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FROM THE DIRECTOR

From the desk of Chris Harmon

What a year this has been! All of the ensembles have shown tremendous growth, the performances have been outstanding, many great memories have been made, and many life lessons have been learned along the way! I want to personally thank each and every student and parent that made the 2006-2007 school year so special. To the Class of 2007 - thank you for all you have done for the LC Band Program. You are now an alumnus of one of the most respected band programs in the country - you will be missed, but we wish you the best of luck in everything you do! To the Classes of 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 - it is now YOUR torch to carry as we continue to RAISE THE BAR each and every year. Be happy with your individual and our collective accomplishments, but don't become complacent. We must continue to grow and improve every year if we are to continue realizing one of the very basic LC Band philosophies - "nothing we have done will ever be good enough again". Congratulations on a terrific 2006-2007 - let's set our sights even higher for 2007-2008! Remember - YOU GET OUT OF SOMETHING WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT!

Mr. Harmon

BUZALSKI BUZZ

From the desk of Alan Buzalski

Another season is here again and the sweat shop will be opening. We cut and sew anytime we are at rehearsal. Anybody is welcome. The 44 talented performers in the color guard are going to be great and they need your help on uniforms and flags. Hope to see you there.



Mr. B.



THOUGHTS OF THE MONTH

"Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't, you are right."

"Attitude is the most important choice you will ever make."

"The function of a person is to reach their potential."
Aristotle

"Before enlightenment, chop wood and carry water. After enlightenment, chop wood and carry water."
Confucius

PERCUSSION DISCUSSION

From the desk of David Nelson



Everything is awesome in the world of Percussion! We are wrapping up an outstanding year, celebrating the accomplishments of our graduating class, and ushering in the new percussion class for the 07-08 TOP! This marching band season is already shaping to be unbelievable, so hold on and get ready for a wild ride!

Congrats and Good Luck Seniors!!!

Mr. Nelson

INFORMATION EVERYWHERE

The worst thing in the world is to not know what's going on. Don't let yourself be in that situation. A wealth of information is available at the Boosters meetings. **The next Boosters meeting will be Wednesday, June 27 at 7:00 pm.** We will meet in the Choir Room next to the Band Room. This meeting will be a parent orientation and discussion. We hope to see you there.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

From the desk of Dale Andres

This being my first column for the newsletter I would like to thank the departing board for all of their help as we move forward to the 2007 – 2008 band season.

I would like to tell you a little about my family and myself. I am married and have two boys. My son Shaun is starting his third year in band, including marching, wind ensemble, jazz1 and 2. Not to be outdone my son Jeremy who will attend Clark next year has been playing drums for three years and will be in the middle school band program and can hardly wait for his chance to join the LC program. My wife Debbie when not shuttling them around does manage to work and volunteer with uniforms which she chairs this year. I while not being able to play an instrument do enjoy being around and watch with amazement at what these two can do. I have volunteered for pit, construction and now the board and look forward to a lot of "high notes" this season, thank you for giving me the opportunity I look forward to working with the parents and students.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend parent night, if you were not able to attend and need information please contact any of the board members and we will provide that for you. I hope that many of you will take this opportunity to be involved with this program as well as your children.

With marching band up and running with what I am sure to be another exhilarating performance there are many events you can participate in so look over the information you have received and feel free to contact any of the board members with questions you may have.

Dale Andres

MARCHING BAND, MARCHING BAND MARCHING BAND

Hang on to your seat - HERE WE GO! The "Spring Training" Marching Band rehearsals have been excellent, the new students are quickly fitting into their new LC Band Family, and the initial signs of great attitude and work ethic have been very positive! "Water Cycles" is going to be a GREAT vehicle for the Tribe of Pride during the 2007 season. I urge you to get involved so you don't miss a single minute of this amazing experience!

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*Exiting John Sanchez and Scott Smith –
Entering Charles Turman and Ann Hyzy*

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

Drop-off by:

June 4
June 11
June 18
June 25
July 2
July 9
July 16
July 23
July 30

Pickup date:

June 7
June 14
June 21
June 28
July 5
July 12
July 19
July 26
August 2

*****BERP Pick-up is in the Freshmen Commons
from 4:30-5:30 pm**

MARKET DAY: As of May 21st Market Day deliveries/orders have produced just slightly over \$2,000.00 in revenues. This is less than the \$3,000.00 we projected to earn for this Band Year. We ask parents to consider shopping through Market Day in order to help defray our annual Band expenses. Market Day donates to the Band Program 10% of your purchase. Orders can be made by filling out the enclosed order form and placing it in the Band mail box or by going on line at www.marketday.com. If you have any questions please contact **Michelle Cook** or **Patti Barrientez**.

Pickups for June 4, July 2, and July 30 will complete last year's program. The following are the new dates given to us for Market Day pick-up: Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 26, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, Mar. 3, Apr. 7, May 5, June 2, June 30 and July 28.

CAR WASHES: Sign up sheets will soon appear in the Band Room. Have your son/daughter sign up when they are available. This is an opportunity for your student to earn money for his/her Individual Band Account. The money can be used during the school year to help defray Marching Band expenses. Dates for the coming summer are as follows: June 9, June 16, July 7, July 14, July 21, July 28, and August 11. Co-chairs for this event are **Michelle Tyler** and **Cathie Clark**. They would appreciate any assistance you can offer. Please don't hesitate to contact them for further information.

