

PEQUEA VALLEY MUSIC BOOSTERS

NEWSLETTER/MEETING NOTES

SEPT, 2014

Mr. Ackerman Says...

Both Marching Band and Concert Band are going well. Both continue to grow. Concert band increased by about 17 students this year, and marching band has grown to about 65 students. The first marching band performance is this Saturday at York Tech. The marching band is traveling to 4 away football games in September. Weis Markets is holding a fund raiser for the band on Saturday, Sept 26th. Be sure to stop down, grab a bite to eat, and enter a chance to win something! Our band will be popping in to perform some music after the Alzheimer's Walk, perhaps between 12:30 and 1:30?



There are some changes in concert band this year. Concerts will be on Sundays. You should have seen a note to sign this week about it this week. Also, see all of the details on the Weebly site: <http://pvmusic.weebly.com/concert-band.html>

Mr. Bankert Says...

The concert choir also continues to grow and now has 113 members. Mr. Bankert shared that the middle school has an even bigger chorus this year. The usual fund raiser for PVHS chorus members begins on Sept 14th, so look for information soon.

The Chamber Singers' retreat is slightly different this year. It will begin after school on Thursday, Nov 19th, and will end Saturday night with a special opportunity to perform for a composer in Lancaster.

County Chorus tryouts will be held at McCaskey on Saturday, September 26th.

Mr. Bankert has now announced the musical soon and may have tryouts and begin some rehearsals earlier than usual this year. The spring 2016 musical will be Into the Woods.

Next
Booster Meeting:
Monday
Oct 5

Dates to Know: Band Activities Choral Activities Both

Sept 5— Marching Band travels to York Tech for football game performance.

Sept 8— 7 pm Meet the Teacher night and Marching Band practice (6 pm to 8 pm)

Sept 11—Marching Band at Kutztown for football game performance

Sept 14—22 Choral Fund Raiser

Sept 15—Ed Foundation Night at Barnstormers (Marching Band) Maybe chorus?

Sept 16 6-8 pm Marching Band practice

Sept 18—Marching Band at Octorara football game (BRAVES bowl!)

Sept 19—Kitchen Kettle Tailgate Parade and activities

Sept 23—Marching Band practice

Sept 26—Alzheimer's Walk, Weis in Gap marching band fundraiser, and County Chorus tryouts

Sept 29—Marching Band practice

Sept 30—New Holland Parade



Other information from the September Music Booster meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Betty Weaver. In attendance were: Laurie Hoover, Barry Yunkin, Paula Walsh, Lesly Malloy, Kim Eltman, Paula Hughes, Theresa Mitchell, Cindy Slider, Lena Riehl, Cathy Warner, and Tammy McCauley.

Secretary's Report -was approved by Kim Eltman and seconded by Paula Walsh.

Treasurer's Report— The budget for the 2015-2016 school year was presented. The current balance is 4560.84. Recent expenses include \$5500 for the installation of the fry wagon exhaust system, \$356 for insurances, \$3135 for banquet expenses, and about \$400 in food and paper supplies for the fry wagon for the first few games. Expected expenses yet to come this year are about \$4500.

Other info cont.

Boosters and Volunteers needed- We have lost some of our most active boosters and will lose several more this year. Please consider coming to some booster meetings. If you'd like to help out just a little, please sign up to help in the fry wagon. Remember this is our biggest source of income to support our almost 200 students! <http://vols.pt/i2FGrq> The marching band also needs a few extra hands. Please click here for more details: <http://vols.pt/Sd4FSF>

Improvements to Fry Wagon— The exhaust has been installed, the propane has been rerouted through the fire suppression system. Barry and Charlie Ackerman have done quite a bit of work already this year to get the fry wagon ready. Lena headed up the scrubbing committee, (basically her with a couple others pitching in). Also extremely helpful this year is Tonya Kauffman and Jodi Arment with their willingness to help us out with getting the exhaust installer in, concession stand coordinating for band camp, and ice cream deliveries!

Band Camp— We had 16 people sign up to send food items in or to hang out in the concession stand to help serve snacks and be on hand for whatever was needed. We also had about 5 other people offer to help during the week. ALL of the help was MUCH appreciated by the band members as well as staff and the other volunteers!

Sunday band concerts—The boosters will be organizing and providing refreshments at the band concert since they will now be held on Sunday afternoons.

Money for directors—After much discussion of the budget, the boosters in attendance voted to give both Mr. Ackerman and Mr. Bankert \$300 each to spend as needed to benefit music students. When they have decided how to spend the money, they will let us know.

Don't forget to visit Weebly! Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Bankert, and Mr. Corrao try to post info there regularly to help keep you informed:

<http://pvmusic.weebly.com/>

