

BURLEIGH MANOR MUSIC PARENTS' NOTES

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BMMP Salutes
Kathy Cammarata!



Our wonderful
Orchestra director,
Kathy Cammarata,
has been selected
as Howard County
Music Educator
of the Year.



Congratulations,
Mrs. Cammarata!



From the President...

The busy spring season is upon us! As we move into the year-end concert season, please take a moment to recognize the highly accomplished directors that lead each of the groups.

Our school community is truly fortunate to have music educators who teach at a superior level and whose excellence is recognized throughout the state and region. Kathy Cammarata has just been chosen Howard County Music Educator of the year, and her leadership of the Howard Regional Youth Orchestra included a performance at the Mid-Atlantic Music Educators Conference in Baltimore in March. Ellen Doring, along with Paul Lavin, led the Howard County Middle School Gifted and Talented Chorus, which included a performance at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. Jeffrey Brodie directed the Junior All State Band in Baltimore this year. He also, along with David Smith, directed the Howard County Middle School Gifted and Talented Band in February. These wonderful directors also led Burleigh Manor students to superior ratings at adjudications and festival performances.

Please mark your calendars for the spring concerts – enjoy the excellent music!

— Mary Ann Mattheiss

New! BMMP Website

Our site has a new, user-friendly address! Our home on the Web now is www.burleighmanormusic.org. You also can access the site by clicking on the “Music Parents” link on the BMMS home page. On our website, you’ll find the calendar, another copy of the CD order form, and much more. Many thanks to Malinda Hughes for her hard work in making this website possible!



HELP WANTED: Parents to Work with BMMP

BMMP is looking for parents who would like to be involved with BMMP next year in a leadership or assistant leadership capacity. Please contact Mary Ann Mattheiss if you have a few hours to help maintain our vibrant community.

Music Calendar

Orientation Performances

Concert Band and Chorus
May 5

State Choral Adjudication

Chamber Choir
May 6

Hershey Park Trip

Orchestra
May 6

Spring Concert

Wind Ensemble, Chamber
Choir, and Chorus
May 10, 7:00 PM at CHS

Hershey Park Trip

Wind Ensemble and
Chamber Choir
May 13

**State Solo and Ensemble
Festival**

May 14

Spring Concert

Concert Band and Choir
May 17, 7:00 PM at CHS

Spring Jazz Concert

May 19, 6:50 & 8:00 PM
BMMS cafeteria

Spring Concert

Orchestras
May 24
7:00 PM at CHS

Music Celebration Trip

May 31

Band Awards Dinner

June 7
6 PM at BMMS cafeteria

Band corner *By Jeffry Brodie*

As we conclude another year I want to thank all the people who have been such a help and have helped to make possible the great achievements of the Burleigh Manor Band.

Mozart in Us¹

“Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, of course, was a prodigy. How else can you explain someone who started to compose at the age of five; learned to play the harpsichord, violin, and organ; and toured Europe as a concert musician; and by the age of 13 had written sonatas, symphonies, concertos, and operettas?

But our “serious” picture of the young genius may not help us to glimpse the very real child he also was. While touring England as a concert musician with Johann Christian Bach, he used to visit the inns and took gleeful delight on playing with the brass spittoons.



Not too many people know that Mozart was also one of the finer billiard players in Europe, or that he gained inspiration for his music from listening to the click of the balls and the soft thud as they bounced off the green baize of the billiard table.

Was Mozart, as we so easily suppose, an extraordinary and special case? Or was he to some extent simply a child, with a child’s natural enthusiasm, and a father who encouraged him in the pursuit of music?

Today we marvel at how young children learn. Children who are brought up in other countries frequently absorb three or four languages, without confusing them. Even if we view Mozart as an extraordinary exception, it is clear that all children have an incredible capacity to learn. As adults we may tend to play down their accomplishments by saying, “Well, of course they can do it — they’re kids! They don’t know what they’re doing.”

Wouldn’t it be marvelous if we could combine our knowledge and maturity with that childlike transparency and endless curiosity — so that we could learn, perform, and listen to music with the openness of children? Is it possible for us to recapture our “youthful” ability to see, hear, feel, and understand?”

¹*The Inner Game of Music - Barry Green*

Volunteers Needed

- Coordinator for the Band Banquet
- Volunteers for each of the concerts (set up, chaperone, tickets/ programs, door monitoring, clean up)
- Ice Cream Coordinator for the Music Celebration Trip

If you can help out, please email Jenny Abel at abel9053@comcast.net. Thanks!

SUMMER BAND PROGRAMS

Centennial Lane

Summer Band Camp
Directors: Frank Owens and Rich Lucas
Burleigh Manor Middle School
July 18-22 and July 25-29,
9 AM - 12 PM

Music and Arts Centers'

Summer Band Camp
Directors: David Smith & Kendal Davis
Clarksville Middle School
July 11-15 and July 18-22
Grades 5-12
Symphonic Band
9 AM - 12:00 PM

Jazz Band 1 PM - 3 PM

For information, call David Smith at 410.795.3562.

**Howard County
Recreation & Parks
Summer Band Camp**

Directors: Robert Miller and Nick Ellis
Howard Community College
July 19-29, 9 AM - 12 PM

Optional Jazz Ensemble & Music History 12 PM - 1 PM

For information call 410.313.4630 or 410.992.1933

**U of Maryland Summer
Youth Music Camp**

Director: Mike Hewitt
U of MD, College Park
July 31 - August 5
9 AM - 3:30 PM
Grades 6-9
Band and three electives from the following:
Composition, Technology, World, Drumming, Jazz Improvisation, Piano, Guitar, Camp Chorus, Beginning Instrument Lab.

For information, visit <http://www.music.umd.edu/Faculty/MHewitt/symc.htm> or call 301.405.9714

**Shenandoah
Conservatory
Performing Arts
Festival**

Shenandoah Conservatory,
Winchester VA, July 10-14
For information, visit the website at www.shenandoahperforms.su.edu or call 540.545.7210

**McDaniel College
Summer Band Camp**

June 26 - July 2
For information, visit <http://www2.mcdaniel.edu/Music/summermusic/summermusic.html> or call Linda Kirkpatrick at 410.857.2550

**Summer Music
Programs at
DeMatha H.S.**

Summer Band
Tues/Thurs, July 5 - 21
Jazz Workshop
July 6-8
9:30 AM - 3 PM
Clinicians: Chris Vadala & Brett Lemley

Trombone Workshop
July 11, 9:30 AM - 3 PM
Clinician: David Sciannella
For information, call 301.864.3666 x 137