



BAND & ORCHESTRA BOOSTERS'

Newsletter

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President's Letter

Wow, the whirlwind has subdued for awhile. Take a moment to catch your breath before the next wave. It seems like the year starts with a flurry of activity and ends with urgency to complete all the requirements due before graduation. So, this is the in-between. Although there is much to do with holiday rush and all, it seems like the band and orchestra pace slows down just a little at least until the preparation for all-state begins.

To all setting out on their next endeavor to qualify for All-State, we wish them all superior results. We are so proud of all of our kids and their accomplishments. What a talented bunch! Even their poetry skills are quite a testament to their artistic ingenuity, as we discovered recently at the band banquet. It was entertaining and enlightening to listen to the kids roast their peers. A good time had by all.

As the honors continue to roll in for both band and orchestra, I am reminded that awards tarnish and fade, but the memory of those that helped you achieve your goal along the way always remains. We are so blessed to have such a reputable staff to lead our kids and such excellent parents to support and encourage as only a parent can do. Remember to tell them thank you.

The next General Meeting of BBOB will be January 12, 2008.

May your holiday season be filled with thankfulness and joy!

Rhonda

Germany Trip News- Passports

If you have not begun the passport process we highly encourage you to do so. Take time during the Thanksgiving break to get this underway.

Two payments remain. Please be sure you are current.

December 15, 2008 200

January 15, 2009 145

Please send trip payments to: **Kevin Williams**

2124 Turtle Creek, Bartlesville, OK 74006

BBOB Website

Thank you to **Terri Thomas** for serving as our web master!

The website can now be accessed from the home page of the Bartlesville school district website:

<http://www.bps-ok.org>

Scroll down on the right side of the home page to find the Bartlesville Band and Orchestra Boosters. Check it out for information on band and orchestra happenings.

Looking for something to do now that football season is over?

Ushers Needed

Can you volunteer to be an usher? The new Fine Arts center requires that when the Band or Orchestra performs, that the group provide the Ushers to assist with seating and pass out programs. Sign-up with Dena Divelbiss 333-9387 if you would be interested in serving the 30-45 minutes needed before a performance.

Winter Concerts

Come for some early Christmas spirit to all our instrumental music concerts

The All City Orchestra Concert is December 4 in the FAC at 7:00p.m. The concert is comprised of orchestra students from grades six through twelve. There will be a variety of music ranging from classical, jazz, and holiday.

Both Central and Madison 6th grade bands will perform at their Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 7th at 2:00 pm at Madison Middle School.

The All City Band Concert will be Dec 8th at FAC at 7:00pm. Band students, grades seven through twelve will perform. Share with others this season and bring canned goods to the FAC on the day of the concert.

Orchestra News

The HS orchestra students have begun symphonic orchestra rehearsals at 7:15 on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for the All City Concert December 4th. We are playing three full orchestra pieces with winds and percussion. Rehearsal attendance is crucial to the success of the concert.

The All City Orchestra Concert is December 4 in the FAC at 7:00p.m. The concert is comprised of orchestra students from grades six through twelve. There will be a variety of music ranging from classical, jazz, and holiday.

There will be posters and flyers available for public display designed by **Deven Sullivan**.

Mrs. Malaby will host a reception after the concert. Students are asked to bring a dozen cookies the night of the concert. Drop them off at the ticket window in the foyer of the FAC.

Good news for the instrumental department - a 'wish' has been granted by the BHS Parent Support Group for orchestra risers. These risers are very expensive and would not be purchased without the PSG financing. Orchestra, band, and choir will be able to use these extra wide risers for their performances. They are wide enough to put a chair, music stand, and performer on comfortably and safely. They will probably be available for use next semester. We are excited and grateful for this new equipment.

We had many orchestra students audition for All-District this year. We are proud of all those who made the effort.

The following students participated in the All-District Orchestra Clinic in November.

Mid-High Orchestra students:

- Jennifer Chung**
- Stephanie Baillargeon**
- Gabriel Carr**
- Jennifer Duan**
- Hannah French**
- Anna Garrett**
- Mauricio Goro**
- Nikki Jackson**
- Emily Mueller**
- Pablo Lopez**
- Claire Malaby**
- Sarai Ogans**
- Ryan Stevens**
- Jack Wiseman**
- Shelby Stambeck**
- Tracy Sung**
- Haley Culver**

High School Orchestra students:

- Nick DuVarney**
- Erica Curtiss**
- Anthony Gaskill**
- Kevin Knight**
- Andrew Willis**
- Rachel Mooreland**
- Victoria Steinhart**

December 6 is the first and second rounds of all state audition for strings. We will leave BHS at 3:30 December 5 from the FAC. Room sign up is beginning this week. The kids auditioning from the orchestra are **Nicki Jackson, Shelby Stambeck, Jennifer Duan, Andrew Willis, Jared Gilreath, Victoria Steinhart, Rachel Mooreland, Nick DuVarney, and Anthony Gaskill.**

Competition is very tough at the all-state level. We are very proud of these students for trying out.

Uniform Guidelines

The uniforms are nearly all passed out. There are some guidelines that need to be followed with the care and wear of the uniform. Girls' dresses must be hemmed, not cut off if they need to be shorter. Do not cut off the dresses. If you need a dress hemmed and do not know how to sew, call Expert Alterations at 333-0220, Sew-N-Go at 336-7397, Alterations Plus at 336-7587. The dresses need to be hand washed and drip dried, not dry-cleaned. Boys' shirts need to be washed after every wearing. The Tuxedos pants must be hemmed to fit. Please don't shorten them by cutting them off. All tuxes must be dry-cleaned.

Concert attire for Girls: Orchestra dresses, black dress shoes, dark hose, modest jewelry. No flip-flops, tennis shoes or boots are to be worn with any orchestra uniform. **Concert attire for boys:** tuxedos, bow ties, black dress shoes and socks. No flip-flops, tennis shoes, or boots are to be worn with the tuxedos.

Thank you,
The Carrs

Band News

Wow, what an awesome Fall this has been! Straight ones at OSSAA and great achievements at the other marching contests and now super accomplishments at All-District as students show their individual talent!

22 out of the 28 students who auditioned made the District roster. Congratulations to the following students:

NBDA Symphonic Band:

- Dalton Reynolds** 5th Chair Clarinet
- Spencer Wilson** 8th Chair Clarinet
- Amanda Thomas** 14th Chair Clarinet
- Nathan Patteson** 1st Chair Bass Clarinet
- Josh Lewis** 5th Chair Tuba
- Christian Parnell** 1st Chair Snare
- David Calhoun** 2nd Chair Snare
- Chris Hogan** 5th Chair Snare
- Brandon Wong** 1st Chair Keyboards
- Nathan Cosby** 1st Chair Timpani

NBDA Concert Band:

- Meghan Hills** 8th Chair Flute
- Shelby Swanson** 2nd Chair Oboe
- Heather Gerfers** 10th Chair Clarinet
- Kayla Nakayama** 1st Alternate Contra Clarinet
- Nathan Reid** 1st Chair Trumpet
- Jonathan Harrison** 4th Chair Trumpet
- Ben Stire** 7th Chair Trumpet
- Kenny Bond** 2nd Alternate Trumpet
- Ryan Miller** 8th Chair Trombone
- Kent Worden** 1st Alternate Trombone
- Andrew Williams** 1st Chair Keyboards
- Landon Trotter** 1st Chair Timpani

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The following band students earned the opportunity to attend the final round of the All-State auditions at Westmoore HS on Saturday, December 6th:

- David Calhoun**
- Nathan Cosby**
- Heather Gerfers**
- Jonathan Harrison**
- Meghan Hills**
- Chris Hogan**
- Christian Parnell**
- Nathan Patteson**
- Nathan Reid**
- Dalton Reynolds**
- Ben Stire**
- Shelby Swanson**
- Amanda Thomas**
- Landon Trotter**
- Andrew Williams**
- Spencer Wilson**
- Brandon Wong**

Congratulations to **Spencer Wilson** for making **All-State Jazz Band** on guitar at the auditions that were held on November 14th!

Christmas Parade

Saturday, Dec. 6th set-off at 5:30 pm, meet time will be earlier in the afternoon.

Dress is marching band uniform, however band members may wear Santa or Elf hats instead of shako. Conservative Reindeer antlers are OK as well. If no Santa Hat, etc, you must wear shako!

A possible **Cash Prize** to the best-decorated instrument to be awarded a prize. (Must still be able to play the instrument!)

8th Grade Plays with Marching Band at Football Game

The 8th grade students from Madison and Central Middle Schools got the opportunity to play in the stands with the Bruin Brigade during the football game on Halloween night. This gave the middle school students a taste of what to expect as they continue with band in 9th grade and beyond. They did a great job!

Thank YOU, Chaperones

A special thank you to **Cindy Tresner** and **Robyn Miller** for coordinating the chaperones for the bus trips this marching season. And to those chaperones who rode on the buses to away games and contests, a special thank you for giving of your time and your support to help the students.

Concession Stand

We Couldn't Have Done it Without YOU!

WE APPRECIATE ALL THE HELP FROM THOSE WHO STEPPED UP TO MAKE THIS FOOTBALL SEASON A "WINNING SEASON" IN THE CONCESSION STAND!

Thank you for your time and commitment to your students!

Rachelle Wilson

Senior Night

Senior night is always a special time as we honor the students who have given their talents to the music program. Congratulations to these students for all their hard work and we look forward to seeing what their futures hold.

We would like to thank **Monta Reynolds** and **Dawn Lewis** for doing the floral arrangements and to **Bo Wilson** for taking photographs at Senior Night.

Band Banquet Door Prize Donors

We would like to thank the following businesses for donating door prizes and food to the band banquet:

- ConocoPhillips**
- Hastings**
- The Pizza Place**
- Red Apple Bowling**
- Robert's**
- Carraba's**
- Dink's**
- Jared's Frozen Custard** for dessert at the event
- Outlaw's Chophouse** for catering the event

We would also like to thank **Donna Hogan, Danielle Wong, Carrie Stire,** and **Paula Barnes** for decorating the tables and **Dena Divalbiss** for coordinating the door prizes and reservations.

Jazz Band

The Jazz Band has been practicing on Tuesdays at 4:00pm. The Jazz Band has once again been invited to play at "All That Jazz", a fundraiser for the Westside Community Center in February. More about time and place later.

Let me know if you have ideas of places that the group might play. Check out the Jazz Band Web site.

<http://www.bograpix.com/bruinjazz/bio.htm>

Mike Dodson

Band Uniform Care

When your uniform becomes soiled, please follow these instructions.

1. Remove the gauntlets & blue insert from the uniform.
2. Take the uniform only (not the gauntlets and insert) to Archers Cleaners.
3. Instruct them to **WASH** the uniform per instruction that they have already been given.
4. Hand wash gauntlets and insert if needed. Use mild soap and a brush to clean. Rinse in warm water and allow to air dry. **DO NOT PUT IN THE DRYER.** Do not delay in cleaning the gauntlets as they will become harder to clean.

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Band & Orchestra FUNDRAISING

We are trying to offer several fundraisers to help the students raise money for their trips. It is totally up to the student/parent what fundraisers they want to participate in. We just want to give them as many chances to earn their money as possible, so check them all out!

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Little Caesar's

Little Caesar's Pizza Kit Fundraiser will run Friday, November 21 thru Dec. 5. All orders and money need to be turned into Dawn Lewis at 3901 Fairview Rd. Turn in times will be Saturday, December 6 from 2 pm to 4 pm or on Sunday, December 7 from 1 pm to 3 pm. Orders will be ready for pick-up on Tuesday, December 16 from 10 am to 5:45 pm. All orders must be picked up by 5:45. Any questions contact Dawn Lewis at 397-2619.

**Second Blue & Gold Fundraiser
To Be Delivered Dec 2nd**

The delivery date for the Blue & Gold product is **Tuesday, December 2**, at the High School Fine Arts Center, south side of the front lobby. Remember, these are frozen products and must be picked up on time.

Help is needed to pass out product at 3:00 pm. Contact Dena Divelbiss if you can help at this time.

Money is collected for orders at time of delivery to the customer. Have your customers make their checks payable to "BBOB". Money turn in times are:

Sunday, December 7, 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 14, 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The place to turn in money for Blue & Gold is the home of Doug and Dena Divelbiss, 309 Park Hill Dr. No money should be given to directors or dropped off at the front desk at school. If you have any questions about this fundraiser, call Doug or Dena at 333-9387.

December is a hectic time of the year, so please help this fundraiser go as smoothly as possible by picking up your product promptly when it is delivered, and turning in your money on the above two dates.

Poinsettia Sales

Poinsettias will be available for pick up on Friday, December 5th at the High School Band Hall. Please pick up your order between 6:00 pm and 6:30 pm. Please deliver promptly as these are live plants. The contact person is Christyn Champagne at 918-636-8465 or cjchampagne@cox.net.

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Candy Bar Sales Wrapping Up

If you have checked out boxes of candy bars and need to turn your money in, Carrie Stire is ready! For each box you should turn in \$52, which will credit your account with 25 points (dollars).

Please e-mail Carrie at stire@cablone.net or call her at 335-5034 (home) or 335-7475 (cell) to let her know if you will be mailing or dropping off your money. Please do not mail cash. Make checks payable to BBOB.

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RibCrib Fundraiser Competition

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone for a SUCCESSFUL November Fundraiser at RibCrib!!!!!!!!!!

To help liven up the RibCrib Fundraiser a competition between the Mid-High Orchestra, Mid-High Band, High School Orchestra and High School Band has taken place over the last two weekends. We hope you had an opportunity to be part of the competition and invited your friends and family to join in also.

