing and Bayside High Schools, plus poetry, drawings, advice columns and regular articles such as "Early



Top: Building the pool
Bottom: Class of 1937

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The front of Bayside High School

hAPPY VALENTINE

To: Craig Handfield

From: Amanda Wylie

"I love you forever! Happy Valentines Day!"

To: Tiffany

From: Your Secret Admirer Zac Efron
"Your eyes twinkle like the moon. Happy Valentine's Day. Meet me at gym."

To: Ching Ko

From: Poyi Wong

"Let's keep our relationship to the end of the world! Love you!"

To: Roslyn Dong

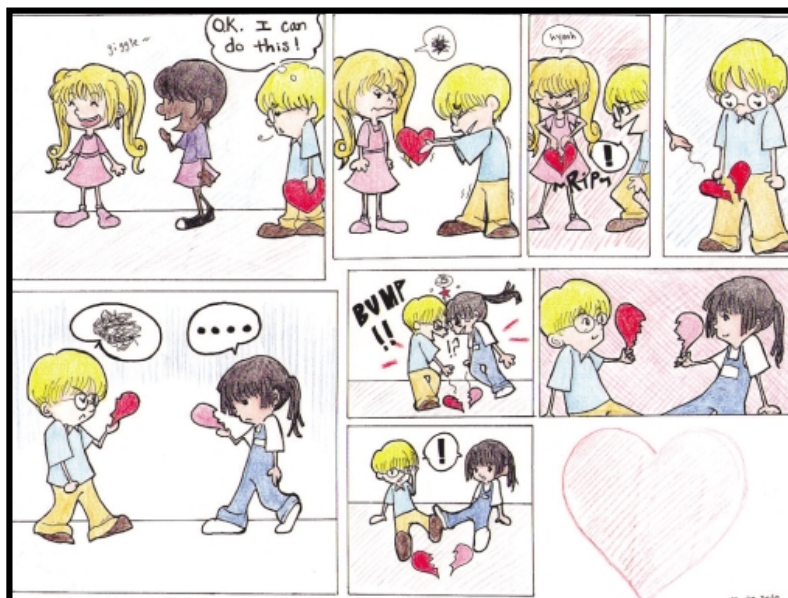
From: Anonymous

"Roslyn-san! Would you be my varentine? >_<"

To: Julie and Hallie Caballero

From: Katherine Diah and Xavier Luzuriaga

"Yo I like love you and you guys are awesome. You rock my socks off!"



Cartoon by Yoo Jin Kim

To: Heejae Kim
From: Wesley Ying
"You the bomb. You're welcome."

To: JP Koulot
From: Tiffany
"Happy Valentine love you."

To: Kerriann Caputo
From: Gagandeep Sihra
"The best thing about me is you."

To: San
From: James
"This heart this mine, is now and"

To: Jordan Bitner
From: Wesley Ying
"Hey cool girl. Hope this makes you feel special."

To: Paul McF
From: Stephar
"Thanks for the"