#### North Hunt<mark>erdon High</mark> School

#### October Calendar

- Staff In-Service, 2.5 hour delayed opening for students
  - Guidance—Seniors and Parents Night, 7pm in theater
- 3 Senior Group Photo, 7:45am
- 4-5 PTSA's SAT Bootcamp
- 4 Yom Kippur
- 6 Senior Portrait Make-Ups
  PTSA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Café B
- 7 HSPA Testing for Seniors Student Photo Retakes Music Association Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Room 123
- 8 HSPA Testing for Seniors
- 9 HSPA for Seniors Captains Club-Athletics, 10am Student Advisory Committee Mtg, Mod 5-6
- 11 SAT at North
- 13 Booster Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m., FDR

Columbus Day

- 14 HSPA Testing Make-Ups
- 15 HSPA Testing Make-Ups
  PSAT for Sophomores & Juniors
  Math League, 2:25pm
- 16 HSPA Testing Make-Ups

Parent Advisory Meeting, Room 114, 9:30 a.m.

Financial Aid/Local Scholarships Program, 7:00pm in theater

- 17 Booster Club's Annual Coaches Breakfast, 8am
- 22-23 Student Activity/Club Photos
- 22 Financial Aid-College Perspec tive Program, 7pm in theater
- 24 PTSA's Pasta Dinner, 4:30pm in cafeteria

Homecoming Game, 7pm

- 25 Homecoming Dance, 6pm
- 30 North Hunterdon Fall Play, 7pm
- 31 1st Marking Period Ends

Freshmen Class Officers- deadline for speeches, petitions

# Principal's Newsletter



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#### **October News**



Principal Richard Bergacs, Ed.D.

## Week of Respect, October 20-24

North Hunterdon High School continually strives to create a safe and secure environment in which students learn to respect themselves and those around them. The NJDOE has designated the first week in October as the "Week of Respect", and students at North Hunterdon will be presented with a variety of lessons on respect in each academic department. Research has shown that students learn better when they feel safe and secure at school, and our goal is to provide that feeling for every North Hunterdon student.

#### Cell & iPod Usage

The North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District has revised its cell phone policy for students for the 2014-2015 school year to permit limited use during school hours. Our goal is to teach responsible use of this device through the new policy.

Click <u>here</u> for the new cell phone policy.

#### **Punctuality**

Part of the high school experience is to learn how to be punctual. Students should report to school no later than 7:40 a.m. to ensure adequate time to be ready for first period. It is critical for students to understand the importance of promptness and reliability in preparation for college and/or the workforce. We will be continuing to enforce our tardiness rules, so please remind your students that for every 3 times a student is tardy to a class it equates to one unexcused absence in the attendance system. Thank you to parents who encourage their children to be responsible and report to school and class on time.

#### **New Staff**

North Hunterdon High School has welcomed a few new and returning staff members to our faculty. Please join me in welcoming the following individuals to our school community:

*Math:* Nicole Heyl, Patrick Letourneau

Science: Meghan Plaxe

**Health & PE**: Rebecca Schaefer

Guidance: Ron Niznik

Child Study Team: Allison

(Alli) Cassidy

We continue to recruit the best and the brightest for our faculty, and wish all of these new faculty members years of success at North Hunterdon. Thank you for your continued support of our school community.

#### **Resource Center**

I would like to remind you that each department has a resource center available for students who are seeking extra academic help. All teachers are assigned a resource room duty during the day, so students can get a pass to receive extra help any time they are free during the school day. In addition, Curriculum & Instruction time is available from 2:30-3:10pm on Monday,



## Department Students of the Month—September



**Fine Arts** Kellie Bancalari '15 and Doug Witte '15

**English** Nikki Wei '15 and Tiye' Pulley '15

**Mathematics** Natalie Sabatella '15 and Tiye' Pulley '15

Music Anelisa Fergus '15 and Nathan Bishop '15

PE & Health Emma Mikitiuk '18 and Sam Kuster '15

**Practical Arts** Harlee Peterson '15 and Ryan Negoescu '16

Science Natalie Brooks '15 and Conner Berson '17

**Social Studies** Madeline Verniero '15 and Brandon Klisch '16

**World Language** Alexandra Anderson '16 and Santiago Pinzon '17

## Good Citizen Students of the Month—September



As part of our discipline policy, each department nominates one male and female student each month for being a good citizen. These students reflected one or more of the following characteristics: **caring**, **citizen**-

ship, fairness, respect, responsibility and trustworthiness. Congratulations to the following students!

