

## GOLD RATING FOR HIGH SCHOOL BAND

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, the Barker HS Concert Band performed for two judges at NYSSMA (New York State Student Music Association) at Spencerport High School. The group received a gold rating for the third straight year. The students demonstrated an outstanding level of technical and artistic skill. Congratulations to Mr. Rappold, Band Director and all of the students in the band on the wonderful achievement while representing the Barker Central School District with honor and pride during an amazing performance.

The HS Band had an unexpected challenge added to their preparation towards NYSSMA New York State Band Competition. Two weeks before the competition, Mr. Rappold was in need of a tuba player for the competition. 7<sup>th</sup> grader Liam Garcia was elevated from the Junior High Band to fill the role. The process to get Liam up to speed was rigorous and demanding. Garcia rose to the occasion and performed admirably helping the HS Band get the Gold Medal.



**High School Band (Front Row, L-R):** Madison Stephan (Clarinet), Ivy Feuersanger (Flute), Robert Clark, (Timpani), Naomi Bish (Mallets), Faith Bowerman (Flute), Jillian Fisk (Flute), Charlie Gow (Flute), Addisyn Weller (Clarinet), Karl Hill II (Baritone Sax), Isaac Monaco (Alto Sax), Gabriel Nestoros (Percussion), Michael Kalynycz (Percussion), Tristen Garcia (Percussion), Liam Garcia (Tuba). (Back Row): Meghan Mallon (Tenor Sax), Evangeline Harris (Bass Clarinet), Summer Duchow (Clarinet), Chloe Duchow (Clarinet), Melodi Murphy (Alto Sax), Jocelyn Schmitt (Clarinet), Kaleigh Thuman (Clarinet), Julia Kalynycz (Percussion), Fiona Wass (Trumpet), Jordyn Kinne (Flute), Aurora Wass (Flute), Alina Riches (Clarinet), Elise Monaco (Trumpet), Adeline Atwater (Trumpet & Horn), Riley Marciszewski (Trombone & Horn), Elizabeth Samson (Alto Sax), Oscar Dergel (Alto Sax), Caleb Alexander (Trumpet), Daniel Goodwin (Baritone), Bradly Maines (Baritone), Dakota Mandaville (Percussion), Ryan Fisk (Mallets).

The Intermediate Band had a great field trip to Kleinhans Music Hall in Buffalo to hear the Buffalo Philharmonic. Both the Primary Band and Intermediate Band, as well as the 5-6 Chorus are looking forward to the annual trip to the Seabreeze Amusement Park Music Festival in June.

The Barker Music Department would like to congratulate all of the band and chorus students who were accepted





to one of the NCMEA (Niagara County Music Educators Association) All-County ensembles. These students were selected as festival participants based on their adjudicated solo performances in December. Each group spent two full days, Friday and Saturday, preparing brand new music for a concert performance. The ensembles are made up of some of the top student musicians from every school in Niagara County. Congratulations to each of our NCMEA students.



(Counterclockwise from Upper Right, L-R): Jr. High Band - Festival 1: **Karl Hill II** (Baritone Saxophone).

Elementary Chorus - Festival 2: **Jacob Linkowski** (Alto), **Cerenity Street** (Alto).

Sr. High Chorus - Festival 1: **Jillian Fisk** (Soprano), **Alexis Dauphinee** (Soprano), **Connor Dwyer** (Bass).

Elementary Band - Festival 3 (L-R): **Easton Lewis** (Trumpet), **Cerenity Street** (Clarinet), **Adam Grabowski** (Baritone Horn), **Hannah Monaco** (Flute), **Maxwell Liuzzi** (Trumpet), **Lydia Atwater** (Trombone), **Jordyn Jones** (Trumpet), **Tessa Seward** (French Horn).

Jr. High Chorus - Festival 3: **Noralie Pierce** (Soprano), **Xyon Weese** (Alto), **Addisyn Weller** (Soprano), **Chace Atwater** (Tenor).

Sr. High Band - Festival 2: **Riley Marciszewski** (French Horn), **Michael Kalynycz** (Snare Drum), **Jocelyn Schmitt** (Clarinet).





## HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMS *SHREK THE MUSICAL*

From March 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, the Barker community and beyond was treated to the Barker Musical Theater production of *Shrek The Musical*, on stage in the Herbert F. Ludwig Fine Arts Auditorium. Director/Producer Ms. Cheryl Johnson acknowledged the dedication and commitment to 14 seniors involved in the show. Many of these students have been significant contributors to the musical theater program throughout their Jr.-Sr. High School years:

- Qiessa Alwani - Happy Villager, Guard, Skeleton
- Ayame Crenshaw - Stage Crew
- Alexis Dauphinee - Mama Ogre, Queen of Hearts, Duloc, Dragon, 3 Blind Mice
- Shelby Dauphinee - Fiona
- Adler Detschner - Shrek
- Summer Duchow - Spotlights
- Connor Dwyer - Donkey
- Ryan Fisk - Pit Band: Xylophone, Bells, Percussion
- Evangeline Harris - Set Design & Construction
- Sahara Holland - Farquaad
- Michael Kalynycz - Pit Band: Drum Set
- Meghan Mallon - Stage Manager, Set Design & Construction
- Aleena Parfinski - March Hare, Duloc
- David Westcott - King Harold, Big Bad Wolf, Skeleton

Visit the Barker Musical Theater website to view the show program which includes the full cast list, images, ads, bios, acknowledgments, and more.



(Top-Bottom, L-R): Adler Detschner arrives to rescue Shelby Dauphinee. Julia Kalyncyz, Ava Kelemen, Jillian Fisk, Lucas Stephan, Jocelyn Schmitt, Lucy Lunde, and Faith Bowerman performing. Diarra Taliaferro, Sahara Holland, and Kasey Thering in the dungeon. (Images courtesy of Mrs. Katie Fisk.)





## THE MUSIC MAN KIDS PRESENTED BY PRATT STUDENTS

Under the direction of Ms. Andrea Nobles and Mrs. Ashley Atwater, Pratt Elementary students provided entertainment in two shows of *The Music Man Kids* on April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

Visit the Pratt Elementary Musical webpage to view the show program for acknowledgments, images, the full cast list, ads, and more.



(Top-Bottom, L-R): Brayden Gregory and Quincy Atwater perform an early scene with a large cast behind. The band is assembled - Leonel Sanchez-Chavez, Derek Brawley, Hudson Prynn, Benjamin Wakefield, Peyton Green. Tessa Seward, William Burczynski, and Hannah Monaco close a scene. Emilia Farina holds Lady Liberty's torch high. Kaleb Gargano, Jordyn Jones, Richard Thering, Daniella Carnes, Rose Poyfair, Evelyn Wittcop, and Kian Baker prepare to take their bows. Blake Barr is disturbed that Harold Hill, "doesn't know the territory." Greyson Heitzenrater and Rory Harvey move the Wells Fargo Wagon.