



# Olmsted Falls MUSIC ASSOCIATION

## *Musical Notes*

December 2017



### **OFMA's mission statement:**

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

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OFMA meets at 7 p.m. on the 1st Wednesday of the month (during the school year) in the choir room at the high school. Parents, students, staff and community members are invited.

*Meeting changes will be posted on twitter, facebook and the website.*

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Keep up to date on by joining the OFMA facebook page, visiting the website and/or follow OFMA on twitter.

Website

<http://www.olmstedfallsmusic.com/>



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Below is a listing of financial donors as of November 17, 2017.

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# FUNDRAISERS

## Support OFMA while shopping at Amazon!

OFMA is now one of Amazon Smile charities. When shopping on AmazonSmile select **Olmsted Falls Music Association** as your charity and 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be donated to OFMA to benefit our music programs.

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Go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) from the web browser on your computer or mobile device or [click here to go directly to site.](#)



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## Now thru December 31st

Purchase \$100 gift cards from  
The Eye Place in Olmsted Falls  
**20% of the sales will be donated to OFMA.**

The Eye Place  
8099 Columbia Road  
(in the Mill River Plaza)  
440-235-8099

<http://www.theeyeplaceonline.com>

*HSA and FSA funds can be used to purchase gift cards.*

*No expiration dates on the cards.*



## Annual Super Bowl Hoagie Sale

**Saturday, February 3, 2018**

*Choir and band students have the opportunity to earn funds for their trip accounts by selling hoagies.*

*Watch for details in next newsletter.*

### A Note of Thanks to OFMA

Hello parents and all!! I know I'm just a kid and all but I felt like this might mean a lot to the group for me to say and everyone to hear. It's really awesome to see all the parents in OFMA and the leaders who do their part to make our program really special. I realized today how parents are the most amazing people and especially our OFMA parents. To you, it's all about us. The kids. And not just your own kids, collectively you're doing it for the greater good of the music program at our school and for your kids' classmates too. Out of the kindness in your hearts we found a way to have pizza at every home game (with help from Ann from Angelina's!), and find new ways to make money and fund our trips, and to give kids (including myself!!) scholarship money so we can further progress in our musical careers through the amazing music camps in the surrounding area, and many more things you do for us. As often as we may get pushed to the bottom of the list of priorities, we always seem to land on top. Thank you parents and leaders for the constant support and care for our lovely little program.

Giana Formica

*(Giana is a freshman band student at OFHS and posted this on OFMA's facebook page).*



## OFMA's Annual Ballroom Blitz February 17, 2018

Featuring:  
**OFHS Golden Expressions  
& Jazz I Band**



If you are interested in volunteering or donating items for raffle baskets, contact Barb Gareau at [Bgareau@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Bgareau@sbcglobal.net)

*More details in January newsletter.*

**Purchase Krispy Kreme donuts  
at choir and band concerts  
\$8 per box**





# Music News

## OFIS 5th Grade Choir

Presents

### Wright

A musical play about the Wright Brothers and the beginning of flight.

**Thursday, December 14, 2017**  
**7 p.m. at OFMS Cafetorium**

## 5th Grade Band Parent "Informance"

Parents of fifth grade band students are invited to join their student for morning band class on the following days:

- \*Flutes: December 14th, 7:15-7:45 a.m.
- Trumpets, Percussion and Clarinets:  
December 18th, 7:15-7:45 a.m.
- Saxophones and Trombones:  
December 19th, 7:15-7:45 a.m.

*\*Due to High School Exams, Flute class will be cancelled on December 18th and will resume after Winter Break*

Falls-Lenox Primary School  
2nd Grade Classes  
Present

## Patriotic & American Folk Songs

**Tuesday, January 23, 2018**  
OFHS Auditorium

Session I @ 6:15 p.m.  
Classes: Chichester, Cieker, Ehlke, LaGruth,  
Mlady and Dame

Session II @ 7:15 p.m.  
Classes: Gommel, Oltmanns, Statz, Timura  
and Vormelker

## 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.

## OMEA District IV & VII High School Honors Festival

Congratulations to the OFHS choir & band students who represented Olmsted Falls at this festival on Saturday, November 11th at Cleveland State University.



### Members of Honors Band

Sitting (left to right): Emma Andrus, Abby Gaba, Zach Zdanowicz, Kayla Mandak & Colleen Gareau.  
Standing (left to right): Hope Burkart, Andrew Barnard, Dan Fidler, Kolby Garrison and Mrs. Julie Budd (OFHS band director)



### Members of Honors Choir

(left to right): Kyle Lewis, Camryn Hassel, Autumn Knierim, Lindsay Rowe, Alex Bolton and Mrs. Joy Kiedrowski (OFHS choral director)

## TAPS

OFHS band students **Jake Dahlinger** and **Michael Dulin** played Taps at the Falls-Lenox Primary School's Veterans Day Program in November.







# Out & About



Golden Harmonies at Playhouse Square



Golden Harmonies at The Q

The OFMS Golden Harmonies' calendar have been filled with performances in the district and at venues in Cleveland.

Here in the district, the Golden Harmonies performed at the Olmsted Falls retired staff Christmas lunch and at the Olmsted Township & Olmsted Falls' tree lighting ceremonies.

At venues in downtown Cleveland, The Golden Harmonies have performed The National Anthem at the Cavaliers and Monsters games and have performed a pre-show at Playhouse Square (before the play *A Christmas Carol*).

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### *Senior Scholarships*

OFMA awards 3 scholarships to graduating seniors; one to a choir student, one to a band student and one to a music student who is in both band and choir.

Students eligible for a scholarship must be current seniors who have participated in Olmsted Falls High School choir and/or band program for a minimum of two years and who have been a leader in the music program and Olmsted Falls High School in general. Parent and student involvement as a volunteer with OFMA will be a factor in the selection process.



**SCHOLARSHIPS**

*Seniors must also complete the Olmsted Falls Local Scholarship application to be eligible for OFMA's scholarship (deadline for this application is January 8, 2018)*

Students must turn in completed applications to their band/choir director no later than **March 1, 2018**.

Scholarship application may be downloaded from OFMA's website: <http://www.olmstedfallsmusic.com/downloads>

These scholarships will be awarded at the Honors Day Assembly in late spring.





# OFMS Bulldog Theatre Company performed *Fame Jr.* for its fall musical







# The view from above







# Olmsted Falls MUSIC ASSOCIATION

## Go Bulldogs!

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 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR!!***

*Patron contributions and fund raising moneys are used to provide student scholarships and grants to the music programs.*

*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](mailto:ellenbertrand@sbcglobal.net).



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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Donation Levels (Please make your check payable to OFMA)***

\_\_\_\_\_ \$250+ Leadership Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ \$150 Diamond Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Platinum Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 Gold Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 Silver Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Patron

\_\_\_\_\_ \$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 Music Drawstring Backpacks

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Holiday Special Prices:

\$8 for one

\$15 for two

\$7 each for three or more



Proceeds to support the music programs in Olmsted Falls City School District.

## Olmsted Falls Music Drawstring Backpack Order Form

Please print clearly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Music Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Check appropriate box:

1 drawstring backpack @\$8       2 drawstring backpacks @\$15

3 or more drawstring backpacks @ \$7 each: Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to and return to:

**OFMA**

**PO Box 38023**

**Olmsted Falls, OH 44138**

**Attn: Kathy Harris Green**

OFMA to complete: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_