

March Calendar

- 2 English SAT Review
NHHS PTSA Meeting,
7:00 p.m., Café B
- 3 HSPA Senior Make Up Test
PARCC Assessment-Math
Day 1
- 4 HSPA Senior Test
PARCC Assessment-Math
Day 2
- 5 HSPA Senior Test
PARCC Assessment-English
Day 1
Spring Musical, Theater
- 6 PARCC Assessment-English
Day 2
Lions Athletic Leadership
Academy—Spring Athletes
Spring Musical, Theater
- 7 Spring Musical, Theater
SAT **NOT** at North
- 9 PARCC Assessment-English
Day 3
English SAT Review
Booster Club Meeting, 7:00
p.m., FDR
- 10 HSPA Senior Make Up Test
PARCC Make Up Test
Music Association Meeting
- 11 HSPA Senior Makeup Test
PARCC Make Up Test
- 12 HSPA Senior Make Up Test
PARCC Make Up Test
National Latin Exam
Guidance Night for Sopho-
mores and Parents 7pm in
theater
- 13 PARCC Test Make Up
- 14 SAT **not** at North
Junior Prom, 6:00—10:00
p.m.
- 15 National Spanish Exam
National Honor Society Trivia,
7:00 p.m., main gym
- 16 PARCC Make Up Test
- 19 ASVAB Test
Parent Advisory, 9:30 a.m.
- 21 Spring Sports Pictures
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main gym

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March News



Dr. Richard A.
Bergacs, Principal

PARCC

The PARCC Performance Based Assessment will be administered in our district on **March 3, 4 (Mathematics units) and March 5, 6 and 9 (English Language Arts Units)**, and the End of Year Assessment will be administered this year on **April 20, 21 (Mathematics Units) and April 22 and 23 (English Language Arts Units)**.

The Assessments will measure student achievement in the areas of Mathematics and Language Arts Literacy. Students enrolled in Algebra I, Geometry, or Algebra II, and English 9, 10, or 11 will participate in the PARCC assessment on the days listed above. Seniors in the Class of 2015 will not participate in PARCC as they have met their graduation requirement via the HSPA.

All students being tested need to come to school at their regular time. We will be following the two and a half hour delayed opening bell schedule once testing for that day has ended. Seniors and students not being tested may report to school at 10:00 AM and report to either the new gym and/or the Route 31 entrance.

Supervision of non-tested students who need to arrive at the regular time will be available in the new gym via the Regional Road entrance. A regular Polytech bus schedule will be run for

those students not being tested so they can report to North Hunterdon at the normal time for the bus to Polytech.

PARCC Testing Day Requirements

On assessment days, the following is required of all students being tested:

1. Students must bring their **fully charged Chromebook** to school and Chromebook charger.
2. Students must also bring **earbuds or headphones** for the audio portions of the tests.
3. Students should have nothing with them other than their fully charged Chromebook, Chromebook charger, earbuds, **two No. 2 pencils, a calculator** (for math on March 2 and March 3) and their **student ID or driver's license**.
4. **NJDOE directives prohibit backpacks, handbags, cell phones, any other electronic devices, food, and water bottles in the testing areas.** Please remind your child to leave these items in their lockers during testing.
5. **Attendance will be taken in each testing room daily**, so students must report directly to their designated classroom each morning at 7:45AM.
6. Every student must present a **North Hunterdon High School ID card or a driver's license each day of testing to verify identity.**
7. Students who miss any section due to illness will be advised by their guidance counselor concerning make-up testing dates and location for the specific test that was missed.

HSPA

Seniors who have not met the HSPA graduation requirement will test on March 3, 4 and 5. Make up tests will take place on March 10, 11 and 12.

Best High School District

The North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District was named on the "Best School Districts for your Buck" list. Please click [here](#) to read more.

Guidance

Sophomores and Parents Night will be held on Thursday, March 12th. Guidance counselors will be presenting information about college admissions testing (SAT vs. ACT), ASVAB, National Honor Society and what to expect as juniors and seniors.

North Hunterdon Theater Organization

The North Hunterdon Theater Organization will present *Oliver!* on March 5, 6 and 7 at 7:00 in the North Hunterdon Theatre. Tickets can be purchased online by clicking [here](#), or at the door. Please see page 6 for more details.

February Departmental Students of the Month



Fine Arts Alara Murphy '16 and Dylan Waddell '17

English Samantha Fegely '16 and Max Spann '16

Math Sarah Gluckman '17 and Nicholas Pittman '17

Music Audrey Chester '16 and Ian Porter '15

PE & Health Catherine York '15 and T.J. Linzer '15

Practical Arts Alexandra Wood '17 and Ryan Negoescu '16

Science Rebecca Canright '16 and Robert Marron '16

Social Studies Kisaragi Ruben '16 and Joshua Varughese '15

World Language Olivia Morris '16 and Luke Zengel '16

February Good Citizens of the Month



Each department nominates one male and female student each month for being a good citizen. These students reflect one or more of the following characteristics: caring, citizenship, fairness, respect, responsibility and trustworthiness.

English Elizabeth Rotolo '16 and Brandon Klisch '16

Fine Arts Carolyn Stoner '17 and Vincenzo Sciacca '16

Math Lauren Morrisette '17 and Nikola Miljkovic '18

Music Grace Plassche '15 and Joseph Rothstein '15

PE & Health Erin Kelly '16 and Frederick Darcy '16

Practical Arts Katherine Hermann '18 and Anthony Tersigni '15

Science Taylor Dowd '15 and Colin Hallstrom '16

Social Studies Madeline Verniero '15 and Henry Schwartz '15

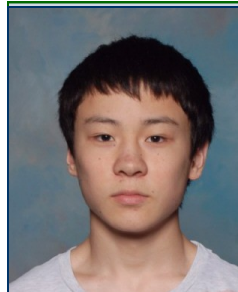
World Language Jacquelyn Twaddle '17 and Connor McMahon '18

February Students of the Month



Isabel Stein has been involved in North Hunterdon's Theater Organization since freshman year. Having played essential roles in *Gypsy*, *Once Upon a Mattress*, and *Damn Yankees*, Isabel is now playing the role of assistant choreographer for *Oliver*. She has previously choreographed the North Hunterdon Show Choir for three years and is currently President of the Theater Honor Society. Isabel won the highest award of Accomplished Performer at the NJ

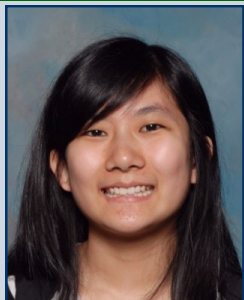
Thespian Festival last year. She is also a member of National, Spanish, and Math Honor Societies. Isabel has been a member of the Superintendent's Quality of Life committee the past four years and has participated in Relay for Life as well as a coach for the Special Olympics. Outside of school, Isabel has played over 15 leading roles in musicals and dramas at the French Woods Festival for the Performing Arts. She is a featured soloist of the Paper Mill Playhouse Broadway Show Choir, appeared as a cabaret soloist at various venues, performed the National Anthem at sporting events, including the 76ers, has been recognized by the National Young Arts Foundation the past two years, has assistant choreographed *A Christmas Carol* at Immaculate Conception School, and works as a performance coach at The House That Rocks. Her favorite classes at North have been Mandarin Chinese with Mrs. Ritchie, AP Spanish with Señor Zamora, AP Calculus with Mr. Cierech, AP Human Geography with Mr. Maginnis, and AP Music Theory with Mr. Angeline. Isabel's favorite memories at North were playing Lola in *Damn Yankees*, being the Blood Drop for the Blood Drive, and performing as a soloist in the Prism Concert and with the Jazz band at the Spring Concert. Next year, Isabel is planning to major in Musical Theatre and/or East Asian studies.



Albert Zhang, a very talented fencer and North senior, has had an essential role in the fencing teams success. Albert is currently fencing A-strip, with which he has placed second in the state squad foil championship, and third two years in a row in the state individual foil championship. Albert competes in fencing tournaments outside of school as well representing Empire United Fencing. Almost

monthly, he goes to various locations across the nation to compete. Last year, Albert scored 6th at the U17 North American Cup in Dallas, Texas, 22nd at the U17 World Cup in Cabries, France, and 16th at the U20 Summer National Championships in Columbus, Ohio. At North, Albert enjoys AP Latin with Mrs. Mullay. Since Mrs. Mullay teaches the majority of all the Latin classes offered, Albert, having had a close relationship due to previous years, flourished in her AP classes. "You can tell she really loves her job because she teaches her students much more than just the curriculum! Every class becomes a pot-pourri of Latin knowledge and priceless life lessons." Albert was also previously involved with the Tech Service Club in building computers for Habitat for Humanity. His favorite memory from North was walking out of his last AP test of junior year. He has a good feeling about his test scores and realized at that moment that he had passed the hardest part of his high school career in flying colors. Albert will be attending Columbia University next year, where he intends to study Finance.

February Athlete of the Month—Alyssa Ma



Foil Squad Captain of the Girls Fencing Team, **Alyssa Ma** has been an important contributor to the team's success the past four years. This year, she led the Foil Squad to finish 13th out of 47 schools at the Santelli Competition. At the District Tournament, Alyssa finished in 7th place and the foil squad finished 4th out of 11 teams. This enabled them to continue to the state squad tournament where they finished 15th in the state. The tournament was a great experience because she was able to compete against very talented fencers in the district. Alyssa has shown to be a positive role model for her teammates and a valued leader of the team. Fencing has allowed her to develop as a person who can stay calm and work well under pressure. Outside of fencing, Alyssa is involved in National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, Spanish Club, and is an officer for Habitat for Humanity. Next year, Alyssa is undecided with what she will be studying but would like to do something with Science as well as study multiple foreign languages such as Spanish, Mandarin, and Japanese. She plans on continuing to fence in college at a club level so she can try out other sports as well. Alyssa would like to thank everyone on the fencing team for everything over the past few years.

February Athlete of the Month—Michael Finer



Michael Finer had been running Track since sophomore year. His strongest skills in the sport are being very fast and having a strong work ethic to improve his time. Michael runs the 800 meter and 1600 meter races. His personal records for this season are 2:03 in the 800

meter and 4:37 in the 1600 meter race. The team recently participated in Sectionals and the Group 4 meet. They are looking forward to Easterns at the Armory in New York City. Michael doesn't participate on a track team outside of school, but stays in shape by running all year long. He was also captain of the Varsity Soccer Team this year at North. This year, the soccer team won the Hunterdon/Warren/Sussex Championship and Skyland Conference Raritan Division. When Michael is not playing soccer or running track, he enjoys fishing and skiing. He is also involved in FBLA and Peer Leadership. Michael will be attending the University of Maine where he will major in Business Management.

Gay Straight Alliance Panel Event



Come join us and learn more about LGBT people within our community through an interesting panel discussion. Our Q&A event will feature current and

former North Hunterdon High School students and faculty.

It will be held in North Hunterdon High School theater on March 11, 2015 from 6:00pm-8:00pm. The event will be hosted by North Hunterdon High School Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) club. Audience members will be able to contribute anonymous questions to our panelists in an open and non-judgmental environment.

Free to attend! You don't have to be gay, you don't have to be straight, you just have to be! Looking forward to seeing you there!

Blood Drive



On behalf of The National Honor Society and New Jersey Blood Services, we would like to thank all students and staff who participated in blood drive on February 25. Due to student, staff and community participation, we were able to collect

388 units of blood, which will directly impact over 1,500 individuals by providing "the gift of life." Thank you all for your help, support, and dedication to saving lives.



Feed the Need Effort



On Sunday, February 22, members of the Interact and Able Club participated on the last day of the annual Feed the Need Food packing event organized by the South Ridge Community Church. Interact and Able club members teamed up with students from area schools, community members and volunteers from other counties to seal and pack meals.

The club members packed 46 boxes of food which will feed 194 kids a meal per day for a year.

The food packages will be sent to Ebola-affected villages in west Africa.

Lions Leadership Academy—Spring Athletes— March 6, 2015



On March 6, 2015, all spring athletes are scheduled to attend the Mind of the Athlete© workshop. Dr. Jarrod Spencer will present the following: **“Confidence”**: Confidence is a byproduct of positive experiences. This program fosters individual confidence by teaching athletes how to mentally reframe their performance through a more positive analysis. This program will also cover education on the psychological aspects of being confident as a student athlete, as well as drawing upon current research in the field of sports psychology.

