

Tredyffrin/Easttown Music Parents Organization Newsletter

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It has been a busy few months and we want to thank everyone who has been involved in the success of the many music events since our last newsletter. We hosted a very successful District Chorus festival in late January in which 160 choral students from across that participated. We were treated to yet another outstanding musical in "Nice Work If You Can Get It". This year's music department trip was next as student had the opportunity to see Carousel, Waitress, or Chicago. It was a beautiful day and all of the shows received rave reviews from the students. Our recent Spring Concerts showcased our choral groups, orchestra and band groups and finally our jazz ensembles at the Annual Jazz Fest Concert. These wonderful performances showcased the depth of talent in the Stoga Music program.

Although we are nearing the end of the school year, please take a look at the upcoming events. Of special note is the end of the year Music Banquet, **A Celebration of Music** on May 30th at the Desmond Hotel. It is a wonderful recap of the year for StogaMusic and families from all grades are invited to attend. If you would like to attend this fun event, please see the sign-up sheet included in this newsletter.

Finally, as many of you know, Sue Dickinger is retiring at the end of the school year. Sue has been a teacher at Conestoga since 1990 and during that time has changed the lives of literally thousands of students. We owe her a debt of gratitude for all she has done for our children over the years and we wish her all the best in her retirement!

Yours in Music,

Bonnie Motel and Ann D'Emilio - TEMPO Co-Presidents

Upcoming

May

May 14, 17, 21 Marching Band Pre-season rehearsals
May 30th Music Dept/ TEMPO Banquet Desmond Hotel 6pm.

<u>June</u>

4th Reflections at Daylesford Abbey (Concert Choir Seniors) 7pm 5th Graduation (Wind Ensemble and Camerata Seniors) 7pm

Events:

Senior Recitals:

(During 8th period 1:40- 2:20)

May 8 Jahnavi Rao

May 14 Zoe Pratt

May 18 Max Mooney

May 23 Katy Bondi

May 24 Avani Gandhi

May 25 Amelia Dubendorf



Join the TEMPO Facebook group for all news and updates! Look for: **TEMPO - T/E Mu-sic Parents Organization**

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The Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA)

District 12 Chorus

David Arlen – Bass 2
Bryce Bundens – Tenor 1
Dorkhan Chang – Accompanist
William Connolly – Tenor 2
Amelia Dubendorf – Soprano 1
Shannon Huang – Alto 1
Alexander Korbel – Tenor 2
Katherine Li – Soprano 2
Jahnavi Rao – Soprano 2
Nicholas Remillard – Bass 2
Lily Zhou – Alto 2

Region VI Chorus

Bryce Bundens – Tenor 1
Dorkhan Chang – Accompanist
Alexander Korbel – Tenor 2
Katherine Li – Soprano 2
Jahnavi Rao – Soprano 2
Nicholas Remillard – Bass 2
Lily Zhou – Alto 2

PA All-State Chorus

Jahnavi Rao – soprano2

District 12 Band

Katy Bondi – Contra alto clarinet
Ashley Chen - Flute
Matthew Fan – Alto sax
Patrick Li – French horn
Richard Li - Trumpet
David Xu - Alto Sax
Javier Montaner – Trombone
John Peterson - Trumpet
JoJo Zhang - Trumpet

PA All-State Band

Javier Montaner - Trombone

Region VI Band

Ashley Chen - Flute Matthew Fan – Alto sax Javier Montaner – Trombone John Peterson - Trumpet David Xu - Alto Sax Jojo Zhang - Trumpet

PA All-State Jazz

Neil Goldenthal - drums

District 12 Orchestra

Ashley Chen - Flute
Allison Cho - Cello
Shannon Huang – Violin
Isaac Kim - Cello
Allison Lee - Violin
Jennifer Lee – Cello
Nichole Lee – Viola
Patrick Li – French horn
Javier Montaner - Trombone
Kevin Wu – Violin
Karen Xu - Viola
Matthew Xu – Violin
Hansen Yi - Violin

Region VI Orchestra

Shannon Huang - Violin Isaac Kim - Cello Jennifer Lee – Cello Nichole Lee - Viola Javier Montaner – Trombone Karen Xu - Viola Matthew Xu - Violin

All-State Orchestra

Nichole Lee - Viola

District 12 Chorus Festival

Conestoga High School had the pleasure and honor of hosting the PA District 12 Chorus Festival this year! Featuring 162 students from Chester, Delaware, and Philadelphia High Schools, the choir was conducted by Dr. Christopher Kiver, Professor of Music from Penn State University. The festival was hosted by Suzanne Dickinger. Many thanks go out to TEMPO and Tri-M Music Honor Society members for the numerous hours they put in to help make the festival a success!





