

Xenia Band Boosters Communicator

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Officer's Notes

A Big THANK YOU from Ted and Tom for all the help with the Fair parking, Magic show, Band contest and all other projects that every one helped with no matter how big or small.

Anyone with a new or changed email

address, home address, or phone number should send it to xeniabandbooster@yahoo.com.

Director's Notes

THOUGHTS FROM THE PODIUM...

Wow!! I think my clothes are STILL drying out after our final halftime performance of the 2007 season. And what a powerful performance it was; energy and excitement despite the monsoon-like weather! To you seniors, I'm sure it will be a night you won't soon forget.

I can think back and remember our first music rehearsal as a group and our first sets of drill on the field. As a director, there is always a bit (a lot?) of apprehension going into a new season. The long climb ahead – the numerous rehearsals to learn and perfect our musical performance, and the pages upon pages of drill to be learned. (55 pages plus pre-game!). Each year we start anew, and wonder why it is we enjoy this so much! When I see and hear you give your best, I know why. I remember the feeling I had when I performed in a marching band – college as well as high school. There is the pride of being a member of such a great organization, the pride of wearing the uniform, and the pride in a great performance. Each time you take the field to play pre-game or the show, I know why I am proud to be a part of this organization, and why I work so

hard to help you reach new heights.

As with all endeavors, we have had our struggles and our successes. You are all to be commended for your perseverance through a long, arduous season. You have come a long way in a relatively short period of time, and we should all look forward to future struggles and successes together! Remember that only you know if you're giving 100%. In life and in music, it is the effort you give that is most important.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at tspringe@xenia.k12.oh.us. You may also call the high school (937) 372-6983. If no one is available, please leave a message, and I will do my best to get back to you as soon as possible.

Musically,

Tom Springer

Director of Bands
Xenia High School

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Upcoming Events

November 3 Kings Mill Contest

Time: TBA
Kings Mill, OH

November 9 End of Season Party

7:30PM – Midnight
O'Callaghan's Farm
1075 US 42 East, Xenia
ocallaghan@siscom.net or
372-3005

Band members, their parents, and siblings are invited. There will be a bonfire, hayrides, and outdoor activities.

Wear a Costume! - ALL are encouraged to participate, dress warm! Music by Tom Gross - bring your favorite CDs or listen to Tom's.

November 11 "Season Review"

5PM
Faith Community-Xenia

Invite your family and friends! Students will need to meet at 2PM to set up, dress, and run through some last minute details.

November 13 Band Booster Meeting

7PM
XHS Band Room

All parents are encouraged to attend.

December 11 Band Booster Meeting

7PM
XHS Band Room

All parents are encouraged to attend.

Fundraising Notes

We are looking at doing two possible fundraisers this November/ December season. They both involve selling by the students and parents.

I would also like to thank everyone who has participated in the fundraising events that we have had so far this year. We are looking at many more expenses for next year and need to start preparing now. Please do not stop just because Marching Band Season is ending. This is a great time to work and prepare for next year.

Annette Alex
Fundraising Chair

Color Guard Notes

We will be having Winter Guard tryouts the first week in December for anyone that is interested. We will be performing with the current guard at local basketball games at the high school and middle schools.

There is possibility that we could be doing some outside performances as well. We are looking for anyone, male or female, interested in spinning a flag, twirling a rifle or saber and having fun with some simple dance moves.

Please pass the word to non band members and current band members are also invited.

Toni Charles
Color Guard Advisor

Parent Notes

The music program here at Xenia High School has given our students something that we, as parents, could not do alone. The students not only are given the opportunity to enhance their music/performance gift, but they are given pride in their accomplishment as a team, pride in the fact that they know how to carry themselves well at football games and in competitions and skills that will train them to become the leaders of their communities in the future.

Annette Koronowski
Proud Parent

In the Band

They marched in parades you watched when you were small,
You saw them at football games standing up tall,
That gargantuan sound that could blow you away,
Gold horns and big bass drums!
You just knew one day,
That you wanted to be in the band,
In the band, in the band,
In your very own Senior High Band.

You're not the same this year, there's something that's new.
You're much more mature in the things that you do.
Get home late from practice and quickly get fed,
Then turn off the TV(!), do homework instead,
And perhaps its 'cause you're in the band!
In the band, in the band,
In your very own Senior High Band.

In your very own Senior High Band. Holst and Stravinsky, Mozart, Grainger, Ives,
When playing this music, you are so alive.
Weeks of getting ready, then comes concert night,
Its wonderful music, you play it just right,
And you're so glad that you're in the band!
In the band, in the band,
In your very own Senior High Band.

Go back to school early a' marching all day,
And its not just marching, they want you to play.
Its wet when its raining, still damp when its not,
And when its not raining, its oh so darn hot,
That you wish that you weren't in the band!
In the band, in the band,
In your very own Senior High Band.

Its more than a class or just something to do,
The other band members depend upon you,
So you've got to be there, without you its wrong.
You're in this together, its here you belong,
And you're part of a really great band!
A great band, a great band,
Your great very own Senior High Band.



Who's Who?



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