

Report of the St. Johnsbury Band for 2014

The 2014 St. Johnsbury Band's summer concert series was well attended. All concerts are free and open to the public and are paid through a special appropriation from the Town of \$770.

In addition, free ice cream socials were offered by area businesses. Special thanks to Community National Bank, Passumpsic Savings Bank, Armstrong's Better Hearing Service, Backyard Beauty Salon, New England List Services, NVRH and an anonymous sponsor.

There were two benefit concerts performed to raise money for other organizations. These concerts benefited the Melissa Jenkins Scholarship Fund at the St. Johnsbury Academy and the St. Johnsbury History and Heritage Center for a Veteran's Day concert. This concert's theme was a "Salute to Veterans" and included two combined pieces arranged by Alan Rowe and featured the North Country Chorus and the St. Johnsbury Band. The band also offered a Holiday concert at the North Congregational Church as well as other concerts beyond St. Johnsbury.

In 2015 the St. Johnsbury Band will perform with the St. Johnsbury School Band and the St. Johnsbury Academy Band for the annual Festival of Bands, Wednesday, March 25th at the St. Johnsbury School gym. We also participate in the Memorial Day Observance at the Courthouse.

Assuming our 2015 appropriation is supported by voters; look for us in the summer of 2015 at the band stand in Courthouse Park at 7:30 PM Monday evenings starting June 15th (weather permitting). Our first concert will be at St. Johnsbury Health and Rehab, June 8th and then we go to Courthouse Park. We suggest you bring a lawn chair or blanket. Children are welcome and often can be seen marching to the beat of the music. Each summer concert will offer a new program.

Membership in the St. Johnsbury Band is open to anyone with basic music reading skills and a concert type instrument. (Some instruments may be available at a very minor cost to new members; please inquire.)

For 2014 Band Officers and Directors:

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Acting Music Librarian: Jim McGregor

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The St. Johnsbury Band is a non profit 501(c) 3 organization and donations made to the band help us purchase new music and are tax deductible. Rehearsals are on-going so contact us for details. Currently band members range in age from 12 to their mid 80s! Lastly, we want to thank YOU our audiences for your enthusiastic reception you give us at our concerts and the support we receive from the Town of St. Johnsbury and the State of Vermont. We hope to see you in 2015!

Respectfully submitted by
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