Fine Arts Grace Joyce '16 and Emil Alummootil '16 English Kendall Cowie '15 and Henry Schwartz '15

**Mathematics** Samantha Smitley '18 and Kyle Cannillo '18

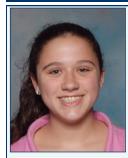
Music Priscilla Sanchez '15 and Benjamin Sharp '15 PE & Health Stephanie Thompson '16 and John Williams '16

**Practical Arts** Kourtney Feste '15 and Anthony Tersigni '15

Science Sarah Kelly '15 and Brendan Williams '17
Social Studies Rebecca Jones '16 and Gabriella Siefert '15

**World Language** Caroline Bennett '17 and Austin Pelliciari '15

## **September Students of the Month**



Courtney Lunger's four years at North have been very accomplished and impressive. Courtney is a member of National Honor Society, Interact, and Job Coaching. She has also earned the President's Volunteer Service

Award for her dedication efforts in helping others. Courtney has participated in events such as Special Olympics and Relay for Life. She is also an accomplished athlete in basketball where she enjoys playing as well as coaching. Courtney plans on attending a college in New Jersey with a major in Criminal Justice and Computer Science. Her favorite memories at NHHS include attending Homecoming and Prom as well football games and pep rallies. Her favorite classes in her four years at North were biology and psychology. Courtney really enjoyed the dissection lesson and was intrigued by her teachers.



Michael Finer is a senior who is actively involved in extracurricular life at North Hunterdon. Michael keeps himself busy in the fall as captain of the boys soccer team. He is also involved in winter and spring track. Michael is

also a part of Peer Leadership, FBLA, and helping out with CCD at his church. His favorite class at North was Biology with Miss Bourneuf. The pep rally his Freshman year is his most memorable moment at North Hunterdon because everyone from the school gets together to cheer on their sports teams. Michael is undecided with where he wants to go to college but plans on attending a four year school. Good luck with all your future endeavors!

### September Athlete of the Month— Alyssa Bennett '15



Alyssa Bennett is a captain on the varsity field hockey team. Her natural athleticism and supreme skills playing sweeper have helped the team win many games over the last three years. The team recently won the first round in the Hunterdon/

Warren/Sussex County Tournament. Next year, Alyssa hopes to continue her field hockey career in college. In addition to field hockey, Alyssa also plays lacrosse in the spring, officiates games for the Junior Lions field hockey program, is involved in job coaching, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and the Interact and Enable Club. Good luck on the rest of the season!

## September Athlete of the Month—Jake Ferrang '15



Jake Ferrang is a three-year varsity starter for the boys soccer team. Jake has played multiple positions during his tenure with the boys soccer team. In his senior season, Jake is the team's center back anchoring a stingy defensive back line. Jake's

team-first attitude, work rate, positive attitude, and play were recognized by his teammates as they elected him to be a captain this season. Jake helped the Lions to shut down state ranked rival Hunterdon Central in a thrilling overtime victory on September 23rd. Jake is also a member of the North boys lacrosse team during the spring sports season.



## Ice Bucket Challenge



Suzanne Cooley, Principal at Hunterdon Central Regional High School challenged North Hunterdon Principal, Dr. Richard Bergacs, to the ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), often referred to as "Lou Gehrig's Disease") Ice Bucket challenge. The varsity field hockey team was all too happy to help out Dr. Bergacs with his task. Dr. Bergacs, who also made a donation to www.ALSA.org, in turn challenged Voorhees High School Principal Ron Peterson, the Principal of Delaware Valley Regional High School, and NH Head Football Coach Jared Mazzetta.

