



*Somerset*

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*Music*

*P.O. Box 242 Somerset, MA 02726 August 2010*

***Happy Summer!***

Parents & Friends,

**Welcome to our 2010-2011 school year.**

Join us in our undertaking and see how much fun and rewarding it is working with and for our young adults.

Your children are important to us from grammar school through high school. Parents, your encouragement will help them have a very rewarding years.

Music brings creativity, discipline and values into their lives and their hearts while being part of a team.

Hope to see you August 31 at 7 PM at our meeting for all High School Music Students and Parents!

Hope your summer was great!

Mrs Alice L. Arruda

President

Somerset Friends of Music

**On Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**, at 6:30 p.m., the *Somerset Friends of Music* will hold their first General Meeting for 2010-2011 school year. This is our annual Membership Tea, where we welcome all new members of the organization. We encourage all music parents to become members of the Friends of Music (please see the enclosed membership form). This organization helps out the music department at all levels, and they are always looking for volunteers. In addition, we will be reviewing events for the year, fundraising, and general information re: the high school music department. This is a very important meeting for all of our high school students and parents and we strongly urge you to attend this meeting. Please make an effort to attend this meeting.

**Let's work together to KEEP MUSIC ALIVE in Somerset!**

## ***A Note from our Director***

As I write this, we are in the midst of a 3-H summer (hazy, hot, and humid). I hope that everyone is enjoying the season and is staying cool! I am looking forward to a great year with all of our music students. The intent of this newsletter is to let you know of important information for the year and to give you a schedule of upcoming events. Please note the dates and times of events that apply to you. Also note that this newsletter is going to incoming freshmen as well as graduating seniors. I encourage all of our alumni to come back and visit us and I also encourage everyone to visit our website, [www.somersetmusic.org](http://www.somersetmusic.org), for up-to-date information.

We have a new high school chorus director! His name is Andrew Arcello, and he is looking forward to working with all of our chorus students! We are very pleased to have him with us and please see the note that follows from Mr. Arcello.

Please note that there will be a very important meeting for all high school music students on **Tuesday, August 31 at 7:00 p.m.** in the high school auditorium. All students and a parent should attend. We will be talking about upcoming events, including the Musictown Festival and Fundraisers. Please note that the Friends of Music will be holding their first general meeting of the year on Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. These meetings will be held every other month, on the third Tuesday of the month, starting in September. Please try to attend these meetings – we need your input and you will learn valuable information on the program. We are also looking for parents who would like to get involved with the Friends of Music and some of our events.

I am trying to update our email list – this list has been a valuable tool in getting information to parents and students quickly. Please email me at [andersonl@somerset.k12.ma.us](mailto:andersonl@somerset.k12.ma.us) at your earliest convenience.

Enjoy the rest of the summer & I look forward to seeing you soon!

Ms. Lori Anderson - Coordinator of the Fine and Performing Arts

## **Hello SHS Music Department!**

My name is Andrew Arcello, and I am the new choral director here at Somerset High School. I am very excited to begin working with everyone this year. Obviously, I love music, and it has always been my dream to be a high school choral director – Somerset seems like a perfect fit! When I'm not working with choirs or teaching, I love to travel around the world and explore as much as I can. I can't wait to meet all of the students, parents, and families of the music department. I wish you a great year ahead and many great musical experiences for all! See you soon!

Mr. Andrew Arcello

## STRING CAMP

There will be a mini “camp” for all high school string players. The purpose of this camp is to get a head start on the upcoming year, and especially the Musictown Festival.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 30:** It is recommended that all **FRESHMAN** string players attend the following practice sectionals. Please note the following times for your instrument:

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Violins/ 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Violas/ 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Celli & Bass

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 31:** This practice is for **All incoming SHS string students.** Please try to attend. Time: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. (Please note that this practice will be followed by the meeting for all music students at 7:00 p.m.)

## MARCHING BAND INFORMATION

**Please note the following list of required materials and due dates:**

- Marching Band Handbook Agreement, Music Department Permission Slip, and Blue Raider Marching Band Health form due to Mr. Marshall by August 23rd
- Uniform Cleaning and Apparel Order form due ASAP
- Excused absence form due to Mr. Marshall 2 weeks prior to an absence
- Instrument/equipment loan form due to Mr. Marshall prior to a student taking a school-owned instrument home for practice
- Chaperone and Pit Crew/Prop Volunteers forms due at your earliest convenience
- Marching Band Uniform Agreement due to Mr. Marshall before a student is assigned a uniform for usage (this will be filled out by uniform managers, and given to individuals for a parent/guardian signature).

## SEPTEMBER BUMPER STICKER DRIVE

The Somerset Friends of Music will hold its annual Bumper Sticker Drive on **Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**. All high school music students will be canvassing Somerset selling vinyl window stickers. **All high school music students are expected to participate in this event.** We need parents who can assist us in driving the students on their assigned routes. Parents should contact a Mrs. Arruda if they are able to help out.

