



RAIDER BAND NEWS

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Hello Everyone!

It's that time of year again – time to start planning for a new school year while we are still busy with our spring events for the current year! There are a multitude of performance opportunities coming up in the spring. In addition we are planning for our Casino Night fundraiser and the visit from the middle school students. For those of you that don't know, the middle school band students will visit the high school on Thursday, March 24th. Our music ensembles perform for them and then, as is customary, we will feed both the middle school and high school band students! I realize that you are getting a lot of e-mails requesting donations and your time. It is our mission to support the band and guard programs, but we need everyone's help, especially now with the reduced state funding.

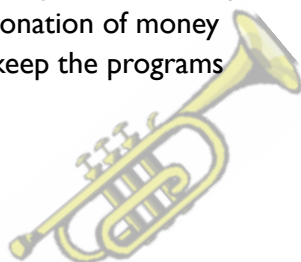
We will be looking at our HBPA budget for 2011-2012, and plan to have it ready to be approved by everyone at the May HBPA meeting. Also at the May meeting, we will be voting for next year's Executive Board.

Sian Godwin, Lisa Limyansky, Mark Dalpé, Andy Cropley, and myself have decided to seek re-election for our respective positions. If you are interested in running for one of the positions, please contact Margaret Caprarola, the Nominations Committee Chairperson. In this newsletter, you will find descriptions of what each job on the board entails, along with information about the nominating committee.

Please check your e-mails, and see if you can help with one (or more) of the upcoming events. If everyone can help, even with just a small donation of money or time, it will go a long way to keep the programs going for our kids.

Thank you!

June



Notes from the Director

Bruce Yurko, world renowned composer and conductor, and long-time friend of mine, came to the high school on February 10th to work with the Wind Ensemble, preparing them for the Rutgers Wind Band Festival, which took place on February 17th. He will join us again on March 17th to work with the Wind Ensemble in preparation for the South Brunswick Concert Band Festival, which is on March 22nd. Bruce has conducted "Children's March" on 15 separate occasions, so he was able to give advice on performance techniques to push our group to excellence. Todd Nichols will also be helping out at the rehearsal on the evening of March 15th.

Dates to remember:

- Mar 14 & 15** Wind Ensemble Rehearsals 6-9pm
- Mar 22** Region Concert Band Festival/Wind Ensemble Performance at 8:15pm; awards at 10pm
- Mar 23** Roxbury Freshman Band Invitational
- Mar 23** Region Concert Band Festival/Concert Band Performance at 8:50pm; awards at 9:40pm
- Mar 24** Combined Middle School and High School Jazz Band Concert at 7pm

2011 Nominating Committee

Margaret Caprarola will be chairing the 2011 Nominating Committee. According to the by-laws, the chairperson and committee members must be senior parents with no children coming up in the program. Kim Giraldo and Sue Grollman have agreed to be on the committee. If you are interested in running for an executive board position, please e-mail Margaret at asap.margaret@comcast.net.

Used Clothing Drive Collection

**LAST DAY FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR!!
Saturday, March 19th, 10 am - 12 noon
Drop-off Location: HHS Front Entrance**

S P R I N G F U N D R A I S E R ! ! !

WHAT? **HBPA CASINO NIGHT...**

A grown-up night of fun and excitement for anyone 21 and up!

WHEN? April 9, 2011

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

Your help will support ALL of the band and guard programs!

Grand Prize

Cash donations towards the purchase of a large prize item are still needed. No donation is too small.

Table Sponsorships

A business, individual, or group of families can also be an event sponsor. For a \$100 cash contribution, their name will be prominently displayed on one of the gaming tables.

Prizes

Check out the donations on the website www.hhs-band.org. Help is still needed to contact businesses that we have not heard from yet. The donation form is attached to this newsletter. A sponsor can donate an item or cash contribution, and will be advertised at the event.

Tickets

Tickets are \$40 each, and that includes food, soft drinks, and \$60 in chips to start your winning night! There will also be a cash bar available, courtesy of our friends at the American Legion. Please see an executive board member if you would like to buy a ticket. Ask your relatives, friends and co-workers too. It is a good time, and helps some great kids!

Volunteer

- Hang posters to advertise the event.
- Paint signs to advertise the event.
- Put together baskets.
- Help the night of the event... set-up, cashiers, runners, food organizers, cleanup, and help to drive the food from the high school to the hall.

Food

Donations of food and beverages are still needed!

<i>Appetizers</i>	veggie tray / dips / antipasto tray bruschetta w/toasts mini meatballs shrimp and cocktail sauce
<i>Sandwiches</i>	croissant sandwich platter finger / triangle sandwich platter wraps
<i>Salads/sides</i>	deviled eggs cucumber salad / cold tortellini salad
<i>Desserts</i>	brownies / cookies cupcakes / mini cheesecakes creme puffs pudding in small cups
<i>Kabobs</i>	cubed cheese selection cubed or sliced pepperoni / spiced ham fruit (whole or cubed) olives (green and black) half or whole watermelon

If you do not have the time (or the chef skills) to prepare the food, a \$10 donation is also welcomed! We will use the money collected to purchase the ingredients, and the kids and our volunteers will prepare the dishes.

