

Dutchess County Music Educators' Association

# 2014 Jr. High All-County Festival



# DCMEA

Saturday, January 25, 2014

2:00 pm – Chorus/Wind Ensemble

3:30 pm – Band/Orchestra

FDR High School

## **2014 DCMEA Jr. High All-County Orchestra**

**Brenda Vredenburg, Conductor**

Kimberly Handman, Chairperson

Brenda is a graduate of the Crane School of Music, SUNY @ Potsdam where she majored in Music Education and Organ Performance and was the recipient of the coveted Julia Crane Award in 1973. Her Master's ('76) was completed in Curriculum & Instruction from SUNY in Albany with concentration in reading. She retired in 2005 after completing 32 years of teaching in the Saratoga Springs City Schools where during her tenure as orchestra director, the Saratoga Springs Junior and Senior High School Orchestras and select Chamber Orchestra received the highest ratings at NYSSMA competitions and national music festivals all along the eastern seaboard, in Canada, and in Italy. She had the privilege of being a sponsor teacher for many very talented student teachers from the Crane School of Music. She has conducted orchestras for Elementary, Middle, and Senior High School County Music and Area All-State festivals in New York State and Massachusetts, served as a clinician for school professional development seminars and CASDA workshops, and is a solo and major organization certified judge for NYSSMA festivals. In addition to her private studio, she is currently the Albany Area College Supervisor for Student Teachers from Crane with her husband, Jeff. Her family, including 6 grandchildren (3 grandsons and a granddaughter in Williamsville and a granddaughter and grandson in Houston), brings life's greatest joys and blessings!

**Blue-Fire Fiddler**

**Soon Hee Newbold**

**Suite for Strings**

**John Rutter**

**Mvt. 3- O waly waly**

**Mvt. 4- Dashing away**

**Symphony No. 8 in G Major, Op. 88**

**Antonin Dvorak**

**Finale**

*arr. Sandra Dackow*

## **2014 DCMEA Jr. High All-County Chorus**

**Anthony Ravinsky, Conductor**

Elaine Miller, Accompanist

Brett Fleury and Justin Stockslager, Chairpersons

Anthony Ravinsky is the choral director at Cornwall Central High School in Orange County, New York. He received his Masters of Music at the University of Connecticut and his Bachelors of Music from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam. He is currently directing the Women's Choir, Male and Female A cappella Groups, Mixed Choir and Select Chorus at Cornwall Central High School, plus his curricular classes. In addition to these, Mr. Ravinsky is the Musical and Technical Director for the school's Drama Club, and works both on and off stage in several community theater companies.

Mr. Ravinsky is currently the President of the Orange County Music Educators Association (OCMEA) and was honored to have conducted All-County choirs in Ulster, Sullivan, and Rockland Counties over the past 6 years. In addition to this he is on the Board of Directors for the New York State Theater Education Association, and is a Co-Chair for their very successful Student Conference.

Under Mr. Ravinsky's direction, the Cornwall Central High School's Select Choir has received Superior Ratings at Adjudication Festivals, and his a cappella groups continue to be ambassadors to the Cornwall Central School's choral program. Prior to Cornwall, Tony participated heavily in the Crane School of Music's Choral Ensembles, Opera Ensemble and Potsdam's Drama departments both on and off stage. He has studied conducting under Dr. Rebecca Reames and Dr. Daniel Gordon at the Crane School of Music and Dr. Jamie Spillane at the University of Connecticut.

**Jubilate Alleluia**

**Dies Irae, from Requiem**

**Inscription of Hope**

**Witness**

**Oye**

**Mary Lynn Lightfoot**

**Wolfgang A. Mozart**  
*arr. Patrick M. Liebergen*

**Z. Randall Stroope**

**Traditional**  
*arr. Roger Emerson*

**James Papoulis**

## **2014 DCMEA Jr. High All-County Band**

**Kathleen Richards Ehlinger, Conductor**

Gina Gaspary, Chairperson

Kathleen Richards Ehlinger, Conductor of the Guilderland Town Band and is the Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble Director at Guilderland High School holds a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from the Crane School of Music, Potsdam, NY, and a Master's Degree from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. She has studied with Colonel Gilbert Mitchell (US Army Band), Colonel Arnold Gabriel, and Professor Anthony Maiello.

Kathleen's high school groups have earned many Gold and Gold w/Distinction awards at the NYSSMA Evaluation Festivals. Ms. Ehlinger has guest-conducted many All-County Festivals throughout New York State including Albany, Saratoga, Rensselaer, Monroe, Schoharie, Greene, Herkimer and now Dutchess Counties. She is a NYSSMA Solo and Large Ensemble adjudicator, brass clinician, and performs on her trumpet with the Capital Region Wind Ensemble and the Tri-City Brass Quintet. Kathleen serves as a board member for the New York State Band Directors Association and is very happy and honored to have the opportunity to teach and inspire young people.

**Fanfare and Flourishes**

**A Hymn for Band**

**Anthem for Winds and Percussion**

**Coast Guards March**

**James Curnow**

**Hugh M. Stuart**

**Claude T. Smith**

**Karl L. King**  
*arr. James Swearingen*

# **2014 DCMEA Jr. High All-County Wind Ensemble**

**Thomas Stickney, Conductor**

Mia Chong, Chairperson

Thomas Stickney is the Concert Band director at Minisink Valley High School in Slate Hill, NY. Under his direction, the Concert Band consistently receives Gold ratings at NYSSMA Major Organization Festivals, as well as first place ratings at other band competitions, both inside and outside of New York State. Notable performances of his ensemble include *Cloudburst*, under the direction of Eric Whitacre, and premieres of two of Thomas' own compositions: *Minisink Rag*, and *Europa*.

In addition to teaching the Concert Band at Minisink Valley High School, Thomas teaches Music in Our Lives, Comprehensive Music, and brass lessons. In 2009, he started the school's first AP Music Theory course. He also maintains a private studio where he teaches brass, piano, as well as theory and composition.

Thomas is very excited to be working with the Dutchess County Junior High Wind Ensemble! His past work includes conducting the Sullivan County Junior High Band, and will be returning this year to conduct the Sullivan County Junior High Jazz Band. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Music Education from *The Crane School of Music*, SUNY Potsdam and a Master's degree in Instructional Technology from the New York Institute of Technology. He lives in Montgomery, NY with his wife Maureen.

**Prairie Dances**

**David Holsinger**

**Fate of the Gods**

**Steven Reineke**

**Amazing Grace**

**Frank Ticheli**

**Novo Lenio**

**Samuel Hazo**