



# NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2007

## Musically Yours

*Message from our Band Director*



Spring is sprung!

After a slow February, March gets busy with many performances and rehearsals. This week is very busy for those of us in the musical, Charlie Brown. I hope you had a chance to see it. It was great to see our drum major as Charlie Brown.

Congratulations to our color guard for their first place finish at the Chino Invitational Winter Guard show last Friday. Their performance was so impressive WGASC moved them up a class to Scholastic A. This is quite an achievement. Kudos to Mr. Hahn and his assistant Anthony for all of their inspired instruction to our color guard.

Our jazz band started their performance schedule at Mayfair High School last Saturday. They are off to a good start finishing in third place in their division. We couldn't have done so well without Ernesto, Herlinda, Vanessa and Victoria who all are learning new instruments. Thanks guys.

Our concert festival is just around the corner. Both of our concert groups will perform on Saturday. Our festival runs smoothly when we have plenty of parent help. Please come to the March booster meeting and sign-up to help.

On a financial note, some families still need to become current in their fair share. Additionally, a few of you Hawaii bound people have not made your final payment. Our program cannot run efficiently with out your financial support. You can send payments to school with your child and I will collect them.

In closing, please remind your students to practice daily, and remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday March 11 for daylight savings time.

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## Boosters Corner

*Message from our Board President*



Congratulations to our winter guard and jazz band for starting the season on a successful note. The winter guard took first at the Chino Invitational, and the jazz band took third place among the morning novice groups at the Mayfair Jazz Festival.

We have many, many talented kids and parents in our band program. They have worked hard to do their best, and to be the best. We are very proud of their efforts. With the encouragement and inspiration from everyone, our band program will continue to be successful. **Way to go team!**

In less than two weeks, the band boosters will be hosting the Don Lugo Concert Festival on March 23-24. As we have stated previously, this is a huge event for the boosters. There are 25 groups scheduled to perform during the 2-day event. Wow, that's a lot of musicians and a lot of funnel cake to sell! Remember, we need all the parents to volunteer at the festival. We will have the work schedule this week. It will also be posted on the website. Thanks in advance for your time.

See you at the Booster meeting, Tuesday March 13 at 7:00 in the Band Room.

*Rob*

"Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you too, can become great." --Mark Twain

### **Fair Share Payments On Line!**

*Since so many people took advantage of making on-line trip payments, you can now make on-line fair share payments. Thank you for making your financial commitments on time.*

*Make payments on line at the booster web site*

[www.donlugobandboosters.com](http://www.donlugobandboosters.com)

H. Robert Reynolds (famous band director) was asked this question... What does it take to make a band great? He thought for a moment and answered, "great musicians". Every little bit of efficient practice makes a difference.

See you soon,

Mr. B

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*March Fundraisers*

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- ⌘ Red Robin Dinner Night March 20 from 5 – 9pm. Scrip will be available
- ⌘ Don Lugo 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Concert Festival, March 23 & 24

**Attention All Parents!**

We are asking that each student bring in one 12- pack of Name Brand sodas for our Concert Festival Snack Bar.

Please give your sodas to Mr. B and he will give you a coupon for a free meal. (Hot dog, chips & a soda).

Last names A-M bring: Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Coke or Diet Coke

Last names N-Z brings: 7-up, Sunkist Orange, Mt. Dew, or A & W Root Beer. Please turn them in by Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

**COW CHIP BINGO**

**THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL COW CHIP BINGO WILL BE HELD SATURDAY MAY 5 AT DON LUGO.**

We are in need of items to be used for raffles and silent auction. The bigger the item, the more money we can make. Please see any Board member for information on donating items.

**Tickets will be handed out at the next booster meeting on Tuesday March 13. We need to sell, sell, and sell those tickets.**



There is on-line voting to see which cow (Don, Antonio, or Lugo) will drop the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> plop. There will be one prize awarded for each plop from the on-line voting at the event. Be sure to vote. You can't win unless you do.

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*Hawaii Update*

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Final preparations are being made for the Hawaii trip. March 6 was the due date for the final payment for the trip. I am sure we are all relieved to have the trip paid off. Making on-line payments with PayPal was a great success. During the trip, we hope to have daily updates and pictures for those on the mainland to see. We will post a recap of the day's event as well as pictures on the website each night. You will see just how much fun the kids are having.

Next Hawaii meeting will be Wednesday 3/21 at 7:00 in the band room. This meeting is MANDATORY for all trip participants. You will receive your Hawaiian shirts and full packets of what to bring and what is off limits.

There will be Hawaii practices for those students going.

All rehearsals 2:30-3:30  
Tuesday 3/13, 3/20, 3/27 Concert band rehearsal

Thursday 3/15, 3/22, 3/29 Parade Band rehearsal

Final rehearsal April 5 (pre-performance for all units) parents invited.

*Key dates in March*

- Tue. Mar. 13, Booster meeting 7pm band room
- Tue. Mar. 20, Dinner Night at Red Robin (BUY SCRIP)
- Wed. Mar. 21, 7:00 pm Mandatory Hawaii meeting
- Fri./Sat 23/24, Don Lugo Concert Festival
- Sat. Mar. 24, Winter guard at Cerritos College
- Wed. Mar. 28, 6:30 pm Concert band at Santiago HS
- Thurs. Mar. 29, 6:30 pm Wind ensembles at Santiago HS
- Sat. Mar 31, Winter guard at Azusa HS