



- 1-4 Spring Recess
- 5 School In Session
- 6 Math SAT Prep, 3 PM
- 8 3rd marking period ends
- 11 4th marking period begins
- 12 NHMA meeting, 7 PM
- 15 National Day of Silence
- 13-15 PARCC (Math)
- 18 PTSA meeting 7 PM
- 18-20 PARCC (ELA 9-11)
- 21 Parent Advisory Meeting, 9:30 AM
- 21-23 Spring Play, 7 PM
- 22 Rachel's Challenge
- 25-27 PARCC Make-Ups
- 27 Senior Banquet 6:30-9:30 PM, Hunterdon Hills Playhouse
- 29 "Spring It On" NHEF Fund-raiser, 6-10 PM Beneduce Vineyard, Pittstown

April News

North Hunterdon High School has partnered with El Bohio High School, located on the outskirts of Cartagena, Spain, to host 14 exchange students. This is the first visit to North Hunterdon High School from El Bohio High School, which is located in a medium sized town on the Mediterranean coast. In the last decade, El Bohio High School has become very popular thanks to a bilingual program in which students have the opportunity of receiving more English lessons and partially studying two subjects in that language. All the students traveling are from this bi-lingual section.

The visiting students began shadowing their host "siblings" on Friday, March 11th with a welcome from Dr. Bergacs who gave them a tour of the school.

The students had many activities planned including several trips to New York City, Philadelphia, and a tour of Princeton University. The exchange students returned to Spain on Tuesday, March 22nd.

The exchange program is an excellent opportunity for American and Spanish students to exchange cultural ideas and learn from one another.



Dr. Bergacs pictured with Spanish Exchange Students

THINK SAFETY FIRST

Spring sports season is upon us, which can mean hundreds of athletes and spectators on the North Hunterdon High School campus at any given time. Please read the following reminders regarding parking lot safety so that cars, buses and emergency vehicles can move through our parking lots without incident.

Parking Lot Safety

- Parking in undesignated areas in the Route 31 parking lot is prohibited.
- Do not park on the road next to the softball field, field hockey field and visitor bleachers. This has caused major traffic issues and must be avoided.
- Parking in any fire lane is prohibited.
- Do not park on the side of the ramp leading down to the District Office parking lot. This has caused fender benders and has prevented buses from moving through to the bus lot.
- Parking on the ramp to the Lion's Den parking lot is prohibited. Parking in undesignated spots in the Lion's Den area prevents athletic buses from dropping off/picking up students.
- No cars should be idle around the circle on the Regional Road side or the Route 31 side. Buses pick up and drop off students at any given time and have priority.
- The speed limit is 5 mph.
- All vehicles on campus must yield to pedestrians and school buses.
- Be courteous to the buses parked, unloading and loading students and equipment, entering and leaving the campus.

Reminder: Pets on property—Dogs and other pets (except guide animals) are prohibited on school property.

We appreciate your assistance in keeping our students, visitors and spectators safe while on campus

March Department Students of the Month



Fine Arts Alexander Marker '16 and Clara Fischer '17

English Thomas Flynn '18 and Madison McGourty '18

Math Marcus VanWeeren '18 and Amy Lenert '19

Music Luke Zengel '16 and Hannah Ferenci '16

PE & Health Michael Zakhary '18 and Katherine Peters '18

Practical Arts John Stothoff '19 and Gillian Evers '16

Science Erik Pan '18 and Hannah Lamer '18

Social Studies Nicholas Paulter '19 and Cynthia Mavros '19

World Language Elliot Schneier '17 and Rebecca McKinnon '18

March Department 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.

Fine Arts James Izlar '17 and Natasha Almeida '17

English Kyle Cannillo '18 and Alisha Vekaria '18

Math Michael Garvey '18 and Emily Brand '16

Music Samuel Szych '17 and Julianne Grillo '16

PE & Health Andrew Green '19 and Kayla Boyle '18

Practical Arts Sebastian Viera '17 and Olivia Adams '17

Science Rory Temple '18 and Kelly Mahaney '18

Social Studies Thomas Garcia '19 and Audrey Riccietelli '19

World Language Michael Kane '19 and Taylor Brinker '16

March Students of the Month



Senior Student of the Month, **John Walton**, previously had the honor of being January's Athlete of the Month for Basketball. This year, John played Point Guard on the varsity team. He has been playing varsity basketball at North since his junior year. John's favorite classes at North have been his AP classes this year. He is currently taking AP Human Geography and AP Micro/Macro Economics. Both classes are academically challenging and provide him with a different learning perspective than his other classes. John used to play soccer at North, but now is only focused on basketball. Last year, he received Honorable Mention All League and received the award for the Boyer MVP at this year's banquet. Outside of school, John can be found volunteering at the Hunterdon Medical Center. His favorite memory at North was the game he played in against Plainfield. It was the first state playoff game and the last home game. The team had a tremendous fan support with the "Jungle" dressed in Hawaiian apparel and basketball jerseys. The crowd was wild and it made for an exciting and thrilling game with North beating Plainfield 63-62. John finished with 15 points for the game. It was a perfect ending for North on the home court. Next year, John plans on majoring in Business and is undecided at this time where he will be going in the fall.



NHHS Senior, **Marinne McNally** has had four memorable years at North. Her favorite classes have been history with Mrs. Niznik and English with Mr. Dodge because she found both classes very interesting. Marinne's favorite memory at North is the time when Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Simpson played the Newlywed Game at a pep rally her freshman year. At North, Marinne has enjoyed participating in Interact and coaching for the Special Olympics. She also participated in yearbook her junior year and was co-copy editor that year. Marinne currently works as a server at a restaurant called Tenderhill. She has applied to multiple colleges in the New England area. Marinne will most likely end up going to school in Vermont, either at the University of Vermont or Champlain College.

March Athletes of the Month



Senior, **Chris Bourque** has been playing varsity tennis at North since his freshman year. Chris has played tennis for twelve years in various tennis tournaments. His strongest skills on the court are his determination, leadership, and athleticism. The team is very strong this year and they are looking to beat last year's record of 12

-4. Last season, Chris went 12-6 including tournaments after an injury from sophomore year plagued his season. Outside of tennis, Chris loves to play all sports. He participates in a football league and whiffle ball league that he organizes. He has also played soccer as a goalie for Go Soccer in Bridgewater and is involved in the Interact Club at North. Chris has recently worked at NCI Neuroscience Institute in Bedminster for two years and worked his way up to being an Assistant Tech. At NCI, he is able to work with people having disabilities and depression. Working there has really helped him develop leadership skills, determination skills, and patience to work with others. Chris will be attending Stockton University in the fall as a Business major with a focus on Management.



Swimmer **Claire Lee** has been swimming competitively for twelve years. Claire has been on the varsity team at North for four years. Her specialties are the 1M, backstroke, breaststroke, and sprint freestyle, but will swim in any event her coach puts her in. Claire believes her strongest skill is her strong sense of competition – she loves racing. Her most recent competition for North was the Meet of Champions. At the meet, her relay team (Carmen Kuo, Emily Murphy, Ariel Lonoff, Tara Teipel, and Claire) made finals in the relay and placed as one of the top teams in the state. Claire also swims for Somerset Valley YMCA and is proud to say her team has won the New Jersey State Championship five years in a row. The team also placed third at Nationals the last two years. Outside of swim, Claire is involved in National Honor Society, English Honor Society, Friends of Rachel, Interact, and is treasurer of the National Spanish Honor Society. She is also a very proud job coach and can play the piano, cello, and ukulele. Claire has been speaking to several coaches about being recruited to swim in college but is unsure at this time where she will be going. Wherever she ends up, Claire wants to major in engineering on a Pre-Med track.

Fencing



NHHS Boys Fencing 2015/2016 – The Season In Review ... The fencing season has ended for NHHS Coaches John Reid and Lauren Sheldon. Their team placed 4th in a competitive

District Two Division with 10 (W) / 7(L) record. Good job!



Athletic Department Wins Award

The North Hunterdon Athletic Department is extremely proud to have been awarded the Directors of Athletics Association of New Jersey (DAANJ) "Athletic Program of Excellence Award" for 2015-2016. The North Hunterdon Athletic Department received the award at the March 24, 2016 Annual DAANJ Workshop and Awards Dinner held at the Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City, NJ. Congratulations!



