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FROM THE DIRECTOR
From the desk of Chris Harmon

Absence

Hello, everybody! I trust that everyone has had a FANTASTIC summer, and you are ready to embark on another great journey courtesy of the LC Band Department! The Marching Band has had a spectacular pre-season, and I guarantee that this is another great production that you will not want to miss! Let's be sure that EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU vows to make this the best year in the history of the LC Bands. It's important to remember that students, parents, and staff must work together to make this happen—each person is such an integral part of this exciting and educational process. Also, be sure to always keep in mind that "you get out something what you put into it." Here's to a great 2008-2009!

Mr. Harmon



BUZALSKI BUZZ
From the desk of Alan Buzalski

The color guard is working hard learning all sorts of new and exciting things. We are striving to make this year better than the last. Thanks to all the parents that have come in and helped out with cutting and sewing. **However, we still have A LOT to do!** So, we are always working any time the color guard is rehearsing. So come on in and make some new friends while sewing and cutting. Remember ladies and gentlemen, if you are in the front, you can't _ _ _ _ _!!

Mr. B.



PERCUSSION DISCUSSION
From the desk of David Nelson

The 2008 band season is off to an incredible start. We currently are marching the biggest drumline in the history of the school! It is really exciting to see so many people working hard and having fun! Everyone's in great spirits and are really looking forward to having an outstanding year!

Mr. Nelson

Thoughts of the Month...

"A winner never quits, and a quitter never wins."

"Ability is rated by what is finished, not what is started."

"Amateurs practice until they get it right; professionals practice until they can't get it wrong."

"The most essential factor is persistence, the determination never to allow your energy or enthusiasm to be dampened by the discouragement that must inevitably come."

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."



"Coming together is a beginning;

keeping together is progress; working together is success."

~ Henry Ford

From the PRESIDENT

From the desk of Dale Andres

With Marching Band & Guard working hard on the new show, "ABSENCE", I am looking forward to another great year of performances from our students. While they are working hard on perfecting the show, the boosters are also looking forward to another great year as well. We have many of the same events planned along with new events such as the First Annual "Music is Important" golf outing on August 15th at White Hawk Country Club.

This will be followed by upcoming football games (concessions) and before you know it, we will be on the road. So do not sit back; jump in and get involved with the many committees that support ALL of our students. It's fun and you are helping to support the kids. With our help, they can raise the bar once again!

Thanks, Dale

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

From the desk of Scott Smith and Amy Hyzy

Well, we're in the heat of the summer and band camps have come and gone already. Absence is shaping up into one very exciting show. We're asking the parents to continue supporting the band through our fundraising efforts.

The Car Raffle is well underway and we're only a couple of months away from the drawing. We still need the students and parents to get their tickets sold as soon as possible in order to enable us to maximize our fundraising efforts. Please have your students get their tickets sold and return the stubs and money to the booster mailbox in the band room.

The discount card fundraiser is also due. All unsold discount cards and monies had to be turned into the booster mailbox on August 2nd. You can still sell discount cards but you must pre-purchase them first. The money you spend goes directly into your student's IBA providing they sold their original ten but you can recoup that money by then selling the discount cards you pre-purchased.

The 1st Annual Lake Central Band Boosters "Music is Important!" golf outing is scheduled for August 15th. We continue looking for golfers and sponsors. If you would like to golf or know of someone or some business that would like to be a supporting sponsor, please send an e-mail to golf@lcband.com and we'll provide the details.

SPIRITWEAR is well underway as well. We've sold quite a bit of spiritwear so far. Don't be left out, take a look at www.cafepress.com/lcbands to see what is available. We've also started our custom spiritwear process as well. If there is something specific you'd like to see, send an e-mail to shopkeeper@lcband.com to see what is possible!

If you haven't come out to watch the students at practice, we strongly encourage you to do so. You'll find out why so many of us are amazed at the talents of these fine young students. At the end of practice each night Mr. Harmon runs the kids through a final run of what they learned to that point and it is truly exciting. Please plan on coming to the front of the students to watch them at practice. It's truly worth it!