## **NH Varsity Cheer Accomplishments**



The North Hunterdon Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleaders won the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) 2014 Camp Championships on August 18, 2014 in Chestnut Lake, PA.

The Varsity Team won Best Overall in the Cheer Division and Stunt/Dance Division in the Elite category.

The Junior Varsity won the equivalent of Best Overall in the Junior Varsity category.

There were over 500 girls representing schools from the Eastern United States who completed in this champion-ship.

Seven North Hunterdon Varsity cheerleaders who were selected to the prestigious All-American Team. The girls went through a formal try-out as the UCA staff evaluated the girls on their athleticism, cheer and dance abilities. The girls' names are: Amanda Craig, Alana Healy, Lauren Kreutel, Olivia Reiner, Kayla Sible, Kelsey Sible, Kiersten Van Cleef.

The NHHS Cheer Program also won the highest honor of being selected as the "Top Banana" at camp, given to the cheer program that best demonstrates positive leadership.

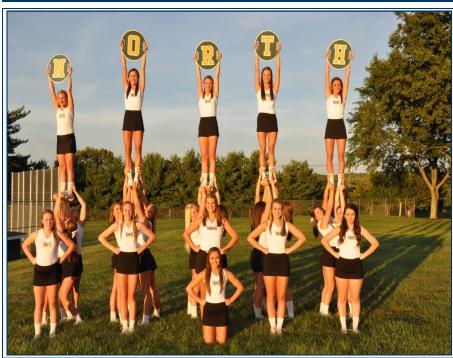
Varsity Team: Kalliopi Anastasiou, Annelise Babcock, Aubrey Bartholomew, Tegan Berry, Amanda Craig, Alyssa Frey, Rachel Frey, Brighid Gibney, Alana Healy, Lexie Kassebaum, Chloe Kirchberger, Lauren Kreutel, Savanah Luker, Allie Neibling, Freya Puxted, Olivia Reiner, Madison Riley, Olivia Russillo, Kayla Sible, Kelsey Sible, Gemma St. Louis, Kiersten Van Cleef, Cassie Weller, Abigail Whalen, Courtney Wright, Caroline Zentmayer.

Junior Varsity Team: Elena Anastasi, Cailin Berry, Arianna Calhoun, Emily Eugenio, Jacquie Green, Mikaela Jenkins, Jacklyn Karpinski, Charleston Lavigne, Marissa Muench, Kayley Muench, Nicole O'Connell, Molly O'Rourke, Isabel Preito, Francesca Setaro.

The Varsity Team is coached by Lori Guida Schuetz and Meeghan Smolinsky. The Junior Varsity Team is coached by Nicole Heyl.

The varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders continue to work hard to make the school community very proud!

## **NH Cheer Upcoming Activities**



The NHHS Cheerleaders will be sponsoring a Clothing Drive on Saturday, October 18 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Clinton Township Police Department. The following donations will be accepted: clothing, bedding, stuffed animals, linens, shoes, belts, hats, mittens and soft toys.

The NHHS Spooktacelar Cheerleading Competition will be held on Saturday, November 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the New Gym. Come out and support the North cheerleaders by watching many rec and high school teams compete. Admission is \$8.00, seniors are half price, and children under 3 are free.

# National Merit Scholarship Program



The National Merit Scholarship Program honors individual students who show exceptional academic ability and potential for success in rigorous college studies.

The following students have been selected as semifinalists in the 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program: Heather T. Birmingham, Jason P. Brovich, Nelson Dong, Anelisa P. Fergus, Lily Fielding, Alyssa L. Ma, Tiye' A. Pulley, Jessica E. Teipel and Mary K. Twaddle.

In addition, Tiye' Pulley was selected as a semifinalist by the 2015 National Achievement Scholarship Program.

Congratulations to all!

