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## Director's Notes

Dear Students and Parents:

Greetings from the band office! It is my hope that this letter finds you in good health, and with power! It is hard to believe that we are halfway through the performance schedule! Although a lot has happened between preparation in July and today, Band camp does seem all that long ago.

I think we have looked better and played better each time we have performed. This month brings two competitions (Kettering on October 11, and Tecumseh on the 18<sup>th</sup>).. As we are now mid-way through the year, we need to make sure we do not become complacent in areas where we have been successful. Practices need to stay focused and always moving forward.

**Great performances come from great practices!** I know it's difficult getting up for and playing your best for the staff, a large St. Bernard and a grove of trees (some might say it's hard to differentiate between them...) but we must! Friday night is not the time to decide to "turn it on." Turn it on in practice, knowing that when you get a crowd in front of you, you are REALLY going to knock it out of the park.

**Students - your BEST efforts are ALWAYS needed to ensure that the proud history and traditions of XHS and the Buccaneer Band are preserved and upheld.**

On the concert ensemble front, I think both groups are getting off to a good start. Last spring I spoke with the guidance department and parents regarding scheduling for these two classes. With their efforts and your support, we were able to get all band students in the proper concert ensemble for the first time in several years. Thank you! This will make instruction MUCH easier and allow both groups to develop at the right

pace. The bands will present a joint concert on October 30 at 7PM in the Bob Hope Auditorium. We hope you will join us!

Parents - I would like to thank all of you who have helped with the *Marching Buccaneers* activities so far this year. Your efforts are greatly needed and appreciated!

If you have not yet done so, please take a moment to consider a role with the Xenia band boosters. We need parent volunteers! A band program cannot run smoothly without you. Parents that have an opportunity to help with an organization such as this always find it to be a rewarding experience. If you have not joined the band booster organization at XHS or attended a band booster meeting, I encourage you to do so. No band program can succeed without your help and support!!!!

I urge you to check out our website – [WWW.XENIABAND.ORG](http://WWW.XENIABAND.ORG), where you will find fundraising information as well as the activity calendar. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email or call. 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

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## Motorcycle Update...

Motorcycle ticket sales are still going strong. We still have a few events left in October for a last ditch effort to booster those sales. Contact Charlene King if you have any questions about events for October at home email - [chking21@cs.com](mailto:chking21@cs.com), work email - [trentcpa@yahoo.com](mailto:trentcpa@yahoo.com) or cell phone 266-9517.

We need parents to sell at the last two home football games. Remember, that the last two home football game ticket sales of the bike will go to the general fund. Nothing sold those two nights will go to your band member's account. We will draw the winning tickets - first and second prize - at the last home football game, Oct 17.

We also need event coordinators and kids to sell tickets at the Potato Festival on October 4 from 9AM-9PM and October 5 from 9AM-6PM, Young's Dairy Farm on October 11 from 12PM-8PM and October 12 from 12PM-8PM.

When you are out there selling tickets if people don't seem interested in the motorcycle ask them if they would be interested in second prize - 1/4 Beef processed and ready for their freezer (even offer to deliver it to them). Now that is worth \$5 don't you think?

This week is the last week before turning in personal tickets/money. Someone will be at school after marching band practice Oct. 1 & 2, if you would like to turn in your tickets and money in at that time. Remember to turn in any tickets that you may have left that you did not sell.

Thank you for all the hard work you have done this year in selling tickets.

Charlene King, Motorcycle Committee Member

## Fundraiser Information...

Zappa Snack sales will be starting soon as well as a Poinsettia fundraiser. Details will be posted on the website. There will be many more opportunities to earn money coming. I'm currently working on setting up more Dine and Donate, watch the website.

Annette Alex, Fundraiser Chairperson

Thank you to all who donated band-aids and coffee cans. Everyone did a good job collecting donations at Old Fashioned days. Emily Kathe and Courtney Stahl collected the most donations. They collected \$101! All together we received over \$500.

Jodie Craig, Band-aid Coordinator

## Calendar of Events...

### October 1 and 2, 2008

All motorcycle tickets/money needs to be turned in. Someone will be at the school after marching band practice collecting tickets and money.

### October 3, 2008

Football – Fairborn (home)  
Homecoming Night  
TBA by Mr. Springer, Cox Elementary Gym

### October 4 and 5, 2008

Potato Festival  
Motorcycle Booth Sales

### October 10, 2008

Football – Springboro (away)  
TBA by Mr. Springer

### October 11, 2008

Kettering Classic Band Competition  
TBA by Mr. Springer, Kettering

### October 14, 2008

Band Boosters Executive Meeting  
All Officers and Chairpersons are required to attend 6PM, Xenia High School Band Room  
Band Boosters Meeting  
All parents are encouraged to attend 7:30PM, Xenia High School Band Room

### October 17, 2008

Football – Lebanon (home)  
(Senior Night and Motorcycle Drawing)  
TBA by Mr. Springer, Cox Elementary Gym

**Senior parents, ask your child when you should be at Cox Field for senior night activity.**

### October 18, 2008

Tecumseh Band Competition  
TBA by Mr. Springer, New Carlisle

### October 24, 2008

Football – Piqua (away)  
TBA by Mr. Springer

