

Band Notes



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100 Communities Named Best in America for Music Education – ELANCO Makes Grade!

Congratulations to everyone! You and your children are living in one of the best areas in the country for musical opportunities and learning experiences! For the sixth year in a row, a survey conducted by a partnership of leading music and educational organizations has identified the "Best 100 Communities for Music Education in America." Eastern Lancaster County School District has been selected for this year's prestigious honor!

The 2005 roster includes school districts from 34 different states whose commitment to quality music education—measured across a variety of economic, curricular and programmatic criteria—has enabled them to stand

out despite the many pressures on music programs across the country. Because the criteria in the survey are measured proportionally, large communities and small ones are able to participate on an equal footing – and the results bear out the conclusion that communities of varying sizes and levels of affluence have an equal chance of making the "Best 100" list. Where people value music and resolve that their children won't be denied its benefits, parents and educators find a way to succeed. ELANCO is now a nationally recognized example of a

thriving music education community!

Thousands of teachers, administrators, school board members, parents and community leaders, representing communities in all 50 states, participated in the Web-based survey during January, February and March of this year. Participants in the survey answered extensive questions about funding, enrollment, student-teacher ratios, participation in music classes, instruction time, facilities, support for the music program, participation in private music lessons and other factors in their communities' quality of music education. The responses were verified with district officials, and the sponsoring organizations reviewed the data.

The unveiling of the survey results coincides with "Music In Our Schools Month," an observance that highlights this vital topic every March. In a 2003 nationwide Gallup Poll, 93 percent of Americans said that schools should offer musical instrument instruction as part of the regular curriculum. The mental and physical benefits of active music making have been well documented over the last decade.

The ELANCO Music Faculty is proud to share this award with our local private music instructors, community bands, dance schools, churches, community theaters, and cultural ensembles. Thanks to our supportive school board, administration, and faculty, the ELANCO music education programs are continuing to contribute vitality to our cultural community – and vice versa! The ELANCO music staff consists of: Jeff Hackenberger, Jennifer Schoener, Timothy Moll, Richard Fitz, Deb Olsen, Ena Marie Banks, Lynn Stover, Carla Buterbaugh, Alicia Fry, Michael Truitt, and Kathy Zellefrow. The complete results, along with background information on music education and the survey, can be seen in their entirety at www.amc-music.org.

Band Aids

Dana Riehl has been a dedicated band booster for more than four years. She is Vice President this year and will move up to President next school year. Not only is she an officer but also she operates the french fry stand during football season. She makes sure there are supplies, potatoes and workers during the busy fall season. Dana and her husband, Leroy, have also helped with moving and unloading equipment for games, parades and exhibitions. Dana has no problem jumping in where she is needed. She has coordinated MANY sub sales for the band; she chaperones and ushers at concerts, helps with fundraisers,

works with the newsletter and fills in wherever she is needed. You might think band would be enough to keep her busy but she is also involved with three other school booster groups. Away from school, she gives time to the New Holland Fire Company Auxiliary, the New Holland United Methodist Church and Lancaster County Therapeutic Riding. Somehow she also has time for a job! She is one BUSY person!

Dana and Leroy have two daughters. Megan graduates in June and Lindsey is in eighth grade. Both daughters are actively involved in band so look for Dana

and Leroy to be involved booster parents for at least another four years. Thank you Dana and Leroy for all the time you give to help the band!

Upcoming Concert Dates:

May 5th-Middle School-Orchestra, World Beat, Chorus, Band Concert 7:00pm

May 12th-Choral Ensemble, Jazz Band and Percussion Ensemble 7:00pm

May 19th-Sr. Orchestra, 9th Grade Chorus, Sr. Chorus, Sr. Band 7:00pm

Band Boosters Policy for Yoder's Receipts

Next hand in date for receipts dated April 1, 2005—May 31, 2005
due to Mrs. Zellefrow **“June 1st and June 2nd”**

Yoder's Market has generously allowed the band to collect receipts year-round as a fundraiser for band students. With this in mind, the Band Boosters have initiated a policy concerning the collection and credit of these receipts. **Please make sure you are using the correct subtotal. Due to new Yoder's discounts, some receipts are not sub totaled. You will need to write in the adjusted subtotal amount below the total showing on the receipt.**

1. The Band Boosters will only accept Yoder's receipts dated within our collection period.
2. The Band Boosters will only accept Yoder's receipts on the collection dates published in the newsletter and posted at school.
3. Funds will be credited to the student's band account only.

This is the Band Booster policy – contacting Yoder's will not change the Band Booster policy – **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Anyone with questions, please contact Kathy Zellefrow.

Watch For Chaperone/Fry Stand Volunteer Forms Next Issue!!!

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Next Band Booster Meeting:

May 9, 2005
7:00 pm

Committees meet at
6:30 pm

Band Room
Everyone Welcome!

Student Officers 2004/2005

President—Ross Myers

Vice President—Victor Myers

Secretary/Treasurer—Jeneva Umberger

Publicity—Angela McClure

Senior Rep.—Austin Martin

Junior Rep.—Jeremy Horning

Sophomore Rep.—Jon King

Freshman Rep.—Kate Timpson

Middle School Band Half Notes

Emily Funk, Austin Benner, and Lindsey Riehl represented the Garden Spot Middle School at the LLMEA Middle School Band Festival April 8th and 9th at Columbia

High School with Mr. Howard Boots as the conductor. Congratulations and keep up the good work.



Thanks to everyone who worked, baked cakes and cupcakes for the Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner.....there were 76 cakes, 17 dozen cupcakes, and 94 hours worked that day.....Again Thank You!

Thanks to Lucy Parkes for all the calls made before and receiving of the cakes that day!

Where are they are they going?

So its about 30 days till the end of the school year and the seniors are finalizing their plans. Now, where did they end up at? Here are what some of the seniors who responded to our questions answered.

Heather Geib—Planning to attend college for Early Childhood or Elementary Education

Cullen McClay-Duquesne University-Pharmacy

Madelyn Wanner-Peabody Conservatory of Music -Vocal Performance

Lydia Hollinger-Empire Cosmetology School

Steph Supplee-Army National Guard-fall 2006-Kutztown University-Art Education

Stephanie Thiesen-Messiah College-Business/Elementary Education

Sophie Thiesen-Messiah College-Elementary Education

Katie Pechart-Full Time Employment

Megan Riehl-Robert E. Cook Honors College at Indian University of Pennsylvania-Music Education

Angela McClure-Grace College & Seminary -Graphic Design

Melissa Good-Kutztown University-Marine Science/Spanish

Jeneva Umberger-Bradley Academy -Interior Design

Victor Myers-Franklin & Marshall College-Chemistry

Ross Myers-Franklin & Marshall College -Chemistry

Here are some things they will not miss, which by the way was not asked but here goes anyway:

Sweating, freezing in the uniforms, the tiny band room and telling people to move down everyday. While things they will miss are: Football Games, Band Camp, Friends, riding the band bus, playing the awesome music, face painting, concerts, and their sections.

**Best Wishes to all the seniors,
We will miss all of you!!!!**

Sub Sale in progress
Order form enclosed

**This years
Marching
Band season
on CD
coming
soon!**

**Order forms
available at
the**