# **Kids Get Crafty in the Media Center**



All work and no play is no fun for anyone, so on the last Monday of every month the NHHS Media Center hosts "Make it Monday," a free afterschool craft program. Led by librarians Leslie Edwards and Martha Hickson, the activity runs from 2:30 to 3:10 and includes an afternoon snack and time to socialize with other "crafty" people. Students can attend as many of the monthly sessions as they want; no

registration is required. The librarians provide supplies, snacks, and instructions; kids provide the creativity.

The fourth year of the program launched in September with recycled magazine jewelry. Here's the rest of the 2014-2015 schedule:

Oct. 27: Day of the Dead planter pot

Nov. 24: Zodiac lights Dec. 22: Snow globes

Jan. 26: Valentine's candle holder

Feb. 23: Artsy mugs

Mar. 23: Wire-wrapped bangles Apr. 27: Spring flower balls

May 18: Polymer clay pendants

## **Outstanding Student Awards**

#### Academic Achievement

The Academic Achievement Awards ceremony was held on August 28. Students were recognized for achieving a 3.5 Grade Point Average or better. Click <u>here</u> to see individual names.

#### **School Counts**

The School Counts Awards ceremony was held on August 28. School Counts encourages students to make the most of their important high school years, and acquire the learning habits they will need to succeed in the new millennium. Click here to see the individual names.

#### **HSPA Scholars**

The HSPA Scholars Awards ceremony was held on August 28. Click here to see individual names.

#### **Community Service**

The Community Service Awards ceremony was held on August 28. North Hunterdon High School students logged 40839.65 hours of community service from May 27, 2013 to May 31, 2014. Click here to see individual names.



#### A new way to read @ North

The Media Center has launched a new way to read: FollettShelf e-books, which you can download to a smart phone, tablet, or computer. Currently, FollettShelf includes about 200 titles, including about 50 that permit multiple simultaneous users.

"We hope to see this collection grow steadily over the years," explains librarian Martha Hickson. "As we add titles, we are focusing on award-winning young adult fiction, curriculum-related nonfiction, and professional titles for teachers."

To see the full list of downloadable titles, log in to FollettShelf with a student's school username and password.

For help navigating within FollettShelf, check out the <u>Getting Started Guide</u>.

To start reading books on your own devices, follow the instructions for downloading the <u>Brytewave e-book reader</u> app.



## **Advanced Placement Scholars**

169 students at North Hunterdon High School have earned AP Scholar Awards in recognition of their exceptional achievement on AP Exams taken in May 2014.

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program (AP) provides motivated and academically prepared students with the opportunity to take rigorous college-level courses while still in high school, and to earn college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the AP Exams. About 22 percent of the 2.2 million students worldwide who took AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to also earn an AP Scholar Award.

The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on students' performance on AP Exams.

At North Hunterdon High School: 19 students qualified for the **National AP Scholar Award** by earning an average grade of 4 or higher on a five-point scale on all AP Exams taken, and grades 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams. These students are Kayleen Bonacorsi, Phillip Chen, Nelson Dong, Trevor Edwards, Hannah Gluckman, Taylor Knoble, Andrew Langman, Emily Mulhall, BriAnna Puma, Walter Roper, Daniel Rust, Kira Scala, Megan Sergison, Rishi Singhal, Thomas Steitz, Nicholas Tripp, Angela Yang, Bernard Zhang and Jenny Zhang.

