

2024-2025 London Update Newsletter

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As always, you can find most information on the Music Website on the London page.

Our Silent Auction is now live!

This promises to be an exciting and lucrative fundraiser for us. Many of these items appeal to a wide range of potential bidders, so we need your help to spread the word, share the post, and send those links!

How can you help make this a success?

- Share this Facebook post
- Share the QR code
- Share the website link



Appeal to Younger Students and Families

There are MANY items that appeal to kids and families, so please help us spread the word to PC and IC families. This is an important market for us as this is not a group we typically approach with fundraising opportunities.

These kinds of Items include:

- a fire truck ride to school
- passes to Madison Children's Museum
- waterpark and theme park passes

Appeal to Buyers Outside of Mt. Horeb

Think Verona, Dodgeville, outside of Dane County, all over Wisconsin, even out-of-state! This is an important market for us as this is not a group we typically approach with fundraising opportunities.

These kinds of items include:

- Vocal lessons with Kate Baldwin
- Star Wars collectible helmets
- Autographed sports memorabilia

The auction begins Sunday, March 9. The auction closes Saturday, April 12.

All proceeds go to lower the cost of the trip for all participants.

Do you know somebody with a real British accent?

We need somebody for a future project we're putting together. Please put us in touch!



Our exclusive partnership with Taliesin, the Frank Lloyd Wright estate



Step into the world of architectural genius Frank Lloyd Wright with an exclusive, personalized VIP tour of <u>Taliesin</u>—a UNESCO World Heritage Site—led by our very own Mr. Dorner, a former Taliesin docent.

This once-in-a-lifetime experience offers **exclusive access** to Wright's **legendary home, school, gardens, and larger estate** in the stunning Driftless Region of Spring Green, Wisconsin.

All proceeds benefit our General Fund for the trip!

Bid now for this rare opportunity to walk in the footsteps of an architectural legend—you won't find this level of access anywhere else!

Silent Auction Tickets

We will hold 15 tickets in reserve for our Silent Auction, <u>these</u> <u>tickets are available to the 17 highest bidders</u>. This tour takes place Friday, May 9 @ 5:00 p.m.

Please encourage everybody who likes this kind of thing to bid!



VIP Access Tickets

On top of that, we've been given an additional 21 tickets; we will sell these tickets to local community leaders and business people to strengthen the connection between our two communities. Taliesin is a member of the Mt. Horeb Chamber of Commerce and would like to make more connections with members of that group.

These tickets also serve as a fundraising opportunity, with all proceeds directly supporting the trip. Dr. Salerno has graciously offered to assist us in selling these tickets. This tour takes place Saturday, May 10 @ 5:00 p.m.

If you know of someone who would appreciate this unique architectural experience while supporting our mission, please connect them with Mr. Dorner. Suggested donation is \$150.00 per ticket.



Sunday, May 4, 2025 @ noon to 4 p.m.

Ms. Schlafer and Ms. Ingebritsen have teamed up to bring Mt. Horeb the most unique fundraiser we've ever done!

How can you help? Spread the word!

Please appeal to people both in and out of Mt. Horeb! This event has the potential to draw visitors from all over Dane County, which helps us attract funds from outside our community.

- Share this Facebook post
- Share the QR code
- Share the website link



How can you help? Sign up to help!

We need workers for this event (docents at each house, help posting yard signs, playing piano at the different sites, etc.). Please look for a <u>link on the Concessions page</u> when the time comes (we will notify you in the next London Update). Funds raised will be split between Individual Accounts and the General Fund.

How can you help? Sell tickets!

- Please direct people to the ticketing website; tickets are \$20.00 and can be <u>purchased online at this</u> link.

Other Upcoming Fundraisers

We are always looking for more! Please <u>visit this spreadsheet</u> to see if there is something you can take on.

Art Department Paint Night

Wednesday, March 19 @ 5:30-7:30 p.m.

- Please <u>share the event on Facebook</u> and spread the word!
- Printable flyer for this event at the bottom of this flyer.

Culver's Share Night

Wednesday, March 19 @ 5-8 p.m.

