

ARCHBISHOP WOOD HS.

MARCHING UNIT NEWSLETTER

October 2008

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fall is finally here and outdoor season is in progress. It's great to see all the parents, family members and friends at the competitions, our supporters always seem to be the most vocal, which is great for the kids. Champs are less than a month away. A message to all Senior Unit members... Saturday, October 18th is Senior Recognition Day held during halftime of the football game at Wissahickon. The band will be performing. All are welcome.

The fall craft show is only a month away. Please be sure to attend the October parents meeting for an update. As usual, we need plenty of volunteers to make this important fundraiser a success. Many thanks to all the volunteers for their continued support throughout the year.

Please be sure to check your file folder regularly for any flyers, fundraisers, or other information. If you are unable to attend the parents meeting, please have your child check your file and bring any materials home.

Here's to a successful outdoor season! Go Vikings!!
Mark Arnold

PARENT GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, October 21st. Upcoming competitions, fund raisers and the craft show volunteer sign-ups are on the agenda.

FUND RAISERS:

YANKEE CANDLES – Delivery will be posted soon.

GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY – This fundraiser will begin at the October Parent Meeting.

More information will be given by Roseanne Lawler at the meeting.

PIES – Thanksgiving pie (Styer Orchards) fundraiser starts at the parent meeting. Maria O'Leary will have information at the meeting. The Pot Pies fundraiser will also be discussed at the October meeting.

POINSETTIAS AND CHRISTMAS TREES– begins at the October parent meeting. Denine & Kevin Anderson will have information at the meeting. Orders and payment (payable to AWMU) are due at the November parent meeting.

CANDY BARS - All American \$1.00 Candy Bars Fund Raiser offers \$18.00 credit of your total purchase. Candy is sold in boxes at \$40.00 each. Candy will be available at the parent meetings.

HOAGIE COUPONS – Available for purchase anytime and at all monthly parent meetings. Contact Linda Rakszawski at 215-674-5006.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!!!!!!!

GIFT RAFFLE – Note from Denine Anderson:

I am in the process of coordinating the Basket Raffles. Currently the Barbecue/Gas Grill basket chaired by Susan Fennecken has enough donations and I thank all those parents who are helping Susan with this basket. However, Donations are still needed for the "Night Out" Basket and the "Basket of Cheer". If you are interested in donating to any of these baskets please notify the chairperson.

Night Out

Chaired by LuAnn Kittredge
215-675-8934
Linda Gioffre

As mentioned above, we are also asking each family to contribute one bottle of liquor toward our "basket of cheer" gift raffle. Please deliver to Denine Anderson at the Parents Meeting or any practice night.

Again, thanks so much for all your hard work for the Band and feel free to call Denine Anderson with any questions 215-328-0261.

TRUCK RENTAL A special “thank you” goes out to Pat and Kim Succi for the use of their trucks, which carry all the equipment to and from the competitions week after week. Thank you for your generosity!!

ALL CATHOLIC – Auditions for Strings will be held on October 29th at Cardinal Dougherty High School. Chorus auditions are on October 30th at Archbishop Prendergast High School. Concert Band and Jazz Band Auditions will be held November 23rd at Roman Catholic High School. There is still time to get music and audition!! Website is www.aboutpasa.com. Please call Tom Rakszawski at 215-674-5006 if you have any questions or see Mr. Zimmaro. Good luck to all of our talented students.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST – Mark your calendars. The Marching Unit Communion Breakfast is scheduled for February 1, 2009. More details will be provided in the coming months.

WEBSITE FOR MARCHING UNIT

<http://www.abwoodmu.net>. Visit our website for the latest in calendar updates, competition results, current newsletter, along with photos and other information you may find interesting. Feedback, suggestions, ideas, photos, stories, links to Cavalcade of Bands (AWMU related) etc. are welcomed and in place. Please contact Jim Redcay at chief77@verizon.net. The website for Cavalcade of Bands is <http://cavalcadeofbands.com>. Directions to the upcoming competitions may also be obtained at this site.

CRAFT SHOW INFO

Sign up for Craft Show positions will be held at the October Parent Meeting. Volunteers are needed for this event. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year and we need as many parents as possible to **donate their time and “energy”** for this worthy cause. All students of the color guard and marching band are required to participate during this fundraising event.

Also, during the October Parent Meeting, we will be hearing from the Director of Security for the Craft Show, John Smith. John needs volunteers to help

with traffic control and security throughout the Craft Show. Please be generous and volunteer.

Thank you in advance to all who have donated soda and or water. Please contact Jay Wieckowski for further donations still needed for the upcoming Craft Show or call 215-942-9009. Due to limited storage space, we need to ask families to drop off the beverages on Thursday night, November 20th, during the Craft Fair set up.

Beverages Needed:

<u>Families</u>	<u>Beverage</u>
A to B	Iced Tea
C only	Coke or Pepsi
D to F	Diet Coke or Diet Pepsi
G to H	Sprite or Sierra Mist
K & M	Diet Sprite or Sierra Mist Free
N to Z	Bottled Water

Sodas: 1 or 2 cases of 24 cans.

Water: 1 or 2 cases of 16.9 ounce bottles

Additional reminders will be sent as the fair approaches. Thank you in advance for your help.



MARCHING UNIT CALENDAR

Sat. October 18 Football 1:00 @ Wissahickon
 (Homecoming Game & Senior
 Recognition)
 Competition @ Wissahickon

Tues, October 21 Band Parents Meeting

Wed., October 29 All Catholic Strings Auditions
 at Cardinal Dougherty High
 School

Thurs., October 30 All Catholic Choral Auditions
 at Archbishop Prendergast
 High School

Sat. November 1 Competition @Hatboro-
 Horsham

Sat. November 8 Championships @
 Hershey Park

Tues. November 18 Band Parents Meeting

Thurs. November 20 8th Grade Visitation & Open
 House

Thurs. November 20 Craft Show Set Up

Fri. November 21 Craft Show 6:30-9:30

Sat. November 22 Craft Show 10:00-4:00
 Clean-up immediately
 following

Sun. December 23 All Catholic Concert Band and
 Jazz Band Auditions at Roman
 Catholic High School

Sun. December 7 Dress Rehearsal for Fall Show

Fri. December 12 "Mulan"

Sat. December 13 "Mulan"

Sun. December 14 "Mulan"