## DISCOUNT CARDS

The Somerset Friends of Music will be sponsoring a Discount Card for the students to sell. This card can be used all year with 14 participating businesses. A portion of what the students sell will go into their individual music accounts, and can be used to pay for department-related expenses (such as uniforms, trips, etc). Encourage your son/daughter to sell these cards – they are a great way for them to earn music money! The price of each card is \$6.00.

## SIMCOCK FARM FUNDRAISER

**Simcock Farm** is sponsoring a **fundraiser to benefit the music department**. We encourage everyone to patronize the ice cream stand throughout the summer and vote for the animal that they would like to be the "Mayor" of the farm. All proceeds from the election will go directly to the music department. Please come and have ice cream and vote! In addition, on **Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**, **there will be a celebration from 2 p.m. – 7 p.m.** at the farm where the winner of the election will be announced! The music department will receive all proceeds from the ice cream stand that day.

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2010-2011

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## SOMERSET FINE & PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT CALENDAR(Tentative)

### 2010 – 2011

August 23 – 27	Marching Band Camp	2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
August 30 – Sept. 2	Marching Band Camp	2:00 – 9:00 p.m.(Cookout on Sept. 2 <sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.)
August 31	Meeting for music students and parents	6:30 p.m. in the auditorium
Sept. 7	Induction meeting for the FOM board	6:00 p.m.
September 21	Friends of Music General Meeting	6:30 p.m. (HS Auditorium)
September 22	Elementary Band/String night	TBA
September 25	Bumper Sticker Drive	9:00 a.m.
September 25	NESBA Marching Band Show	Times T.B.A.
September 26	Election Celebration at Simcock farm	TBA
October 1	Dartmouth Home Football game	7:00 p.m.
October 2	NESBA Malden Marching Band Show	Times T.B.A.
<b>October 3</b>	<b>MUSICTOWN King/Queen Judging</b>	<b>12:00 p.m. – approx. 6:00 p.m. (HS)</b>
October 4 (Monday)	Friends of Music Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
<b>October 7</b>	<b>MUSICTOWN Ball</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. (Venus DeMilo)</b>
October 8	Wareham Home football game	7:00 p.m.
<b>October 9</b>	<b>MUSICTOWN Kiddies' Day</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
October 9	NESBA Marching Band show	Times TBA
October 13	Parent-Teacher Conferences	Times T.B.A.
<b>October 14</b>	<b>MusicTown Pops Night</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>October 17</b>	<b>MUSICTOWN Grand Day</b>	<b>10:00 a.m. - Field Shows / 2:00 p.m. – Parade</b>
<b>October 19</b>	<b>MusicTown Concert Night</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
October 21	Parent-Teacher Conferences	Times T.B.A.
November 2	Professional Development Day (Teachers)	During the School-Day
November 5 & 6	Baystate Show Choir Festival (Oliver Ames High)	
November 18	Friends of Music General Meeting	6:30 p.m.
November 20	Senior District Auditions	T.B.A.
November 25	Thanksgiving Football Game (Home) Case High School	8:00 a.m. Report Time
November 28	Quincy Christmas Parade (Tentative Date)	Times T.B.A.
December 5	Taunton Christmas Parade(Tentative Date)	TBA
December 12	Vespers Concert	2:00 p.m. (HS Auditorium)
December 14	Grade 6 Concert	7:00 p.m. (MS Auditorium)
December 15	Grades 7 & 8 Concert	7:00 p.m. (MS Auditorium)
December 20	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade String Performance at Silver City Galleria	7:00 p.m.
December 21	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade String tour of all 4 Elementary Schools	during the school day

January 4 .....	Friends of Music Board Meeting .....	6:30 p.m.
January 7 & 8 .....	Senior District Festival @ Duxbury HS .....	Times T.B.A.
January 15 .....	Mill City Show Choir Festival @ Lowell High School .....	Times T.B.A.
January 18 .....	Friends of Music General Meeting .....	6:30 p.m. (HS Auditorium)
January 22 .....	All-State Auditions @ Shrewsbury HS(Selected Students) .....	Times T.B.A.
February 5 .....	Central Mass. Show Choir Festival @ Shepherd Hill Reg. HS .....	Times T.B.A.
February 27 .....	Competition Majorette Show @ Somerset High School .....	Times T.B.A.
March 2 .....	SHS Jazz Band Festival .....	Times T.B.A. (HS Auditorium)
March 4 & 5 .....	New England Show Choir Classic (Friday – SHS students only) .....	Times T.B.A.
March 6 .....	Indoor Show for Percussion/Cologuard at SHS.....	Times T.B.A.
March 10 .....	All District Band Festival (Grades 5-12) .....	7:00 p.m. (HS Auditorium)
March 11 & 12 .....	Junior District Music Festival .....	Times T.B.A.
March 15 .....	Friends of Music General Meeting .....	6:30 p.m. (HS Auditorium)
March 16 .....	String Festival (Grades 4 – 12) .....	7:00 p.m. (HS Auditorium) March 16
March 24 - 26 .....	All-State Music Festival & Conference .....	Times T.B.A.
March 31 – April 2 .....	All-Eastern Music Festival & Conference .....	Times T.B.A.
April 2 .....	Eastern Show Choir Festival @ Waltham High School .....	Times T.B.A.
April 13 .....	Middle School Concert .....	7:00 p.m.
April 14 .....	High School Spring Pops Concert .....	7:00 p.m.
April 29 – May 1 .....	High School Musical Production .....	Times T.B.A.
May 2 .....	Grade 5 Band Concert @ Middle School .....	7:00 p.m. (MS Auditorium)
May 6 .....	Middle School Select Strings, Select Chorus, & Jazz Band to Great East ...	Times T.B.A.
May 12 .....	High School Spring Concert Night .....	7:00 p.m. (HS Auditorium)
May 17 .....	Friends of Music General Meeting .....	6:30 p.m.
May 19 .....	Middle School Strings Prism Concert .....	7:00 p.m. (MS Auditorium)
May 26 .....	Middle School gr. 6 Art show.....	TBA
May 30 .....	Memorial Day Parade .....	8:30 a.m.
May 31 .....	High School Music Department Awards Night .....	Times T.B.A.
June 14.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Strings Performance at Chace and North (morning rehearsal at the Middle School) .....	Times TBA
June 15.....	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Strings to perform at the Council on Aging (morning rehearsal at the Middle	



