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Presidents' Message

The school year is upon us and along with the books and classes, comes another exciting season of Band, Orchestra, Color Guard and Percussion at Arcadia High. Our students are looking to build on the successes of past years. The Arcadia Music Club is there to help them reach their goals. We ask parents to contribute their time and money in support of these programs that have helped thousands of students succeed. The groups could not perform at the level they do without parents time and fundraising. We urge every parent to look at the music calendar and attend as many performances as they can. Our students need to know that we believe in what they are doing. You will hear and see great music and exciting performances. High school is a time of transformation and you can capture these memorable moments at a concert, field show or competition.

meeting will follow the dinner. Coming to the Music Club meetings is the best way to find out what is coming up with Band, Orchestra, Color Guard and Percussion. Come meet new friends and catch up with old ones!

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy DeSurra.

Hope to see you there!
Sandy DeSurra

Special Thanks

The success of a music program as large as ours depends not only on student dedication, but the support of parents, staff, community, and local businesses.

The students of the band, orchestra, percussion, and colorguard would like to thank Mr. Jack Berutich and Reliable Wholesale Lumber Inc. for their continuing support of our programs through a generous donation for this year's Music Camp. We would also like to thank Mr. Joe Davis and Davis Lumber as new supporters of our Music program. Thanks to both these companies for helping us continue our tradition of excellence.

Alanna Mori



Potluck Dinner

Join us for the annual Welcome Back Potluck Dinner on September 21st at 6:30PM in the Music Building. Bring your favorite appetizer, salad, main dish or dessert to share. Our first Music Club

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Jim Tanner

Chaparones Needed

What better way to come and see the performances of our high school marching band than to come along as a "chaperone"! You get to have an inside view of all that goes on behind the scenes before the show and be a part of helping to prepare our students for thier performance.

I will be needing parents to help with all kinds of different jobs this year. We will be helping the kids make sure their uniforms and hairdo's are in perfect order. We will sit with them in the stands at the home football games and ride with them to the field show performances. It is quite an experience and one you will not want to miss out on! I will have more information and a sign up sheet at the new parent meeting on sept. 8th and at every music club meeting.

Hope to see as a chaperone during the 2004-2005 band season!

*Kris johnson
626-357-0577*



Band

Are you looking for some evidence that good things are happening in our world of Arcadia High School Band? If so, look no further than our just completed Music Camp at Idyllwild Pines. 335 students demonstrated hard work, musical accomplishment, and team unity that has the potential to take us to new heights of achievement. The field music this year includes two pieces by Bela Bartoc, "Concerto for Orchestra," and "Ostinato." The third selection is "Claire de Lune" by Claude DeBussy. The parade march is a great one by Paul Neville, "Shrewsbury Fair." The drill for the field show is again written by Brian Murphy so we know it will be exciting. Our 435 members include 360 band members and 75 in the color guard. The year starts out with two Saturday rehearsals on Saturday the 11th and 18th of September. The music club car wash is the next weekend, Saturday the 25th. Formal pictures will be taken on Saturday morning, October 2nd. Along with our normal schedule of events (see

calendar of activities) we are going to Washington D.C. the week of January 16th thru the 22nd to celebrate the presidential inauguration. It's not too late to get involved in a band year that will be unforgettable. Come out and be a part of one of the best programs at Arcadia High School, our outstanding Music Program.

*Sincerely,
Tom Landes
and Kevin Sherrill*



Band Travel

Did you know that the Marching Band will be traveling to Washington DC in January 2005 for the Inaugural Parade?

By now, each Marching Band student (which includes Color Guard) has received several letters of information on the Washington DC trip. We are happy to report that just under 300 students have signed up, and we encourage every Marching Band student to consider this trip.

Consent and Medical Release forms were sent to you and should have been turned in during your P-Days appointment. If you have questions about the forms, please see Mrs. Schreiner in the Principal's Office at Arcadia High School. Remember that 50% of the cost of the trip is due by October 1 (this amount would include your deposit and any fundraising to date) with the balance due November 1. The total cost of the trip per student is \$1,200.00.

