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Today's letter brings both a more somber message and one of much concern about our ability to go forward with a successful "50 Golden Years" celebration and alumni band concert event in July 2014.

At our BAA meeting on May 14th the entire BAA board carefully evaluated and discussed the results of our May 5th letter (www.jthsbaa.org/pdf/BAA-letter-050514.pdf) to enroll additional JTHS band alumni musicians for the July 27, 2014 concert event. **What's the problem? We have only 57 alumni signed up to perform on stage and we continue to see a significant gap between registered participants and the number players needed to properly seat a band.** We have also received a number of e-mail messages stating regrets from alumni who are unable to attend. In fact, at this time only one section, the clarinet section, has a sufficient number of members to perform. **Sections that are of particular concern include: flutes, oboes, saxophones, and percussion. Again, ALL instrumental sections, except clarinets, still need additional players today for a successful concert event.**

The unfortunate reality is that the BAA board is now at a critical crossroads and faced with an inevitable decision – a decision that would cancel or postpone the "50 Golden Years" celebration and alumni band concert to a later date. **The BAA board has agreed that a "GO" or "No GO" decision must be made on May 22, 2014.** Hence, the decision will be based on status of all registrations received before midnight on Wednesday, May 21st.

If you have already signed up, we thank you for your participation and commitment. If you know a fellow class member who may be interested, please encourage them to promptly register online at www.jthsbaa.org/reg-golden50.

If you haven't signed up yet, then make your commitment to perform by registering online at www.jthsbaa.org/reg-golden50 today!

Our experience with the planning of past alumni band concerts tells us that our registration levels are far lower than required. **Without enough participants, we will be forced to cancel or postpone the July 2014 alumni band concert.**

Sincerely,

JTHS BAA