71 students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. These students are Andrew Bambridge, Rachel Bean, Kayleen Bonacorsi, Stephen Brett, Jason Brovich, Courtney Bucher, Katherine Campbell, Phillip Chen, Elana Cruz, Joseph Curci, Alexa Dahler, Arianna Demers, Jonathan Detoro, Nelson Dong, Trevor Edwards, Stephanie Faust, Anelisa Fergus, Evan Finnerty, Daniella Fodera, Joseph Gaidos, Hannah Gluckman, Eli Goings, Kimberly Greco, Paige Greenfield, Kelcie Guns, Olivia Gustafson, Catherine Hallstrom, Lindsey Holt, Jendayi Jones, Jillian Kennedy, Taylor Knoble, Andrew Langman, Samuel Layding, Christina Linne, Ryan Linnen, Cecilia Luciano, Valerie Ma, Kathryn Middleton, Cora Minadeo, Kaylee Motter, David Mugavero, Emily Mulhall, Emily Parker, Matthew Paulo, Tiye Pulley, Bri-Anna Puma, Walter Roper, Daniel Rust, Kira Scala, David Schwab, Andrew Seitz, Megan Sergison, Nidhi Sharma, Rishi Singhal, Abigail Speck, Thomas Steitz, Amy Suttmeier, Jessica Teipel, Nicholas Tripp, Mary Twaddle, Ryan Ulrich, Nikki Wei, Lily Willen, Jack Wisnosky, Amanda Witwer, Shu-Nong Wu, Angela Yang, Albert Zhang, Bernard Zhang, Jenny Zhang and Jacqueline Zuccarelli.

35 students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades 3 or higher on four or more of these exams. These students are Lorra Barile, Jacob Bennedsen, Heather Birmingham, Amber Busher, Elizabeth Caronia, Siena Chang, Grant Davis, Thomas Fitzgerald, Samuel Follansbee, Andrew Fuller, Nathan Gartlgruber, Elizabeth Greaves, Samantha Kern, John Kilduff, Samuel Kuster, Joseph Leonard, Alyssa Ma, Riley McCarten, Joseph Montemurro, Henry Paul, Grace Plassche, Rebecca Pytell, Matthew Radican, Ariana Rive-

ra, Emma Roberts, Emma Scheick, Henry Schwartz, Cyrus Sethna, Kelsey Shelofsky, Mason Spichiger, Isabel Stein, Joshua Varughese, Kurt Wagner, Evan Winter and Kristian Wu.

63 students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Exams with grades of 3 or higher. The AP Scholars are Corinna Arabia-Meyer, Alexandra Arnold, Eric Bercaw, Julia Berger, Nathan Bishop, Leia Boeke, Bethany Bonacorsi, Graham Boreland, Samantha Bredael, Ashley Bucher, Shane Cassidy, Lindsay DeMarco, Emily Edelsberg, Connor Farina, Kimberly Faust, Lily Fielding, Kelly Fleming, Moira Frederickson, Joshua Geerinck, Annie Girton, Eve Glasergreen, Alexandra Haris, Cecelia Higgins, Eleanor Houghton, Jacob Johnson, Katelyn Kaniewski, Colleen Kelley, John Kopka, Danielle Koubek, Nicholas Kowal, James LaTournous, Justin Lee, Kelli Liebermann, Brianna Lifshitz, Norah Mardini, Sarah McDevitt, Meghan Mendu, Zach Miller, Preethi Murthy, Andrew Newman, Jenna Nordstrom, Liam Pearson, Brielle Popolla, Alexandra Puleo, Kendra Quiroz, Isabella Scangamor, Stefanie Sciacca, Joanna Scuteri, Meghan Seibert, Gabriella Siefert, Jenna Slusar, Karoline Taylor, Katherine Tota, Jules Vallay, Madeline Verniero, Lauren Victor, Christina Walling, Angi Wang, Sherrie Wang, Benjamin Worobey, Tiffany Yang, Claire Zakszewski and Amy Zenerovitz.

Through 34 different college-level courses and exams, AP provides motivated and academically prepared students with the opportunity to earn college credit or advanced placement and stand out in the college admissions process. Each exam is developed by a committee of college and university faculty and AP teachers, ensuring that our exams are aligned with the same high standards expected by college faculty at some of the nation's leading liberal arts and research institutions. More than 3,600 colleges and universities annually receive AP grades. Most fouryear colleges in the United States provide credit and/or placement for qualifying exam grades. Research consistently shows that AP students who score 3 or higher on AP Exams (based on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest) typically experience greater academic success in college and higher graduation rates than students who do not participate in AP.

