



## *Band Director's Notes*

### Marching Eagles Fly South for Trip

December 17 to December 23 2005 will always be a time to remember. On three separate flights, our marching eagles flew off to Florida for a great time. For all the hours of rehearsals and Saturday competitions, after all the bonding of becoming a big 130 member family throughout the season, this trip was a well-deserved reward.

The first day of our trip was spent at Disney's MGM Studios where most of us experienced the Tower of Terror and the Rockin' Roller Coaster. Our visit at MGM was nice, and ended with an excellent show called "Fantasmic." The weather cooperated that first evening when we checked in the All-Star Music Resort and several of our students enjoyed the swimming pool and food court.

Day 2 began with a breakfast with a Disney Cast Member and a surprise visit from Mickey Mouse. After breakfast, we were off to The Magic Kingdom. Even with light rain on and off throughout the day, we all had a good time. Can anyone remind me of the tune, "It's A Small World"? I can't seem to remember the lyrics or the melody!!! The highlight of our time at The Magic Kingdom was seeing and hearing our students perform in the parade. I was very proud of our performance as we marched down Main Street with Cinderella's Castle in the background. A few hours after the parade, we left for Epcot. Many of our kids enjoyed the multiple g-forces of Mission Space, and the hang gliding simulation ride called Soarin'. Our evening at Epcot ended with an incredible fireworks and laser light display that lasted 30 minutes, and was all accompanied by music.

Monday morning, we all checked out of our hotel rooms and headed for breakfast at the Rainforest Café. A small group remained at The Animal Kingdom with Mrs. Lyons that day, then made their way back home to Indianapolis. As Mrs. Lyons' small group was enjoying the third day of Disney, the rest of us traveled south to Port Canaveral where we boarded the Sovereign of the Seas.

Oh yes.....the cruise. I believe everyone especially enjoyed the cruise. Even the individuals who were rough-water challenged. Our first night was



*Photo by Beth Coleman-Valdettaro*

rockin' literally. I ordered the soup for dinner just so I could see if it would all stay in the bowl. The second day of the cruise brought us to the small island of Coco Cay. Again, the weather gave us enough time to enjoy swimming/snorkeling in the ocean, playing like children in the sand, and (my favorite) relaxing on a lounge chair on the beach! The third day of the cruise landed us at the island of Nassau. The orange shirts were perfect as we spent a couple of hours seeing the sights and shopping. Perhaps it was the color of our shirts that actually brought the sun out from behind the clouds well into the afternoon. The cruise worked out pretty well for us. Students were able to keep busy entertaining themselves and eating. The next morning, we left the ship, enjoyed a good time at The Animal Kingdom, and made our return journey home to Zionsville. First class sure was a nice treat.

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# Orchestra Notes

The orchestra has a full schedule this winter and spring, starting with the re-scheduled Christmas concert and moving on through multiple clinics, competitions and concerts; and, of course, the trip to Vienna! Here is a schedule of upcoming orchestra events:

**January 25** – 7 p.m. – PAC

Winter Concert (re-scheduled Christmas Concert)  
Jose Valencia will be performing Vivaldi  
“Winter”

**February 4** – ISSMA Solo/ensemble contest

**February 23** – Guest conductor/clinic

**February 25** – ISSMA State S/E

**March 4** – Low String Clinic - 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m.- PAC

Violins/Violas show report by 1 p.m.  
Performance at 3 p.m.

**March 15** – MS/HS clinic during school day

**March 22** – leave for Vienna

**April 11** – Contest Preview Concert – 7 p.m - PAC

**April 22** – ISSMA Organizational Contest



*Orchestra director Suzanne Lyons*

**April 29** – ISSMA State Qualifying Contest

**May 6** – ISSMA State Organizational Contest

**May 23** – Spring Concert 7 p.m. - PAC



## ZBOP's No Cash Policy for Fund Raisers

The ZBOP board has approved a new policy to protect you and the board from any future losses:

**Starting November 15, 2005, the ZBOP board, or any of its representatives, WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CASH LOST OR STOLEN from fund raisers, student account-related funds, fees, trip payments, scrip payments, etc.** ALL CASH MONIES should be converted into CHECKS and turned into the appropriate place, not left on top of a teacher's desk, stands, or any other type of furniture, or placed under any doors overnight.

