



Monthly E-Notes ~ October 2014

Happy October, Music Association Members!

One month into school and our membership is growing strong! Thank you to all who have joined the NHMA already this year. Please encourage other music families to become members as well. We try our best to keep you informed of our music happenings. Here's a look at what we've been up to and what lies ahead.

As Summer Was Ending:

- Our music year kicked off in mid-August as the NHMA provided support to the Golden Lions Marching Band during band camp. A parent volunteer attended every rehearsal, assisting students with relief from the heat, minor first aid ~ whatever was needed. Thank you to all of these parent 'Band-Aides'! The NHMA provided cool refreshments during the last two long days of practice and treated the students to a pizza party. Our support was greatly appreciated by the music directors, and we all were treated to a sneak-peek of this year's field show.
- Band uniform distribution followed one week later, with our volunteers fitting every band member from head to toe, so all were dressed to march in style!

The Past Month:

- The Golden Lions Marching Band has been entertaining crowds at every football game - home and away - with its performance of **The Music of James Bond**. Check the North website for all game dates. We'd love to see you in the stands! The NHMA is there, assisting the band ~ moving instruments, providing 3rd quarter snack, and collecting flags and equipment from the field. If you are interested in becoming a parent helper, contact Terri Mugnano at risamom@yahoo.com or Terese Acocella at tacocella@comcast.net.
- The Freshman Women's Choir and the Freshman Band delighted families at the annual Freshman Tea on Monday September 29. Parents were introduced to the music department and to the NHMA. Our wonderful music faculty was on-hand for questions and conversation. From music to mingling over a glass of iced tea... hopefully all found it to be an enjoyable and informative evening. The NHMA provided a delicious dessert buffet. Thank you to all parents who contributed.
- We continued our Joe Corbi's Pizza Fundraiser tradition, accepting orders in September. Joe Corbi's is a company dedicated to helping organizations like ours raise funds with frozen pizza kits and frozen cookie dough. If you placed an order, please pick up your orders this **Tuesday, October 7, from 5:15 – 6:00 PM** by the band room. E-mail any questions to Claire at csrothstein@yahoo.com.
- Our 50/50 raffle at the October 2 home football game was a success! We had amazing raffle ticket sellers (thank you all for a great job!) and we had a very supportive crowd. If you were at the game and supported our efforts, we thank you so much!

- At our home football games, visit our NHMA information table near the stands. In addition to NHMA brochures and membership info, we are selling our magnets and stadium seat cushions. At the October 2 game, we also were able to offer homemade music note cookies as a fundraiser, thanks to a pair of very generous and talented baker moms (and thanks to the girls who even took the cookie sales into the stands). We sold every one!
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Looking Ahead:

- **Monday, October 13** - The Golden Lions Marching Band will be marching down 5th Avenue in NYC during the **Columbus Day Parade**. Take a trip into the City and cheer on the band!
 - The NHMA will be providing a **\$1.00 coat check at the Homecoming Dance** on Saturday, October 25. All proceeds help support the NHMA programs and scholarships. Please send cash to the dance with your students if they wish to check any belongings. If you would like to volunteer for this event, contact Claire at csrothstein@yahoo.com.
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Mark Your Calendars:

- **Monday, Oct. 13** – Golden Lions Marching Band in the NYC Columbus Day Parade
 - **Thursday, Oct. 23** at 6:30 PM - Phillipsburg Marching Band Festival
 - **Friday, Oct. 24** - "7th and 8th Grade Band Night" at the home football game
 - **Wednesday, Dec. 3** at 6:30 PM - Marching Band Banquet Cafe A & B
 - **Friday Dec. 5** at 7:00 PM - Golden Lions Marching Band in the Clinton Christmas Parade
 - **Thursdays, Dec. 11 and 18** at 7:00 PM - Winter Concerts I & II
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Spread the word!!! The Country Griddle Restaurants (Clinton and Flemington) offer the easiest fundraiser yet. Just enjoy a meal at either location, present our NHMA coupon with your bill, and **they will donate 10% of your bill to the NHMA!** It's that easy!! Coupons are attached.

And THANK YOU to Jim Helriegel and Silver Oak Learning Center for donating water bottles for use at our NHMA events through the year. We appreciate your generosity.

REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE! <http://www.nhvweb.net/nhhs/musicassociation>



**Our next meeting is Tuesday, October 7 at 7:00 PM.
We will meet in the choir room (Room 131). We hope to see you there!**



Thank you for your support of the North Hunterdon Music Association.

We can only do what we do because of you.