

Tolland High School Weekly Bulletin

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Madrigal Dinner

On Friday, December 7 and Saturday, December 8, Tolland High School's presented its annual Madrigal Dinner. Under the direction of Mr. Noah Fields, students enrolled in Madrigals and Women's Chorus performed several songs. To the delight of those in attendance, the Royal Flute Trio also performed. This year's masque, "The Royal Bachelor," was written by Madrigal Singer Teagan Connelly. The King (Nick Machuga) and Queen (Teagan Connelly) of Tolland Hall decided to host a grand feast, inviting guests of nobility and even their own servants. As the story is told, five women complete for the Prince's hand in a kingdom in need of a Queen. The following students performed:

Madrigals: Sarah Alexander, Emily Bliss, Emily Collins, Isabelle Collins, Teagan Connelly, Sean Duff, Allyse Ernest, Delaney Glyman, Charlie-Kate Fontaine, Madison Ingraham, Nicholas Machuga, Kathryn Miller, Grace O'Connell, John Powell, and Peighton Stirt

Women's Chorus: Olivia Beaumont, Olivia Brancati, Sara Carey, Abby Castonguay, Madison Castonguay, Ciara Chasse, Caroline DeLoreto, Jordan Dube, Alexandra Engel, Emily Ferguson, Charlotte Gerow, Makayla Hauck, Madison Ingraham, Kayla McDonald, Nathalie Mitchell, Erin Mulry, Kathleen Murphy, Natalie Parsons, Cadee Savoie, and Emma Schultz

Royal Flute Trio: Jessica Collins, Meghan Myles, and Madalyn Reagan



Pictured above: Members of the Madrigals perform at their annual Madrigal Dinner on Friday, December 7.

STOCK MARKET GAME

Hamzah Hassan (pictured below), a senior in Mr. Cayward's Business and Personal Law class, won the Connecticut Stock Market Game for the second time in his career at Tolland High School. He also finished first as a freshman, and finished second as a junior. This year, Hamzah's percent return was 49.38% above the S+P 500, finishing 28% above the second place finisher. Hamzah is exploring post-secondary opportunities at UConn, Bryant, Bentley, and the University of Texas at Austin. Additionally, Gavin Rublewski, a senior who is also taking Business and Personal Law, finished fourth. Teaghan Sexton, a 9th grade student in Mrs. Marshall's Introduction to Business class finished in seventh place rounding out the top 10 with three Tolland High School students. There are over 1,300 teams competing in the stock market game throughout Connecticut. Students in Tolland High School's business classes regularly enter this competition and have had great success through the years. Hamzah will be honored at an award ceremony in Hartford in May. The first of two pictures below are of Hamzah as a winner in his freshman year and then again as a senior. Congratulations Hamzah!!!!





MARKETING CLASS - "THE NEST"

THS Marketing students recently voted to form a privately held corporation designed to meet the needs of Tolland High School's student body. After identifying a need for a cohesive "school spirit" movement, students got to work doing exploratory research through a number of student surveys. With results in hand and further meetings with the athletic supervisor, students decided on a name for the "student fan section" and designed a "white out" t-shirt. Our highly creative marketing team designed cotton t-shirts that prominently displayed the school logo and "The Nest". To get the "fan movement" started, they decided to package these shirts with a "free" rally towel for a one-time introductory offer. Tasked with selling 100 t-shirts, students produced a fun promotional video that was shown on the morning announcements and received over 750 views on their newly created School Sports Instagram page (ths_thenest). Once the product was in-house, students had to run quality control inspections, coordinate timely deliveries, and provide positive customer service. As a student orchestrated

company, students invest their own money to start up the company and then split the profits according to the number of shares sold. In true holiday spirit, this class also elected to show social responsibility by donating part of their profits to purchase holiday gifts for a family in need. It was hard work, yet lots of fun developing this student corporation. All students enjoyed the experience and learned some valuable lessons about creating, organizing, and running a company.



COACH OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to our girls soccer coach, Erin Reed, for being selected as Connecticut High School Coach's Association Coach of the Year for girls soccer. As a result, she moved onto the regional competition. We are pleased to announce that Coach Reed has been selected as the United Soccer Coaches Regional Coach of the Year. Coach Reed will be honored at the annual High School Coaches Breakfast on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at the Marriott Marquis Great Lakes Ballroom in Chicago, Illinois. Again, congratulations Coach Reed on your prestigious achievements!

PSAT Results

The College Board has released student scores for the PSAT on Tuesday, December 11th. Students will receive an email (sent to the address they entered on their score sheets when they took the test) that will provide them with an access code and direct them to the College Board website. Some students may have entered a cell phone number to receive a notification text that their results are available. Students can then either log-in to their existing account or create one if they do not currently have one. We highly recommend that students use their personal email account when creating a College Board Account.

Students and parents are reminded that THS school counselors do not have access to students' College Board accounts. It is imperative that students keep track of their own College Board account username and password. These accounts must be in the student's name, not the parent's name. Should students forget their College Board username or password, they must contact the College Board directly, as the Board will not give school counselors that information.

Once students have accessed their PSAT scores through the College Board site, they can link to Khan Academy for SAT prep that is generated to meet the needs of the individual students. Students will not be receiving a paper score report from College Board as they have in the past. All ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students will be meeting with members of the counseling department before winter vacation. Presentations and directions will be posted on the School Counseling website and directions/reminders will be emailed as well. Students will receive their original test booklets at the presentations. If you have any questions, please contact your child's school counselor.

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

You can purchase a yearbook online at ybpay.lifetouch.com using the code for Tolland High School of 10945819. Price starts at \$75 and goes up from there depending on the package that you purchase. After October 31st the base price goes up to \$85. The base price will then increase to \$90 after February 20th. Make all checks payable to Lifetouch.

Nameplates, cover keepers and autograph inserts are \$5 each. You can choose the "Eagle's Nest" package for all three enhancements for only \$13.00. Parents can also purchase advertisements for the yearbook by going to YBPay.com and use the Tolland

High School code of 10945819. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Fontaine at sfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us or Jessica Fontaine at jfontaine@tolland.k12.ct.us.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 21 - Early Release

December 24 - January 1 - Winter Break - No School

January 10 - Winter Music Concert

January 11 - Early Release - Faculty In-Service

BOOSTER CLUB

The next Tolland High School Booster Club meeting will be held on Monday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the THS main office conference room. Please join us and learn more about the exciting events planned for the year. If you have any questions, ideas, or comments, please contact Co-Presidents Diane Clokey at dbclokey@gmail.com or Jenn Dineen at jneccidineen@yahoo.com.
