



# Olmsted Falls MUSIC ASSOCIATION

## *Musical Notes*

January 2017

# 2017

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

### **Olmsted Falls Music Association's mission:**

To support, encourage, advance, and cultivate, through volunteerism and fundraising, the musical education of all students in the Olmsted Falls City Schools.

### **Support and be involved in OFMA in 2017!**

#### **Upcoming OFMA's meeting dates:**

February 1, 2017 ■ March 1, 2017 ■ April 5, 2017 ■ May 3, 2017

Meetings are held at OFHS choir room at 7 p.m.

June 7, 2017 End of year picnic (place to be announced)

See next page for ways to get involved.





# Fundraising Events



## Annual Super Bowl Hoagie Sale

**Saturday, February 4, 2017**

It's Hoagie time again!! The quickest and easiest cash you can make for music student travels!

**Hoagies are \$5.00 each.**

Students can make up to approximately \$2.50 per hoagie sold to be placed in their travel account.

**Orders are due Friday, January 27, to music teachers.**

Help is needed for assembling the hoagies. To sign up



to volunteer [click here to go to the sign up genius](#) or copy and paste this url in the browser to go to the sign up genius:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0944ada82ea3f94-hoagie1>

Contact Janet Kollar at [janetrk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janetrk@sbcglobal.net) with questions.

*Middle school students who plan to be in band and/or choir in high school, this is a good way to start funding your travel account.*

*Order form is in this newsletter.*

## 2016-2017 OFMA Officers

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Join us on  
**Facebook**

# ALL THAT JAZZ

## 2017 Ballroom Blitz

Friday, February 24, 2017

7 p.m. @ OFHS

\$10 per person

\$7 for students and senior citizens

### Donations and Volunteers needed

- ◆ Baskets to be raffled
- ◆ Desserts
- ◆ Ticket takes
- ◆ Set-up and clean-up help

[Click here to sign-up donate or volunteer for the Ballroom Blitz.](#) Or place this url in your browser to access the sign-up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0f45acae2aa02-ballroom>

See flyer in newsletter for more information.  
Print copies and distribute to family and friends.



High School and Middle School Band w/Custom Name and Instrument



Middle School Choir w/Custom Name



High School Choir w/Custom Name and Voice Part



Bulldog Music

**Order a personalized Music Decal for \$5. Envelopes are available from Band and Choir directors. Orders are due January 27, 2017. Any questions contact Hollie Andrus at [helgandrus@yahoo.com](mailto:helgandrus@yahoo.com)**

## Coming this Spring another Fill The Truck event

These winter months are a great time to clean out the closets, attics, garages and basements. Find cloth items no longer needed, bag them or box them for the Fill The Truck event. More information coming in upcoming newsletters.

*The Pride of Olmsted Falls  
The Bulldog Marching Band  
is going back to Disney!*

*February 16 - 21, 2017*



**Disney Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 18, 2017 @7:30 p.m.**  
**OFHS auditorium**

*All students and chaperones going on Disney trip must attend this meeting.  
At least 1 parent for each student going on Disney trip must attend this meeting .*

**Band practices for Disney Trip**  
February 6, 2017 (6 p.m.-7:15 p.m.)  
February 13, 2017 (after school at 2:16 p.m.)  
February 15, 2017 (4 p.m. - 5 p.m.)  
Additional dates may be added if needed

Attendance is mandatory for all students going to Disney.

# In The Spotlight



**Alexis Nelan**, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at Olmsted Falls Middle School, has been dancing for most of her life. Alexis' parents even called her "Twinkle-Toes" as a baby because she couldn't stop moving her feet!

Once Alexis turned three, she was enrolled into a dance class at Above the Barre Dance Studio and she hasn't looked back since. She currently receives dance instruction privately from Mr. Jim Becker.

Alexis has studied tap, jazz, hip-hop, ballet, contemporary, Broadway, Cecchetti, and is currently studying en pointe (to move gracefully on the tip of her toes). Along with her dance experience, Alexis has been involved with singing and acting to further her ambitions towards becoming a true "Triple-Threat" performer.