For more Information, please click [here](#).

Good Sportsmanship Reminder



The following is a reminder about good sportsmanship at any co-curricular event on or off campus:

Whether athletic events are home or away, all school rules are in full effect. High school sporting events are an extension of the classroom. Life lessons are learned through hard work,

victory, defeat and good sportsmanship by all. North Hunterdon High School follows all current anti-bullying laws and expects everyone to treat each other with kindness and respect. Be reminded that any inappropriate actions that take place off campus will be enforceable by that locality's law enforcement.

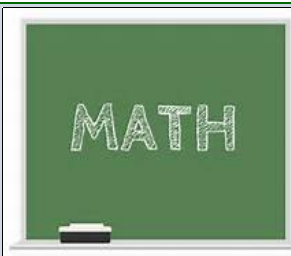
Here are some basic thoughts on sportsmanship:

- Know the rules
- Behave appropriately like you would at home
- Respect officials, coaches, opponents and fans
- There are families with young children who attend these events, and we need to set a good example.

All athletes, coaches and officials work very hard to prepare for the season.

Cheer for your school and not against your opponents or their student fans. The contest is about the athletes competing and not the fans.

Math SAT Review



A comprehensive review of topics covered in the current SAT I Mathematics Test will be held every Wednesday, for six weeks, from March 11 through April 15.

The review class will focus on test taking strategies, Arithmetic,

Algebra, and Geometry. Practice SAT problems will be incorporated in every class. The final class, on April 15, will consist of taking a practice test that will be scored afterwards.

Please see Mr. Maurella in Room 154 for more information.

North Hunterdon Education Foundation (NHEF) Comedy Night and Silent Auction



The North Hunterdon Education Foundation (NHEF) is hosting a Comedy Night with a Silent/Live Auction on Saturday, March 21st at 7:00pm.

Join us for an entertaining night out at the Stangl Factory in Flemington. Take part in the silent auction while you enjoy the performances of three comedians. The baskets available for auction include golf outings, a week's vacation in the Outer Banks, a framed copy of the newest limited edition print from local artist, Dan Campanelli, and major sporting events. There will also be Prom-themed baskets, which include tuxedo rental, limousine ride, and flowers.

Beginning March 9, we invite you to visit www.biddingowl.com/NHHSEdFoundation.com not only to preview items available in both the silent and live auctions, but to begin your bidding. You do not need to be present at the Comedy Night to win if you are the highest bidder.

The event will be catered by the Bluefish Grill and will feature hot appetizers, a dessert buffet, coffee and tea. Wine and beer will be available for purchase as this is a 21 and over event.

Tickets are \$75.00 and all proceeds go to NHEF in their mission to continue to fund educational grants at NHHS. To buy your tickets or for more information, please visit www.nhhsfoundation.org.



Have you been wondering how your generous donations have been put to use so far? In its first year, the NHEF has funded three educational grants and is proud to announce an exciting project which is under development! Working with the Guidance Department, the NHEF will be creating a Career and College Resource Center (CCRC) at North which:

- will be an inviting physical space where students can explore career and college options;
- includes resources to help students make more informed and better educational and career choices;
- offer information for teachers, administrators and parents to support students' career exploration and post-secondary educational opportunities.

For more information on the foundation, recent projects, or how you can help please visit www.nhhsfoundation.org

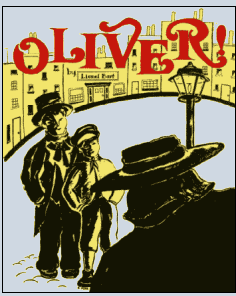
North Hunterdon Education Foundation (NHEF) Grant

On Friday February 13th, all juniors were treated to an assembly from the National Constitution Center Traveling History Program. Students were involved in two interactive shows involving African American History and Civil Rights, and Rights and Responsibilities of Citizenship. Students were able to answer questions, dress in costumes, and play a game with questions from the United States Citizenship Test. The program was made possible through a grant from the NHEF.



Pictured from left to right: Dina Marron, Lisa Woolhouse, John Simpson, Aliocha Haynes (presenter from National Constitution Center), Cheryl Kuster and Fran Graham.