The College Board is a mission-driven not-for-profit membership organization that connects students to college success and opportunity. Founded in 1990, the College Board was created to expand access to higher education. Today the membership association is made up of over 6,000 of the world's leading educational institutions and is dedicated to promoting excellence and equity in education. Each year, the College Board helps more than seven million students prepare for a successful transition to college through programs and services in college readiness and college success – including SAT and the Advanced Placement Program. The organization also serves the education community through research and advocacy on behalf of students, educators and schools.

## North Hunterdon Theater Organization

**North Hunterdon Theater Organization** will perform *Anne of Green Gables* on Thursday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The show will be directed by English teacher, Mrs. Mary Meo, and assisted by Foreign Language teacher Mr. Michael Fario, English teacher Ms. Lauren Young, and Mrs. Ann Semanchik. Katie Meo is the

NHTO Theater Coordinator.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens. In order to promote reading, NHTO will offer a discount of \$1 off the ticket price for any student who brings a copy of the novel to the show. Also, in conjunction with our fall show, the North Hunterdon Thespian Honor Society is participating in the International Thespian Society's "Tots Eat" campaign. Audience members are invited to bring non-perishable food items to the theater lobby before performances. The Thespians will deliver these items to the Open Cupboard Food Pantry in Clinton.

### **Marching Band Upcoming Events**



In addition to all home and away football games, the Golden Lions Marching Band will be performing at the following events:

- New York City Columbus Day Parade on October 14. The parade begins at 12:00 noon.
- Phillipsburg High School Band Festival on October 23, at 7:00 p.m.
- Clinton Christmas Parade on December 5 at 7:00 p.m.

#### **News from Guidance**



Our annual Seniors and Parents Night will be held in the Theater on Wednesday, October 1st at 7:00 p.m. We are fortunate to have Christopher Hooker-Haring, Dean of Admissions & Financial Aid at Muhlenberg College, to provide the

most up-to-date information on the college application process.

On Thursday, October 16th, the Guidance Department will provide an information session on "Financial Aid: Local Information". The presentation will cover the Gifted & Talented opportunities and, for seniors, the Local Scholarship process. Raritan Valley Community College will also provide information about their Honors College and NJ STARS.

On Wednesday, October 22, we will host Greg Mitton, Director of Financial Aid and Associate Dean of Admissions from Muhlenberg College, who will provide a presentation on financial aid from the college perspective. This presentation will also be held in the Theater at 7:00 p.m.

## North Hunterdon Education Foundation

The North Hunterdon Education Foundation is proud to host the First Annual Running of the Lions 5K and 1-Mile Family Fun Walk at Spruce Run Recreation Area.

When: Sunday, October 12

Place: Spruce Run Recreation Area

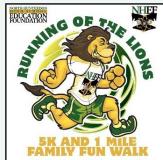
Time: Walk-in Registration & Packet Pickup 9:00 am

Race Begins: 10:00 am

One Mile Walk Begins: 10:15 am
Awards and Refreshments: 11:00 am

## <u>Click here to register</u> online or <u>click here</u> to print out a registration form.

Proceeds benefit the North Hunterdon HS Education Foundation whose mission it is to enhance the quality of education at North Hunterdon HS by attracting and allocating funding for innovative programs not otherwise included in the school budget.



## **Homecoming Dance**



The theme of the 2014 Homecoming Dance is "Horray for Holly-wood." The dance will take place on Saturday, October 25, 2014 in the New Gym. The evening will begin with a welcoming hour from 6-7 pm and proceed with dancing from 7-10 pm.

#### **Homecoming Guidelines 2014:**

- You must bring your photo ID to the Homecoming Dance.
- You may not bring water bottles/other containers or bags into the dance.
- Once you are checked in, you are here for the whole event! If you leave the building for any reason, you may not return.
- A reminder: State law prohibits smoking on school grounds by anyone, including non-students.
- Guests who are age 21 or over are not permitted to attend.
- Administration reserves the right to deny guest requests for any reason.
- Students are expected to follow all schools policies and procedures including dress code.