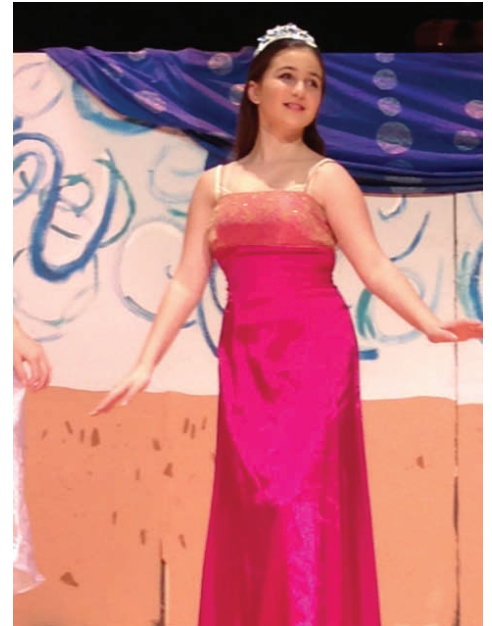
Alexis loves to perform and has been receiving vocal lessons from Amy Hanratty of Voice Variations for the past year. Alexis sings and performs dance routines at local venues as a part of Voice Variation's Encore Performance Group.

Musical Theater is a passion of Alexis and she performs as a member of the OFMS Bulldog Theater Company (BTC), as well as earning a spot singing with the Golden Harmonies Choir. In BTC's 2016 fall production of "Anything Goes", Alexis played the role of one of Reno's angels—Chastity.

Alexis has earned roles in many local theaters such as Cassidy Theater, The Beck Center, and French Creek Theater. This past December, Alexis was in French Creek Theater's production of "White Christmas" in the role of Assistant Seamstress and also served as the Dance Captain for the production.

Alexis is now preparing for the Strongsville Community Theater's production of "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown." She will be in the Ensemble and in all dance numbers. This production will be in April.

Alexis also enjoys being a part of Bulldog Buddies, Student Council, Fitness Club, and Book Club. She currently has attained the rank of Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and is studying towards her second Chevron.



*Alexis as a princess mermaid in BTC's 2015 production of "Little Mermaid"*

## Calling on students to be "In The Spotlight"

Music students of Olmsted Falls (K-12): submit a brief profile of what you are currently involved musically at your school and in the community to Kathy Green at [bgreen9339@aol.com](mailto:bgreen9339@aol.com) to be featured in upcoming issues of *Musical Notes*.

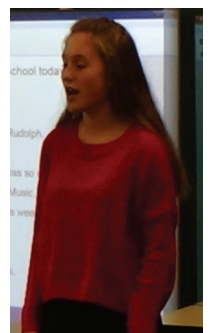


# Sharing Music during the holiday season!





# District Caroling





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Our Mission: To support, encourage, advance, and cultivate, through volunteerism and fundraising, the musical education of students in the Olmsted Falls City Schools.

**YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR!**

Membership contributions and fund raising moneys are used to provide additional equipment, extra support, and new learning experiences for all music programs in the Olmsted Falls School District.

*Your contribution is tax deductible, as allowed by law.  
 OFMA is a non-profit, 501c3 organization.  
 Many employers match contributions. See if yours does.*

For more information contact Ellen Bertrand at 216.347.2474 or email at ellenbertrand@sbcglobal.net.



Olmsted Falls Music Association (OFMA)

-----Detach and Return-----

**I (we) wish to help provide support for our talented young music students in the Olmsted Falls Schools!**

Name(s)\*: \_\_\_\_\_

\*as you wish it to appear in printed recognition, including school programs

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership/Donation Level** (Please make your check payable to OFMA)

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$250+ Leadership Patron | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 Diamond Patron | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Platinum Patron |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Gold Patron         | <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Silver Patron   | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Patron           |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Student/Friend   |  |

YES! I want to volunteer. Please contact me.

**Please make check payable and return to:**  
**OFMA**  
**PO Box 38023**  
**Olmsted Falls, OH 44138**  
**Attn: Ellen Bertrand**





Olmsted Falls High School Music Travel  
Fundraiser

**SUPERBOWL HOAGIE SALE**

Parents and Students,

The Olmsted Falls High School Music Department has reinstated band and choir trips at the high school level. The goal is for every student to participate in at least one trip during their 4 years at Olmsted Falls High School.

In order to defray each family's out of pocket expense, OFMA is providing a number of fundraising opportunities. Even if your student is in Middle School, they can participate to start earning funds. Please contact Janet Kollar for order information.

This order form and forthcoming envelope is to be used by the student to collect money for the presale of fresh Italian Hoagies for Super Bowl Sunday, February 5, 2017. All orders are **due** to their HS music teacher by **Friday, January 27, 2017** using the envelope. Any students taking the trip to Florida this February will receive an envelope upon boarding the bus with spending cash for each Hoagie sold (amount to be determined, but approximately \$2.50 per sandwich). All other students will have funds placed in their respective student trip account for future music travels.

Each student is responsible for selling, picking up, and delivering the sandwiches. Sandwiches will be assembled at Shaker IGA **Saturday, February 4, by 10 AM. Pickup is between 10am and 12PM.** Students and parents are required for assembly. Please join us at IGA at 9am for Hoagie Assembly. Contacts for OFMA's Hoagie Sale:

Janet Kollar 440-235-5394 janetrk@sbcglobal.net  
You can also join our Facebook Community at the Olmsted Falls Music Association Group page

Each OFMA Hoagie is served on an 8" Italian sandwich roll. The sandwich is made with pepperoni, salami, shaved ham, and provolone cheese. Lettuce and tomato will be wrapped separately to preserve the freshness of the ingredients. Cost is \$5.00 per sandwich. No substitutions. Checks made out to OFMA are gladly accepted, preferably one check per envelope. **Thanks to IGA for making this fundraiser possible.**

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20				x \$ 5.00	
			Total Sandwiches		Total Money

Student:	Music Teacher:
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THE OLMSTED FALLS MUSIC ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

# Ballroom Blitz

MUSIC BY THE OLMSTED FALLS HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND & GOLDEN EXPRESSIONS

**FEBRUARY 24, 2017 - 7:00PM**

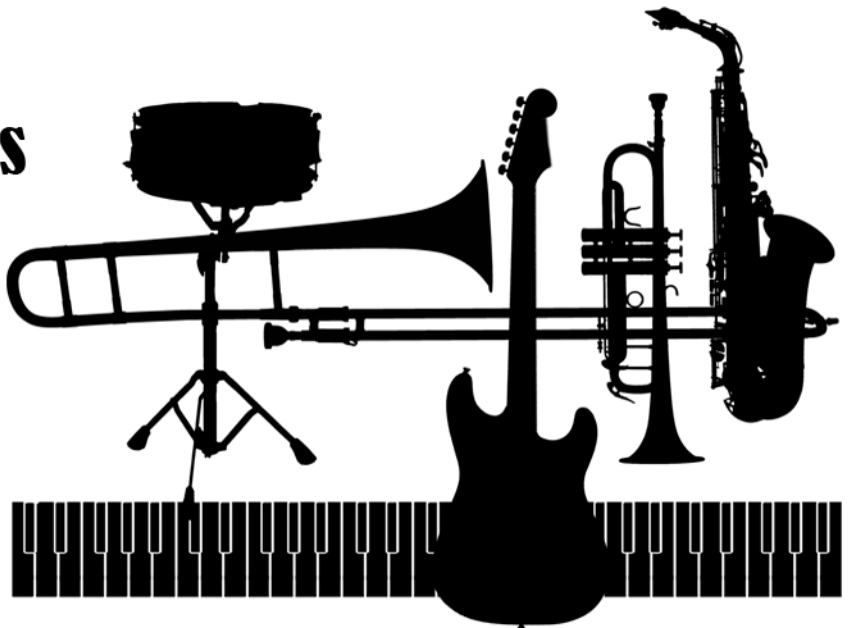
at the beautiful olmsted falls high school café ballroom

# ALL THAT JAZZ

**\$10 per person    \$7 for students & seniors (65+)**

Tickets Available from Any Jazz Band or Golden Expression Member, at the Door, or by emailing [hgareau@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hgareau@sbcglobal.net)

**Dancing  
Finger Foods  
Appetizers  
Desserts  
Raffles  
Door Prizes  
and more!**



All proceeds go to the promotion and enhancement of the music experience for Olmsted Falls music students district-wide