



Monthly E-Notes ~ April 2016

## Happy April, Music Association Members!

Thanks to the Prism Concert, we had a glimpse at the rainbow before the April showers even came. Now, we won't let the weather stop us. Our marching band left on schedule for Florida, heading to sunnier skies (well, at least to warmer temperatures!).



### March Memories:

- Audiences were provided a theatrical treat as The North Hunterdon Theatre Organization presented its **winter musical** (*Sweeney Todd*) on March 3, 4 & 5. This extremely challenging show involved many music department students in the cast, crew and pit. The NHMA was there with concessions, flower sales, Prism ticket sales and a 50/50 raffle. We even sold show tickets at the door. Music parents always come through – thank you all for helping! We thank the NHHS cafeteria for loaning us a refrigerator on wheels, Silver Oak for the donation of water bottles and the NHHS Booster Club for loaning us their popcorn machine.



*Photos  
compliments of  
nj.com.*



For a glimpse at dress rehearsal or for more of the show:


[http://www.nj.com/hunterdon/index.ssf/2016/03/watch\\_north\\_hunterdon\\_presents\\_sweeney\\_todd.html](http://www.nj.com/hunterdon/index.ssf/2016/03/watch_north_hunterdon_presents_sweeney_todd.html)

- The marching band appeared in the 3rd annual **St. Patrick's Day Parade** in Clinton on March 13. This was our band's 2<sup>nd</sup> year performing. See photo page later in E-Notes. Thank you to the Parliyan, Garvey and Talian families for sharing their photos with us.
- Were you in the bleachers on March 17 for our annual **PRISM Concert**?  
The students worked many hours with teachers to perfect their pieces. What an experience to witness so much musical talent filling the gym. The "When You Believe" grand finale was the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Thanks to all volunteers – from *Will Call* and ticket sales/collection, concessions sales and ushering to the lovely dessert reception afterwards.  
Miss the show? Click here for bits of dress rehearsal (*video/photos by nj.com*):  
[http://www.nj.com/hunterdon/index.ssf/2016/03/watch\\_north\\_hunterdon\\_prepares\\_for\\_musical\\_prism\\_s.html](http://www.nj.com/hunterdon/index.ssf/2016/03/watch_north_hunterdon_prepares_for_musical_prism_s.html).

The concert was enhanced by professional lighting and sound, thanks to NHMA funding. We wish to thank the following businesses for sponsoring the concert with us:



#### April Anticipation:

- **Disney World** - Look out Orlando! Our Golden Lions Marching Band may be found right now "where dreams come true"! They headed to the airport in the wee hours of **April 1** (some, most likely, without sleep), catching an early morning flight to Florida. Uniforms have been dry cleaned and repaired, and shoes have been shined in preparation for their performance down Main Street. NHMA parents drove a truck from NJ, transporting uniforms, instruments and luggage, meeting the band at their destination. Band to return to NJ late on April 4. Thanks to our band directors for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! 
- **Auditions for NJ All-State Choir** will be held **April 9 and 16** (*see Choir Notes below*).
- **A Scenes & Songs Cabaret!** Get ready to be entertained yet again. After the winter musical and Prism Concert, now enjoy the NHTO's 4<sup>th</sup> annual spring cabaret on **April 21, 22 and 23**. Enjoy a collection of dramatic and comedic scenes and songs from various plays, musicals, movies, and other media. The cast will "wow" you with monologues, small and large group scenes, and a few musical numbers! Tickets are available at the door: \$10 Adults / \$8 Students and Senior Citizens.
- **A Scenes and Songs Cabaret volunteer opportunity** – We are looking for help on Cabaret nights (April 21 – 23) with ticket sales. We also need someone to pick up/serve pizza to our students during rehearsal on Saturday, April 16. We sure could use your help! Click here to sign up: [Cabaret Volunteer Sign Up](#).
- **Gary Gilbert Scholarship ~ application deadline is April 30.**  
(*For scholarship consideration, a student must be a member of the NHMA and must submit the application to his/her music teacher by April 30.*)

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## Mark Your Calendars:

- May 12 & 19: Spring Concerts I & II
  - May 25: Music Department Awards Banquet
  - May 30: Flemington Memorial Day Parade (Golden Lions Marching Band)
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## The Spring Cabaret is underway!

Mr. Hopta (Director) and Mrs. Semanchik (Production Assistant) have started running rehearsals with the cast of 39 students. Rehearsals will run over Spring Break as well. ***Please let Ms. Meo know if you would like to volunteer to help with tasks such as food running at Saturday rehearsals (picking up and serving pizza, etc.) or ticket selling during performances: April 21st, 22nd, and 23rd.*** We need two sellers each night, and they will need to be in the Theatre lobby by 6:00. To sign up: [Cabaret Volunteer Signup](#)

**All State Choir auditions** are April 9th (North site) and April 16th (South site). We have ten students auditioning, and I have high hopes for all of them.

