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Welcome to the Class of 2015 and welcome back to our returning music students!

The school year is already in full swing, and the musicians (both faculty and students) are already hard at work. The marching band is performing their Harry Potter music and entertaining audiences at all the football games. Choral and string students have also been working hard to get this year off to a great start.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest music teacher, Charles Hopta. He is a great addition to our music department. See his bio on page ____

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to David Lockart, who has been such an important part of the Music Department at North for so many years. Best of luck to Dave in this new chapter of his life.

Congratulations and a fond farewell to all the talented musicians in the Class of 2011. You will be missed, but your contributions will forever stand out as a vital part of the success of the ensembles at North.

Unfortunately, parents usually graduate along with the students. I'd like to thank last year's officers and volunteers for doing an amazing job. They put in countless hours to benefit the music kids, earning the money that supported senior scholarships, feeding the performers during long events, and lending a hand wherever needed. We have some big shoes to fill, and I promise we'll do our best.

Please consider volunteering with the North Hunterdon Music Association this year. We graduated a large music class last year, so we have many spots to fill. If everyone volunteers for just one thing, we will really be effective in supporting our students and helping to make their music experience at North as rich as possible. Check out our Web site in the Music section of the NHHS site for membership and volunteer details. We'd love to see you at any one of our upcoming meetings, Tuesday, October 8 and/or Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at 7 p.m. in Room 123. Additional meeting dates are listed on pages 4 & 9. Come on out and join us!

This year, Country Griddle in Clinton and Flemington has generously agreed to donate money to the NHMA whenever anyone eats there (Monday through Friday), just present one of the coupons on page 8. So, get a great meal and help the NHMA at the same time. Special thanks to Country Griddle for their generous donation!

Kathy

Kathy Lukasik
President

The Year Ahead

From Vincent Angeline

Greetings from the Music Department faculty. We are very excited about the 2011-12 school year, and anticipate many exciting events and lots of great music-making. The music faculty is committed to providing each student with a high-quality musical experience and to supporting the artistic life of our school and community. We invite you to be active participants in our department through your support of the North Hunterdon Music Association. This wonderful group of parents continues to provide much needed assistance in serving the needs of our students and promoting the musical arts at NHHS. Your time and effort on behalf of this important parent organization will be most gratefully accepted.

Although saddened by the retirement of our friend and colleague, David Lockart, we are pleased to welcome Mr. Charlie Hopta to our staff and hope you will take the time to say "Hello" to this talented young educator.

Finally, we look forward to seeing you at our concerts and events. You can see a list of dates and times on the music department page of the NHHS website (and in this newsletter). Click on the events tab for the most current listing. Our ensembles are very strong this year and we think you will be thoroughly entertained by our performances.

Musically yours,

Mr. Andrews

Mr. Angeline

Mr. Hopta

Miss Meo

A Message from Shane Berry

I would like to take this time to introduce myself to all of you and to let you know how very impressed I have been with the quality of instruction and performance demonstrated by the music department at NHHS. My name is Shane Berry and I am the new Supervisor of Music at North Hunterdon High School. As most of you know, I moved into this role with the retirement of David Lockart in the spring of 2011. Though I am not foolish enough to attempt to replace what Mr. Lockart brought to the department as its longtime supervisor or with his vast talent as a music educator, I am not new to the building, or to the arts for that matter. I have been the Supervisor

of Fine Art at North for the last nine years, and with the addition of both the Music Department and the Social Studies Department to my supervisory role, I am truly thankful for the professionalism and dedication the music staff has demonstrated in helping me acclimate to this new position.

Through the years I have admired the talents and performances showcased through this department, and have continually been amazed by your children's seemingly endless talent. I hope to help the music department continue to grow and reach new heights with the support of your organization, the teachers and the North Hunterdon Administration.

I look forward to my involvement in this program and the continued expansion of the Arts at NHHS.

Again, thank you all, staff, parents and students, for your dedication to the music program, your commitment to musical excellence and your pride in the reputation that North Hunterdon has earned as a superior music program. I look forward to working with you all to continue to offer the exceptional type of musical program you have come to expect from North Hunterdon High School.

