



NOTABLES

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April 2014

Upcoming Events:

Prairie High School:

- April 2, Opera Iowa Masterclasses for Chorale and Concert Choirs
- April 3, Solo/Ensemble Recital Concert
- April 4, Curtain Call (see page 3)
- April 6, Coe College Senior Honor Band
- April 8, Iowa Jazz Championships
- April 10, UNI Northern Festival of Bands
- April 12, IHSMA Solo/Ensemble Festival (9-12)
- May 1 – 2, High School Musical, “Kiss Me Kate”

Prairie Point:

- April 3, Solo/Ensemble Recital Concert (9th Grade)
- April 6, Coe College Junior/Senior Honor Bands
- April 12, IHSMA Solo/Ensemble Festival (9–12)
- April 12, Harmony Hawks Concert
- May 3, 8th Grade Adventureland Festival of Bands

Prairie Heights:

- April 8, 3rd and 4th Grade Musical

Prairie Ridge:

- April 10, 3rd and 4th Grade Musical

(See *pages 2 and 3* for Accolades, Honor Band and Honor Choir members)

Did you know...

The 9th grade select men’s choir, “*Guys With Ties*” will be performing at the Harmony Hawks concert on April 12. The concert is at 7:30 PM in our own Concert Hall. Tickets can be purchased at www.showtix4u.com.

Upcoming Concerts:

Prairie High School:

- April 24, Festival Preview Band Concert (9-12)
- April 28, High School Choral Night

Prairie Point:

- April 24, Festival Preview Band Concert (9-12)
- April 29, 7/8 Band Concert

WHAT IS PRAIRIE MUSIC ASSOCIATION ALL ABOUT?

Are you interested in helping support the Prairie Music Association? To find out what we do, join us at our next meeting. We are planning for the remaining events of this school year and starting to prepare for the 2014-2015 school year.

Upcoming Prairie Music Association Meetings

April 8, 2014

May 13, 2014

All meetings are at 7:00 PM and are held in the High School Band Room.

Update on the truck fundraiser! As of March 31, 2014 we have received \$7,745 in individual donations and one Gold Baton donation from Cassill Motors of \$5,000. We need a total of \$37,500 to reach our goal for the truck to pull the trailer. Please consider a donation to this important purchase for our music programs.

Donations can be sent to:
Prairie Music Association
c/o Theresa Blong, Treasurer
2761 Royal Oaks Dr. NW
Swisher, IA 52338

GOOD LUCK!

To the over 150 events performing in the annual IHSMA State Solo and Ensemble Contest on Saturday, April 12 at Linn-Mar High School!

CONGRATULATIONS!

To the high school **Wind Symphony** who was selected to perform at the UNI Northern Festival of Bands on Thursday, April 10th. They will perform at 9:00 AM at the UNI Gallagher-Bludorn Performing Arts Center. The Symphonic Band students will be joining the Wind Symphony for their performance and clinics.

WAY TO GO!

On Sunday, April 6, the Prairie High School Band program will be well represented by fourteen outstanding members who were selected for participation in the annual **Coe College "SENIOR HONOR BAND" Festival!** These students are: **Camille Boman, Jamie Crispin, Kaitlin Gregerson, Malcolm Johnson, Victoria Marshall, Brianna McAtee, Brycen Meyer, Alex Mixon, Nick Moffitt, Mark Northup, Abby Rubsam, Anna Rubsam, Jacob Sprengeler, and Sebrina Webster**

The Prairie Point Band program will be represented by eight freshmen selected to be in the **Coe College "SENIOR HONOR BAND" Festival.** These students are:

Amanda Happel, Alex Tjelmeland, Emily Northup, Abby Murdock, Adam Tiedeman, Alyssa Tiedeman, Natalie Bohnsack, and Riley Andreasen

The Prairie Point Band program will be represented by eleven 7th and 8th graders selected to be in the **Coe College "JUNIOR HONOR BAND" Festival.** These students are:

Karly Bandy, Blair Bell, Kyle Cook, Kate Flaherty, Eady Forrest, Ashley Kientoff, Abigail Tiedeman, Kinnaly Baccam, Mitchell Baccam, Hannah Roltget, and Chloe Wagner



WAY TO GO!

Congratulations to **Mark Northup** for auditioning and being selected to represent Prairie High School in the **Class 4A All-State Jazz Band** playing 1st Tenor Saxophone. Mark is only the third student from Prairie High School to receive this honor since the inception of the Iowa All-State Jazz Ensembles.

Mark will travel to Des Moines on May 14 – 15, 2014 to rehearse and perform with the 18-member jazz band. The band will be directed by professional saxophone artist, composer, and jazz educator Rick Hirsch from State College, PA. Their performance is one of the highlights of the annual Iowa Bandmasters Conference.

SPRING FRUIT AND CANDY SALE



THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered to help make this another successful fundraiser!



WAY TO GO!

Prairie High School's Jazz I has officially received an invitation to participate in the **2014 Class 4A Iowa Jazz Championships**, representing our school district for only the third time in over 30 years. Prairie's Jazz I earned the invitation based on outstanding results from this year's jazz festivals, including a 2nd place finish at the Coe Jazz Summit, and 3rd place finish at the NEIBA District Jazz Festival.

As one of four bands representing the Northeast District of the Iowa Bandmasters' Association in Class 4A, Prairie's Jazz I will be performing in the Des Moines Civic Center on **Tuesday, April 8, at 9:30 AM.**

For more information on the Iowa Jazz Championships, including a schedule of all performing bands, please visit <http://www.iowajazzchampionships.org>

Please help me in congratulating and recognizing the members of Jazz I that have earned this distinct honor.

Noah Andrys, guitar (12)

Sean Conrad, vibes (12)

Jon Griffin, drums (11)

Josh Kacena, trumpet (12)

Kathryn Langenberg, trombone (12)

Josh Piering, bass trombone (11)

Jacob Sprengeler, trumpet (12)

Sammy Andrys, trombone (10)

Jonah Elliff, tenor sax (12)

Tyler Hupp, trumpet (12)

Blake Keating, alto sax (11)

Allison Mosbeck, bari sax (11)

Collin Powell, trombone (12)

Zach Strahan, bass (12)

Alec Balta, alto sax (11)

Calyn Gimse, tenor sax (12)

Malcolm Johnson, bari sax (12)

Kyle Martin, trumpet (11)

Mark Northup, alto sax (12)

Nathanael Smale, piano (12)

Ian Voels, trombone (12)



CURTAIN CALL 2014!

Curtain Call 2014 Tickets are going fast! As of Saturday, March 29 less than 50 tickets remain available for purchase. We anticipate a sell-out so get your ticket order in soon if you want to see this fantastic show!

Contact Sondra Smale at dasmale@southslope.net or (319)540-3608 with questions or to order tickets.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - CURTAIN CALL!

Volunteers are needed for two shifts on Friday, April 4:

Shift #1: 2:00 PM – 5:30 PM Decorating

Shift #2: 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM Preparing desserts and beverages for intermission and tear down after intermission.

Please contact Sharon Langenberg at tsbyslangerberg@gmail.com if you are able to help with this event.