DON'T FORGET THE BEVERAGES!

Freshman	2 twelve-packs diet Coke or Pepsi
Sophomores	1 reg and 1 diet 12-pack Sprite/7-Up
Juniors	2 twelve-packs regular Coke/Pepsi
Seniors	2 cases of water or 1 case of water & 1 case iced tea/12-pack Sprite/7-Up

Beverages can be dropped off in the band room any time prior to the end of the school day on Friday, April 8th.

Please let us know how you can help. We welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have.

June Blauvelt junebc@comcast.net 369-7778

Karen Johnson kjohnson763@yahoo.com 334-5470

Carla Kerrigan carlak61@gmail.com 369-5843

Thank you so much for your support. We look forward to seeing you at Casino Night!!!

Congratulations to the 2011 Winterguard!!



The Winterguard has had a phenomenal start to their 2011 season. They have placed 1st in three of their four competitions and 3rd in the other. In addition they were silver medalists at the Pittsburgh WGI Regionals in February and bronze medalists at the South Brunswick WGI Regionals in March. Later this month they will compete in the WGI Eastern Colorguard Championships which is a 2 day championship to be held at the University of Rhode Island. The winterguard season continues until MAIN Championships which is April 16th in South Brunswick. If you have not yet seen this year's show their competition schedule can be found on the website - having a good crowd of cheering supporters in the stands is always appreciated and actually helps to improve their performance.

Calling All Band Families!!

The HBPA needs donations of food and beverages to serve the middle and high school band students at the high school on March 24th!!

-tossed salad and dressing

-dessert

(please indicate if item contains nuts)

-cases of bottled water

-twelve packs of diet and regular soda

Volunteers are also needed to help from 10:30 am to 12 noon.

**Please send e-mail to junejb@comcast.net if you can help!
Thank you!**

Support our Gift Card Fundraiser by just doing what you normally do!

This is an easy way for you to help support our band/guard programs and it won't cost you an extra penny other than what you already spend!

The beauty of this fundraiser is that you only spend your regular shopping dollars with gift cards at the stores that participate. You can use the cards for just about any household purchase including food, clothing, entertainment, gasoline and even dining out.

No hidden costs... a \$100 gift card gets \$100 worth of goods or services.

While you get the full value of your purchase from the gift cards, the HBPA gets a percent of all gift card sales.

The more people that participate, the more money the HBPA will earn to support the band/guard programs.

It's that simple...

just do what you normally do but with gift cards.

Watch for the e-mail with more information!



The Grand Staff Ensemble

The Grand Staff Ensemble was started as a way for district staff to come together and share their love of music. It was also a way to give back to the community by helping a high school student pursue music as a career. A scholarship is given every year to one of these students. The Hillsborough High School band students should be encouraged to come and enjoy this wonderful event. It may be one of them who will benefit from this concert and others like it.

The Grand Staff ensemble is made up of staff and friends of the Hillsborough School District under the direction of Nancy Gallagher and Gary Smith. Their spring concert will be held on April 14th at Auten Road Intermediate School at 7pm. Suggested donations at the door are: \$5.00 adults, \$2.00 students/seniors (55+), \$10.00 family. All proceeds from the concert are awarded to a high school senior planning to pursue a degree in music.

Donations are always accepted for the scholarship. Please call (908-281-7859) or email (thebynz@aol.com) Patti Robbins for information.

Meet the HBPA Executive Board

With the elections coming in May, we thought it might be a good idea to profile this year's executive board. This is just a snapshot of the duties (according to the by-laws) and any additional things that they have taken on. The additional duties can change from year to year depending upon interest and expertise.

President

June Blauvelt

- Presides at all membership meetings
- Is present at each annual meeting and annually reports the work of the organization
- Appoints all committees, temporary or permanent
- Makes certain that all books, reports and certificates as required by law are properly kept or filed
- Acts as liaison between association and the Director of Bands
- Is one of the officers that may sign checks or drafts for association
- Makes certain that the association formulates an annual budget that is approved by the membership
- Coordinates trailer sponsorships
- Maintains website
- Coordinates, produces and distributes newsletter

First Vice President of Fundraising

Sian Godwin

- In the event of the absence or inability of the President to exercise his or her office, becomes Acting President of the association with all the rights, privileges, and powers as if he or she had been duly elected President
- Other duties as assigned by the President to further goals of the association
- Is one of the officers that may sign checks or drafts of the association
- Assists in all fundraising activities
- Assists with coordination of Winterguard activities

