

Band Booster Buzz

The Official Newsletter of the Lafayette Lancer Band Boosters

The past few weeks have been all about teamwork! The kids have learned to work within their sections to bring together a show that is this side of awesome. We applaud their hard work and dedication—and we want to show them off. Over the next few issues we will highlight a couple of the Sections so that you can recognize them and call them out on your own.

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Color Guard is off to a great start with a new coach, and a new look that will dazzle you

Katie Bachman, Anya Byers, Shelby Fletcher, Jessica Pierce

Kyra Goldman, Sarah Greenlee, Courtney Eden

Trumpets got the sound!

Brian McKanna, Peyton Herrmann,

Jake Lee, Taylor George

Mrinal Ghitithoti, Gabe Levy

Adam Whiteley, Kristin Trout,

David Aslin, Ethan English

Sarah Wilson, Tate Herrmann



**WE WORK LIKE A WELL OILED MACHINE
AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

POSITIONS ARE OPEN FOR THESE VERY IMPORTANT
JOBS! SIGN UP TODAY!



- ◆ **Contest of Champions Traffic Control Team**: One day only (September 26). You get to wear cool orange vests, carry flags and direct traffic in and out of the parking lot. Eight to ten additional adults needed. Call Rob Frisella at 314-503-7567.
- ◆ **Uniform Help**: Help the kids get in and out of their uniforms at *Home* football games. We've helped pick up their clothes this long—a few more times won't hurt! Please contact Marcia Whiteley at 636-405-1985.
- ◆ **Butter Braids Chairperson**: Facilitate this yummy and popular fundraiser. This one is super simple so it won't take much time, but will really help the kids earn money for their student accounts. Heidi Beike will be available to answer your questions. One or two people can take this one and run. Please contact Pam Espenschied at 636-273-6693.

THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR HELP!

Parents, we are very much in need of someone to come forward and take the Fundraising Chair position. There are fundraisers that we are currently turning down, simply because we don't have anyone to head up this area. The by-laws state that the Fundraising Chair person is: To identify and coordinate new and continuing sources of income for all Band Booster activities. Every 4 years, to this point, the Marching Band has taken a 'big' trip somewhere to play in a bowl game or some other event that has come our way. Those of you who will be in the band program for 4 years will feel the monetary effect of no fundraising. Last year our kids went to San Diego to play in the Holiday Bowl and the Big Bay Balloon Parade. The trip cost was approximately \$1500 per student. Whatever funds are in their accounts at the time of this 'big' trip can be allocated to offset the cost of that trip. Please consider taking on this important role. If you have any questions you can contact Pam Espenschied or Deb Cano for more information.

Thank you.

CALLING ALL VENDORS AND CRAFTERS!

Don't miss out on the *popular*
Marketplace Craft Fair
December 5 & 6, 2009

Are you a crafter? Do you know a crafter? Spread the word to everyone you know who might like to take part in this great holiday craft fair. Everyone enjoys going to the fair to finish up their holiday shopping.

Don't miss out! Spaces are still available.

Please contact Janine Naumann at 636-207-6333 or
email

lhsmarketplace@hotmail.com for more information



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scoops and schedules
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at www.lafayettebands.com
Pictures • Schedules • Forms
and More

CONTEST OF CHAMPIONS

It's almost here! We are well on our way to hosting another fabulous Contest of Champions. Remember, this is our biggest fundraiser of the year so we need everyone to be involved. We are still in need of parents to work TRAFFIC. Please contact Doug Pierce to sign up for the crew or to volunteer at any one of our stations.

The deadline for Contest Ads is SEPTEMBER 4TH! Make sure you contact those neighborhood businesses and have them show their support for our local bands. Parents—you can take out a personal ad too! What a great way to recognize your musician's accomplishments! Remember, your child earns a 10% commission for each ad sold!

Please contact Susan Wintermute (314-518-4964) or Janet Helderle (636-675-0442) to secure yours today!

HAVE YOU PICKED UP YOUR GROCERY CARDS THIS WEEK?

Call Anna Harvey today and find out when you can replenish your stock of Dierberg's Grocery Cards and Kohl's Gift Cards.

There is NO EASIER way to earn 5% profit for the band!

SUPPORT OUR BAND BY PURCHASING CARDS NOW!

Contact Anna Harvey at 458-5064 or toocold@swbell.net

WHY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO

Face it—we are living in a world of budget cuts. We see it in businesses and we have seen it in our schools. Many schools across the country have had to cut back spending on “non-essential” programs such as band. We, as parents, realize how important these programs are to the growth and development of our children and, thankfully, are able to make a difference. This is one of the reasons that the Band Boosters exists: To provide financial assistance to the Band Department to cover expenses that aren't included in the Board of Education budget.

Lafayette has one of the best band programs in the area and we are proud to provide the support it needs to maintain the high standards set. Through our efforts, for the 2008-9 school year, we have been able to provide the band department with a new audio system, new student music folders, percussion equipment and a start to storage refurbishment!

Thank you to all for your continued support of the Lafayette High School Band Boosters!

CONGRATULATIONS TO PERCUSSION!

On Aug. 29, our percussionist performed at the 20th annual Mazingo Drumline Competition. 24 stellar percussion groups gathered for this event and once again, Lafayette shined.

Our percussionists took 5th in their class with a score of 62.

Sophomore, Lucas Shapland won the Marimba Soloist Competition.

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www.lafayettebands.com

First HOME Football Game is

SEPTEMBER 11 vs Fox

**Come cheer on the Lancers and watch the Marching
Lancer Regiment perform for the first time!**

September

1-3 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15
8-10 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15
11 **Football Game 7:00**
14-17 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15
18 **Football Game 7:00**
19 **Farmington Marching Band Festival**
21 **Band Booster Meeting 7:00**
21-24 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15
26 **Contest of Champions**
28-1 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15

October

2-3 **Blue Springs Invitational**
5-8 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15
8 Powder Puff Football
9 **Homecoming**
12-15 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15-5:30
16 **Home Football Game 7:00**
19 **Band Booster Meeting 7:00**

October continued

19-22 Marching Band Rehearsal 3:15
21 Middle School Day
22 **Jazz Concert 7:00**
23 Home Football Game 7:00
24 **Greater St. Louis Marching Band
Festival**

November

2 All Suburban Band Auditions
6 **Football Playoffs TBA**
9 **Band Concert Required Rehearsal**
10 **Band Concerts All Bands 7:00**
17 **Percussion Ensemble 7:00**

December

5 All-State Band Audition
5-6 Lancer Marketplace Craft Fair
9 **MIOS Concert Required Rehearsal**
10 **MIOS Concert-All Bands 7:00**