ZBOP will be installing safety boxes in the band and orchestra rooms soon. In the meantime, if your student is not sure about where to drop off the money, please have him/her ask the instructor where to place the money.

All future fund raisers will carry a disclaimer stating this NO CASH policy.

If you absolutely need to pay with cash, please contact the person in charge of the fund raiser, and in the case of the band/orchestra/guard fees, contact the treasurer or the appropriate VP to make arrangements. (Note that you may also pay your band/guard/orchestra fees with credit card for a fee.)

During future Gala ticket sales, we will have a person available for students to buy their ticket with cash, however, if your family is placing an order, please send check or pay with credit card. During summer camp activities, there will be individuals responsible for collecting money from activities and cash may be accepted.

Please send your checks in an envelope marked with the purpose of the payment and name of the student written on the outside to help us to quickly channel the funds where they need to go.

Any questions, please call Ana Carlsgaard 733-1559.

## From the President

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!** I thought the busy season was over but after our January board meeting . . . a blizzard of activities is just about to begin!

**First we want to thank everyone involved in the Band Disney Trip:** Uniforms committee, pit crew, the chaperones, the photographers, everyone who helped in any way, and particularly THE STUDENTS. It was such a joy to see them in that parade, showing off our Eagle pride! Pictures will be posted in our web site shortly so check them out. Thanks to the moms who helped get the uniforms ready to go to Disney – Margaret Walker, Leslie Melymuk, Cathy Robertson, and Margaret Watson. Also, thanks to the Schlegels for hauling the trailer loaded with instruments down to Florida and back.

We're gearing up now for the **Orchestra trip to Vienna**, March 22 which promises to be a great success as well. Thanks to all who are helping prepare for this trip.

Our calendar is full of **competitions/clinics:** ISSMA solo and Ensemble, ISSMA state, Purdue Jazz Festival, Kids' Flag day All State, and clinicians for both orchestra and jazz band visiting through the upcoming months - so look for information in the calendar.

The Jazz Band will be having its first evening of "**Jazz Jive and Java**" on **April 8** and everyone is invited to enjoy ballroom dancing, music and more. Start practicing!

**Fund raisers Update:** All fund raising efforts have ended, however there are still some monies that need to be turned in. Please remember our **NO CASH POLICY** (see page 2) and turn all cash into checks for our and your safety. We have experience many losses this year due to unfortunate thefts, we need to stop the cycle.

**Scrip/Market Day:** Even though the band trip is over and the orchestra trip will be happening soon, we encourage everyone to keep building up their student accounts for future events. Through using scrip and working for Market Day, students can keep earning money for their student accounts. There will be smaller trips in a couple of years.

**GALA 2006!** The committee has already started

working for next year. The new co-chairs are Carrie Dimicelli and Cindy Grimm. Thanks gals, for your willingness to spearhead this! Anyone interested in finding out how they can make this event possible, please contact either one of these lovely ladies. More information in the newsletter.

**ZBOP BOARD 2006-2007** - We are currently slating officers / committee members / volunteers for the next year, and we would like to hear from you. Call me at 733-1559 or e-mail me at [acarlsgaard@indy.rr.com](mailto:acarlsgaard@indy.rr.com) with questions about the different positions available. Most interestingly, we will need a new co-president (particularly from band) for next year. We have a prospective orchestra co-president. Please consider participating in our board next year.

**ALL PARENT MEETING AND REGISTRATION: May 1 at 6:30 p.m. HS Cafeteria.**

**Anyone with outstanding dues, we would like to have those paid by January 31 .**

*Ana Carlsgaard*

## Winter Guard Schedule

The Winter Guard has a full schedule of competition and events:

- January 21, Saturday - Competition @ Danville HS - Danville, IN
- January 28, Saturday - Competition @ Pike HS - Indianapolis, IN
- February 4, Saturday - Competition @ Danville HS - Danville, IN
- February 11, Saturday - Mid-Season Rehearsal Camp 12-8 pm, 9th grade gym
- February 18, Saturday - Competition @ Lafayette Jefferson HS, Lafayette, IN
- February 25, Saturday - Competition @ Ben Davis HS - Indianapolis, IN
- March 4, Saturday - Competition @ Northview HS - Brazil, IN
- March 11, Saturday - State Prelims @ Mooresville HS - Mooresville, IN
- March 18, Saturday - Divisional Finals @ Centergrove HS - Greenwood, IN
- Saturday - March 25 - State Finals @ Centergrove HS - Greenwood, IN

