

# ARCHBISHOP WOOD H.S.

## MARCHING UNIT NEWSLETTER

*August 2006 Edition*

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Welcome back to our returning members, and a special welcome to all our new members. I hope you are having a great summer. We're looking forward to another fun and exciting year.

Our fall season begins with Band Camp, which runs from August 14-18 and 22-25. Sessions run from 8:30-12:00 and 6:30-9:00 each day. Members should make a note to bring sunscreen, water, sunglasses, hats, etc. for protection against the elements.

**A special orientation meeting for "new band parents" will be held on Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. All new parents (band and guard) are encouraged to attend this information session to learn more about the marching unit. Please meet in the band room-back parking lot of Archbishop Wood.**

During the two weeks of Band Camp several families will be hosting parties for members of the marching unit. This is a good opportunity for the members to get to know each other and have some summer fun. Details of the parties (dates, locations, directions, etc) will be on flyers which will be distributed during band camp.

Our annual family picnic will be held on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm, prior to the evening session. All parents and siblings are invited to attend the picnic. Look for a flyer to be distributed during camp.

Immediately following the picnic, the students will attend their evening session, and the parents association will hold its first general meeting of the year. Please try to arrange for at least one parent to attend the meeting, as well as other meetings throughout the year. This is a great way to keep informed of the unit's activities and to meet other

parents as well. After the meeting, all are welcome to stay and watch the remainder of the evening session, as with the other nights during camp

As usual, volunteers are always needed and welcome. If there is a particular activity or fundraiser that you are able and willing to help with, please contact the chairperson or any board member. Thanks in advance to all the individuals who help keep the organization running smoothly. Here's to a very successful year!

Ed McTague

**BAND PICNIC** will be held on Friday, August 25th at 6:00PM with a parent meeting to follow. All marching unit members and their families are invited. Rachele and Ed McTague are organizing this event and will distribute more information during band camp. If you would like to offer Rachele any help, please call her at 215-956-0203. They will have an information flyer available with all the details for the picnic. Please have your child pick up the flyer from their band file folder.

**PARENT GENERAL MEETING** will take place on Friday, August 25th immediately following the Band Picnic in the school auditorium. Please have at least one parent stay for the meeting.

**REGISTRATION** for all Marching Unit members should have been completed by band camp. Anyone who has not registered for the 2006-2007 season, please contact Denine Anderson at 215-328-9189 to pay the \$40 registration fee.

If you have not filled out the registration and/or medical form(s) for your child, please contact Ed McTague at 215-956-0203, so you can be added to the roster.

Once again this year, we are asking for parent E-mail addresses for distribution of our monthly newsletter. Please notify Linda Gioffre, 215-953-8996, of any address, telephone number and E-mail changes.

**FILE FOLDERS** for each band family are in a file box in the band room. Folders are filed alphabetical according to last name. Encourage your son or daughter to check your folder daily during band camp and at each practice throughout the year. Important information concerning fund-raisers, special events and monthly meetings is sent home this way.

**UNIFORM FITTINGS** for each member will be completed sometime during the two-week band camp period. In addition, it is very important that if anyone still has a uniform or rain coat at home, it must be returned the first day of band camp. Please contact Rose Kennedy , 215-443-8435.

### **SHOE FITTINGS AND GLOVE ORDERS**

for new or returning members will start on Friday, August 18th at 9:00AM. Payment is due upon delivery. Gloves are needed for all band members except those in percussion. Two pairs are recommended. New guard and band members need to be measured for shoes. If you are a returning member and need new shoes, you will also be measured that day.

**SHOE DONATIONS** of previously used and/or outgrown band shoes are always needed. If you have a pair for donation, please contact Rose Kennedy at 215-443-8435.

**T-SHIRTS** for band camp members, band parents and guard parents are normally ordered during band camp and at the first parents meeting. Please watch your file folder for a flyer regarding order and pricing information.

**ALL CATHOLIC AUDITIONS** Anyone interested in auditioning for the all Catholic ensemble... Choir, Concert Band or Jazz Band... please contact Tom Rakszawski at 215-674-5006 for more information. He has the necessary music available for auditions. Please let him know your instrument or position for tryouts.

### **BAND PARENT ASSOCIATION 2006-07**

Listed below are the names and telephone numbers of current Board Members and Chairpersons. Please contact them with any questions or concerns.

<b>President</b>	Ed McTague	956-0203
<b>1<sup>st</sup> VP</b>	Angie Palardy	230-3794
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> VP</b>	Diane Smith	675-4312
<b>Rec. Sec.</b>	Loretta DeFrancisco	659-6918
<b>Corres. Sec.</b>	Linda Gioffre	953-8996
<b>Treasurer</b>	Denine Anderson	328-9189
<b>Immediate Past Pres.</b>	Tom Rakszawski	674-5006
<b>Craft Show Chairperson</b>	Angie Palardy	230-3794
<b>Head Chaperones (Outdoor)</b>	Diane Smith	675-4372
	Mary Kay Zimmaro	675-9598
<b>Indoor Guard Chaperone</b>	Donna Elwell	675-7118
	Diane Smith	675-4312
<b>Indoor Percussion Chaperone</b>	Mary Kay Zimmaro	675-9598
<b>Public Relations</b>		
<b>Ways &amp; Means Chairperson</b>		
<b>Uniform Chairperson</b>	Rose Kennedy	443-8435
<b>Equipment &amp; Property Chairperson</b>	Kevin Anderson	328-9189
<b>Fall Craft Show</b>	Angie Palardy	230-3794
	Loretta DeFrancisco	659-6918
<b>Spring Craft Show</b>	Angie Palardy	230-3794
	Loretta DeFrancisco	659-6918

## **FUND-RAISING CHAIRPERSONS**

### **Pizza**

**Pies/Pot Pies** Terri Lohoefer 682-9586

**Hoagies** Rose Kennedy 443-8435

**Candy** Denine Anderson 328-9189

**Christmas Trees and Plants**  
Denine Anderson 328-9189

### **Candles**

**Bulbs** Linda Gioffre 953-8996

**Sally Foster Candy/Christmas Paper/  
Entertainment Books**

**Gertrude Hawk Candy**

*This issue of the Newsletter is being sent via regular mail and E-mail for a trial run. Please let me know if you have any trouble downloading it or did not receive it via E-mail. I will send it in word format only. In the future, you can expect the Newsletter during the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of each month. If your E-Mail address changes, please contact me Linda Gioffre at 215-953-8996. If I do not have your E-mail address, I will continue to send it via regular mail. After this newsletter, I will only send via E-mail to all others.*

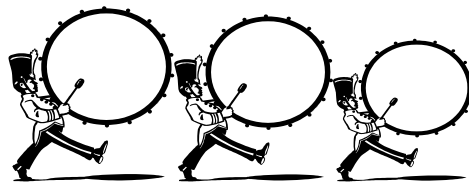
## **APPRENTICES NEEDED**

*Apprenticeships are necessary for the various fundraisers and committee chairs for the 2006-2007 season. See any board member for additional information.*

***Color Guard:** Sewing/Painting/Cutting. People to help are needed.*

***Building and Fix it Group:** People to help are needed.*

Watch for "Sign Up" Sheets at the Parent Meetings.



## **BAND CAMP SCHEDULE CHANGE**

*\*\*\*Please make a note of this very important change in the band camp calendar:*

*Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup> – Mr. Zimmaro will announce when practice will be held.*