Winter Musical



The North Hunterdon Theater Organization will present *Oliver!* on March 5, 6 and 7 at 7:00 in the North Hunterdon Theatre. Tickets can be purchased online by [clicking here](#), or at the door. Once you have purchased your tickets online, an email confirmation will be sent to you. Please print out the "E-Ticket" you will receive in the email, and bring it with you to the performance for a quick and easy box office experience! All seating is reserved, and tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and senior citizens. "Consider Yourself" at home with us on March 5-7!

Prism Concert



The Music Department's PRISM Concert will take place on Thursday, March 26th at 8:00 p.m. in the Main Gym. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$7 for students and senior citizens and can be purchased by clicking on the following website: www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation.

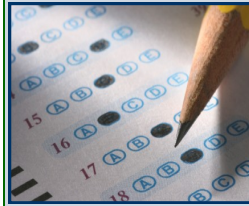
Students may purchase them from any Music Teacher with cash or a check. Checks should be made out to "NHMA." They can also be purchased at the door on the night of the concert. Seating is general admission.

This March marks the 13th annual special showcase of student (and Faculty) talent with an array of vocal, instrumental, large and small ensembles, and solo performances. Students have been preparing for months to produce a show worthy of the hype that surrounds this spectacular event.

Unique in several ways from the four seasonal Concerts also put on by the Music Department, the PRISM Concert has become many students' favorite performance. This special event boasts a much larger venue, several small group and solo pieces, a highly theatrical lighting display, a performance by a Faculty member, and a Grand Finale, in which every single student in the Department performs together, bringing down the house year after year in an outstanding show of family and community support.

Contact Ms. Katie Meo for information at 713-4199 ext. 4237 or kmeo@nhvweb.net.

Advanced Placement Tests



Please order all AP Exams by Friday, March 13, 2015.

The cost is \$91 per test and must be paid at the time of ordering. Students need to bring their completed registration form and a check made payable to

NHHS Activities Account to the main office. Please do not hand checks or registration forms to the classroom teacher. Ms. Ellis, in the Principal's office, will record and process all registrations and checks. Please write on the check the exams that your child will be taking, and please record the child's last name if different than that on the check.

A reminder to all students and parents is that course weighting is dependent upon participation in the AP Exams. Students who take the AP Exam for a course will receive the full AP.50 quality point for GPA calculations. Students who choose not to participate in an AP Exam for a course will receive Honors Weighting .35 quality point for GPA calculations. Weighting is not dependent upon the AP Exam Grade; only participation in the exam for that course is considered.

Additional information on the Advanced Placement Program is available on this website: www.collegeboard.com/apcentral.

NHV Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC)

On Thursday, February 19, the NHV Special Education Parent Advisory Committee, SEPAC, held their third meeting in the North Hunterdon Media Center at 7:00. Overall, the meeting was very productive. There was a presentation by Jennifer Joyce who is the Director of Employment, Transition, and Day Services at the New Jersey Division of Developmental Disabilities, DDD. The presentation focused on "DDD's New Vision for Support Across the Life Course." Her discussion centered on: transitions to community agencies, access to supports and employment outcomes for people with disabilities, and implementation of the Employment First initiative.

The next SEPAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 15th at 7:00 in the North Hunterdon High School Auditorium. The North Hunterdon-Voorhees Special Services Coordinators Articulation Group is sponsoring a presentation called "Understanding Youth with Mental Health Challenges" by Alicia Stevenson. This presentation is appropriate for parents, youth, school personnel, agency personnel, law enforcement, justice system personnel and anyone who works with, lives with or cares about youth. Click [here](#) for more information.

Click [here](#) for more information on May's presentation.

If a parent would like additional information, please contact: mpublicover@nhvweb.net or call (908)713-4169.

ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)



On Thursday, March 19, 2015, all Sophomores will take the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) Test at 8:00 a.m. in the New Gym.

It is important to note that taking this test does not imply that a student is interested in the military and is not obligated to any of the armed services for taking the test. This test is a key component of the North Hunterdon High School's Personalized Student Learning Plan.

The ASVAB test is a comprehensive career test that includes the most widely used multiple aptitude test battery in the world. The ASVAB program also offers an interest inventory and other activities designed to help students explore the world of work and gain confidence in making career decisions. The results of the aptitude test and interest inventory enable students to evaluate their skills, estimate their performance in academic and vocational endeavors, and identify potentially satisfying careers.

The ASVAB test consists of eight sections containing 200 items and requires three hours to complete. The sections include the following: general science, arithmetic reasoning, word knowledge, paragraph comprehension, mathematics knowledge, electronics information, auto/shop in-

formation, and mechanical comprehension. General goals of the test include having students learn more about themselves and the world of work, exploring occupations in line with their interests, and developing an effective strategy to realizing their career goals.

Please visit the ASVAB website, www.asvabprogram.com, which offers great information on the program.

The ASVAB test is designed to be helpful to virtually all students, whether they are planning on pursuing a four year college, two year college, vocational school or entering the workforce after high school.

If you would rather not have your student take the ASVAB test on Thursday, March 19, 2015 please complete, sign and return the form online ([click here](#)) to the Guidance Office. Any questions should be directed to Mrs. Tiffany Slowinski in the Guidance Office at her email tslowinski@nhvweb.net.



NJ 4-H Program



Photo taken by the Hunterdon County Democrat

Pictured from left to right: NJ Secretary of Agriculture Douglas H. Fisher, Harlee Peterson, State Board of Agriculture President Richard Norz.

Harlee Peterson represented the New Jersey 4-H program at the 2015 New Jersey Agricultural Convention February 3-5 in Atlantic City, NJ. She delivered a ten minute address to over 200 agricultural industry leaders. She spoke about her personal experience in 4-H and how her 4-H involvement has prepared her for her future. Harlee was chosen to deliver this important address because of her excellent public speaking skills and her connection to the agricultural industry.

She has been involved with the Hunterdon County 4-H program for 9 years, and is a member of the Kick Butt Kids goat club, Hunterdon 4-H Deadeyes shooting sports club and Junior Leaders, a teen leadership club. Over the years, Harlee has held numerous leadership roles. She enjoys teaching other 4-H members how to care for and raise goats and how to improve their shooting skills. She has served as New Jersey State and National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador, and was named 2015 Hunterdon County 4-H Ambassador. Harlee has represented NJ 4-H at Citizenship Washington Focus and National 4-H Congress. Harlee lives with her family on 150 acres of farmland in the heart of Hunterdon County. She keeps herself busy with baling hay, picking strawberries, and working the tree farm.

Job well done, Harlee!

National Merit Scholarship Program



The National Merit Scholarship Program recognizes students for high scholastic achievements. The following students qualified as finalists in the 2015 Competition for National Merit

Scholarships:

Heather Birmingham, Jason P. Brovich, Nelson Dong, Anelisa P. Fergus, Lily D. Fielding, Alyssa L. Ma, Tiya A. Pulley, Jessica A. Tiepel and Mary K. Twaddle.

Congratulations on a job well done!

Future Business Leaders of America



Congratulations to North Hunterdon High School FBLA members, Michael Vitti '16, Christopher Mead '16, and Alex Spann '16 for winning the 2014-2015 Junior Achievement and the Future Business Leaders of America New Jersey Titan Virtual Competition.

Participating students took on the role of a corporate business leader by making decisions to steer their business to success. Student teams made decisions that affect the profitability and sustainability of their virtual company, and attempt to outperform competitors in profit, sales, and market share. Students set prices, determine production levels, invested in capital, develop budgets, and plan marketing and research. The competition involved 125 teams from the NJ FBLA high school chapters. The top 8 teams progressed to the final round which was held at Johnson & Johnson's ("J&J") Ethicon offices where the students participated in both the competition and a job shadow experience where various J&J executives discuss their roles at J&J and the overall J&J business.

Community Service

As educators, we not only wish to develop our students' intellectual abilities, but also their sense of duty to the greater community of mankind. In our mission statement, we say to attest to our belief that students in our charge must become responsible citizens of the world.

Each school year, our voluntary community service goal for Seniors and Juniors is to complete a minimum of 40 hours, for Sophomores to complete a minimum of 30 hours, and for Freshmen to complete a minimum of 20 hours. Community Service is defined as, but not limited to, "volunteering time to community, school organizations or groups, etc. for which you are not paid."