<http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/athletics/2016/02/03/congratulations-to-the-north-athletic-dept-for-being-awarded-the-athletic-program-of-excellence/>

College Athletic Commitment Day, March 9, 2016



Top Row, Left to Right: Lucca Pirozzi, Fencing: Navy, Nick Gurreri, Lacrosse: Wingate, Heather Tostevin, Soccer: Florida Inst. Of Technology, Emily Ehrhart, Cross Country/Track: Ohio Wesleyan, Isabella Many, Softball: Georgia Tech, Jeff Guile, Baseball: Pending, John Wilson, Baseball: Old Dominion

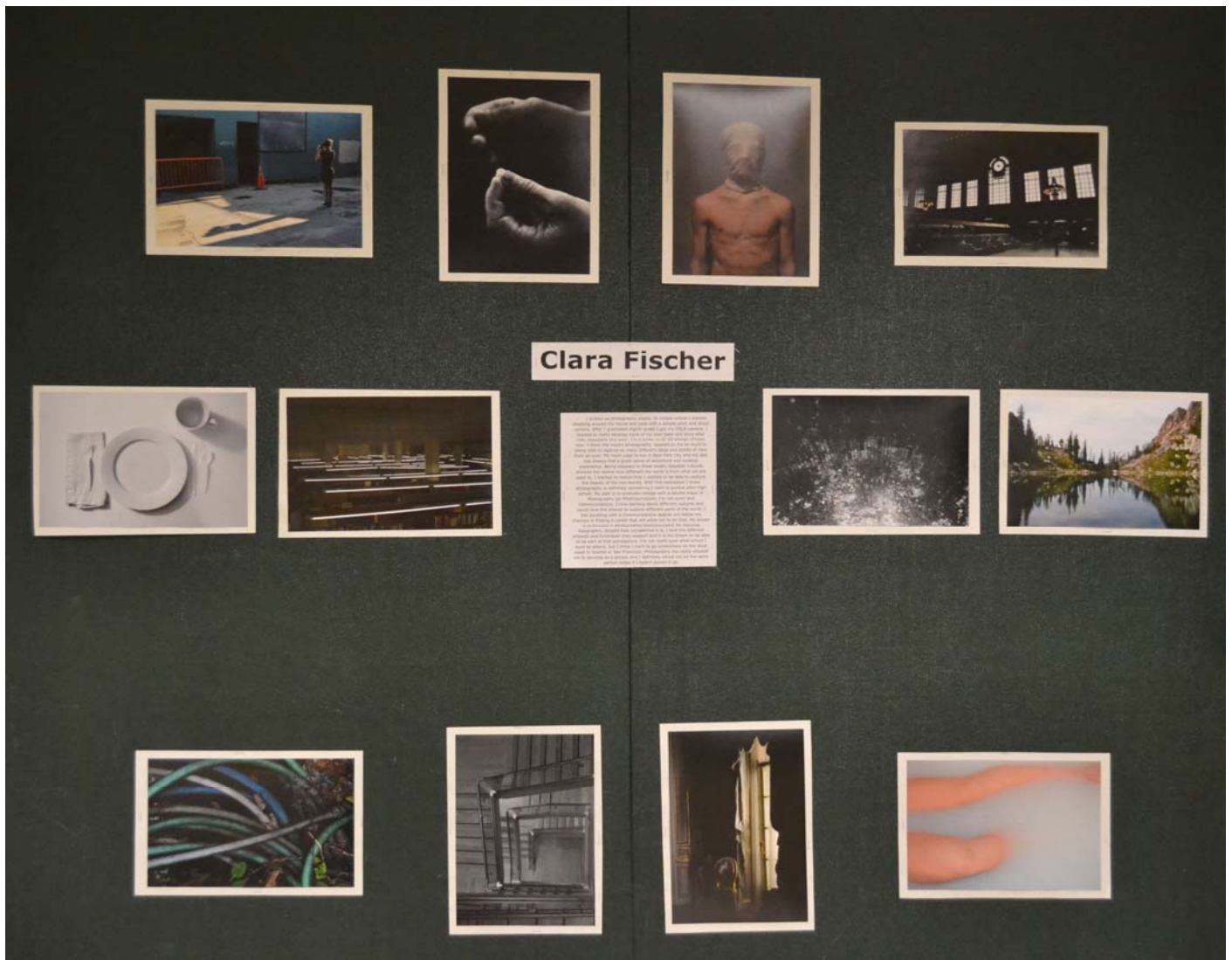
Second Row, Left to Right: Kelsey Farbanish, Cross Country/Track: Rutgers, Rebecca Errickson, Fencing: Wagner, Elizabeth Rotolo, Field Hockey: Vassar, Taylor Danson, Lacrosse: Lafayette, Morgan Hoban, Lacrosse: College of Mount St. Vincent, Jenna Macri, Lacrosse: Rochester, Eric Moul, Track & Field: Monmouth