The Car Wash in September provides an excellent opportunity to help fund your trip. Any amount raised, over the Music Club's first \$60.00, will be put into individual trip accounts. Mrs. Green is keeping track of all payments. If you have questions about your account, please contact her at 355-4551.

For more information on this exciting trip, please contact the Band Directors, Mr. Landes and Mr. Sherrill at 821-1788, or the trip coordinator, Mrs. Schreiner at 821-1711 or 447-4190.Ê

PSAT/NMSQT

The PSAT/NMSQT will be given at Arcadia High School on Saturday, October 16, 2004 to freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. This is the test which determines the

juniors who will be National Merit Scholarship Semi Finalists in their senior year, and helps students prepare for the SAT. The 2004 PSAT is a new test including an enhanced math section and changes in the verbal section which will be called "critical reading." Sign Ups for the test will be during



lunch only in front of the Music Building from September 29 through October 1. The cost of the test this year will be \$30.00 per student and checks should be made out to "Arcadia Music Club." We encourage all freshmen, sophomores and juniors, with photo ID cards, to sign up and take this



important test. For questions please contact Mrs. Terry Schreiner at 821-1711.

Orchestra News

We hope everyone has enjoyed the summer. We are about to embark on a new era in Orchestra at Arcadia High School. The Orchestra will be the largest ever, reaching 360 students this year. All three Orchestras are well balanced and should make for outstanding performances this year. We are really looking forward to the coming year.



Thank you to the Orchestra Officers under the leadership of President Min Kim and Vice President Stephanie Lin for their hard work this summer preparing for the upcoming year. The Officers hosted the new freshman members of the orchestra to a party and social evening in August and planned for Music Camp. They are all very enthusiastic about the Orchestra and the coming year as well.

Thank you also to Carol Chao, Music Club Vice President for Orchestra, and her group of Moms who have been busy preparing for the next year. They are making preparations for the Orchestra Performance attire this year, making arrangements for Orchestra 2/3 Dresses and the Orchestra 1 shirts.

One of the reasons Orchestra has been so successful over the years is because of the ongoing team work. Not just the team work of the students in preparation for a concert, but the team work of the parents as well. With our Orchestra Team working together, the only direction we can go is up. Parents, please get involved. The joys you will feel being part of the Orchestra Team are beyond words. If you have any talent, from fitting shirts, to flower arranging to loading a truck, we can use you. The students will appreciate your help and so will the directors. Carol Chao and the other Orchestra Parents maybe calling you to help, so please volunteer and be part of an exciting and rewarding program. We are in need of a parent with electronic experience to repair or modify our digital piano. One of the key components was damaged recently and our attempts to repair it have failed. It is a very useful instrument and we would like to be able to have the use of it. If you are interested in helping out with this project, give us a call. Check the Music Club webpage, at www.arcadiamusic.org for our upcoming Orchestra events.

Welcome back and we look forward to meeting you all soon!!

*Tom Forbes and Rick England
Orchestra Directors*





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Calendar of Events

September

- 11 Band Rehearsal
- 18 Band Rehearsal
- 21 Music Club Meeting/Pot Luck
Dinner
- 25 Car Wash
- 30 Back to School Night

October

- 2 Band Photos
- 9 Orchestra Pictures
- 9 Placentia Parade/
Torrance Field Show
- 15 Football Game
- 16 PSAT
- 19 Music Club Meeting
- 28 Fall String Concert
- 30 Mt. Carmel Parade/Field Show

November

- 5 Football Game -Home
- 6 Chino Parade/Field Show
- 12 Football Game - Home
- 13 La Palma Parade/
Los Altos Field Show
- 16 Music Club Meeting
- 19 CIF Football Game - TBA
- 20 Arcadia Festival of Bands
- 26 CIF Fottball Game - TBA

December

- 3 CIF Football Game - TBA
- 4 SCSBOA Field Championships
- 14 Orchestra I - Winter Concert
- 16 Holiday Concert - Orch. 2 & SO
- 17 Holiday Assembly - CG & SO



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