With sincere thanks,

Shane Berry
Shane Berry

The Music Department Welcomes Mr. Charles Hopta

Mr. Hopta joins the NHHS Music Department after having taught for three years at Notre Dame Catholic High School in Easton, Pennsylvania. At Notre Dame he was in charge of the Marching and Concert Bands, taught music electives, and directed the pit orchestra for their Spring Musicals. At North, Mr. H. is excited to be teaching individual voice lessons, Music Theory, Electronic Music I and Rock History, in addition to directing the Madrigal Singers and working with the Marching Band.

Originally from Shamokin, PA, Mr. H attended Lebanon Valley College (with Ms. Meo, where they student taught at the same HS) and graduated Cum Laude with degrees in Music Education and Music Performance. Graduate classes have been completed at the University of Hartford, University of the Arts, Valley Forge Christian College and Westminster Choir College. He has been involved with select Choral and Instrumental ensembles throughout High

School and College. Mr. H. has also been involved in musicals as a performer, musician, and pit director. His primary instruments are horn, piano and voice.

As a Pennsylvanian, Mr. Hopta roots for Penn State and the Phillies, but his NFL loyalty is with the Dallas Cowboys. When not involved with musical life at North Hunterdon, he enjoys meeting up with friends, watching TV and playing/writing music.

Mr. Andrews

Jazz Ensemble and Band

Mr. Hopta

Madrigals

Mr. Angeline

Band and String Orchestra

Miss Meo

Concert Choir, Freshman Choir, Show Choir, Chamber Choir

North Hunterdon "Golden Lions" Marching Band Schedule

— AT A GLANCE —

September 9 (Fri)	NHHS	Game # 1 - HOME
September 16 (Fri)	Phillipsburg HS	Game # 2 - AWAY
September 23 (Fri)	Ridge HS	Game # 3 - AWAY
September 30 (Fri)	NHHS	Game # 4 - HOME
October 6 (Thurs)	NHHS	Game # 5 - HOME
October 10 (Mon)	Columbus Day Parade	Noon- New York City
October 22 (Sat)	Franklin HS	Game # 6 - AWAY
October 22 (Sat)	Randolph Band Festival	Randolph HS
October 28 (Fri)	Montgomery HS	Game # 7 - AWAY
November 2 (Wed)	Phillipsburg Band Festival	Phillipsburg HS
November 4 (Fri)	NHHS	Game # 8 - HOME
November. 11 or 12 (Fri or Sat)	TBA	Game # 9 (playoff or consolation game)
November 18 (Fri)	Voorhees HS	Game # 10 - AWAY
November 30 (Wed)	Band Banquet	Cafeteria
Dec. 2 (Fri)	Christmas Parade	Clinton Town

For driving directions to the away games, go to: www.nhvweb.net/Nhhs.

- Use the drop-down menu for DEPARTMENTS; go to ATHLETICS; click on FALL SPORTS & click on FOOTBALL. The color highlighted names of the schools are links to the Mapquest directions. PLEASE COME SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL.

(The above schedule is also on the 'music department' portion of the NHHS website.)

Calendar of Upcoming Events

— AT A GLANCE —

DAY / DATE (2011)	EVENT	LOCATION / TIME
October 13, 14, 15 Thurs, Fri & Sat	Stage Door Fall Theatre Production	NH Theater / 7:00 pm
November 30 Wednesday	Marching Band Banquet	Cafeteria 6:30 pm
December 8 Thursday	Winter Concert I	NH Theater / 7:00 pm
December 15 Thursday	Winter Concert II	NH Theater / 7:00 pm
March 1 - 3 Thurs, Fri & Sat	Gypsy Spring Musical Theater Production	NH Theater / 7:00 pm
March 22 Thursday	PRISM Concert	Gym / 8: pm
April 26, 27 and 28 Thurs, Fri & Sat	Spring Theatre Production	NH Theater / 7:00
May 10 Thursday	Spring Concert I	NH Theater / 7:00
May 17 Thursday	Spring Concert II	NH Theater / 7:00
May 23 Wednesday	Music Department Awards Banquet	Cafeteria / 6:30

The above schedule is also on the 'music department' portion of the NHHS website.

2011 - 2012 Golden Lions Marching Band Council

DRUM MAJORS:

Katie Burns
Tommy Vacca

SECTION LEADERS:

Flute: **Emily Chen**
Clarinet: **Jake Smolinsky**
Horns/Alto Saxophones: **Grace Kilcommons**
Trumpets: **Sarah Meo**
Low Woodwinds/Brass: **Tom Maggio**
Percussion: **Kathryn Brightly / Nate Stevens**
Color Guard: **Rebecca Roth / Sylvia Mahon**

BAND OFFICERS:

President: **Tom Maggio**
Vice-President: **John Paulmeno**
Secretary: **Fiona Fitzgerald**
Treasurer: **Kacie Lukasik**
Librarians:
Paige Greenfield
Katherine Talian
Lindsay Holt
Grace Montemurro

50-50 Raffle in Support of Music Association

The 50-50 raffle sales at
the Hunterdon Central
football game on
Oct. 6 go to support the
music association.

**BUY TICKETS
TO SUPPORT US THAT
NIGHT!**

WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU AT OUR MEETINGS SO COME ON OUT AND JOIN US.

OCTOBER 4TH • NOVEMBER 8TH • MARCH 6TH • JANUARY 10TH

FEBRUARY 7TH • MARCH 13TH • APRIL 3RD • MAY 8TH

ALL AT 7:00 PM.

ALL IN ROOM 123.

North Hunterdon H.S. Spring Music Awards

MAY 25, 2011

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA AWARD
RACHEL BATTAGLIA

NATIONAL SCHOOL CHORAL AWARD
STEPHEN SAHARIC

LOUIS ARMSTRONG JAZZ AWARD
ERIN KREEGER

NATIONAL SCHOOL ORCHESTRA AWARD
ALEXANDRA HAGEL

NORTH HUNTERDON BAND AWARD FOR MUSICAL EXCELLENCE
WILLIAM MARINELLI

NORTH HUNTERDON CHORAL AWARD FOR MUSICAL EXCELLENCE
ELLERY SPENCER

NORTH HUNTERDON INSTRUMENTAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE
MADDIE GENCO ALEXANDRA SUMNER
JAKE WARREN DANA LOBENBERG

NORTH HUNTERDON CHORAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE
TAYLOR CARTWRIGHT KYLE SAVARESE
JUSTIN BIRMINGHAM CHARLIE RICKETTS
MICHELLE SANABRIA MAKENZIE HOLMSBORG

JASON P. SCHAIBLE MUSIC AWARD
STEPHEN SAHARIC

NORTH HUNTERDON MUSIC ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS
WILL MARINELLI STEPHEN SAHARIC
MICHELLE SANABRIA ERIN KREEGER
RACHEL BATTAGLIA ALEXANDRA HAGEL

AT&T BAND SCHOLARSHIP
MADDIE GENCO

THEATRE SCHOLARSHIP
NICOLE MILLER

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS MUSIC EXCELLENCE AWARD
ERIN KREEGER
WILL MARINELLI

Gary Gilbert Scholarship Winners

ANDREW BAMBRIDGE
RUTGERS JAZZ CAMP

KENNY BAMBRIDGE
RUTGERS MASON GROSS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

CATHERINE MELILLO
FRENCH WOODS FESTIVAL OF THE
PERFORMING ARTS

TESS PEARSON
CAREY VOICE STUDIO

CARMELA SCHWAB
HUNTERDON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION ORCHESTRA CAMP

TOMMY VACCA
RUTGERS MASON GROSS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

New NHMA Scholarship Honors David Lockart

It is with great sadness that we said goodbye to David Lockart after so many years as a teacher here at North. To honor his many contributions to the music department, the NHMA has set up a scholarship in his honor—the David Lockart Scholarship for Musical Excellence—which will be awarded to an exceptional all-around music student each year.

CHOIR INFORMATION AND RECOGNITIONS

NJ Region II Choir auditions are coming up in December. Students interested in auditioning should come to Ms. Meo for the necessary paperwork in late September/early October. There will be an announcement via the school PA system when the paperwork is available.

Concert, Chamber, Madrigals, and Show Choir Uniform Measuring Day was held on Wednesday, September 21st, at 2:30. At that time, forms were collected. After costs are tallied, the forms will be given back to the students and they will then hand in payment for their uniform. (No payment was due at the time measurements were taken). Since the uniforms for Concert and Show Choirs are new this year, we are sponsoring a fundraiser for all choir students who

will be buying uniforms. Students will be selling Gertrude Hawk candy bars for a direct profit; whatever they sell, they keep the money for.

