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2007-2008

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Next Parent
Meeting is
Tuesday, Sept. 18th at
the Middle School
7:30 pm



UPCOMING DATES

September 4th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-9 pm
September 6th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-9 pm
September 9th Recycling High School Teachers Parking Lot 10 am to 12 noon
September 11th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-9 pm
September 13th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-9 pm
September 15th Home Football Game Full Uniform Mandatory Attendance
September 15th Possible Firemen's Convention Parade
September 15^h MAC Competition Brien McMahon
September 18th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-9 pm
September 18th Parent Association Meeting Middle School 7:30 pm Room 202
September 20th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-9 pm
September 22nd USSBA Competition Putnam, Ct.
September 23rd Recycling High School Teachers Parking Lot 10am to 12 noon
September 25th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-8 pm
September 27th Full Band Rehearsal Middle School 6-8 pm
September 29th MAC Competition Trumbull, Ct
September 30th USSBA Competition East Ramapo

FUNDRAISING QUOTA

Fundraising is an important aspect of the Band Program. In order to continue the quality program that is known as the "Pride of Port Chester", **EVERYONE** must participate in Fundraising. This year's quota of \$1,200.00 can be met by selling \$600.00 worth of ads for the journal, and \$600.00 in fruit. More information about fundraising will be discussed at the Parent meetings. The Winter Guard, Winter Percussion and Jazz Band Programs are fully funded by the Association, as are other Marching Band expenses not covered by the school district, including staffing. In order for these programs to continue at their current level, students and families must participate in these fundraising programs. If you have any questions, please call on any Board member, or Mr. Gasparini with any questions you may have.

AD JOURNAL FORMS

Ad journal forms have been distributed. The **DEADLINE** for turning in ads to Debbie Scocchera is October 15th. Additional forms can be found on the band web site. If you have any questions contact Mr. Gasparini, or any of the Board members.

HOME COMPETITION

Save the date. Our Home Competition is Sunday, October 14th. This is one of our biggest fundraisers for the year. We are expecting 10-15 bands to compete. If you have not already signed up to help, consider volunteering for one of the committees. All band members are required to bring in a case of soda and a case of water for this event. Any questions please contact any board member.

MEMBERSHIP: Help support the PCHS Band Association and become a member. Have a say in the way your fundraising money is spent. Dues are \$7.00 single (1 vote) and \$10.00 family (2 votes). Any questions please contact Marianne Romero at 914-656-5816.

WATER, WATER, WATER!!!! The Band Association provides water to all students at all Band events (Competitions, Parades, etc.). If you are interested in donating bottled water please contact Maggie Rende at 914-937-4596.

BOOSTER DRIVE: Our annual Booster Drive took place on Sunday, August 26th. Thank you to all the parent volunteers who drove and to all the Band and Guard members who participated on Sunday. Without you these drives would not be successful. So far this year we raised \$7,600.00. Way to go!

BRIEN MCMAHON COMPETITION: Our first competition of the Season is on Saturday, September 15th at Brien McMahon. We are all so proud of our "Pride of Port Chester" so lets get out there and show them. Come support the Band at this and all competitions. Let's show them how proud we are of them.

BAND CLOTHING: Do you need an extra T-shirt or Garment Bag, or just want to show support to the Band. Band clothing can be purchased from Sonia @ 937-4029 or Gina @ 690-9557.

RYE RIDGE CLEANERS: Rye Ridge Cleaners @ 265 Ridge Street is offering the Band Associated a 5% rebate back to the Association every time you bring your items in to clean. Remember, you must mention the BAND in order for the rebate to kick in.

CONCERT BAND: Concert Band members will be responsible for the following Attire: **GIRLS:** Are responsible for Contessa Blouse & Symphony Concert Skirts. You can order them from Tuxedo Wholesalers @ 1-800-828-2802. Please place your orders early because it will take a few weeks before you receive the blouse & Skirt. **BOYS:** Are responsible to wear a white tux shirt, black bow tie and black jacket pants. Ridge Squire in the Rye Ridge Shopping Center does sell used tuxes & shirts that will work fine.

PARENT BUS TO COMPETITIONS: Seat are available for most competitions; cost per person is \$15.00 and can be order by calling Barbara Irwin @ 939-6891 by

Wednesday of each competition week. Seats are limited & this service is **non-refundable**.

FRUIT SALE: Fruit packets will be distributed after the Columbus Day Parade. More information about this fundraiser will be discussed at the Parents Meeting and the next newsletter

2007-2008 Band Officers, Drum Majors and Section Leaders:

Co-Presidents: Jose Bautista & Madeline Rende
Co-Vice-President: Everado Gonzales & Mark Morales
Field DrumMajors: Kim Irwin & Ana Saemiento
Parade Drum Major: Elinor Reina

Section Leaders:

Baritones: Juan Linares
BATTERY: Greg Guarino & Victor Sandoval
Clarinet: T.K. Brady; Nancy Horan & Marissa Ruggiero
Flutes: Agatha Szerjko
French Horns: Mercedes Garcia
Guard Captains: Irene Bunnell, Aliana Figueroa, Katie Marino & Anita Valencia
Pit: Jessica Westerman
Alto Sax: Lauren Galasso
Bariton/Tenor Sax: Chris Cruz
Trombones: Jose Bautista & Mark Morales
Trumpets: Elinor Reina & Madeline Rende
Tubas: Everado Gonzales

PARENT REPS: 9TH M. Romero; 10th G. Medrano; 11th D. Greto; 12th B. Irwin

CONGRATULATIONS

ANYONE WANTING TO PARTICIPATE IN WINTER PERCUSSION, WINTER VARSITY & JV GUARD MUST HAVE MET FUNDRAISING GOALS BY NOVEMBER 14TH OR PAID BY NOVEMBER 15TH IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.