

**Special points of**

**Interest:**

✓The next

Board of

Education Meeting

is

Thursday,

December 21st

at

7:00 p.m.

at

EMHS

Auditorium

**Holiday Greetings**



**Annual Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner a Success**

**Important Dates to remember:**

December 20th—7-8 pm—District Art Show—Leon J. Campo Center.

December 24—Christmas Eve  
December 25—Christmas Day  
December 26—Kwanzaa  
December 31—New Year's Eve  
January 1—New Year's Day

January 3—6 pm—EMPAC Meeting - 7pm—PTSA Meeting

January 8—6:30 p.m.—EMHS National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

January 15—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day—Schools Closed

January 16—7 pm—Junior College Planning Meeting

January 22—January 26 - Regents Exams

**U**nder the guidance of Mr. Michael Barracato, Mrs. Sherry Tuscano and Ms. Alexis Alterman, over 275 senior citizens, military members and their families living in the East Meadow community came together at East Meadow High School on Sunday, November 19th to enjoy the 37th annual Thanksgiving Dinner. This annual event, sponsored by East Meadow Kiwanis and East Meadow High School Key Club, has been a long lasting tradition. With community members cooking sixty-five turkeys and all the food donated by residents, businesses and students, the golden aged and military diners enjoyed an afternoon of food, good conversation, and musical entertainment. The entertainment was provided by Mr. Stephen Engle and the East Meadow Jazz Ensemble. Students throughout the district representing Key Club, and the K-Kids transformed the gymnasium with decorations. They also greeted the guests, escorted them to their tables and helped serve the magnificent dinner. It was a great day for all.

## East Meadow High School Music Performances

Students from the East Meadow High School Symphonic Bands played for the annual Holiday Lighting Ceremony at Veteran's Memorial Park on Thursday, December 7th. The band is under the direction of Mr. Greg Sisco.

Six students from East Meadow High School were selected to perform at this year's NYSSMA All-State Music Festival, held in Rochester, NY on November 30th - December 3rd. Congratulations to Jolie Rebelo (String Orchestra), Mary Zaradich (Symphony Orchestra), Dominic Osojnack, John McGrath (Symphonic Band), and Staci Wachsstock and Chelsea Padilla (Mixed Chorus). In addition, Kevin Martin performed with the All-National Symphony Orchestra this past November in Orlando, Florida.

Forty-seven students from East Meadow High School were selected for this year's NMEA All - County Music Festival in January. The festival will culminate with a concert at The Tilles Center on January 13th and 14th.

On Sunday, December 17th, twenty-five members of the EMHS Music Department will perform in the 44th Annual Tuba Christmas Celebration at Rockefeller Center in New York City.

On Tuesday, December 19th the East Meadow High School Music Department will present its first of four winter season concerts. Featured will be the 9th Grade Concert Band under the direction of Mr. Engle, Mr. Sisco and Mr. Robason, the Chamber Orchestra under the direction of Mr. Michael Cascardi, the Mixed Chorus and Chamber Choir under the direction of Ms. Caitlin Hale and Mr. Ross and the Symphonic Orchestra, lead by Ms. Dagro.

The EMHS Symphony Orchestra will travel to Walt Disney World from February 9-12. They will perform a concert on the boardwalk in Disney Springs and attend a Disney Performing Arts Workshop, where they will experience first-hand how to create a soundtrack for a Disney film with Disney's professional music staff in their world-class recording facilities.



## College Information Night for Juniors

Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium the High School Guidance Staff will be hosting College Information Night.

Robert Pertusati, Associate Dean of Admissions at Stony Brook University, will be the guest speaker. He will provide an overview of the essential elements of the admissions process including how to craft an effective college list and insight into the most critical components of an application.

We strongly encourage all Grade 11 Parents and Students to attend this invaluable meeting.