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FROM THE DIRECTOR

From the desk of Chris Harmon



The weather is trying to get warmer (slowly); the calendar has changed to March—this can only mean a few things....ISSMA Organizational Contest is approaching, the Spring Band Concert takes place in early April, Winter Drum Line and Winter Guards are right in the middle of their seasons, Marching Band rehearsals begin in a mere two and a half months....WOW! How fortunate we are to be able to offer so many GREAT opportunities to the students and parents. EVERYONE should take advantage of these terrific opportunities—WHY? Because it is the right thing to do! Much research has shown that people involved with the fine arts, specifically band (even more specifically, Marching Band), achieve higher test scores, are smarter, have a better work ethic, have greater organizational skills, have a stronger sense of commitment, have a greater sense of individual accountability, have higher self-esteem, understand the true value of cooperation...and the list goes on. Oh yeah—they are also involved in some incredible music and visual performances! We should all take great pride in what this program has accomplished, is accomplishing, and will accomplish, but DO NOT take it for granted. You can't sit back and expect someone else to do the work for you—we must ALL work diligently if we are to continue improving the quality of this great program!

Mr. Harmon

BUZALSKI BUZZ

From the desk of Alan Buzalski

Congrats to all the Lake Central Winter Guards!!

Since the last newsletter, a lot has happened.

- The A & Open Guard has traveled to Ohio. The A Guard placed 6th and the Open Guard placed 2nd.
- On February 10th, we hosted our annual Spaghetti Dinner. Thank you to all that attended.
- February 21st, we hosted our 5th Annual Winter Guard Contest. The Open and A Guard won their classes and the SRA, in their first contest, placed 2nd.
- On Sunday, February 22nd, all three winter guards placed 1st in their classes. The SRA Guard beat their closest competition by 5 points. The A Guard placed 1st by just over 1 point. The Open Guard beat their closest competitor by 5 points. Great Job!!!

Thanks to all the parents that helped with the Spaghetti Dinner and home show. In the next month, we will be traveling to Indy and do some local shows. The first weekend of April, the A Guard and Open will be traveling to Dayton, Ohio for the World Championships.



Mr. B

Thoughts of the Month...

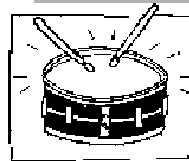
“Band = preparation for life.”

“Success begins with the second letter.”

“Our favorite attitude should be gratitude.”

“The happiness of your life depends on the quality of your thoughts.”

“The reward of a thing well done is to have done it.”



PERCUSSION DISCUSSION

From the desk of David Nelson

Stay tuned next month to hear all the news about Drum Line from Mr. Nelson!



From the PRESIDENT

From the desk of Dale Andres

Here we are in March looking forward to many new talents from the Middle Schools to join us at the High School. What a great program to be involved with! I am sure one to suit you.

I would invite all freshman parents to attend a booster meeting prior the beginning of the school year. The Directors are present as well as parents that have been involved with the program. You will be able to receive a lot of information and we will answer any questions that you might have.

For me, it is hard to believe that the year is coming to a close and we are working on graduation and the awards banquet. What a year it has been enjoying all the great performances from Marching, Guard, Concert, Symphonic, Jazz 1 & 2, & Drum line. There is something for all. So support YOUR child in their interest with this program and be involved with the band. You will be happy you did!

We are also in need of parents to be a part of the booster board as there will be three vacancies this year. I urge you to attend a meeting and be involved with your child's interest as well as many others to continue making this program better each year.

See you all,
Dale

WELCOME!
8th Grade Parents & Students

I hope that you continue your band experience at the High School level. Please, if you have ANY questions that I may be able to assist you with, please call or e-mail me.

Dale Andres
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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

From the desk of Scott Smith and Ann Hyzy

Hello, Everyone! We are fast approaching spring and with that comes our next round of fundraisers. We had our kick-off meeting for the 2nd Annual 'Music is Important' Golf outing. Ron and Bev Foltman are once again chairing the event for us. We're looking for some volunteers to help in getting it going so if you're interested, please contact Ron by sending him an e-mail to golf@lcband.com. This year's event will be held on Friday, June 26th at the beautiful Whitehawk Country Club. You don't have to be at the event to help out. If you cannot make the event on that Friday, you can still help. Just contact Ron to find out how.

We'll be looking for raffle prizes for the event. If you'd like to make a donation of a prize, drop Ron a line and he'll tell you how you can do that.

If you'd like to golf at the event, we'd love to have you and your foursome. Golf this year will be \$110.00 per golfer and will include 18 holes, your golf cart, a prize bag, and dinner after the golf outing where you'll have the opportunity to win prizes.

Come join us for a fantastic day and help the band program at the same time!

Just a reminder that the discount card fundraiser and Annual Car Raffle fundraiser will be kicking off in the next couple of months as well so watch for information on that coming soon.

Scott Smith & Ann Hyzy

INTERESTED???

Lake Central Band Booster Board Openings

Have you thought about being on the Booster Board? Probably not. **And why not?** This is a group of parents just like you that want the best for the band program. We need the support of all parents to make this program work.

If you are interested or may just have questions as to what is involved, please give me a call or e-mail and I will be happy to talk with you. Stop in at the meeting this month and you can see first hand what we are about. Nominations take place in March and elections in April. Are you interested? Maybe someone else in the program? Now is the time to speak up and get involved.

Market Day News!

