



Southeast Raleigh High School's

Bulldog Band Banner

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Quote of the Month

"Speak it into existence."

President Lisa

Candy Sale and Other Fundraising

The Annual SRHS Candy Sale is beginning on Friday Feb 7. We will be selling Hershey Candy products. You will need to pay a \$25 deposit on a case of 50 candy bars. The candy bars will sell for \$1 each. When all the candy is sold, pay the \$25 balance. Candy sales contribute to the individual student's account just like the fruit sales (40%) and can be applied to this year's trip. All candy is available on a first come first serve basis; when it runs out, it runs out. So, hurry on in and pick up your candy.

Is anyone in the cleaners business or know someone who is or have a cordial relationship with their personal cleaners? If so, we are looking to reduce our annual uni-

form cleaning bill. We can provide free advertising for the cleaners on our website, in our newsletter, or perhaps at a band activity. We can distribute coupons from the cleaners in some way. We are open to suggestions. If you think you can help, contact Jody Finch.

A calendar committee is forming to explore Mr. Scott's idea for an official SRHS Band calendar. The calendar would have pictures of the whole band and/or sections and sell for a reasonable price. Please let President Lisa know if you want to join that committee.

Teresa Yent and Gwen Sheppard are in contact with Walnut Creek to see if we can expand our

fundraising opportunities with them. We will continue with chairs and games but may be able to add a concession booth such as a beer cart. Further information will be forthcoming. Teresa Yent has commissioned a computer guru to put all Walnut Creek sign-ups online. The site will also include a password protected link to your financial records and provide a link to the directory for instant updates for all those email address changes. Teresa will present to the boosters when the site is perfected. The board saw a peek preview and it looks very exciting. Those without home computers will be provided with information about sources for accessing the online site.

Spring Trip, March 20-27

As you all know by now, the trip dates have been moved back a week. These items require your attention:

- All health and permission forms for those going on the trip are past due. Please send forms in NOW. See Mr. Scott if you need a form.
- Trip payments are

due Feb 4, Feb 18, and Mar 4 with all money in by Mar 4.

- Contact Wanda Gilmore if you would like to help out with the Spring Trip Phone Tree which will be used to inform you of those revised arrival times. E-mail updates will also be sent throughout the trip.

- Contact Gwen Sheppard if you would like to be added to the chaperone list, are already a chaperone and need a roommate, or have any questions about costs. The meeting for chaperones is on Feb 26 at 6:00.

- Mr. Scott will be collecting \$5 from each student to purchase drinks and snacks for post-competitions.

CALENDAR

EVENT	DATE
Candy Sale begins	Feb 7
Jazz Band Rehearsal	Feb 10 4:00-5:00
Concert Band Rehearsal	Feb 11 3:30-4:30
Sound of Music Rehearsal	Feb 12 3:30-4:30
Symphonic Band Rehearsal	Feb 13 3:30-4:30
UNC-G Honors Band	Feb 13-15
Jazz Band Rehearsal	Feb 17 4:00-5:00
Concert Band Rehearsal	Feb 18 3:30-4:30
Sound of Music Rehearsal	Feb 19
Symphonic Band Rehearsal	Feb 20 3:30-4:30
Marching Band Trip Practice	Feb 20 4:30-5:30
District Band Festival	Mar 11 (not firm)
Annual Educational Trip	Mar 20 - Mar 27

CALENDAR NOTES:

- Other Feb rehearsal dates to be announced.
- See related articles for further details about calendar items.
- Future dates include: Pre-Band Camp for all freshmen, Percussion, and Colorguard (section leaders too!) on July 17 and 18 AND Full Band Camp July 21-25.

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Newsletter Suggestions?

Contact Jody Finch
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Next Band Booster Meeting

Date: March 4
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: SRHS Bandroom



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Announcements:

- Don't forget that your grocery purchases can help support the band. Link your Harris Teeter card (tell them at the cash register, SRHS Band is #5199) or your Food Lion card (must be done on line at their website). Any questions, contact Mike Roselli..
- The Band Handbook is being updated for 2003-2004. What questions or areas did the current handbook not address? Contact Linda Hoke with any comments.
- Consider joining the SRHS PTSA if you and your child are not already members. The PTSA is supporting our efforts to secure additional funding for uniforms. We need to support them as well. Contact Thomasina Whitley at t.whitley@att.net for information on how to join.

Bereavement Fund

A collection was taken up at the February band booster meeting to begin a bereavement fund. The students often also take up a collection when one of our band family suffers a tragedy. However, the students are not always able to cover the entire expense and we, as parents, are not always available to contribute on a timely basis. Therefore, we would like to keep a small fund on hand. Jill Bright will be administering this fund. She will notify by email when the fund is running low and request further donations. Anyone who would like to contribute to this fund at this time may do so at the next booster meeting or by contacting Jill Bright or Jody Finch. Thank you for your compassion.

New Uniforms, etc.

The New Uniform Committee has been very busy. They have presented their Power Point slide show to the PTSA and Mr. Modest and have received unqualified support from both as well as suggested avenues to pursue. The committee is contacting various administrators and will take their presentation to the board after these contacts have been made. The following is a list of these administrators: Rosa Guild, Bill Fletcher, Judy Hoffman, Caroline Massengill, Patty Head, Danny Barnes, and Jo Brown. If you know any of these individuals, please let Teresa Yent know.

The committee also presented the slide show at the February booster meeting. It is a well documented presentation of our band needs, especially uniforms, and our band assets. Kudos to the committee for putting it together.

Teresa also informed the boosters of an email contact from a member of the Sanderson HS band booster club asking for suggestions. We are not the only booster club struggling with financial issues! A concept is being discussed to form a Wake County Band Booster Council with the intent of sharing ideas and mutually supporting one another. We are approaching this with an eye to keeping a balance between serving the whole band community and seeing that our individual band needs get met. Teresa would also welcome any comments or input on this endeavor.

NOTE: If you are unsure how to contact any of the booster members mentioned in this newsletter, check your directory or email Jody Finch at JHFinch@nc.rr.com Your email will be forwarded to the appropriate person.

District Festival

The Concert and Symphonic Bands will be attending the District contest in Asheboro the week of March 10. The preferred date is Tuesday March 11. Students will be leaving the school around noon.

Account Balances

Remember you can receive an update on your band account from Andy Cordes. We have been successful at collecting on some unpaid band fees as well as returned checks. We will continue to actively collect monies owed. Please check your records or check with Andy to see that you are paid up.

Band Auditions

Mr. Scott will begin auditions for next year's bands in the upcoming months. Because of the expected size of the incoming freshmen band class, there may be a third band class next year, possibly alternating with Jazz band year round.