



Happy November, Music Association Members!

In this month of Thanksgiving, please know that we are thankful for each one of you ~ for your membership, for your fundraiser support, for your volunteer dedication... for caring about our kids. Thank you for being a part of the NHMA.

The Past Month:

- October was a busy month for The Golden Lions Marching Band. In addition to their weekly football game field show, the band marched down 5th Avenue for the NYC Columbus Day Parade, competed with other bands at the Phillipsburg Band Festival and participated in the Halloween parade at the Hunterdon Developmental Center.
- 7th & 8th Grade Band Night The October 24 Homecoming football game gave future marching band members the chance to experience a Singley Field performance. Thirty-four middle school students from NHHS's sending districts practiced with the Golden Lions Marching Band that afternoon. They brought their instruments to the field during half-time and performed a piece with our band.
- Homecoming Dance Coat Check The NHMA offered our annual coat check during the Homecoming Dance. Thanks to Claire Rothstein for organizing the service and to all of Claire's fabulous volunteers.
- Halloween Bake Sale We held a Halloween-themed bake sale in the mall after school. Thanks to all who donated and assisted, and thanks to Lisa Franklin who coordinated the sale. See Lisa's "thank you" below.

I would like to say "thank you" to everyone who participated in the NHMA bake sale on October 30th. The sale was a huge success. The kids were very excited to see all the delicious baked goods. The students seemed to appreciate the event and asked when we would be back. In about an hour, we were able to sell out completely. I would like to run another sale in December and would like to make it even bigger. Thank you again to all who donated baked goods and their time. Sincerely, Lisa Franklin

- The NHMA assisted with ticket sales for the North Hunterdon Theater Organization's production of *Anne of Green Gables* on October 30 and November 1. The NHTO expressed sincere appreciation for those who volunteered at the three performances. Thank you for taking time out to help!
- Friday, November 7 was the NHHS vs. Voorhees Milk Can football game. The Golden Lions Marching Band and Voorhees Viking Marching Band joined together to play the National Anthem.
- November 7 was also *Senior Recognition Night* at the football game. Senior band members and parents were honored on the field at halftime.
- Extending beyond our school ~ The NHMA sponsored two food drives for local food pantries. The Vitovitch family set up multiple collection bins at the October 24 and November 7 home football games, and delivered 341 pounds of food and personal care items to help families in need. Thank you, North community!

Looking Ahead:

- Friday, November 14: Choir students have an amazing opportunity to participate in a *Theatre Master Class* presented by professional theatrical performers, Ms. Jessica Vosk and Mr. Ceasar Barajas. The NHMA is proud to sponsor this exciting in-school event. For information, please contact Katie Meo at kmeo@nhvweb.net.
- Wednesday, December 3 at 6:30 PM: Please join the faculty and NHMA as we recognize the band's accomplishments at this year's Marching Band Banquet. For information or to volunteer, contact Cathy at acedels@gmail.com or Michelle at MichelleLSmith123@hotmail.com. ** NOTE: All marching band / color guard families should have received the invitation via e-mail. If you did not receive it, please use this link to view the invite and to RSVP: http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/music/marchingband/
- Friday, December 5 at 7:00 PM: Celebrate the season with the Golden Lions Marching Band as they march in the <u>Clinton Christmas Parade</u>!
- Saturday, December 6: Our volunteers will be selling refreshments at the NHMA-sponsored <u>'College</u> <u>Workshop'</u> which begins at 8:30 AM. Please see attached information regarding this informative workshop for parents and practice SAT testing for underclassmen.
- 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!
- 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 also host, bus tables, and have fun raising money for the Music Department. Don't miss this great event! Afterwards, finish shopping for those last-minute gifts! More information to come.

Mark Your Calendars for 2015:

- Thursday, Friday, and Saturday ~ March 5, 6 and 7 at 7:00 PM Winter Musical
- Thursday, March 26 Prism Concert

Congratulations to the Principal's Music Students of the Month!

September	Department Students of the Month – Music: Anelisa Fergus and Nathan Bishop
	Citizens of the Month – Music: Priscilla Sanchez and Benjamin Sharp
October	Department Students of the Month – Music: Celine LaBelle and Andrew Burden Citizens of the Month – Music: Brielle Popolla and Eric Gaidos

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