Rehearsals for NJ All State Choir are well underway. This year, 13 North students were accepted into the Choirs, and 12 have chosen to participate. (Senior Nicole Rowe, who scored first in the state as a Soprano 1, has chosen not to participate because she is a member of the pre-college program at the Julliard School of Music – an amazing feat in itself!) Andrew Bambridge, Sarah Meo, Katie Wilkie, Nick Novelli, Sarah Barrett, Jenn Lambert, and TJ Morano are enjoying Mixed Choir Rehearsals, and Cayla Mabie, Katie Burns, Ketaki Datar, Morgan Evans, and Grace Kilcommons are enjoying Women's Choir rehearsals.

The first All State performance will be the Mixed Choir concert in Atlantic City during the NJ Teacher's Convention weekend in November.

Join the Music Association

GO TO:

www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/Music/Main/Music%20Assoc.htm

click the link for the form...
print it...fill it out...
include payment...mail it in...

NHHMA
PO BOX 214
ANNANDALE, NJ 08801

Bake Sale at Bishop's Market

The Music Association will be hosting a Bake Sale at
Bishop's Market in Whitehouse Station on
Saturday • OCTOBER 29th
10 am – 4 pm

Members of the North Hunterdon Marching Band will be on hand outside of the market to provide musical offerings in support of the sale. We encourage all music families to contribute baked goods (individually bagged) to the sale. Come out on October 29 and indulge in some goodies in support of the music programs at North Hunterdon.

For additional information, please contact Mary Genco: takeshertime@embarqmail.com

Bishop's Market is located on
Route 22 (Eastbound)
908-534-9666

In lieu of contributing baked goods,
a donation can be mailed to:

NHMA
PO Box 214
Annandale, NJ 08801

FALL THEATRE PRODUCTION "STAGE DOOR"

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday

October 13-15

NH Theatre • 7:00 pm

Rehearsals are underway for the NHTO fall show, "Stage Door." The show presents Edna Ferber and George S. Kaufman's light-hearted look at the Broadway community of actors, writers, directors, and producers in the 1930's. The cast is large, featuring forty-nine students.

The show is directed by Mary Meo and produced by theater coordinator Perry Andrews.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. They are for reserved seating, and may be purchased at the door.

For more information or to order tickets, email Mrs. Meo at mmeo@nhvweb.net.



Help Wanted Music Association Open Positions / Volunteering

There are lots of opportunities to get involved with the NH Music Association. It is a great way to support students involved in North's music department and get to know other music parents. In particular, we are looking for volunteers to help with our fundraising activities.

Whether you can spare an hour or a day, we can use your help. Please contact Kathy Lukasik at kathylukasik@embarqmail.com for additional information. You can also visit the Music Association page in the Music Department section of the NHHS Web site:

www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/Music/Main/Music%20Assoc.htm.

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MARCHING BAND UNIFORM
CLEANED BEFORE
RETURNING IT
AFTER THE
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

Uniform Dry Cleaning

is discounted at ALL
Tirpok
Locations

"at their cost"

How We Use IT and How We Make IT

NHMA uses its fund raising dollars directly for student activities.

These include providing anything from paper goods, food and drink for banquets, concerts, and band activities to clothes for choirs, band items, and awards for the students. But the majority of our money is used to provide two types of scholarships for music students: the first consists of six \$500 scholarships for graduating seniors; and the second type is the Gary Gilbert Scholarship for partial tuition to further any student's music education outside the classroom.

Please help support our outstanding music students and participate in our fundraisers. If you have any questions about these fundraisers or would like to help with any of them, please contact our President, Kathy Lukasik (kathylukasik@embarqmail.com)



NHMA Magnets

NHMA is proud to offer its very own music department car magnet.

NEW NHMA members receive a digitally printed, outdoor quality magnet to proudly display on their car. Additional magnets can be purchased for a donation of \$5 per magnets.

All proceeds will go to the NHMA general fund.



NUMBER OF MAGNETS _____ **@\$5.00**

TOTAL _____ **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NHMA**

**MAIL YOUR ORDER TO:
NORTH HUNTERDON MUSIC ASSOCIATION
P. O. BOX 214
ANNANDALE, NJ 08801**

Eat Out M-F and Help the North Hunterdon H.S. Music Association At the Same Time!



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