# Reading/Literacy Program Fundraiser



The Reading/
Literacy program is
holding a Savings
Card fundraiser this
year. For just
\$10.00, you can
purchase a card
that you use over
and over again to
get discounts at

fifteen local businesses until August of next year. Some of the businesses include Clinton Bagel, Just Subs III, JJ Scoops, Red Horse Cafe, Goodfellas Pizzeria, Dior Nails, etc. Click <u>here</u> for more information and the form to sign up!

# North Hunterdon Theater Organization



The Theater Organization will present *Anne of Green Gables* as our fall production. The play, written by Joseph Robinette, is a dramatization of the classic novel by L.M. Montgomery. Performances are on Thursday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, November 1 at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens. The play is directed by English teacher Mrs. Mary Meo and produced by Theater Coordinator Katie Meo.

The following are the lead roles:
Anne Shirley – Heather Birmingham
Marilla Cuthbert – Gabriella Siefert
Matthew Cuthbert – Fred Darcy
Diana Barry – Gianna Porfano
Rachel Lynde – Julianne Grillo
Gilbert Blythe – Avery Stoker
Moody McPherson – Ethan Anidjar

Other significant roles are:
Josie Pye – Brielle Burns
Jane Andrews – Rebecca Barter
Ruby Gillis – Kelly Shea
Aunt Josephine – Emily Cargill
Mrs. Barry – Madeline Coronato
Mr. Phillips – Cameron Calv
Miss Stacy – Lauren Medina

The North Hunterdon Thespian Honor Society is participating in the International Thespian Society's TOTS EAT food drive. Audience members are asked to bring nonperishable food items for our collection, which will be donated to a local food pantry.

In order to promote reading, NHTO is offering a discount of \$1 off the ticket price for any students (in elementary, middle, or high school) who bring a copy of Lucy Maud Montgomery's novel, *Anne of Green Gables*, with them to the show. Many of the cast members have read the book, and are sure that others will enjoy it as they have!

## **Winter Athletic Tryouts**



The Athletic Department has posted their winter athletic try out dates and deadlines. Please click <u>here</u> for tryout information, athletic medical forms and parent permission dates.

## **Project PRIDE**

### (Promoting Responsibility in Drug Education)

As part of the NHHS Crime and Justice course, a social studies elective, students had the opportunity to hear and speak with inmates of the NJ Department of Corrections as a part of Project PRIDE.



The presentations allowed students to hear real life stories and ask questions of inmates, officers, and other members of the NJDOC to get a real life feel for prison life. This program, coordinated by teacher Timothy Flynn, has been a part of NHHS for the past several years. Each year, the program offers a new set of stories and examples that our students hopefully will benefit from down the road in life.

The reaction of the students and staff who attended the program was overwhelming. It was well received by all and offered a stern message to all who heard. The poster on stage in the photo above reads, "The worst thing that you can do is to establish a criminal record—avoid it at all costs."

We appreciate the availability of the program and hope to continue the program in the future. The students and staff of NHHS have and will continue to benefit from Project PRIDE.

## **Green Dot Program**



The Green Dot program will continue to be implemented at North this year with the help of SAFE in Hunterdon. The Green Dot program is a comprehensive approach to violence and bullying prevention that

capitalizes on the power of peer and cultural influence. Specifically, the program encompasses bystander intervention education which is designed to teach students about the dynamics of different forms of violence, how to become an active bystander, how to identify and implement proactive behaviors that establish intolerance of violence as the norm, and identify and implement reactive interventions in high-risk situations.

To help monitor the efficacy of the program, students will participate in evaluation activities that include a pretest and post-test. Understanding students' attitudes and behaviors throughout the program will help in our efforts to reduce the effects of violence in our community and help change social norms. Data storage & confidentiality of data collected will be in accordance with the evaluation guidance document created by the bystander & gender equity workgroup of the Prevention and Public Education Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council Against Sexual Violence. Responses collected are not linked to the individuals from whom they are being collected.