Third Row, Left to Right: Parker Hughes, Soccer: Emerson, Sophie Kershner, Volleyball: Kutztown, Sean Rooney, Soccer: Salisbury, Jake Pepe, Lacrosse: Tampa, Chris Patkochis, Football: Rutgers, Zak Koehler, Lacrosse: Kean

Bottom Row, Left to Right: Andrew Popa, Football: Pending, Sam Kowal, Football: New Hampshire, Stew Saharic, Football: Fairleigh Dickinson, Chris Tywanick, Football: Carnegie Mellon, Sean Wood, Lacrosse, Tampa, Rob Marron, Lacrosse: Rutgers, Derek Ciavarrro, Wrestling: Virginia Polytechnic Institute

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!!

Art Student—Photography Showcase: Clara Fischer '17



I picked up photography slowly. In middle school, I started shooting around my house and yard with a simple point and shoot camera. After I graduated eighth grade, I got my DSLR camera. I started to really develop more of my own taste and style after that, especially this year; I'm a junior in AP 2D Design (Photo) now. I think the reason photography appeals to me so much is being able to capture so many different ideas and points of view from all over. My mom used to live in New York city and my dad has always had a great sense of adventure and outdoor experience. Being exposed to these totally opposite cultures allowed me to realize how different the world is from what we are used to. I started to realize that I wanted to be able to capture the beauty of the two worlds. With this realization I knew photography is definitely something I want to pursue after high school. My plan is to graduate college with a double major in Photography (or Photojournalism, I'm not sure) and Communications. I love learning about different cultures and would love the chance to explore different parts of the world. I feel doubling down with a Communications degree will better my chances in finding a career that will allow me to do that. My dream is to become a photographer/photojournalist for National Geographic, despite how competitive it is. I love the different projects and fundraiser they support and it is my dream to be able to be a part of that atmosphere. I'm not really sure what school I want to attend, but I think I want to go somewhere on the west coast in Seattle or San Francisco. Photography has really allowed me to develop as a person and I definitely would not be the same person today if I hadn't picked it up.

- Clara Fischer

NHS Trivia Bowl

Congratulations to Mrs. Mulla, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Sosidka, Mr. Halldorson, and Mr. Hopta as they retained their title as Trivia Bowl champions!

The National Honor Society's annual Trivia Bowl is a jeopardy type contest between the faculty, students, and parents and was held on March 15th. Over \$5,000.00 was raised which will benefit St. Jude's Research Hospital.



Advanced Placement Exams

Pre-Administration Session

There will be a pre-administration session scheduled for Wednesday, April 27, 2016 during Mods 16-18 in the Theater. **All students taking one or more AP Exams must attend.** Any student missing this session may have his or her eligibility affected. Students will be dismissed upon completion. The purpose of this work session is to expedite testing and to guarantee a smooth testing situation.

Spring Play



A Scenes and Songs Cabaret ~ This will be our 5th annual Cabaret, in which students will prepare monologues, partner scenes, solo songs, duets, and large cast musical numbers in a revue-style setting. It is directed by Mr. Charlie Hopta, and assisted by Mrs. Ann Semanchik. Production goes up April 21, 22, and 23 at 7:00 PM. Tickets will be available at the door, and they go on sale starting an hour before curtain each night.

Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for students and senior citizens. Please make sure you mark your calendars for this entertaining evening!

Hoops for Heart

Hoops for Heart, which raises money for the American Heart Association, was held on March 18, 2016. This round robin basketball event is held every two years. This year, there were 16 highly competitive teams and 65 less competitive teams registered, with 25 referees helping out. Over \$30,000 has been raised and still counting!!



Hunterdon County's Enthusiastic Reader Awards

Three NHHS students will be honored by the Hunterdon County Library Association (HCLA) at the county's Enthusiastic Readers reception held at the library headquarters in May. Congratulations!



