

Monthly E-Notes ~ December 2014

Happy December, Music Association Members!

Take a moment and listen for the sounds of the holidays ~ the jingle bells, the carolers, the holiday music on the radio... the festive music played by our very own music students on December 20 at Applebee's! Mark your calendar!

The NHMA will NOT be meeting in December but these E-Notes should keep you up to date through the holidays!

Recent Happenings in Our Music World!

- Friday, November 14: The NHMA was proud to sponsor an in-school *Theatre Master Class*. All choir students were invited to participate as audience members or potential participants/performers. Professional theatrical performers, Ms. Jessica Vosk and Mr. Ceasar Barajas led sessions in acting, song, and dance.
- Friday, November 14: The Golden Lions Marching Band held its last football season performance at the away game at Linden. While the field shows have ended, the band will continue with local parade appearances.
- Friday, November 28: A group of 14 brass players from the band performed in front of the Towne Restaurant as part of the Clinton Dickens Days event. This is the 24th year that our music students have participated in this event.
- **Button Up!** The cold weather is here, so <u>button up</u>! Have you seen the NHMA's latest fundraiser? We are selling metal, pin-backed buttons with custom sayings. Thanks to Joy LaBelle for hours spent in the school mall during lunch, spreading the word about our fun new endeavor. Look for Mrs. LaBelle in the mall during December. The pins make great stocking stuffers!

What's Coming Up in December!

- Wednesday, December 3 at 6:30 PM: Please join the faculty and NHMA tomorrow evening as we recognize the band's accomplishments at this year's <u>Marching Band Banquet</u>. Questions? Contact Cathy at acedels@gmail.com or Michelle at MichelleLSmith123@hotmail.com. We're so proud of our band and so pleased to spend an evening honoring the efforts of all.
- Friday, December 5 at 7:00 PM: Spread holiday cheer with our marching band as they lead Santa into Clinton as part of the <u>Clinton Christmas Parade</u>! The band members will celebrate the season with a pre-parade potluck dinner and post-parade get-together at the school.
- Saturday, December 6: NHMA volunteers will be selling refreshments at the <u>'College Workshop,'</u> sponsored by both the NHMA and Booster Club. The workshop begins at 8:30 AM. Parents attend a college preparation workshop. Students benefit from a practice SAT or ACT. Registration is required. To register, click here: <u>College Workshop Registration</u>. Bring a little extra cash in case you get hungry!

What's Coming Up in December (continued)!

- Thursdays, December 11 & 18 at 7:00 PM: Enjoy the performances of all choir and band ensembles at the <u>Winter Concerts I & II</u>. Immediately following each concert, we hope to see you at our NHMA-hosted dessert receptions. Enjoy delicious homemade desserts donated by our volunteer bakers!
- Friday, December 12: Don't miss out on our <u>bake sale</u> in the mall after school! Visit the NHMA table at dismissal and celebrate the season with a holiday-themed treat!
- Saturday, December 20 from 8:00 AM 10:00 AM: Join us for a merry breakfast at our annual <u>Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser</u>!! Students perform festive, seasonal songs and serve patrons a delicious breakfast. They host, bus tables, and have fun raising money for the Music Department. Don't miss this great event! Click here for information and tickets: <u>Applebee's RSVP & Tickets</u>.
- Monday, December 22: The music department will present a <u>holiday assembly</u> in front of the entire school. This annual event features each performing group and a massed finale.

Mark your calendars for 2015:



Winter Musical: Thursday, March 5 Friday, March 6 Saturday, March 7

7:00 PM



"Golden Lions Reunion and Alumni Band" Performance Plans are in the works for a special performance next fall!

The marching band will host a "once in a lifetime" event: The "Golden Lions Reunion and Alumni Band" performance. This spectacular event, expected to be attended by hundreds of alumni, will take place on **October 16** at the North Hunterdon/Linden football game. Registration for the event will begin next spring and we are asking everyone to spread the word about this unique opportunity. *– Mr. Angeline*

Congratulations

to the Principal's Music Students of the Month!



Department Students of the Month – Music: Jessica Teipel and Steven Slack Citizens of the Month – Music: Kirsten Fodor and Brett Morris

Congratulations also to our

NJ All-State Chorus and NJ All-State Orchestra members!

North Hunterdon High School was represented in the NJ All-State Chorus and NJ All-State Orchestra at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City (Nov. 7) and at the NJ Performing Arts Center in Newark (Nov. 16).

NJ All-State Chorus: Jessie Dau and Gianna Porfano NJ All-State Orchestra: Andrew Burden

Remember: Our meeting scheduled for December 9 has been cancelled.

SO...

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the choir room (Room 131). We hope to see you there!



We can only do what we do because of you. WHEREVER YOU ARE THIS SEASON AND HOWEVER YOU CHOOSE TO CELEBRATE, THE NHMA WISHES YOU A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY.