



THE BUGLE

The Newsletter of the Thousand Oaks High School LANCERS

May 2006

Director's Notes

The Band Department had an exciting week of performances last week.

The Drum Line traveled to the National Championships in Dayton Ohio where they had the best performance of their season. What a time to peak with their best. The Drumline placed fifteenth in the World Scholastic Division, that's the highest possible division for any public school.

The Color Guard competed in the Southern California Championships where they placed third in their division, receiving the Bronze Medal and scoring high enough to make finals. This is quite an accomplishment since they were promoted up to the Scholastic A Division earlier in the season.

They competed again on Sunday and placed eighth in finals OUT OF 40 GUARDS. This is a first in five years for TOHS.

Congratulations to both the Drum Line and Color Guard Members.

The department had a wonderful season celebration in our gym. It was great seeing all of the family members here to support the students and the activities of this great department. The AM and PM Jazz Bands were a nice addition as well.

Good Luck to the Jazz Bands as they compete at Royal HS on April 29. I know that they will perform well, making great music and having fun. Look for an added concert on Tuesday, May 23 as we welcome some professional musicians to clinic the students and join us on stage. They are Tom Peterson (Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Tonite Show) on reeds and Lee Thornburg (Jay Leno Show/ Tower of Power) on trumpet and Ira Nepus, (Clayton/Hamilton Band / Studio Work) on trombone. The concert will start at 7:30 PM. Tickets will be available at the door. For more information, call the band room.

We announced the 2006 Field Show, its title is "The Blueprint", and we are very excited to move forward so soon on this project. The students really liked it and we hope to have some of the music by May 15th.

Please check the calendar for the many events of the department in May.

Mr. Martone

President's Corner

Only six weeks left to this school year. How can that be? It seems only yesterday that we were packing for Indianapolis. And now we are getting ready to wish our seniors farewell as they move into the next phase of their lives. But they leave high school well prepared, and band had a huge impact on that. Band gave them opportunities to interact with students of all grade levels, maturity levels, playing levels, and commitment levels. It gave them leadership opportunities, friendship opportunities, and many, many travel opportunities. They came together this year and showed the nation at Indianapolis that they were a model band – and won the Esprit de Corps award for that. This will be a hard group to forget! And to the senior parents leaving us – thank you for all of your support for the band program. The program would not be as successful without the support of its boosters!

But there is still much left to do this school year. We have the Conejo Valley Days Parade, collection and inventory of the uniforms, All District Band Festival, Percussion Extravaganza, and graduation.

Two other important things left are the election of officers for next year. This is done at the May Booster meeting on Tuesday, May 16th. We are still in need of a Ways and Means person – without one fees will need to be increased to make up for the fundraisers we won't be doing.

Next is the Orientation meeting on May 30th for parents and students. This will provide vital information for next year so please plan on attending. (Disregard the meeting on the calendar for May 23rd – we are combining the old and new member meeting to ensure everyone gets the same information.)

Thank you to all of you that have made this band year memorable. We couldn't do it without the many hands that share the incredible workload.



Nominating Committee Update

2006/07 Executive Board Slate

Listed below are the Boosters who have agreed to serve on the Executive Board for the 2006/07 school year. Thanks to all who have so willingly agreed to give their time and talents to better our organization. We will be voting on this slate at our next general membership meeting on Tuesday, May 16. We are still looking for two people to co-chair Ways and Means, General Fundraising, and VP of Color Guard. If you are interested in either position, please contact **Gail Williamson** for more information. Thanks go to the following people who served on this year's nominating committee: **Tami Casebolt, Arlene Mead, Dave Burns, Traci Brown, Julie Solomon, Mikal Musselman and Lauren Piper.** We appreciate your time and enthusiasm in helping in this capacity.

President Dorothy Hatfield & Cheryl Pavell

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| VP- Band | Betsy Connolly | Membership | Michelle Forrest & Patti Shaw |
| VP - Color Guard | Michele Ackerman | Equipment | Kyle Gross & Mark Lindauer |
| VP - Drumline | Traci Brown | Uniforms | Sandy Gregory |
| VP - Jazz Band | Dave Gulbansen | Food | Joanne Lamoureux & Brenda Priske |
| Recording Secretary | Sue Heraper | Publicity | Naomi Burns |
| Treasurer | Denise Vivero | Ways & Means - ISSA | Kay Tallman & Larisa Sassoon |
| Financial Secretary/Member | Diane Folsom | | |
| Auditor | Connie Vinson | | |

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WAYS & MEANS

We've got two big events coming up in May. The first is Conejo Valley Days. We have gotten most of the shifts filled to operate the Churro Booth. The shifts are three hours in length and are a lot of fun. The carnival runs from Wednesday, May 3rd thru Sunday, May 7th. The jobs in the booth are very simple as well, so if you've never worked in the Churro Booth and would like to try, now's your chance!! Please contact either **Cheryl Pavell** or **Stacey Gessert**. (Please refer to last month's Bugle for a complete listing of all the shifts for Wednesday through Sunday.) If you have signed up to work in the Booth, you will be given a pass for admittance into the midway.

A big thank you to all who have signed up to work in the Booth!!! J

Our next big event is our annual Pancake Breakfast to be held on Saturday, May 13th. Tickets were mailed to each band student's home during Spring Break. If you did not receive your tickets or would like additional tickets to sell, there are extras by the White Box in the Band Room.

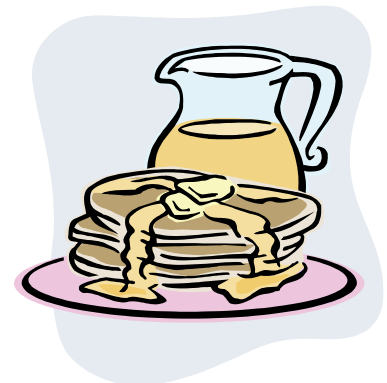
We will be celebrating Mother's Day as well with two Mother's Day themed baskets to be raffled off, flowers for sale as well as strawberries. Come and enjoy a hot cup of tea or coffee, a steaming plate of all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausages and fresh fruit!!! Band parents are some of the best cooks in the world, so you can be sure it will be delicious!!

There are three shifts that morning that will need volunteers to either help with the cooking, serving or the clean up. The shifts are as follows: 6:00-8:45 a.m., 8:30-11:15 a.m., or clean up from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. If you can help in any capacity, please contact either **Merle Bower**, **Mandy Parson** at or **Stacey Gessert**. There a many spots left to fill!! Please contact one of us!!

Also, a gentle reminder to take care of your tickets by following the instructions that were written on the response form. Please return your ticket money or unsold tickets to the band office by **FRIDAY, MAY 5TH, 2006**. Any unsold tickets not returned or paid for will be billed to your student's band account. (6 tickets x \$6.00 = \$36.00).

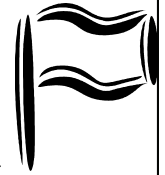
Looking forward to seeing you all soon at the Churro Booth and the Pancake Breakfast! Thank you in advance for volunteering to help out.

Any questions???? Call: **Stacey Gessert!**



WINTER GUARD

Web Edition*



What a great way to end a great season! The Winter Guard placed third in their division on Saturday, April 22 in the Scholastic A WGASC finals held at Rancho Cucamonga High School. The team all received medals for placing and came in ninth place out of forty schools. But the best news is that based on their placement and scores, they were able to compete again on Sunday, April 23 in Irvine on the UCI campus. The guard performed another awesome show to cheering TOHS fans and came in eighth out of the final fifteen schools.

A special thanks to all our parents and friends that supported us through this season and this weekend, in particular. Thank you to our drivers/chaperones: **Susan Mellon, Alison Iannolo** and **Sherry St. Andrew**. Thank you to our truck drivers: **Tara** and **Barry Meizel**. Thank to our support staff: Warren, Arlene and Craig Mead. Thank you to our great equipment crew; you are the best: **Will Lindauer** and **Jasmin Parson**.

Martha, Brianna and **Rob** have done a wonderful job training the guard to achieve and surpass their goals. Way to go!

Drumline

The Drum Line traveled to the National Championships in Dayton, Ohio where they had the best performance of their season. What a time to peak with their best. The Drumline placed 15th in the World Scholastic Division, that's the highest possible division for any public school.

Watching them in the big arena brought tears to many who watched them compete with the best drumlines in the nation at the highest level of competition for high school drumlines. The parents felt very privileged to have been a part of this experience.

The competition is only one aspect of the experience. The group as a whole went out to dinner to a fun automotive novelty restaurant, then bowling for some camaraderie and lighthearted team building.

On the last day they had time to visit the aviation museum before going to watch the finals.

Jazz Band

Both the AM and PM Jazz Bands performed at a Jazz Festival at Royal High School in Simi Valley on April 29. The PM Jazz Band scored a 76 and an 80, averaging out to a 78 and tying for 1st Place in the Novice Division. CONGRATULATIONS!!! Two Soloists from the PM Band were recognized: **Chris Lameroux** on trombone, and **Justin Roy** on alto!!! Way to go!!!

For this festival the AM Jazz Band performed a set different than anything they have done before. The AM Jazz Band received an 86 and an 89, averaging an 87.5 and taking first place in the Advanced Division. **Adam Koslin** was recognized with an outstanding soloist certificate.

There will be a Jazz Concert at the TOHS PAC with both bands and special guest musicians, on Tuesday, May 23rd. MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

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Hot Off The Press

The Lancer Band Adbook celebrating 2005-2006--Only \$5! What is the Adbook?

First, it is a great chronicle of your student' s year at TOHS as a member of this award-winning program. A great memory book with lots of room for friends to write! Contains 100s of pictures from the 2005-2006 Marching Season, the Drumline and Winter Guard seasons, the jazz band, the wind symphony, and the concert band.

Second, it is a fundraiser that offsets the costs of the band program--with money from local business! Indexed and easy to use--the Adbook is the first place you should go to when your family needs anything.

It's the "must have" item of the season! Ad sellers receive a copy for FREE. Copies are available for purchase for the amazing low price of \$5! Supplies are limited. Email Cindy Wagner: food@tohsband.org to get yours today!

Want to know how to get in on this great fundraiser THAT COSTS YOU NOTHING for next year? Email Cindy Wagner: food@tohsband.org.

SCRIP

Scrip is NOW available. We are using a new scrip company, Great Lakes Scrip Center. They come highly recommended and we are eager to begin using them. They carry almost any scrip that you can image.

We are enclosing an order form which lists those most frequently used by the boosters in the past. We will be placing orders on the 15th and 30th of each month. Put your completed order form along with your check in the white box, mark the envelope, SCRIP ORDER. ISSA accounts will receive 50% of the percentage earned. Orders should arrive within one week and you will be notified as soon as it gets here.

If you have any questions, please contact **Julie Solomon**.



Save That Date

Saturday, May 6

Conejo Valley Days Parade
7:00 AM-12:00 PM

Sunday, May 7

Europe Musicians
1:00 PM -5:00 PM
Rancho Benardo HS

Tuesday, May 9

All District Band Festival
7:00 PM-9:00 PM
T.O. Civic Arts Plaza

Wednesday, May 10

Executive Board Meeting
7:30 PM-9:30 PM
TOHS Band Room

Saturday, May 13

Jazz Festival
All Day

Car Wash
8:00 AM-3:00 PM
TOHS

Pancake Breakfast
8:00 AM—11:00 AM
TOHS Cafeteria

Monday, May 15

Color Guard Auditions
3:30 PM-6:30 PM TOHS GAR
Occurs every day effective 5/15/06 until 5/18/06

Tuesday, May 16

Leadership Training
3:00 PM-6:00 PM
Band Room
Occurs every Tuesday and Thursday effective
5/16/06 until 5/25/06

Booster Meeting
7:30 PM-9:00 PM
TOHS Band Room

Tuesday, May 23

Jazz Concert
7:30 PM
TOHS PAC

Tuesday, May 30

Orientation Meeting
7:00 PM-9:30 PM
TOHS PAC

Wednesday, May 31

Percussion Extravaganza
4:00 PM-9:00 PM
TOHS PAC

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