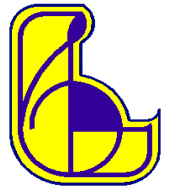




LANCASTER BAND BOOSTERS NEWSLETTER



“It’s All For the Kids”

Mar 2010

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Lancaster Band Boosters are parents/guardians of any student involved in the instrumental music program in the Lancaster City Schools, including Thomas Ewing, General Sherman, and Lancaster High School. The student may be involved in Concert or Symphonic Band, Marching “Band of Gold,” Pep Band, Percussion Ensemble, or Swinging Gales “Jazz Ensemble.” Former band members, members of their families or interested community members can also be Booster members

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Message from High School Band Director:

The students at Lancaster High School have been busy this past month and have been working really hard in preparing for the Solo and Ensemble Contest that was held at Pickerington North High School on February 13, 2010. This year we had over 40 ensembles that participated in the event this year and that was very exciting.

The following students/groups received a superior rating on their solo or ensemble:

Trombone Quartet, Symphonic Flute Trio #1, Cassie Grimes, Trumpet Choir, Eric Huffer, Katheryn Fetherolf, Kristen Cullums, Jordan Thornton, Ian Elick, Becky Hoagland, Saxophone Sextet, Hayden McFann, Adrien Krebs, Donnie Mayes, Zachary Churchill, Kameron Starr, Matt Anderson, Percussion Ensemble, Michelle Johnson, Bailey Berry, Mallet Ensemble, Allie Dunn

The following students/groups received a excellent rating on their solo or ensemble:

Cara Glenn, Symphonic Clarinet Trio #2, Jonathon Pang, Samantha Arthurs, Concert Clarinet Trio #2, Clarinet Quartet, Victoria Peters, Daniel Dryer, Sierra Barksdale, Mickayla McCormic, Alex Anders, Kyle Marx, Symphonic Flute Trio #2

The following students/groups received a good rating on their solo or ensemble:

Symphonic Clarinet Trio #1, Paige Stratton, Conner Waites, Concert Clarinet Trio #1, Tuba Trio

Congrats to all the members that participated this year a job well done!

On Saturday February 27, 2010 the "Swinging Gales" was scheduled to perform at the Sweet Sounds of Jazz Festival held at Fairfield Union in Lancaster, Ohio. Unfortunately due to inclement weather conditions the event was cancelled and at this time we are not going to be able to reschedule but that is not official when the event may be at this time.

On Saturday March 6, 2010 the "Swinging Gales" will be participating in the Beavercreek Jazz Festival. We are excited to participate in this event to get a new experience at a festival and also to get more exposure across the state.

On Saturday March 13, 2010 the Concert and Symphonic Band will be performing at District Large group contest held at Teays Valley High School. All students need to reserve all day but more definite times will be sent home later in the week and will be posted on the website for parents to see and plan for.

I would like to thank all the parents who helped out with our recent social event, Thunder Alley. It was great to see the students come out and have a great time. We always need help chaperoning that event and it was great to see so many of you attending the event to help out. I think all the students had a great time and we thank you for all that you do to provide this wonderful social gathering for all students in our instrumental music program.

As always I would like to thank all the students and parents for all of their support we appreciate that and as always if you ever have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me via e-mail or phone.

Bart Pickenpaugh
Director of Bands Lancaster High School

General Sherman

Members of the General Sherman 7th and 8th Grade Bands will be participating in the Ohio Music Education Associations Junior High Solo and Ensemble Contest on Saturday April 17th. We currently have 24 events preparing for this year's contest.

In addition, the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade bands have been busy preparing music for their spring concerts. The 7th and 8th grade concert is scheduled for Tuesday May 25th at 7:30 PM and the 6th grade concert, Thursday May 27th at 7:30 PM. The 8th Grade Band along with the 8th Grade Choir will also be performing at the Kings Island Trills and Thrills large group adjudicated event on Saturday May 22nd.

We hope to see you at one of our upcoming events!

Mr. Bode

From your booster president.....

Thanks to all who helped with "Thunder Alley" at Tiki Lanes on Sunday February 14. Where else can your kids go for a couple of hours of entertainment and a snack for \$5? They deserve a night of fun for all the hard work for the recent solo and ensemble and the upcoming winter concert and large group contest.

We absolutely need to see many more people attend our booster meetings. There is so much to do all year long in order to support the music programs. This newsletter should serve as a *supplement* rather than a *substitute* for your attendance and participation at the meetings! The next meeting is March 08, 2010 and YES you should attend!

I would like to thank all four directors as well as our treasurer for their time in establishing a workable budget for the coming year. We are doing a 'total overhaul' of this process which is long overdue. We've made good progress and have learned a great deal from each other. We will of course discuss this issue openly at our regular booster meetings, but will not publish any budget figures. Please attend the meetings to hear and to be heard.

Please consider a few very important events that will be here soon....

A - A scholarship committee will need to be appointed by April 1. The treasurer is the only officer even eligible to participate on this committee due to other officers being 'senior parents.' **Let me know if you are interested and willing to serve on the scholarship committee.**

B - Election of booster officers takes place during the May meeting. A slate of officers for vote needs to be in place prior to this meeting. Positions will be available this year, and others will be open next year. If you are unsure if you are willing or ready to serve for the coming year, give me a call and let's talk about serving as an assistant to one of the officers to take over their position the following year. This is a win/win situation both for you and the incumbent!

The single most important thing I can do as the president of this organization is to get more people involved in it! If you have any questions about the topics above or anything else, please give me a call to discuss. If you prefer, call Gregg Marx instead (653-0862). You will never know how much fun you can have and how much good you can do if you don't **step up and get involved.**

.....Bob Underwood
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Winter Band Concert

Tuesday, March 2, 2010
7:30 p.m.

Concert Band report time 6:30 p.m.
Symphonic Band report time 6:45 p.m.

Large Group Contest

(Concert and Symphonic Bands)

Saturday, March 13, 2010
Time to be announced

Students need to reserve **ALL DAY**

Come Play BINGO with the BAND BOOSTERS



Every **Sunday** Morning
(except on holidays)



at the

AMVETS POST 1985

700 S. Maple Street

Doors open at 10:30 AM

First game is played at 12:30 PM



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- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus Card number.
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Provide your name, your Kroger Plus card number, and the band student’s name to the Band Booster Fundraiser representative so the reward may be distributed.

If you don’t have access to a computer or need help with the “technical” part of registering, please let Gaby Ronan know at 687-6409.

If you have any other questions, please contact Elaine Gillette at 654-4159

UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Mar 2nd – LHS Winter Concert – LHS Auditorium – 7:30 pm**
- **Mar 6th – Jazz Band – Beavercreek Jazz Festival - TBA**
- **Mar 8th – Booster Meeting – LHS Band Room – 7:30 pm**
- **Mar 13th – OMEA Large Group Contest – TBA (reserve all day)**
- **Mar 20th – Jr. High Solo and Ensemble Contest – TBA**
- **Mar 30th – Percussion Ensemble Elementary School Tour - TBA**