- Please <u>share the event on Facebook</u> and spread the word!
- All proceeds go to lower the cost of the trip for all participants.
- Printable flyer at the bottom of this update.

Norsk Bowling Event

Saturday-Sunday, April 26-27

- Please spread the word!
- All proceeds go to lower the cost of the trip for all participants.
- Printable flyer at the bottom of this update.

Buck and Honey's Share Night

Wednesdays, March 5 to April 17

Fish and Chips will now be on the menu on Wednesday evenings from March 5 to April 17. Buck and Honey's will donate 10% of all Wednesday Fish and Chips sales. All proceeds go to lower the cost of the trip for all participants.

Concessions

Please check out the <u>Concessions webpage</u> for all upcoming opportunities.

Next Payment!

The next payment of \$400 is due Thursday, April 10, 2025, by 3:30 p.m.

We will send a balance notification by March 31, 2025, which will include fundraising funds and general fund additions from group fundraisers.

Time to get your passport!

Please get started on getting your passport! It may take several months to get the actual passport once you have submitted all the required materials.

You will most likely fall into one of three categories, each has a unique set of requirements:

- 1. Adult applying for the first time.
- 2. Applying for children under age 16 OR children age 16-17.
- 3. Adult applying for renewal by mail OR renewal online.

Please visit the U.S. Department of State website to learn more about applying for your passport.

Things We'll See = Hampton Court Palace

In each edition of the update, we will give you a bit of background information on some of the things we'll see and experience on our trip.

Hampton Court Palace is one of England's most famous historic royal residences, located on the banks of the River Thames in southwest London. Originally built in the early 16th century by Cardinal Thomas Wolsey, it later became a favorite residence of King Henry VIII after Wolsey fell from power. The palace is renowned for its stunning Tudor architecture, grand state apartments, and vast kitchens that once served elaborate feasts for the royal court.



One of the most intriguing features of Hampton Court is its mix of Tudor and Baroque styles, a result of later renovations by King William III and Queen Mary II in the late 17th century. Architect Sir Christopher Wren was commissioned to modernize the palace, adding elegant new facades and state rooms to rival the grandeur of France's Versailles. Despite these changes, much of the original Tudor structure remains, allowing visitors to experience both architectural eras in one location.



The palace is also famous for its magnificent gardens, including the world's oldest surviving hedge maze, the Great Vine (one of the largest grapevines in the world), and beautifully landscaped formal gardens. The Privy Garden, designed in the Baroque style, has been meticulously restored to its 1702 appearance. Seasonal flower displays, scenic fountains, and picturesque pathways make the gardens a major attraction for visitors.

Beyond its beauty, Hampton Court is steeped in history and ghostly legends. It is said to be haunted by the spirits of Catherine Howard, Henry VIII's fifth wife, and Sibell Penn, a former servant known as the "Grey Lady." The palace is also home to a rich program of events, from Tudor re-enactments to festive celebrations, ensuring that its history remains alive for modern audiences. Today, it stands as one of Britain's most visited heritage sites, offering a glimpse into the grandeur and intrigue of the past.





Paint light a Music Department Fundraiser all proceeds will be donated to the Music Department for the London Trip



OUR NAHS MEMBERS WILL LEAD YOU THROUGH THE STEPS TO CREATE YOUR VERY OWN SPRING PAINTING! STUDENT ASSISTANTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BRING YOU FOOD OR GIVE YOU PAINTING TIPS! ADULTS 18+ ARE INVITED.

> **WEDNESDAY MARCH 19, 5:30-7:00 PM HIGH SCHOOL ART ROOMS - \$30**

NEIGHBORS SUPPURING NEIGHBORS

March 19th, 2025

Join us in supporting the Mount Horeb Music Department's Trip to London for the 2026 New Years Day Parade as a percentage of sales will be donated to them from 5pm to 8pm!

We are committed to supporting local causes and helping to keep our communities strong.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



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Parade Homes Mt. Horeb Music

Sunday, May 4

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets! →

All the money raised will go toward fundraising efforts for MHAHS musicians' participation in the London New Year's Day Parade on January 1, 2026.



Maps and brochures will be available on the day of the parade at:

Brix Cider





District #1 Schoolhouse This event is possible with generous help from:



