

January,2020

Dear Members of the Board of Education of the Township of Union:

The Union High School Performing Arts Company and Douglas Michael Krueger Scholarship Fund, Inc., for the seventh consecutive year would like to again present the community fund-raiser "Union's Got Talent" in partnership with the Township of Union. A showcase of fine arts will, once again, be a component of UGT.

Representatives of each non-profit organization have already met to begin planning this function; they are Laura Muller, Melissa Abbate and Patrick Phillips representing UHSPAC, Marie and Joe Canarelli, representing the Douglas Michael Krueger Scholarship Fund, Inc., and Sal Terrezza and Natalie Da Silva from the Township of Union and the Union Township Cultural Arts Board.

We plan to notify the community about online submissions due Friday September 7th and in-person auditions that will be held at Union High School on Friday, September 25,2019. Participants must live in Union, work in Union, or attend/attended school in Union to be eligible to participate. If a group is auditioning, at least one member of that group must be from Union Township. Approximately 12 acts will then be chosen to perform in the show, which would be scheduled for Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Union High School. Cash prizes will be awarded, decided by a panel of guest judges. All profits from the talent show will be divided equally among the UHSPAC and The DMK Scholarship Fund, and all proceeds will then be used to directly benefit the students in the public schools in the Township of Union.

We are requesting that the district donate the use of space, as they have done in the past, for the auditions to be held during the day on Friday September 25,2020, for a rehearsal during the day on November 14,2020 and the public performance on the evening of November 14,2020

We believe this is a great way for the community to join together to celebrate the talents of both our children, students and adults. We will carefully "vet" each act to be sure that they are "family friendly." We envision this as a great win-win for the community; based on our past successes with the event. This is a chance to showcase our local talent, especially the talent of our students and our community, as well as a way to raise funds which will then directly benefit our students.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know. We feel this is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our community in a positive way, as well as raise much needed funds.

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