Marc Harris '18



Victoria Krok '17



Celine LaBelle '16'

The Enthusiastic Reader award is presented annually by the HCLA to one student in each grade, K-12. In recognition of the dedication to reading, students are nominated for the award by their school librarians. The HCLA chose the county winners at its winter meeting in February.

"Marc, Victoria, and Celine are not only Enthusiastic Readers, they are enthusiastic students," says NHHS Librarian, Martha Hickson. "Their well-deserved recognition underscores the strong connection between reading, academic success, and lifelong learning."



LEGACY OF LEARNING

Are you looking for a way to celebrate your senior at graduation? Consider leaving a "legacy of learning" by having your senior's name proudly displayed on the NHEF's 2016 graduation banner for \$25.00.

The banner will be displayed for all to see at graduation on June 15. This is a great way to honor your hard-working grad as well as supporting the NHEF. All donations are tax deductible. To participate in the Legacy of Learning initiative, please visit <http://nhhsfoundation.org/donate/>.



Date: May 13, 2016
Time: 4-10PM
Where: Singley Field



Questions? Contact Meghan Hoban at Hoban20160336@student.nhvweb.net



“Spring It On” at Beneduce Vineyard - NHEF Event

Friday, April 29, 2016—See the next page of this newsletter for more information!

TCNJ Bus Trip for Juniors

The College of New Jersey Trip – The NHEF is very excited to be sponsoring a bus trip to TCNJ for juniors who are interested in attending a four-year college/university. This trip, on April 7th, will include a tour of the school to give students exposure to a college campus and start them on their own exploration of the types colleges that would best suit them. The NHEF believes that having exposure to various campuses will enable the student to find the best fit for him/her. The Foundation will be sponsoring a bus trip to another local college in Fall 2016 as well.

Another Science Grant Funded

Anatomy students are taking a trip to the Body Worlds Exhibit in NYC on May 16th! The NHEF has awarded a grant to be used to take students to NYC to view this unique, immersive exhibit. It features real human bodies, which were donated to science. The experience highlights the effects of biology, lifestyle, and the environment on humans’ physical and mental wellbeing. This STEM activity will expose students to human tissues, organs, and functions and hopefully inspire them to pursue further studies in science.

Summer College Essay Writing Workshops – Register Now!

Once again this summer the NHEF is offering College Essay Writing workshops for rising seniors. At the end of their session, students will have a completed essay for their college application! Dates are in July and in August. Each session is 8 hours total and costs \$450. Please go to our website for more information and to print out a registration form.

A Big Thank You...

... to everyone who came out to the last two NHEF-sponsored Parent Chats! We hope that you learned more about Naviance and gained valuable insight into the college planning process. Stay tuned for another Parent Chat later this Spring.

Our Signature Project – North’s own Career and College Resource Center

The physical alteration to the New Career and College Resource Center (CCRC) has begun! The NHEF is excited to be spearheading the creation of this room for students, which will ultimately be THE place to come for career and college information and programming. Stay tuned for more changes and information about this space!



From the desk of Dr. Bergacs:

Please consider supporting the North Hunterdon Educational Foundation. Coming up on their two year anniversary, this group of dedicated volunteers have been instrumental in so many projects and grants for our students and teachers. The mission of the foundation is to enhance the quality of education at NHHS by attracting and allocating funding for innovative programs not otherwise included in the school budget. To date, they have been responsible for funding the following grants:

Dissection sample refrigeration system, Poster printer in EOP program, Multiple trips to places like Rutgers University Library and the Bodies Exhibit in New York City, and of course programs and facilities to develop the Career and College Resource Center.

In this newsletter, a flyer for the next fundraiser the Foundation is sponsoring, “Spring It On” can be found. This event will be held at Beneduce Winery in Pittstown on Friday, April 29 at 6 PM. Please mark your calendars and join us in continuing to sponsor such a worthy cause and come have fun with your neighbors from the NHHS community!