The boosters would like to extend a big THANK YOU to all the parents who worked the parades at any level. Whether it was as a chaperone, or selling car raffle tickets or passing out golf brochures or watering the students. You all make a BIG DIFFERENCE and we sincerely appreciate it!

Scott Smith and Ann Hyzy

**Do you want to
learn more about
the BAND
PROGRAM at LC?
Do you have some great ideas
to make our Band Program
even better?
Come to a BAND BOOSTER
MEETING!**



Each meeting is scheduled for the last Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm in the band room!
STAY INFORMED...

COME TO A BAND BOOSTER MEETING!

**August 27th
September 24th
October 29th
November 26th
January 28th
February 25th
March 25th
April 29th
May 27th**

**1st Annual Lake Central Band Boosters
Golf Outing at White Hawk
Friday, August 15, 2008**

"Music Is Important!"



On Friday, August 15th the Lake Central Band Boosters will hold it's 1st Annual 'Music is Important' Golf Outing. The proceeds from this event will go to the Lake Central Band Program at Lake Central High School.

We still have some room for more golfers! It's not too late to join us for a fun afternoon of friends, food, and a great game of golf! What a fun way to show your support for the importance of music in our children's life! The afternoon will go as follows:

Great Food!

Registration Begins: 11:30am
Driving Range: 11:30am
Putting Green: 11:30am
Shotgun Start: 1pm
Dinner/Raffle: 5:30pm

Raffle Prizes!

There are many awesome prizes that will be available at this terrific event. If you'd like to attend the event as a golfer please fill out an entry form (available on line at www.lcband.com) and return the form with your payment to the following address: LC Band Boosters, P.O. Box 296, Schererville, IN 46375.



If you have any questions, please contact Scott Smith at (219)365-2658.

**We look forward to seeing you at our
1st Annual 'Music is Important' Golf Outing!**

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Check out our website. Come visit and stay awhile at www.lcband.com. We are trying to put all of our information out there, available to you 24/7 on the internet. Remember to check out the classified ads.



On Friday, September 19th, the Lake Central Band Boosters will pull the winning ticket for our 5th Annual 'Take the Car or Take the Cash' car raffle.

We are making 3,500 tickets available for this raffle, we need to sell 2,800 to make the car available. If we sell that amount you can take the car or take \$10,000 in cash! If we don't sell at least 2,800 tickets then it is a 50/50 cash raffle for up to \$10,000!

Great odds and you'd be helping nearly 300 band students in the Lake Central Bands Program. These students are leaders in their community and bring many accolades to Northwest Indiana with their performances. To learn more about how you can purchase your raffle ticket and to learn a little more about the students, please log on to our web site: www.lcband.com.

PayPal is available for anyone who would like to purchase a ticket via the world wide web!

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE 2008– 2009

Thank you so much to those who have already contributed to the Lake Central Band Boosters' Membership Drive. We are asking EACH family to give \$25.00 to help our kids during the year. This will be a once a year donation. ***This is an easy way to show your support and help fund our awesome Band Program!*** Look for the Membership form in this newsletter. Questions should be directed to Lisa Schulz at 322-4180. The following is a list of families who have shown their support and have become members:

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| The Brown Family | The O'Donnell Family | The Heath Family |
| The Flens Family | The Schneider Family | The Giovane Family |
| The Hyzy Family | The Biegel Family | The Hunter Family |
| The Karwatka Family | The Batistatos Family | The Chavarria Family |
| The Lazaroff Family | The Anton Family | The Turco Family |
| The Lewis Family | The Lareau Family | The Harmon Family |
| The Milcavek Family | The Kozel Family | The Weatherbee Family |
| The Rhoades Family | The Browne Family | The Kluck Family |
| The Schulz Family | The Lamprecht Family | The McQuillen Family |
| The Schymanski Family | The Howe Family | The Cook Family |
| | The Smith Family | |

MANNA SCRIP – BAND EXPENDITURES REDUCTION PROGRAM (B.E.R.P.)

This ongoing program sells gift cards and certificates that are usable as cash at many of the retail and eating establishments we all shop at day after day. The percentage of the proceeds that is returned goes directly into your student's Individual Band Account (IBA).

