

Port Chester High School Band

The Pride of Port Chester



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Association meeting re-scheduled to Oct 20, 7:30 PCHS room 213

AD Journal Fundraiser

Time is running out! We are way behind on our Ad Journal projection. To date, we have only raised \$12,000 out of \$46,000 needed. As you know, the Ad Journal, along with the Patrons, Booster and Alumni is one of our major fundraiser for the year. Our goal this year is to collect \$46,000 to help support the band and guard program. We now have only a few weeks to meet our goal. Please do not delay, sell your quote for ads today and turn them in.

Without your help and cooperation with this fundraiser our band and guard program will not be able to continue for this year. This means possibly **NO WINTER GUARD** or **INDOOR PERCUSSION** for this year. Remember all ads need to be turned in by the October 31 deadline. For additional Ad Journal and Booster forms, visit the band WEB site.

Fruit Sale Fundraiser

The Association's second big fundraiser will kick off Oct 12th. All band and guard members will be given order form packets after the Columbus Day parade. Since the band members will be in uniform and highly visible Columbus Day, we encourage all students to go out after the parade and sell.

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

October 08,
7:30 PM

General

October 20
7:30 PM
Room 213
PCHS

Congratulations to our Fantastic Marching Band

2nd Place - MAC Competition, Brian McMachon High School

3rd Place - MAC Competition, Trumbull High School

1st Place - USSBA Regional Competition, Stony Brook, NY

Your accomplishments have proven that you truly are "The Pride of Port Chester," and we are so proud of you!

Parents please join us at the upcoming competitions and show our kids all the support they deserve as they strive to be "number one". The parent bus is waiting for passengers!!!!

Raffle Vote

As discussed at our September membership meeting, a vote on whether or not to run a Money Raffle as a fundraiser for February 2004 will be held at our October 20 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 16th at 939-6206.

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

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PARENT BUS?

We have had very few takers for the Parent Bus forcing the cancellation for some competition this year. The Parent bus provides a very economical and fun opportunity to enjoy the competitions. It saves time and all are able to cheer on the PCHS Band.

Seats are still available for all upcoming events. Cost per person is \$15.00. Please call Chris Macri at 939-4623 for reservation and payment

Please keep in mind that we need at least 30 passengers to order the bus, so please call and make your reservations today. This service is non-refundable.

Water, Water, Water

Thanks to Ann and Wayne Devers, Rita and Ray Bates, Barbara and Bill Irwin, Paul and Stephanie Gerardi, Sharla and George Kaufman, Anna and Ruben Tornini for proving bottled water for the past events and competitions for the band and guard during this young season.

Also, thanks to Mike and Barbara Lorys for providing all the ice needed to keep everything cool.

At each event the band, guard and staff member consume about 150 bottles of water. We are still asking for donations of bottled water for the upcoming events. If you are interested in donating water please contact Domenic Carriero.

Band Recycling

Collection of deposit cans and bottles will be held on Sunday, October 19 and November 02 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.

Fabulous Gaylord's Show

Dr. Charles Coletti, Superintendent PC Public Schools, wishes to thank all that attended the Fabulous Gaylord's show, held at the PCMS September 27.

The PCHS Band Association along with the PCMS Band Association sold cookies, pastries, cheesecake, espresso, coffee, water and soda at the event.

The money raised by this fundraiser \$200 was split by the two associations.

The Association wishes to thank the following volunteers who gave up a rare Saturday night off from competition circuit to man the tables.

<u>PCHS Association</u>	<u>PCMS Association</u>
Domenic Carriero	Marta Cruz
Gisela Granados-Carriero	Philip Jenks
Joann Pace	Sandy Guarino

Band Clothing

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

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

Up Coming Dates for October shows and competitions

October 04	PCHS Half Time Show, PCHS Football Game
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October 11	PCHS Half Time Show, Home Coming Football Game
October 12	Columbus Day Parade
October 18	NYFB Competition, Minneola, New York
October 19	John Philip Sousa Regional, Hofstra University
October 26	USSBA 6 Open Competition, GIANT STADIUM

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 www.portchesterhighschoolband.org/Association/AssoMBNA.html

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Help support the PCHS Band Association and become a member. Have a say in the way your fundraising is spent. **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. Remember only parents or guardians of Band and Color Guard members can vote on issues and elect the Executive Board. Call Barbara Lorys today at 939-5475 to join.