



In photo above, Felicity Brey (10), Bailey Harris (9), and Sloane Peters (10) collected donated items before the concert. Brey and Peters are Choir members and all three are in the “Laugh Out Loud” Improv group.

Music Brings In Generous Donations For Humane Society of Wayne County

The Humane Society of Wayne County will soon receive \$442 in cash and over 600 items _including dog and cat food, treats, toys, cleaning supplies _ and more thanks to the Newark High School Music Department that sponsored a benefit concert May 19th in the NHS Auditorium.

Kate Flock, Vocal Music teacher at the school said after she and Instrumental Music teacher Bob Humphrey discussed the possibility of holding a concert to benefit animals, members of Flock’s Choir Council ran with the idea.

They asked for permission to hold the concert from Principal Nick Ganster; handled publicity for the event and collected items before the one-hour concert that featured selections performed by the Concert Band; Wind Ensemble; Mixed Choir; Chamber Choir and Vocal Jazz.

They also invited Mark Plyter, HSWC Executive Director to be at the donation table and he gladly obliged bringing a cat and a dog with him that are available for adoption.

Emily Howard, NHS English 11 teacher and Drama Club advisor who directs both the fall drama and spring musical production also had an Improv Sketch Comedy group called “Laugh Out Loud” perform a skit they wrote called “Animals Got Talent.”

Howard said students created the group as a spinoff project from Drama Club last year and this year it is one of the new Extended School Day PrimeTime clubs offered at NHS Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m.. Howard is the Club’s advisor.

Flock said after the success of this benefit concert, the Music Department will likely hold another each year to benefit different charitable organizations.



Thanks to Kate Flock for providing photo!