CONGRATULATIONS goes out to the **Bartlesville High School Orchestra** for winning the pizza party!

After the first weekend HS Orchestra was way ahead:

- Mid – High Band \$184.73
- Mid – High Orchestra \$54.40
- High School Band \$291.10
- High School Orchestra \$610.38

On Nov. 20th HS Orchestra wins the pizza party:

- Mid-High Band = \$147.68
- Mid-High Orchestra = \$164.73
- High School Band = \$132.45
- High School Orchestra = \$165.86

Totals from both weekends:

- HS Orch \$776.24
- HS Band \$423.55
- MH Band \$332.41
- MH Orch \$219.13

Total \$1751.33 that is \$175.13 to the music program and the Germany trip.

We appreciate RibCrib's community spirit as they have donated 10% of dine-in, carry-out, or catering orders purchased on select days over the past year to BBOB! **The December dates are Dec 6 and Dec 20.** Keep spreading the word and giving the community an opportunity to support music in our schools.

Diana K. Brewer

Remember to send your e-mail address or any changes of address, phone numbers, e-mail, etc. to Stephanie Williams at SWilli1199@aol.com or call her at 331-2703.

NEW The Pizza Place Fundraiser NEW

The Pizza Place is another restaurant that is helping support the Germany trip.

Located at 3803 S.E. Nowata Rd., that's the corner of Nowata and Washington, The Pizza Place will donate 10% to BBOB on Dine-in, Carry-out, Delivery & Gift cards **everyday – all day long during November & December!**

Just identify yourself with BBOB or bring the flyer sent out by e-mail. Spread the word to your family, friends and co-workers. What's more fun than a pizza party!

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**Monterey Fundraiser Continues**

Watch for BBOB's next fundraiser at Monterey's in Bartlesville. The date has not been confirmed, but flyers will be distributed to students and via e-mail. You must have the flyer to get the discount at Monterey's.

Monterey's will donate 15% of your dine-in, carryout, catering, and gift card purchases to BBOB. This has been a great fundraiser for BBOB. The money raised will be used to pay expenses for the Germany/Austria trip.

**Bruin Insulated Tumblers Sales**

This is an on going fundraiser. Cost for each tumbler is \$12 with approximately 45% profit margin. If you have an idea of a venue to sell these tumblers or if you would like to purchase a tumbler to show your customers contact Bob & Beth Hills at [bbobinfo@cableone.net](mailto:bbobinfo@cableone.net).

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E-mail directors through their school e-mails.

**Orchestra Dates to Remember**

- November 26-28** – Thanksgiving Break – **No School**
- December 4** – All City Festival of Orchestras Concert  
HS Fine Arts 7:00pm
- December 5** – Leave for All State Orchestra auditions  
3:30pm from FAC
- December 6** – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> round All-State Orchestra  
auditions Moore, OK
- December 22** – Winter Break Begins
- January 5** – School Resumes
- January 30** – Mid-High Orch performance at OMEA  
Assembly Hall - Tulsa Convention Center
- February 16** – MLK Day – **NO School**
- March 16-20** – SPRING BREAK & Germany Trip

**Band Dates to Remember**

- November 26-28** – Thanksgiving Break – **No School**
- December 5** – Leave for 2<sup>nd</sup> round OMEA  
All-State Band Auditions (afternoon)
- December 6** – 2<sup>nd</sup> round All-State Band Auditions  
Moore, OK
- December 6** – Bartlesville Christmas Parade  
5:30 pm ConocoPhillips parking lot
- December 7** – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Band Concert  
Madison Middle School 2:00 pm
- December 8** – All-City Band Winter Concert  
(7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) FAC 7:00 pm  
musicians report at 6:30 pm
- December 22** – Winter Break Begins
- January 5** – School Resumes
- Jan 9-10** – All-District Honor Band Clinic (10-12th)  
BHS FAC
- January 17** – All-District Band Auditions (7-9<sup>th</sup> grade)  
BA Centennial MS
- January 19** – Teacher In Service Day – **NO School**
- January 29-31** – All-State Band Clinic
- January 29-31** – OMEA Convention  
Tulsa Convention Center
- February 6-7** – All-District Honor Band Clinic (7-9<sup>th</sup>)  
Claremore HS
- February 16** – MLK Day – **NO School**
- February 16** – Percussion Concert  
FAC 7:00 pm
- February 28** – Solo & Ensemble contest  
Owasso HS
- March 3-4** – OSSAA District 9 Contest  
Bartlesville FAC – **Volunteers NEEDED**
- March 16-20** – SPRING BREAK & Germany Trip

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