### **Student Council News**



The Class of 2018 got off to a fun start with the Freshman Mixer. They danced and mingled at the first dance of the year and, in the process raising money for charity. This annual Student Council sponsored event raises money

for the NJ Association of Student Council's designated state charity. This year's charity is the Christine's Hope for Kids.

#### Shredding Event—October 17th, 3:15-6:15pm.

Bring any documents that you need shredded to the left of the front Rt. 31 entrance and the Student Council will have them shredded on-site. \$5 for copy paper box size, and \$10 for a larger box. Proceeds benefit the Student Council.

## **Booster Club**



WELCOME CLASS OF 2018!! The Booster Club is a volunteer organization that raises funds for scholarships for our athletes. You can get involved....check out our website. We are a link under the Parents tab on the school's homepage.

You can also support us by visiting our outdoor and indoor snack shacks. During the fall, we will be open for the Varsity Football games. In the winter, we will be open for wrestling, basketball and the big fencing tournaments.

We tried an online clothing store the first few weeks of school. We will reopen it in October/ November for those that would like to purchase holiday gifts. You will receive an email when we are reopening.

We also sell t-shirts, sweatshirts and sweatpants during home varsity football games. Please visit the snack shack during the game to purchase.



Click <u>HERE</u> to check out the NHHS Booster Club Blast for October 2014.

GO LIONS!!!!!!

NHHS Booster Club Coaches Appreciation Breakfast is October 17th. <u>Celebrate Coach!</u>







The PTSA is sponsoring a Pasta Dinner on Friday, October 24, 2014 in Cafeteria B from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. before the Homecoming Game. Pasta, salad, bread, beverages and desserts will be available. \$5 for students and seniors, 8

\$ for adults. Proceeds to benefit Project Graduation. All are welcome! More information here.

Shop Amazon.com and raise money for PTSA!

Get your Homecoming dress at <u>Chaos</u> and support PTSA too!

Become a part of PTSA and help our students have the best year ever!

Get your <u>PTSA 2014-2015 calendar</u> and support the PTSA.

Zumba 2014-2015 has begun. For details click here.

Visit us @ www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/home/nhhssptsa/

## **Music Association**



Have you joined us yet? The North Hunterdon Music Association is in the midst of our 2014-2015 membership drive. If you already have chosen to be a part of this important group, thank

you. **If you would like to sign up, it's not too late!** We are excited now to offer online registration – it's so easy... and you have two ways to pay – by credit card online or by check in the mail. Please click <u>here</u> to download a membership form or click here to register online

Here's what we're up to...

Thank you to all freshman parents and students who attended the Freshman Tea on September 29. All were treated to performances by the Freshman Women's Choir and by the Freshman Band. The NHMA provided a wonderful dessert reception. Thank you to all volunteers for your time and baked good donations.

Look for our NHMA information table at each home football game. We'll be there to answer questions or provide information on our awesome group. We'll be selling 50/50 raffle tickets at the October 2 game. Come support our music students and have a chance to win something yourself!

The Golden Lions Marching Band will be performing on October 13 in the NYC Columbus Day Parade and competing on October 23 at the Phillipsburg Band Festival. Please come out and cheer on these dedicated students. The October 24 home football game is "7th & 8th Grade Band Night." Music students from district middle schools will have the opportunity to perform on the field with the Golden Lions Marching Band. Enjoy the field show and support our future band members.

The NHMA will be providing a \$1.00 coat check at the Homecoming Dance on Saturday, October 25. All proceeds help support the NHMA programs and scholarships. Please send cash to the dance with your students if they wish to check any belongings. If you would like to volunteer for this event, contact Claire at csrothstein@yahoo.com.

The NHMA has exciting plans for this year. Be a part of our next meeting on Tuesday, October 7. We meet at 7:00 PM in the choir room. Information about the NHMA can be found on our website at <a href="http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation">http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation</a>. Any questions... please email us at <a href="mailto:nhmusicassociation@gmail.com">nhmusicassociation@gmail.com</a> or contact Cathy Edelsberg (President) at <a href="mailto:aceaequest">aceaequestion@gmail.com</a>.