



Monthly E-Notes ~ May 2016

Happy May, Music Association Members!

We have been busy bees so far this spring and things don't slow down quite yet. Take a moment to catch up on what's buzzing in the music department and with the NHMA.

Just like bees work together, so do we! Thank you to all who have joined our swarm this year, who have become part of our NHMA family.

From April:

- The **Golden Lions Marching Band** headed to **Walt Disney World**. The band boarded a plane for Florida on April 1. After 4 days, parading in the Magic Kingdom, attending a music performance clinic, and enjoying both Universal and Disney parks, the band returned home on April 4. We are so proud, as comments were made regarding not only their terrific performance but also their respectful and responsible behavior. Hats (or Mickey ears) off to you all!
- The theater was alive on April 21, 22 and 23 as the NHTO presented its spring production, **A Scenes and Songs Cabaret**. The show was filled with drama and comedy and included songs from plays, musicals and movies. From monologues to small and large group scenes, the theater group delighted us. Thank you to our singers and actors, to Mr. Hopta (Director) and Mrs. Semanchik (Production Assistant) and to our NHMA volunteers. Our NHMA parents assisted the NHTO with tickets sales each night and hosted a concessions table in the theater lobby. We thank the NHTO for the opportunity to sell refreshments.
- **NJ All State Choir** - Congratulations to all who auditioned in April. Accepted students are:

<i>Rebecca Beswick</i>	Soprano 1, Treble Chorus (Freshman)
<i>Brielle Burns</i>	Soprano 1, Treble Chorus (Junior)
<i>Zoe Chang</i>	Soprano 2, Treble Chorus (Junior)
<i>Madison McGourty</i>	Alto 1, Mixed Chorus (Sophomore)
<i>Juliette Shore</i>	Soprano 1, Mixed Chorus (Sophomore)
<i>Francesca Tangreti</i>	Soprano 1, Mixed Chorus (Sophomore) – Best NHHS score!



To May:

- **Spring Concerts I & II ~ May 12 & 19:** Evenings of vocal / instrumental performances by our choirs, orchestra, bands and ensembles. After each concert, enjoy refreshments in Café A, compliments of the NHMA. *If you are able to assist at the reception or to contribute a beverage or dessert item, please click [HERE](#).*
- **Clinton Bagel “Donation Days” ~ May 14 & 15:** NHMA parents will be at Clinton Bagel, buckets in hand, accepting donations as part of our NHMA Scholarship Support Program. A little “dough” can go a long way, helping our students through NHMA music scholarships.
- **Music Department Awards Banquet ~ May 25:** Share the evening as we honor all of our talented vocal and instrumental musicians, especially those of the Class of 2016. All music students and families are welcome - Wednesday, May 25 at 6:30 PM in Café A and Café B. Please RSVP by [May 11](#). To RSVP, click [HERE](#).
- **Flemington Memorial Day Parade ~ Monday, May 30:** Cheer on the Golden Lions Marching Band in their final parade march of the year.

What's Happening *for the rest of the year:*

- **May 12 & 19:** Spring Concerts (NHMA dessert receptions)
- **May 14 & 15:** Scholarship Donation Days at Clinton Bagel
- **May 25:** Music Department Awards Banquet
- **May 30:** Marching Band in the Memorial Day Parade in Flemington
- **June 7:** Mini Band Camp (Marching Band Rehearsal)
- **June 15:** Graduation



SPRING CONCERTS

CONCERT I: Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 pm

Concert Choir, Concert Band, Chamber Choir, Wind Ensemble

CONCERT II: Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 pm

Show Choir, Freshman Choir, Madrigal Singers, String Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble

Remember to visit Café A following each concert for an NHMA-sponsored dessert reception.



Have you *RSVP'd* yet?

Spring 2016

NHHS Music Department Awards Banquet

May 25 at 6:30 PM

Please RSVP by May 11.

To RSVP, click [HERE](#).



Auditions for Chamber Choir, Madrigal Singers, and Show Choir are on Thursday and Friday, June 9th and 10th, in the Choir Room. Sign-ups are located outside the Choir Room door, and Choir Audition Packets are located in the Choir Room. Students and parents must read the packet and agree to its terms by signing the Choir Audition Form, which will be collected at the time of audition. We encourage all vocal students who want to work hard and display their considerable talents to audition for these advanced groups!

Also... **Show Choir will be performing** the National Anthem (arranged by Mr. David Lockart) and their 2016 graduation anthem, "You Cannot Lose My Love," by Sara Groves, at NHHS Graduation. We will see you there!

~ Ms. Meo

To begin preparations for the 2016-2017 marching band season, auditions for drum majors and color guard captains will be held in May.

Mini Band Camp will be held on June 7 for anyone interested in being a part of the Golden Lions Marching Band next fall. Rehearsal for the 2016 season will begin in August (practice dates are posted on the music department's website or by clicking [HERE](#)).

At the **St. Patrick's Day Parade** in Clinton, the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick judges awarded a special plaque to our marching band (congratulations!) ~ **Best Youth/Community Group: NHHS Marching Band**





GOLDEN LIONS MARCHING BAND

April 1 – 4, 2016

The Golden Lions Rock at the Disney Festival of Fantasy Parade

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Congratulations to the “Golden Lions” Marching Band who performed this past weekend at Walt Disney World. The band performed on Saturday afternoon in the Magic Kingdom as part of the “[Disney Festival of Fantasy Parade](#)”. The band’s performance was enthusiastically received by the large audience and garnered praise from Disney representatives.

Mr. Angeline, Mr. Hopta, and Mrs. McGourty wish to thank the band and color guard for their dedication in preparing for and executing an extremely successful four day excursion.



From the NHHS website

We’re grateful to our band directors and chaperones for making this trip possible and for keeping our students safe. Thanks for giving them the experience of a lifetime. Thanks to our band families – those who cheered on our musicians and guard members through the streets of Magic Kingdom and those who rooted for them in thought here at home.



CHECK THIS OUT!

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7on1ikhks0boxki/AA-CB7qarRHco0sQrNShFZBIPa?dl=0>

Many thanks to Mike & Donna Chen for sharing their video with us.

... [T]he students were complimented by many people on their behavior and manners throughout the tour. They were punctual, disciplined, and precise in following instructions. The band staff is extremely proud of the way the band adapted to meet each situation, especially the variability of events leading up to the parade. Their cooperation was critical in achieving such an outstanding performance.

- Mr. Angeline



Congrats to the cast of
A Scenes & Songs
Cabaret
2016



CLINTON BAGEL
NHMA SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT BUCKET DRIVE
Saturday, May 14 & Sunday, May 15



Picking up bagels for breakfast? Must be the weekend!
If you find yourself at Clinton Bagel on May 14 or 15, say “hi”
to our NHMA parent volunteers. We will be collecting
monetary donations in the parking lot.

What do you like with your bagel?
Cream cheese? Butter? A bit of goodwill?



Donations benefit NHHS music students through our NHMA scholarship program.



With one month left of school,
you can still boost our fundraising!

Money generated by this
fundraiser, together with

monies raised throughout the year, helps to support the
scholarships we grant at year-end. Through our Gary Gilbert
Scholarships, we provide funding assistance for summer music
programs to freshmen, sophomores and juniors (the student’s
family must be members of the NHMA to qualify). We sponsor
scholarships for graduating seniors. And, what’s left, of course,
we will use to continue our support of music endeavors next year.

*Sweet
Success*

**We have “variety boxes” in stock, ready to sell. Money raised will be added
to our general NHMA fund. Give us a jump-start for next year!**

Order now: <http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation/gertrude-hawk-fundraiser/>.

If we all sell just a little, we together can do a LOT!

**COUNTRY
GRIDDLE**

*Print a coupon
to present to your server.
The restaurant will donate
10% of your bill to the NHMA!*

**Print a coupon
and keep it in your wallet,**

*just in case you find yourself
at the Griddle!*



STADIUM SEAT CUSHIONS

Stadium seat cushions will be for sale on graduation day, June 15. Just \$5.00 each. Whether you're watching that special ceremony from those hard, metal bleachers in the football stands or from those hard, wooden bleachers in the gym, you'll thank us at the end of the evening. The NHMA is grateful for those businesses who supported this fundraiser.

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Congratulations **NICE GOING!**
GREAT! *Way to Go!*
Yea! **FELICITATIONS**
CHEERS *Take A*
BOW! 

Our Principal's
Music Students of the Month

MARCH

Department Students of the Month – Music: Luke Zengel and Hannah Ferenci

Citizens of the Month – Music: Samuel Szych and Julianne Grillo

APRIL

Department Students of the Month – Music: Anna Carosi and Glenn Smith

Citizens of the Month – Music: Kelly Landers and Jeremy Decker

We are looking for a FUNDRAISING CHAIR

We have all NHMA Board positions but one filled for next school year. We need someone to oversee our fundraising efforts, supporting the chairperson of each sale or event.



Join our next meeting!

We will be welcoming our new committee members for the 2016-2017 school year.

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

We will meet in the choir room (Room 131) at 7:00 PM.

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