Look for the order forms every week in the band room and in this month's newsletter! For questions call **Cathie Clark at 865-0101.**

Please return your order to the Boosters mailbox in the Band room by 4 p.m. of the due date or mail to Lake Central Band Boosters ATTN: BERP at P.O. Box 296, Schererville, IN 46375

*****BERP Pick-up is in the Freshmen Commons from 4:30-5:30 pm - Please see calendar at www.lcband.com for drop off and pickup dates.**

Spirit Wear



A word that describes our spirit wear? **Awesome!** You can be part of the group or one of a kind.

Support the LC band by taking advantage of our spiritwear shop which includes our signature novel-tees and some very interesting designs. If you'd like something a little more custom we can do that too. All you have to do is send an email to shop-keeper@lcband.com and let him know what you're looking to do and he'll let you know if it is possible. So go shopping without leaving your home, visit www.cafepress.com/lcbands today and see what is available!

Market Day News!

Market Day is one of our simplest band fund raisers but we need **YOU** to participate to raise our much needed funds. Please consider one Market Day meal per month, per band family = \$\$\$ for our program. Submit orders on line at www.marketday.com or in the booster mail box. See order form for delivery time and date, extra forms available in the band room. *Please note order pick up is by the entrance of the Freshmen center during construction.

If you have any questions please contact **Michelle Cook** or **Patti Barrientez.**

Order forms for September orders will be available in the Band Room.

THANKS TO OUR 2008 SPONSORS

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The Kullmann/Lewis Family
Dinner's Done!
Walt's Food Store
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The Patricia Lewis Family
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CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Construction crew has started the weekly activities!!

We are meeting on Thursdays at 6:00pm at the Garage this year. We will be working on the electrical for the garage. Anyone who would like to help please come on out or call Paul Kullmann at 365-3586.



A new IBA Fundraiser has been developed that will help you offset some of your costs simply and easily. The event is called "**Carsons Community Days**". In this IBA Fundraiser, you put 100% of your effort directly into your IBA. All you have to do is sell a Carson's coupon book which contains:

- (1) \$10 off Coupon
- (4) 20% off Coupons

Each coupon book costs \$5.00 and the book can be used on November 15th at any one of eight stores in the Carson family of stores. See Debbie Sieffert (365-4151) for more details on this opportunity!



Treasurer's Corner *From the desk of Dom Flens*

Marching Band is in full swing and Band Camp II has been completed. Enclosed with this month's newsletter is a copy of our 2008/2009 Band Booster budget. This year's budget of \$131,290 is approximately \$10,440 greater than last years. The budget increase primarily covers the larger band staff and higher fuel costs for our road trips. As you can see our budget is very aggressive and depends on fundraising. So it is essential that every band family help out by actively participating in this year's fundraisers. Remember, the money raised supports our kids! For those of you wondering about the negative numbers in the fundraising column, this represents up front costs such as ticket printing and advertising. These costs are considered to be fundraising expenses and will show up as negative values until fundraising money starts rolling in.

As you can see, we are spending a lot more money then we are currently taking in. Our general fund has slipped to about \$5400. While it is usual for expenses to exceed income this time of the year, our operating fund is getting dangerously low. Our car raffle, while going remarkably well, Discount Cards, and March-A-Thon are our big fundraisers this time of year and both are currently below projections. Please do your best to submit your money now.

Till next month,
Dom Flens

Ebay Fundraiser News

This fund raiser will be going on all year. You can bring your items to the Freshmen center between 6:30-7:30 on the evenings that the LC band boosters meet or bring them to the Garage on Thursday's between 6:30 and 7:30. E-bay forms are available in the band room as well as on lcband.com. If you have any additional questions please call Paul Kullmann at 365-2586 or email ebay@lcband.com.



**LC BAND
needs
YOUR HELP!!!!**



**Fill out the enclosed
volunteer form
TODAY!**

*This is a great way to meet other
band parents and help make our
band program a success!*

**"For success,
attitude is equally as
important as ability."**

~Harry F. Banks