**NORTH HUNTERDON
EDUCATION
FOUNDATION**

“Spring It On”

At Beneduce Vineyard’s Tropical Oasis

Friday, April 29, 2016

6pm—10pm

Featuring the Music of “The Teachers”

\$50 per person

Includes Italian Cuisine and Wine Glass

Win Prizes: 50/50 & Grand Prizes including:

- NJ Devils Tickets including refreshments
 - Broadway Theater tickets
 - 4 Giants tickets for one game plus parking
- Apple iPad mini 3 Wi-Fi + Cellular - Tablet - 64 GB - Wi-Fi, Bluetooth - 4G - gold

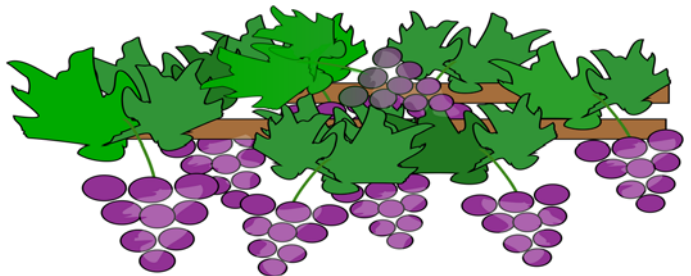
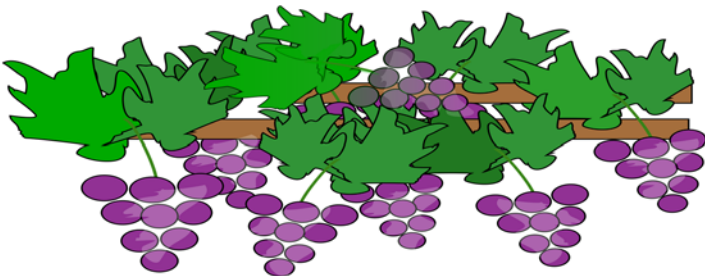
Online bidding, using Bidding Owl, will open on April 15th. Watch your email and our FaceBook page for details!

Registration

**To Register on line and pay by credit card or
check, please click [here](#)**

NHEF PO Box 488 Annandale, NJ 08801

For more information, contact Dina Marron at dmarron@nhvweb.net





Freshman White Out Dance will take place on Friday, April 8th from 7-10 PM in Café B. [Click here](#) for more information.

SAT Boot Camp (for the new SAT) on April 30 and May 1. Please register www.catalystprep.com

The Senior Banquet will take place on Wednesday, April 27 at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. Click [here](#) to RSVP by April 15th.

Party yourself into shape with Zumba Fitness, every Tuesday and Thursday 6-7pm at North in Room 135B. For more information, [click here](#)

Shop Amazon.com and help us raise money for PTSA & Project Graduation, [click here](#)

The next PTSA Meeting will be on April 18th at 7:00 p.m. in Café B.

We are actively seeking new PTSA leadership for school year 2016-2017. There are many open Board positions - please consider joining...all are welcome! Please [click here](#) to sign up.

Booster Club



The spring sports season has begun. Good luck to all of our teams! Our outdoor concession will be open on a limited basis.

If you are interested in becoming a team rep or another position in the Booster Club, please contact us at nhhsbc@gmail.com. Shadowing in the position for a year or two makes for an easier transition.

Click [here](#) to read the Booster Club Quarterly Newsletter to learn more about the club's ongoing activities. The Booster Club supports all athletic teams through fundraising. We hope you will consider volunteering your time to support our student-athletes!

Senior Awards Night will be held on June 1, 2016 at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse.

NH Music Association

The NHMA was proud to sponsor the 14th Annual Prism Concert with help from Paul Phillips Eye and Surgery Center and North Hunterdon Dental Associates. Thank you for a great evening !

Mark your calendars and come out and enjoy the following events coming up soon!

- Spring Theater Production—April 21, 22, and 23
- Spring Concerts—May 12 and 19
- Music Dept. Awards Banquet—May 25
- Marching Band in the Flemington Memorial Day Parade—May 30

For the spring edition of the NHMA newsletter, click [HERE](#).

Next NHMA meeting: Tuesday, April 12 at 7 PM in Room 131. We have open Board positions for next year and hope to have you join our team! Come to a meeting and see where you fit in. We **really** need your help to continue our music mission! Website: www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation

Golden Lions Marching Band

The North Hunterdon 'Golden Lions' Marching Band participated in the 3rd annual Clinton St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 13. The band will also march in the Flemington annual Memorial Day Parade on May 30, 2016. Mark your calendars and come out and support the marching band!