In six months, Market Day has earned over \$1,000 for our Band Program! This is an easy way to take part in helping promote the band program. By collecting orders from family members and placing them, you can help provide the funds that benefit EVERY PART of the band program all year long.

SWEET DESSERTS are the highlight this month! Easter is around the corner and I'm sure you're meeting with friends and family to celebrate. What an easy way to treat your host than to say you'll bring the dessert! Lucky for you, Market Day has the perfect selection to choose from!

Apple Deep Dish Pie
Caramel Pecan Braided Bread
Chocolate Fudge Volcano Cakes
Cherry Deep Dish Pie
Chocolate Bavarian Cream Braided Bread
French Silk Pie
Carrot Cakes
Strawberry Swirl Cheesecakes
Strawberries 'n Cream Pie
Turtle Cheesecake

With an order of 3 or more desserts, you receive a FREE INSULATED BAG! That will come in handy over the summer months.

ALL the food through Market day is great, you can place your order on line or drop an order form off in the booster mailbox. Our volunteers process the orders and have the items boxed and ready for pick up. Mark your calendars and support our band through Market Day. The next sale date is March 30th. The goal for this year is 50 orders per month. We need you to help meet and beat that goal and earn more \$\$\$'s. ***Note - Market Day pick up is from 6-7pm in the North cafeteria located on the West/back side of the high school. |**

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Cook or Pattie Barrientez.

Michelle Cook
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our Vice President, Scott Smith, is asking for parent volunteers to train this year working along side him in the following areas:

WEBMASTER
HOST PROVIDER MAINTENANCE
SPIRITWEAR
PHOTOGRAPHER
END OF YEAR DVD

He recently sent out an e-mail describing all the above duties and what is involved. For all the new parents involved in the band program, this would be a great way for you to get to know everyone and realize how hard the kids work.

Please feel free to contact Scott if you have any questions about these programs or willing to give it a try! Volunteers are what makes the band program work! Volunteers like YOU!

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NEWSLETTER ON-LINE ONLY???

Newsletter is being considered to be available through our web site only! This means that there will no longer be a copy sent to your home. This is one way for us to save costs on a monthly basis.

One concern is that our newsletter includes many important inserts: Band Schedules, B.E.R.P. order forms, Market day orders forms. We are going to work on providing links to Market day and other forms through our web site or they will be available in the band room.

Please let us know if you DO still want to receive a hard copy. This is not a final decision yet but is seriously being considered to save costs. Your opinion would be greatly appreciated.

Thank-you!

MARCHING BAND, MARCHING BAND!!!

The Marching Band schedules for spring/summer 2009 are out! There is a copy in this newsletter, as well as extra copies in the LC band room. The theme for the 2009 show is "Change". We as a design team are excited about this new production, as it promises to deliver all of the exciting music,



fast-paced drill, and the overall "rock the house" qualities you have come to expect in a Lake Central production!

ISU JAZZ FESTIVAL

Congratulations to the members of Jazz Ensemble #1 on a killer performance at the ISU Jazz Festival on Saturday, February 28th. The band "rocked the house" and received superior ratings from the judges, and great comments from everyone in attendance!



STATE SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST

Congratulations to all of the wonderful young musicians who performed at North Central High School in Indianapolis on February 21 for the ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble Contest. There were many wonderful performances by our students, and many Gold Ratings were earned!

ALL-STATE BAND

In early January, nearly 1000 students from all over the state of Indiana auditioned for a spot in one of two All-State Bands, arguably two of the finest All-State Bands in the country. We are fortunate and proud to have THREE of our students selected for membership in these prestigious ensembles. Junior horn player Tom Vienna is a member of the All-State Honor Band, and junior bass clarinetist Audrey Roberson and sophomore flute player Kristen Flens are members of the All-State Band. These students will be involved in three days of intense rehearsals, culminating in a concert that will be held Sunday, March 15th on the campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Mark your Calendars!!

Band Awards Banquet will be held at the Halls of Saint George in Schererville on Tuesday, May 12th! Are you planning on attending?
More details coming soon!

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Lake Central Band Booster Membership Drive

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 the band room. 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:

The Anton	Family	The Inglese	Family	The O'Connor	Family
The Barrientez	Family	The Kalinich	Family	The O'Donnell	Family
The Batistatos	Family	The Karwatka	Family	The Orzechowski	Family
The Beck	Family	The Keith	Family	The Papanikolaou	Family
The Bernal	Family	The Kelly	Family	The Rees	Family
The Biegel	Family	The Kluck	Family	The Rhoades	Family
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The Cook	Family	The Lanham	Family	The Schymanski	Family
The Echlin	Family	The Lareau	Family	The Sieffert	Family
The Flens	Family	The Lazaroff	Family	The Smith	Family
The Geisen	Family	The Lewis	Family	The Smolar	Family
The Giovane	Family	The Malm	Family	The Stecyk	Family
The Gwynne	Family	The Masleid	Family	The Turco	Family
The Harmon	Family	The McMenamy	Family	The Turman	Family
The Heath	Family	The McQuillen	Family	The Vienna	Family
The Hodges	Family	The Miedema	Family	The Wallace	Family
The Howe	Family	The Milcarek	Family	The Weatherbee	Family
The Hunter	Family	The Mills	Family	The Wicklund	Family
The Hyzy	Family	The Murzyn	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.**

Ebay Fundraiser News

This fund raiser will be going on all year. This is a great way to get rid of some clutter in your home by selling some unwanted items and helping defer band fees for your son/daughter as well as helping the band program raise funds for other needs!

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.



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