DISCOUNT CARDS: By now your son or daughter should have come home with Lake Central Band Discount Cards. The sale of these cards offer your student another opportunity to earn money for his/her IBA account. It is the easiest and most convenient way to increase the amount of money in the account. Encourage your child to sell as many as possible. The more cards sold the greater the amount in their IBA account. If you require more cards please contact **Madonna McMenamy** or **Patty Lewis**.

CONSTRUCTION SEASON

Construction season has begun and not just on the roadways. We have finally begun the construction of the band shed. Through rain and shine it has been progressing with the help of a very dedicated group of volunteers. We want to thank everyone that has come out to help. This team can always

use more able bodies to give them a hand. There's still a lot to accomplish and with your help the quicker this job will get completed. If you have a few spare hours or just want to get out of the house, contact **Paul Kullmann** at 365-2586. He will let you play; I mean put you to work. If you have the bad luck of missing the shed project, there will be many other jobs needing attention for the start of this year's band program.

ANNUAL BAND PICNIC

Our annual picnic for all band families will be held Sat. June 16 at Plum Creek Park in Schererville. We anticipate a good time to be had by all. A special thanks in advance to Leo Lazaroff, Dale Andres, and the many volunteers working hard to make this year's picnic a success.

VOLUNTEER FORMS

As you can tell by now, it takes a lot of willing and wonderful people to make this band program a success. If you could just please take a moment out of your busy schedule to return this form with your committment, we would greatly appreciate it. While you're filling out this form, please take a moment and think of your child and the commitment he or she has made. The request for a little of your time is minor in comparison to the days and nights your child dedicates to the LC band program. The sooner we receive your forms the quicker we can put the events in motion.

WAY TO GO!!

Although it would be our dream to give each and every graduating senior a scholarship, we unfortunately cannot. It was a difficult decision by our Scholarship Committee but the following candidates were the 2007 Scholarship recipients. They were acknowledged at the Annual Awards Banquet on May 15 and once again we would like to say congratulations to the following:

MIKE BAUM	BRIAN NIEDZWIECKI
GABY DIMITRIEVSKI	MARY ELLEN FINNEGAN
GREG BOBOS	RACHEL SIEFFERT
JOE SANCHEZ	SAMANTHA CORNWELL

HELP!

The band needs your help to make this season a big success. There is a lot of work to do, but many hands make the work light. Please find yourself a job and do it.

Tom and Kathy O'Donnell, have volunteered to Co-Chair the Car Raffle. Their son, David is a freshman trombone/jazz guitar player. This is a big undertaking for freshman parents, so we must support them by selling the tickets. Each student will receive 10 tickets. If every student sells all 10 tickets, the raffle will be a success.

The conce\$\$ion stand is one of our bigge\$t money maker\$. We'll \$till need a \$econd per\$on to chair thi\$ Super important Source of dollar\$. Training is available to an interested person (\$). Working at the concession stand is a great way to meet the other parents and to supoort who ever is **BOLD** enough to step up. I am hoping a sophomore or junior parent will take the lead and help **Linda Bolan**. *PLEASE!*

If you have any questions about how you can help make this season a success, please call me at 865-8283.

Thanks,
Chuck Turman

Retiring To A Life Of Leisure (You won't know what to do with yourselves.)

Special thanks to our retiring Board. Although the time has come for new endeavors, we hope that you will continue to remain an active part of the LC Band Family. We thank you for your past, present, and future help. Those that will always be held in our highest esteem are as follows:

Retired President:	Nick Georgiou
Retired 1 st Vice President:	John Sanchez
Retired 2 nd Vice President:	Scott Smith
Retired Treasurer:	Tom Vienna
Retired Secretary:	Beth Hemmerich

All their time and efforts helped to make the band program a success.



Terese Schultz 2007 – 2008 LC Band Treasurer

In an effort to get to know the board, we would like to take a moment to spotlight one of our members. As the year progresses, we hope that you will come to learn a little about each of us.

I am excited to be a part of this year's Lake Central Band Booster Board. As a parent, I have been involved in the LC Band program for the last six years. My older daughter, Beth, currently a junior at IU-Bloomington, has many fond memories of her four years as a member of the LC Band flute section. My younger daughter, Emily, a junior at LC, also plays the flute/piccolo. Over the past several years, I have had the pleasure of getting to know many of the band students while chaperoning band trips and competitions. It is so rewarding to be involved in a program with phenomenal students, outstanding directors, and supportive parents. I encourage all parents and family members to become involved in the LC Band program- your lives will be enriched with unforgettable experiences!

Terese Schultz

YIELD – ATTENTION BAND PARENTS

When dropping off or picking up your band student by the Freshman Center, please keep your vehicle next to the curbs on either side of the street. Leave the center lanes clear for moving traffic only. If you see your student waiting outside, please wait in the traffic lane and move up as the vehicles leave. Do not go around the already waiting parents and stop in the middle of the street. You will endanger your child as well as others. Please watch your speed.

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