

Port Chester High School Band

The Pride of Port Chester



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AD Journal Fundraiser Extended until December

Time ran out and we are way behind on our Ad Journal projection. To date, we have only raised \$21,000 out of \$46,000 needed. The Ad Journal, along with the Patrons, Booster and Alumni is one of our major fundraiser for the year and was to close out on October 31. Due to the low support we are extending the ad journal deadline until December 08, 2003 in order to try and reach our goal of \$46,000 for this band season to help support the band and guard program.

Journals now will be distributed at our Spring 2004 Concert in March instead of our Winter Concert in December

Without your help and cooperation with this fundraiser our band and guard program will not be able to continue for this year. This means **NO WINTER GUARD** or **INDOOR PERCUSSION** for this year.

Please turn in all ads as soon as possible. For additional Ad Journal and Booster forms, visit the band WEB site or see Mr. Vitti or Mr. Gasparini

Fruit Sale Fundraiser

The Association's second big fundraiser kicked off Oct 12th. All band and guard members where given order form packets after the Columbus Day parade. Unlike the ad journal this fruit sale cannot be extended. Please make it a point to get your fruit order in ASAP. The last day of the sale will be November 23, 2003.

This year the cost for Orange or Grapefruit will be \$13 per box. Please call Mary Ann Giorgi with any questions at 937-9192.

Meetings

Exec. Board

November 11
7:30 PM

General

November 18
7:30 PM

Room 23 PCHS
Macy*s Parade
Details to be given

Congratulations to Meghan Lorys "Home Coming Queen"

Congratulations to our own Meghan Lorys of the trombone section who has been selected as this years "Home Coming Queen". This is the second year in row that a member from the PCHS Band has been selected for this honor.

Meghan, we are all very proud and happy for you. All the best during your reign and also for being one of the many who keep the pride going in the "Pride of Port Chester".

Ad Journal
Extended to
December 8

Fruit Sale Drive
ends Nov. 23

PCHS Band Competition Scores

October 04, Hasbrouck Heights , 1st Place, score 82.25, Best Percussion, Best Guard

October 18, Mineola High School, 1st Place, score 91.71

October 19, Hofstra University Regional, 2nd Place, score 89.05, Best Guard

October 26, GIANTS Stadium USSBA, Open 6 class, 7th Place, score 94.65

Visit www.portchesterhighschoolband.org the Port Chester High Band and Association's WEB site for updates, forms and other information.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE Ends November 30th

The General Membership drive will end on November 30th. After the deadline you will not be able to join nor have a say in the way your fundraising is spent. Remember only parents or guardians of Band and Color Guard paid members can vote on issues and elect the Executive Board. Also Freshmen parents please note that you need to be a member for all 4 years in order for your child to be eligible for a PCHS Band Association scholarship his or her senior year.

Dues are \$7.00 for a single membership and \$10.00 for a family. All Alumni and friends of the band are also welcomed to join. Call Barbara Lorys today at 939-5475 to join.

Help support the PCHS Band Association, become a member.

Band Clothing.....New Item and Website sales

Need an extra T-shirt, new band jacket or just show your support for the band? We also have garment bags, golf shirts, T-shirts with small band logo, sweatshirt, pants and more.

New heavier and warmer Band Jackets are available. Cost is \$55.00 per jacket.

Look for our new Band Clothing web site that will be online sometime in January 2004. You will be able to view, price and order your clothing via the bands website.

Contact Mary Devine for a list of band clothing at 939-5569.

MBNA MasterCard

Apply today for the PCHS Band Association MBNA Master Card. Every dollar spent helps to fund the Association. For more information Contact Bishop Nowotnik at 937-1141 or visit <http://portchesterhighschoolband.org/mbna.html>

Upcoming Dates for October shows and competitions

November 01 PCHS Half Time Show, PCHS Football Game
November 02 Band Picture Day, PCHS
November 02 USSBA Championships, Hofstra University
November 09 EMBA Championships, Wayne Hills, New Jersey
November 10 Send your uniform to be dry cleaned for Macy*s Thanksgiving Day Parade
November 27 Macy*s Thanksgiving Day Parade, NYC

For more detail see <http://www.portchesterhighschoolband.org/Association/AssoCalender>

Good Going COLOR GUARD!

The Guard held a bake sale at the PCHS and helped raised \$105. for the band. Good going ladies, keep up the great job you are doing on and off the field.

DRY CLEAN YOUR UNIFORMS

Remember the band and guard will be on national TV at Macy*s. Let's look our best, send your uniform out for cleaning after our last competition on Nov 9th. Poningo St (PC) and Miller's (RB) cleaners offer \$5.service for band and guard uniforms. An inspection of all uniforms will be held Nov 19th to assure uniforms have been cleaned

Fruit Drive Delivery

We are looking for all the help we can get (**parents and band/guard members**) to unload, distribute and coordinate orange and grapefruit orders, December 6, at the PCMS. Hours range from 5:00 AM to 11:00 Am. Please contact Marv Giorgi. Muscles not required.

Raffle Vote Postponed

As discussed at our October membership meeting, a vote on whether or not to run a Money Raffle as a fundraiser for February 2004 was postponed until our November 18 meeting. Phil Gasparini proposed and explained this Money Raffle fund-raiser effort, which is endorsed by the Executive Board to the Association. The money raised by each band member will be credited toward his or her quota. If you cannot attend, please contact Phil Gasparini for an "Absentee Ballot" before the meeting on the 18th at 939-6206.

Committee starting

If you are interested in being part of a committee panel to seek out alternate means of revenue other than fundraising please contact Domenic Carriero or Bishop Nowonik. The first meeting is scheduled for November 13 at 7:30, PCHS, Teachers Lounge. We are looking for 10 association members to serve.

Band Recycling

Collection of deposit cans and bottles will be held on Sunday, November 02 and November 16 from 10 AM to noon PCHS parking lot. All band members are asked to attend a minimum of 2 recycling services per band year. All others who wish to volunteer are welcome.