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## GARY GILBERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Gary Gilbert Memorial Scholarship is granted each spring to NHHS students who wish to pursue opportunities that encourage a life-long involvement in music. **The scholarship is open to NHHS freshmen, sophomores and juniors interested in supplementing their high school music studies with outside music programs - college summer music programs for high school students, summer music camps, etc.**

The deadline to apply for summer 2016 programs is April 30. Scholarship recipients will be recognized at the Spring Music Awards Banquet. For the application form, visit the NHMA website at [nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation](http://nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation). The application may also be obtained from any North Hunterdon music teacher. ***Note: Students must be members of the NHMA to be eligible for this scholarship.***



The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Hunterdon County presents:  
**The 3rd Annual FSSP  
St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 2016  
3:00PM - Clinton, NJ





# 14<sup>th</sup> Annual PRISM Concert



*Thanks to the Garvey family for sharing their photos.*



## Let's do the math.

### Question1:

The NHMA earns almost \$20 for each chocolate carrier (box) that we sell. Each student in a NHHS music program is asked to sell just one box of chocolate. *If we estimate that our music department consists of 200 students, how much could the NHMA profit?*  
*Hint: A lot!*

### Question2:

You purchase a 48-bar chocolate carrier for \$48.00 (and the NHMA is so happy!). You sell each candy bar to friends, neighbors, co-workers for \$1.00 each. *If you sell the entire box, how much money, in the end, comes out of your pocket?*  
*Hint: Not one penny.*

### Extra Credit:

Who, in the end, benefits from your one box?  
*Hint: Our kids!*

### Your Homework:

Order just one box of chocolate and help the NHMA support our music students!

**To order at any time:** [www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation/gertrude-hawk-fundraiser](http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation/gertrude-hawk-fundraiser)

**Our candy bar fundraiser is still going!**  
**Chocolate bars available through the end of the year.**  
**If everyone sells just one box, our fundraising efforts will get an A+.**



## Our stadium seat cushions are back!

Remember the Prism Concert and those hard gym bleachers? Maybe you purchased a cushion and made your seat a little softer. You'll be "extra appreciative" of this fundraiser when you're ever back on those bleachers or in the football stands. We'll be selling again at graduation. Just \$5.

The NHMA thanks the businesses whose seat cushion ads made this fundraiser possible.

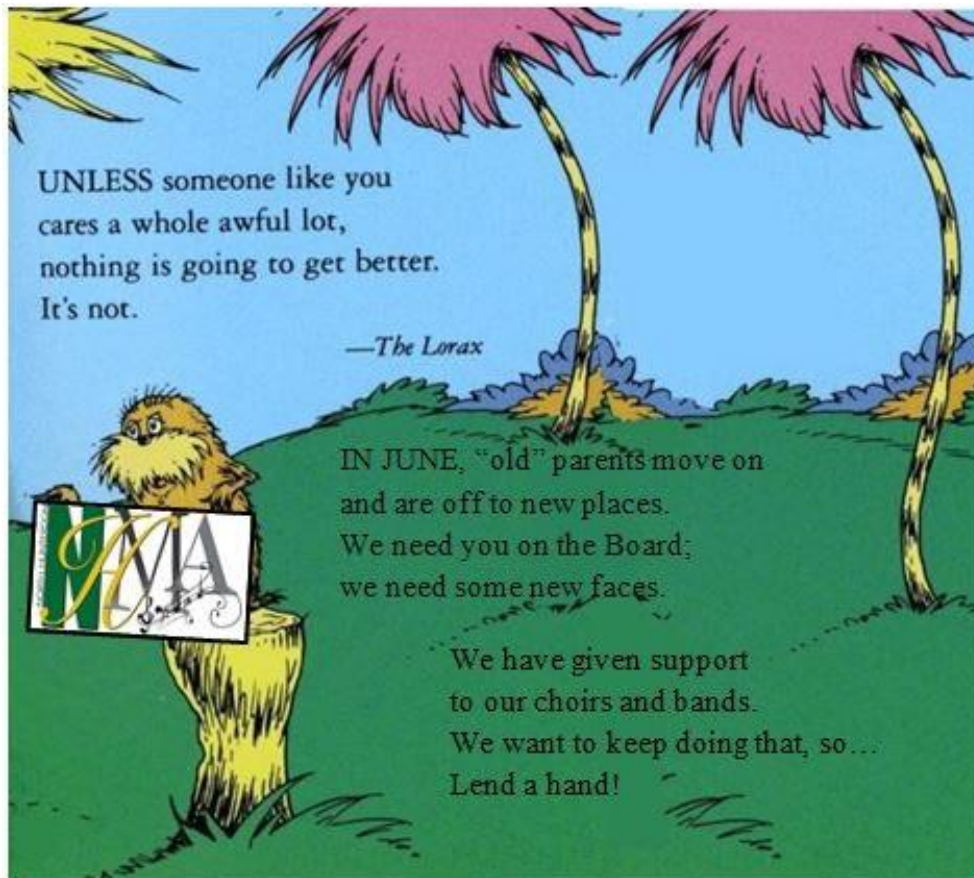
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AFTER JUNE, IT'S A BRAND NEW SCHOOL YEAR!  
SO... WE NEED SOME BRAND NEW PEOPLE!  
WE NEED YOU!



If someone like you  
takes the reigns of our crew,  
we know that great things will continue.  
We do!

**NHMA BOARD: OPEN POSITIONS FOR NEXT YEAR:**

**President**

**Recording Secretary**

**Marching Band Operations Chairperson** (*instrument moving*)

**Fundraising Chairperson**

We need to fill these slots! Please e-mail us at [nhmusicassociation@gmail.com](mailto:nhmusicassociation@gmail.com).



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Grab your umbrella and come to our next meeting.

*See you there*

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

*We will meet in the choir room (Room 131)*

*at 7:00 PM.*

[www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation](http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation)

If you missed our spring newsletter, take a peek:

<http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation/files/2013/01/2016-Spring-NHMA-Newsletter-FINAL-3-1-16.pdf>

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We can only do what we do because of you!