On January 30, 2015, we hosted our annual Community Service Fair. Twenty representatives from various organizations were available at booths. Students were allowed to pick up literature, ask questions, join organizations, or sign up for individual service projects.

Edmund Burke, the great 18th century writer and orator, once said, "Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do only a little." We are hoping that our students learn the lasting lesson that all of us doing even a little for others can change the world.

If your child was not able to attend the fair, please review the list of the following organizations and review the opportunities we have available on our Community Service Webpage <http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/studentactivities/category/community-service-opportunities/>

- [America's Grow-a-Row](#)
- [Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad](#)
- [Compassionate Care Hospice](#)
- [Family Promise of Hunterdon County](#)
- [Friends of Hunterdon County Library](#)
- [Girl Scouts Heart of New Jersey](#)
- [Hunterdon County Parks](#)
- [Hunterdon County YMCA](#)
- [Hunterdon Outreach Programs](#)
- [New Jersey Blood Services](#)
- [RV Habitat for Humanity](#)
- [Riding with HEART](#)
- [South Ridge Community Church](#)
- [Tabby's Place](#)
- [The Arc of Hunterdon County](#)
- [The Red Mill Museum Village](#)
- [Watershed Ambassadors](#)
- [Woodlands Wildlife Refuge](#)

Please direct any questions to Mrs. Amy D. Ellis at adalgewicz@nhvweb.net or 908-713-4199, ext. 4474.

American Mathematics Competition (AMC)



The Mathematical Association of America
AMERICAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS

On Tuesday, February 3, 2015 we held our annual American Mathematics Competition (AMC). We had

260 participants – 160 students sat for the AMC 12 contest and 100 students took the AMC 10 contest.

For more than 60 years, students across the country have taken up the challenge of America's longest-running and most prestigious math contests, The American Mathematics Competitions (AMC). Every year, at thousands of schools in every state, more than 350,000 students are presented with a set of questions rich in content, designed to make them think and sure to leave them talking. Dedicated to strengthening the mathematical capabilities of our nation's youth, the AMC program identifies, recognizes, and rewards excellence in mathematics through a series of national contests including the AMC 10 and AMC 12.



Black History Month

The history department held lessons and activities discussing Black History during the month of February.

- United States History I students reviewed the contributions of African Americans to the war effort, including but not limited to, the Tuskegee Airmen, the Double V campaign to defeat racism and the migration of African Americans into industrial cities to assist with the war effort at home. Special focus granted to Dorie Miller, who was the first African American to earn the Navy Cross for his heroic efforts during the Pearl Harbor attack.
- Advanced Placement United States History students spent several days the week of February 9th examining the ways in which African Americans encountered institutional racism in the late 1800s and how that institutional racism has had a lasting impact on the opportunities available to the African American community in the United States. Students began the week taking a 1963 literacy test from the state of Alabama that was designed to disenfranchise African American voters. We explored the creation of Jim Crow laws in the South and the spent time discussing the valiant attempts of individuals like Homer Plessy. The week ended with students watching a video clip on the pervasiveness of lynching as a form of social control in the Southern United states from the 1880s through the 1930s.
- World History classes used the following activity from the Academy Awards as a current event/Black History activity. John Legend and Common performed the song "Glory" from the movie soundtrack for *Selma*. *The video and the song depict the "Bloody Sunday" civil rights march led by Martin Luther King, Jr. across the Edmund Pettis Bridge in Selma, Alabama. The protesters were beaten viciously in front of media and press eliciting further sympathy for the cause of Civil Rights and leading to the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Video discussed along with the progress and obstacles remaining toward Martin Luther King, Jr.'s vision of a colorblind society.*

Video - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZWE2Yb_jMZg

Historical Link - <http://www.nps.gov/semo/historyculture/edmund-winston-pettus-bridge.htm>

- AP Government students debated the controversial executive actions of President Lincoln after the attack on Fort Sumter. One of the debates we had in class dealt with the controversies surrounding the Emancipation Proclamation. Students received a good understanding of why this is controversial through the lens of Constitutional Law and also examined the need for the 13th Amendment towards the end of the war. We had a brief discussion afterwards relating our debate to Black History Month. Throughout the year, we spend a great deal of time discussing the Civil Rights Movement. Major highlights include the leadership of Martin Luther King Jr., NAACP, Jim Crow South, Civil Rights Acts of 1960s, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- United States History II students worked on a sourcing activity involving the history of blacks in Texas. We will talk about how under the various leaderships (Spain/Mexico), blacks were generally free and Mexicans even treated them equally. Still, some blacks fought for independence for Texas. There were several black heroes during the War for Independence, and that will be the focus of the lesson. However, once Texas became independent and subsequently a state, blacks were treated poorly, and Sam Houston even made a law telling blacks had two years to leave or risk becoming slaves.