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Stoga Music Theatre's production of "Nice Work If You Can Get It," with music by George Gershwin, was a huge success! Featuring zany antics from bubbles in a bathtub to a person swing-

ing from a chandelier, the musical was particularly entertaining and hilarious!

Including teachers Suzanne Dickinger (Music Director/Pit Conductor/ Producer), Chris Nation (Sound/ Stage Crew), Mike Starner (Lights, Stage Crew, Set Design and Painting), Noah Austin (Set Design and Construction, Stage Crew), and Casey Hesse and Emily Zwart (makeup), the show was directed and choreographed by Nathan Shughart. Many parents volunteered their time and talents to make the show a success! Kudos go to Susan DeJong again for her fabulous costumes!

Choral Performances

Camerata members performed the Star Spangled Banner at the basketball game on Friday, April 13 to benefit the FLITE organization. Camerata presented its annual performance for Surrey Services on Friday, May 4 at 3:00 pm (the last senior day before internship). An added feature was the combined performances of "River in Judea" and "How Can I Keep From Singing" by the Surrey Choir and Camerata as the finale to the concert.

NEW YORK CITY

The Music Department trip to Broadway was a resounding success. 150 plus students had the opportunity to view one of three shows: "Carousel," "Chicago," and "Waitress." Lunch at Virgil's BBQ and dinner at "Brazil, Brazil" were included.



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Marching

Band

It's just about time to kick off the 2018 Marching Pioneer Season! We are excited to announce that our show this year will be entitled Dream On, and will feature music by Aerosmith, The Beatles, Eurythmics, and Styx!

Our annual spring rehearsals will take place on May 14, May 17, and May 21 from 6-8 PM at CHS. These rehearsals are a great way for students to try out marching band and see if it is for them. Band camp this summer will run from August 13-

17 and August 20-24. We hope to see you there!

TEMPO fundraising opportunities

Students can participate in many different fundraisers. Profits go right into the student's Tempo fundraising account:

Wawa Hoagie Cards: Cost: \$4/
Card- good for 1 Wawa Shorti \$1 for each card purchased
deposited into student Account
Contact: Ruth Christner
rgchristner@comcast.net

ACME Cards \$5 for every \$100 gift card purchased deposited into student account. Contact:

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2017 - 2018 TEMPO Board Members

Please don't hesitate to reach out to any of us if you have any questions, suggestions, etc.

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A Celebration of Music

You're invited to the 2018 Conestoga Music Program Recognition Banquet

Please join us to celebrate our students' musical accomplishments, as well as a true Conestoga Legacy.

When: May 30th, 2018 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Where: The Desmond, Malvern PA

Students in all grades and their families are invited to attend this celebration of hard work and effort, practice and entertainment that is Conestoga music.

All attending students receive awards.

RSVP: by May 23th

Please return this form to Ms. Hesse in the Music Office at Conestoga.

Student's Name:		Grade:
Student's Name:		Grade:
Student Participants attending:		@ \$30.00 each = \$
Family Members/Friends attending:		@ \$35.00 each = \$
Total Enclosed (make	checks payable to	TEMPO): \$
Please take \$ from	n my child's TEMPO	O account to cover this payment
For questions about Student A	Accounts, contact Mindy	Gusdorff: mkgusdorff@gmail.com

Questions? Contact Banquet Chair Maria Kalilec, <u>mkalilec@hotmail.com</u> or TEMPO Co-President Bonnie Motel: bmfmotel@gmail.com

Presented by The Conestoga Music Department and hosted by TEMPO

TEMPO Dues Payment

\$30 per year per family

Student's Name:	
Parent's Name:	
Amount Paid:	
Amount Paid.	
Check # (If paying by check):	

Please send dues payment to:

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