



North Hills School District

North Hills High School

53 Rochester Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15229-1189

Phone: 412.318.1400 Fax: 412.318.1403

www.nhsd.net



www.northhillsschoralmusic.org

Shaun Cloonan, director
voice mail: ext. 3047, email: cloonans@nhsd.net

September 2, 2014

Dear North Hills Choir Alumni,

I'm so excited about the upcoming reunion on October 4th. We're over 80 members strong as of this letter, and more registrations have been coming in daily! It's sure to be a memorable event. I'm so looking forward to hearing the stories of your time in the North Hills Choir. This will be a wonderful time for you to reconnect and also to enjoy making music with everyone. We're by no means expecting perfection in a 3-hour rehearsal, so don't stress out – but you should probably at least glance at it ahead of time!

Enclosed, please find the music for the concert. The arrangement of "Day by Day" that we are performing is permanently out of print, so photocopies are included for you as we have originals in the NHHS choral library. Also, find a copy of the Alma Mater. The copies of "Song for Democracy" are from the high school choral library, so we'll need to make sure those are returned.

In terms of preparation, choose the vocal line that is most comfortable for you. We'll sort it all out during the rehearsal. Practice files will be available on the choral website so that you may listen to full recordings as well as your individual parts. The files will be added as they are made, so check the site frequently.

If you would like to keep your music packet after the concert, we would ask that you contribute \$12 to cover the cost. Money collected from this will go right back into the account to purchase more music for the current choir students. The remaining music will be collected and will replace old copies in disrepair.

Over the next couple of weeks, I encourage you to look for e-mails with specific details involving the reunion weekend. This letter would get quite lengthy if everything was included! The e-mail will list the final schedule, attire, room locations, and even a list of those attending, so keep a look out for it in the next week or so.

One thing, however, that I'd like to mention is that we do need help in covering the cost of the dinner. We are having it catered at the high school, and the budget doesn't allow for both the music and the meal. If you could please contribute \$15 per person for the meal, that would greatly help to make the dinner go as smoothly as possible. Checks can be made payable to North Hills High School. You could also bring it with you to registration on October 4th.

I'm also hoping that folks will bring in memorabilia to share. I'll have the old record collection on display, and Harriet Valliant is planning to put together a book of concert programs to share. Let's see some photos from choir trips, old letter jackets, yearbooks, and anything else you'd like to bring!

Looking forward to seeing and hearing you all on October 4th!

Musically yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shaun'.