Student Council News



The Student Council participated in Aeropostale's annual Teens for Jeans Campaign. One of three homeless people in the United States are teenagers and Aeropostale and NHHS are helping to make a difference. Despite the inclement weather, the students successfully collected two large bins of jeans, for a grand total of 117 pairs, and delivered them to Aeropostale for local distribution.



Upcoming Events - Please Mark Your Calendar:

ACT BootCamp March 28-29

SAT BootCamp April 25-26

FRESHMAN—WHITEOUT DANCE Friday, April 17, 7-10 pm

SENIOR BANQUET—Wed. April 29, 2015, 6:30 –10 pm –
Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

Senior Banquet is the kick-off of senior graduation celebrations. This is an opportunity for the students and their parents to reminisce and celebrate the high school experience. A class montage video will be shown and the students will be presenting teacher awards at this event.

SENIOR BREAKFAST—Tuesday, June 16, 2015, 7 am—
NHHS Cafeteria B

This event is held the morning of graduation. All senior students and staff are invited to the breakfast prior to the mandatory graduation rehearsal that day.

PROJECT GRADUATION—Tuesday, June 16, 9 pm to
Wednesday, June 17, 6 am—FunPlex in Mount Laurel

A drug and alcohol free celebration at FunPlex has been a tradition at NHHS for many years. It provides a fun and safe environment for the graduates to celebrate with their friends and classmates. The event takes place immediately following graduation and the students enjoy endless food and activities from 11 pm – 5 am.

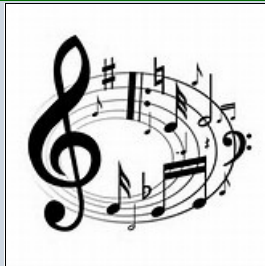
All flyers, forms and permission slips and volunteer sign ups will be available on the PTSA website.

Parent volunteers are needed to organize and chaperone these events.

Please contact the PTSA at nhsptsa@yahoo.com to volunteer.

Jill Grillo and Catherine Crawford, Co-Presidents—PTSA

Music Association



Our dedicated NHMA volunteers are keeping pace with the very busy music department!

Look for the NHMA during the winter musical performances of **Oliver!** this week - selling concessions, candy grams, flowers and raffle tickets. All purchases support the programs and scholarships of the music association. We'll also be assisting at the ticket tables, so stop by and get your seats!

Share the "luck of the Irish" with our Golden Lions Marching Band as they represent NHHS in the 2nd annual **Clinton St. Patrick's Day Parade** on Sunday, March 15 at 3:00 p.m.

Experience the 13th annual **Prism Concert** on Thursday, March 26 at 8:00 p.m. Complete with professional lighting, this concert is a treat for your senses, a seamless montage of musical offerings ~ choral and instrumental, ensembles and soloists. Don't wait *in* line; buy tickets *online* at www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation. Tickets are also available from any music teacher and at the door on the night of the concert from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.

Please attend one of our remaining NHMA meetings this year to meet our committee and see how we run! We rely on volunteers like you. Each year, we lose parents when their seniors graduate, and we need to fill those volunteer spots. Help us to continue our mission. Consider becoming a part of our wonderful group!

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Booster Club



Booster Club celebrated Dave the Rave's 69th birthday on Wednesday, February 18th. The entire gym sang 'Happy Birthday' to him and cupcakes were passed out in the stands. We would like to thank each of our sports teams for helping us provide the cupcakes.

Our 50/50 donations raised \$150 and Dave made one basket. A grand total of \$200 is

being donated to the Hunterdon County Special Olympics in Dave the Rave's honor.

Thank you to everyone who participated!!