Second Vice President of Membership

Lisa Limyansky

- Shall become, in the event of the absence or inability of the President or 1st VP to exercise their offices, Acting President of the Association
- Is one of the officers that may sign checks or drafts of the association
- Keeps membership information up-to-date
- Keeps email addresses current
- Responsible for mailings
- Works with president to update parent handbook

Secretary

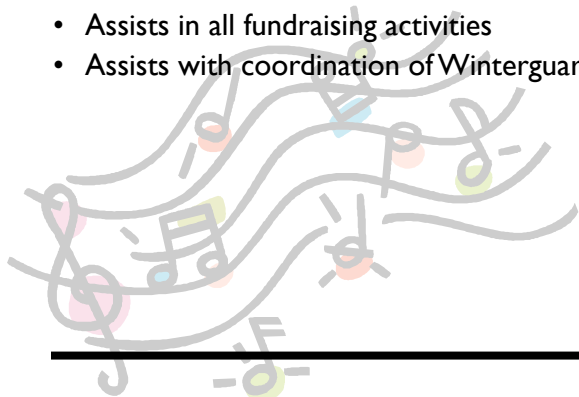
Andy Cropley

- Keeps the minutes and records of the association in appropriate books
- Files any certificates required by any statute, federal or state
- Serves all notices to members of the association
- Acts as the official custodian of the records of this organization
- Attends membership meetings to present any communications addressed to the organization

Treasurer

Mark Dalpé

- Handles the care and custody of all moneys belonging to the association and shall be responsible for such moneys or securities of the association
- Deposits in a regular bank or trust company all funds and proceeds of the organization
- Is one of the officers that may sign checks or drafts of the association. No special fund may be set aside that shall make it unnecessary for the Treasurer to sign checks issued upon it.
- Renders at stated periods as the Executive Board shall determine a written account of the finances of the association and such report shall be physically affixed to the minutes of the Executive Board at such meeting
- Orders t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, and magnets





**The Next Band Parents
 Meeting is Wednesday
 April 6th at 7:00 pm
 in the Chorus Room**

Director of Bands	Assistant Director of Bands
Jules Haran 431-6600 ext 3226	Jamie Pallas 431-6600 ext 2661
Associate Director	Ali Carraher
Raymond Fantuzzi	<i>Jamie Pallas' Substitute while she is on maternity leave</i>

HHS Band Website **www.hhs-band.org**
 user name and password... *indeed*

2010-2011 Executive Board

June Blauvelt, President	369-7778 juneb@comcast.net
Sian Godwin, Vice President	874-4938 sian.godwin@comcast.net
Lisa Limyansky, Vice President	359-3823 lisalimyansky@comcast.net
Mark Dalpé, Treasurer	240-6218 msd518@hotmail.com
Andy Cropley, Secretary	369-2287 acropley@comcast.net

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Dates to Remember

Day	Date	Event	Location
Saturday	March 12	Winterguard Competition	Hatboro-Horsham HS
Saturday	March 19 10am to noon	Used Clothing Collection	HHS
Saturday/ Sunday	March 19/ March 20	WGI Regional Winterguard Competition	University of Rhode Island
Tuesday	March 22	Region Concert Band Festival <i>Wind Ensemble</i>	South Brunswick HS
Wednesday	March 23 (during school day)	Freshman Band Invitational <i>Freshman Band</i>	Roxbury HS
Wednesday	March 23	Region Concert Band Festival <i>Concert Band</i>	South Brunswick HS
Thursday	March 24 (during school day)	Middle School Recruitment Day <i>Freshman & Concert Bands, Wind & Jazz Ensembles, small ensembles</i>	HHS
Thursday	March 24 7pm	"Evening of Jazz" Combined MS/HS Jazz Concert <i>Jazz Band/Jazz Ensemble</i>	HHS
Saturday	March 26	Winterguard Competition	Pennridge HS
Saturday	April 2	Winterguard Competition	Branchburg Middle School
Wednesday	April 6 7pm	HBPA Meeting	HHS Chorus Room
Saturday	April 9 6 pm	Casino Night!	American Legion Hall, Somerville
Wednesday	April 13 7pm	Prism Concert	HHS
Thursday	April 7 7pm	Grand Staff Ensemble Spring Concert	Auten Road Intermediate School
Saturday	April 16	MAIN Championships Winterguard Competition	South Brunswick HS



Hillsborough Band Parents Association

Supporting the band and guard programs of Hillsborough High School

Casino Night – April 9, 2011

Donation Description Form

Your Name: _____

Phone: _____

WHO IS DONATING

Company: _____

Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Description of Item: _____

Value: \$_____ (Your name will be displayed with the item or service you donate)

Cash Donation: \$_____ (Your name will be advertised at the event)

Cash Donation: \$100 (Your name will be displayed at the gaming table)

Please return this form with your donation to June Blauvelt, 92 Rivendell Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844. My e-mail address is junejb@comcast.net. Please make checks payable to the HBPA. Thank you for your support!!

Office use only:

Item #: _____