School

## **MUSICTOWN FESTIVAL XXXVII**

MusicTown Festival announces our **37th** Year. The theme for this years festival is

**“Music from the Heart”**

The intent of this event is to give back to our community for the support we receive for our students in the music department.

We will open our Festival with our **Ball on October 7, 2010**. This is a great event and supports some of the activities we have .

Our next events are **Kiddie’s Day on October 9th, Pops Night is on Oct. 14th and our Grand Day will be held on Oct. 17th. Our Concert Night will follow on Tuesday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**To all of our parade sponsor’s:** we cannot thank you enough!

You have helped us **“Keep Music Alive”** in Somerset!

### **MUSICTOWN BALL 2010**

Be part of a special evening on Thursday, October 7, 2010, at the Venus de Milo. The ball is the official start of MusicTown Festival XXXVII. The evening provides entertainment for the whole family: Moms, Dads, Grandparents, and Friends. These students are proud to show you what they have accomplished in six weeks, so please join us for an enjoyable evening that celebrates the accomplishments of our students. The String Ensemble and Marching Band will be performing and all music students are encouraged to attend!

#### **DINNER**

Roast stuffed Boneless Chicken

Served promptly at 6:30 p.m.

While dining, enjoy the sounds of the String Ensemble!

#### **AFTER DINNER**

8:00 p.m. – Enjoy a performance of the Blue Raider Marching Band!

#### **PRESENTATION**

8:30 P.M. – MusicTown Festival XXXVII

King and Queen contestants

9:00 p.m. – King and Queen crowned

#### **DANCING**

Music for dancing will be provided by “Studio C”

#### **TICKETS**

\$24.00 for adults/\$17 for HS Music students only

#### **RESERVATIONS**

CALL: Chairperson Cindy Gamache at 508-673-4954

Reservations of six (6) will be held for tables of ten (10), with money for six.

\*\*Mrs. Gamache will be selling tickets at the HS during the last week of September.

The last day to purchase tickets for the ball will be Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>.



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**This membership fee helps defray some of our operating expenses.**



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 Somerset, Massachusetts 2010

DEAR PARENTS AND FRIENDS,

IN PREPARATION FOR THE MUSICTOWN FESTIVAL, THE FESTIVAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR ACTIVITIES ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2010.

Activities will consist of light physical activity and range from the placement of various signs to setting up the parade reviewing stand, to setting up tables and chairs for the field shows. Most activities average about two hours, and some may last a little longer.

In the past, there have been a handful of volunteers assisting this committee, and we are seeking additional people to break down activities into tasks that can be accomplished in a shorter time period with assigned teams. What is needed is a willingness to give a few hours to benefit the students on the Festival Grand Day.

If you (and possibly a friend) would be willing to assist in this manner, please detach the form below and return it with your son/daughter to the Music Dept. at SHS no later than Thursday, October 14, 2010, or call/email Lori Anderson at the High School. please let us know what time you would be available (7:00 am, 9:00 am, or 1:00 pm).

On behalf of the committee, we appreciate your time and help!

Sincerely,

Lori Anderson

(508) 324 - 3115 x521

[andersonl@somerset.k12.ma.us](mailto:andersonl@somerset.k12.ma.us)

Please return to: Ms. Lori Anderson, Somerset High School Music Department

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel.#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Available times on October 17, 2010: please return no later than Thursday, October 14, 2010

\_\_\_\_\_ 7:00 am

\_\_\_\_\_ 9:00 am

\_\_\_\_\_ 1:00 pm

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**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP TEA**  
**Tuesday, September 21, 2010 @ 6:30 p.m.**

I am your Friends of Music Newsletter and I want to stay home with you! I have loads to tell you, not just for today, but also until the end of the year! Newsletters come out every other month, starting in September. Also check the music department website regularly for updated information:

[www.somersetmusic.org](http://www.somersetmusic.org)