Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin 5-1-17

MUSIC DEPARTMENT - VIRGINIA BEACH

The Tolland High School Music Department traveled to Virginia Beach last week to participate in the Festivals of Music Contest and Adjudication held on April 21. The Madrigal Singers came in 1st place with a rating of Superior in the category of Renaissance Choir. They also received the award for Overall Specialty Choir. The Women's Chorus came in 1st place with a rating of Superior in the category of Women's Choir. They also received the award for Overall Concert Choir. These ensembles are directed by Linda Tracy.

The Symphonic Band and Jazz Band, directed by Mrs. Megan Kirwin, were the only instrumental ensembles to attend the festival and both received ratings of Excellent in their adjudication. Trombonist Max Fenner received a special award for Overall Soloist in a Jazz Ensemble. Because they were the only instrumental ensembles, they were offered the opportunity to work with two renowned clinicians. The band participated in a clinic run by Colonel Thomas Palmatier, retired conductor of "Pershing's Own" United States Army Band. The jazz band participated in a clinic conducted by Ken Ebo of the Naval School of Music and leader of the United States Marine Corps All-Star Jazz Ensemble.

Awards were given out during a ceremony at Busch Gardens. The students left on Wednesday, April 19 and returned on Sunday, April 23. They were also able to visit Colonial Williamsburg during the trip.



Pictured above: Music students on the Virginia Beach field trip.

CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Tolland High School 2017-2018 Cheerleading will take place Monday through Wednesday, May 15-17 from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. in the THS Auxiliary Gym. To registration online using the Family ID program, please utilize the following link,

<u>https://www.familyid.com/organizations/tolland-public-schools</u>. Registration must be completed by May 1. Please contact Coach Jeanine Mesnil if you have any questions at <u>Tollandcheer@gmail.com</u>.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 1 - THS Community Advisory Council - 6:00 p.m. - THS Main Office

May 1 - 12 - AP Testing

May 2 & 3 – Prom Tickets on sale after school

May 9 - NHS Induction 7:00 p.m. - THS Auditorium

May 9 – Progress Reports

May 15 - Booster Club 7:00 p.m. - THS Main Office

May 19th - Prom 6:00 p.m. -Hartford Marriott

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Tolland High School's Community Advisory Council will hold its last meeting of this school year on Monday, May 1st at 6:00 p.m. in the THS main office conference room. Please email Ms. Dominique Fox at dfox@tolland.k12.ct.us if you plan on attending the meeting.

PROM TICKETS

The Prom will be held on Friday, May 19th at the Hartford Marriott Downtown at 6:00 p.m. Tickets will be on sale for \$85 per person after school on May 2nd and 3rd. Students who plan to bring a guest must have the guest permission slip completed and approved by the Principal prior to purchasing tickets. Forms are available in the main office or you can download them from the THS website.

BOOSTER CLUB

The last meeting for this school year will be held on May 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the THS main office conference room. Any questions, please contact Co-Presidents Diane Clokey at dbclokey@sbcglobal.net or Jenn Dineen at jneccidineen@yahoo.com.

PROJECT GRADUATION

To learn more about Tolland Project Graduation and how you can help with our fundraising efforts for a safe graduation celebration for our graduates each year: https://www.facebook.com/Tolland-Project-Graduation-156774334371925/about/

MEMORIAL DAY CONTEST

Tolland's Permanent Celebration Committee (PCC) is preparing for this year's Memorial Day Essay and Multimedia contest which is open to Tolland students. To learn more about the

Tolland Permanent Celebration Committee

Memorial Day Essay and Multimedia Contest and Coloring Pages



Tolland students can show their patriotism by taking part in the town's 2017 Memorial Day essay and multimedia contest.

This year's Theme is Honoring our Heroes; "Why Fallen Members of the Military are Your Heroes"

Winners will be honored at a ceremony following Tolland's 26th Annual Memorial Day Parade, which begins at 1 p.m. in the center of town on Sunday, May 28. Prizes will be awarded for grades 3 - 5 and 6 - 8 and 9 to 12.

The contest is open to all Tolland students. Entries must be written in the form of an essay. They must be typed, double-spaced in 12-point font and be no longer than one page. They must include the student's name, address, phone number and grade.

This year, students in grades 6 to 8 and 9 to 12 have the option of submitting a multimedia entry on this year's topic in the form of a Prezi presentation, a PowerPoint presentation or a video. Prezi and PowerPoint presentations should be no longer than six slides and can include text, photos and embedded videos. Videos should be from one to three minutes long. All entries need to be uploaded to TollandPCC@gmail.com.

The deadline for all submissions is May 10.

Winners will be notified before the parade and will each receive a \$25 Barnes and Noble gift card.

Send to: Deb Wagner, Tolland Permanent Celebration Committee 527 Old Post Road Tolland 06084 or e-mail to: TollandPCC@gmail.com

TOLLAND CHILDREN can also take part in the festivities by coloring a Memorial Day page provided by the committee.

The pages will be available at the Tolland Public Library in the weeks before the parade and will be sent home through the public schools. Children who bring their completed artwork to the library will receive a prize.