## Jazz, Jive and Java

Come and enjoy a great evening of JAZZ, JIVE and JAVA on Saturday, April 8, 2006 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. This will be an evening of great jazz dance music performed by the Brass Eagles, with dessert (homemade pies!) and beverages, including a Starbuck's coffee bar.

Learn your favorite dance steps from professional dance instructors, including Glen Schnittgen, instructor at the Zionsville Cotillion. All band students and band parents are invited to attend, as well as other high school students and friends from the community. The cost is \$5 per person. If you are interested in more information, or to volunteer to help, please contact Marsha Robinson or Dena Clayton.



## Marching Eagles Fly South

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Over all, the big trip was a success! I extend my thanks and appreciation to all the chaperones. Without their help and support, this trip would have never happened. I also want to recognize the efforts of Rick Schlegel and his family. We couldn't have had better care of our equipment to Florida and back. Rick's generous gift of time and organization was invaluable to all of us. I hope the band trip created wonderful memories for a lifetime for everyone.

*Your honorary  
Disney Cast Member for a day,*

*Tom Landrum*

*photo by Lori Byrum*

## Gala 2006

"But we just finished the Gala," you might be saying. To put on a high caliber event that raises significant money for the band and orchestra program, preparing for the Gala is a year-round activity. We are currently actively reviewing entertainment possibilities to select this year's featured entertainment and are forming committee's for Gala 2006. While we have many parents who helped last year who have volunteered again for 2006, there are still lots of opportunities to help make the Gala a success. Plus, it is just a lot of fun to work with and get to know other band parents. Please give Carrie or Cindy a call if you are interested in helping in any way.

*Carrie Dimicelli*  
873-0030

*Cindy Grimm*  
733-9079



# Scrip Fund Raiser

The ZBOP Scrip Fund raiser got off to a good start in November and December with gift card purchases for the Holidays. Our goal is to continue the momentum into the New Year and increase the number of families participating.

For those of you who have not heard about this program, Scrip program participants buy gift cards from ZBOP at face value and spend them for face value. The gift cards are sold to ZBOP at a discount. The difference is retained by ZBOP as profit with 85% of the profit posted to student accounts.

Scrip is an opportunity to use your family's normal monthly spending to earn money for your student's account. For example, if you spend \$500/month at Marsh, \$300/month at Speedway Gas, \$30/month at Regal Theaters, \$100/month combined at Friday's, Applebees, or Chili's, and \$50/month at Starbucks you can earn \$43.27 per month for your student's account.

In the first two months of the ZBOP Scrip program the earnings for the top five participating families are:

- #1 \$111.52
- #2 \$68.35
- #3 \$68.27
- #4 \$65.37
- #5 \$41.23

Remember, you can accumulate earnings in your student's account from year to year as long as he or she is in band, orchestra, or color guard. So even though the Disney World band trip has come and gone, there may be additional travel opportunities in the future for the freshman through junior students. You can also use earnings in the student account to pay your student's yearly uniform fee.

Orders are placed monthly. Order due dates for the remainder of this school year are on the following Mondays: February 6, March 6, April 10, and May 8. Delivery is at Market Day delivery 2 weeks after these dates. Orders should be turned in to Mr. Landrum or Mrs. Lyons or mailed to Mary Gray at 235 Camden Drive, Zionsville.

For additional information and forms, please refer to the ZBOP web site at [http://ibccn.org/zbop/fund\\_raising.html](http://ibccn.org/zbop/fund_raising.html). Please refer to the Great Lakes Scrip web site at [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) to see restrictions and expiration information for specific retailers or to find additional retailers not listed on our order form (you may add in the blank spaces on your order form). For questions contact Mary Gray at 733-9923 or [mcg0528@aol.com](mailto:mcg0528@aol.com).

## Advanced Band Summer Schedule 2006

Date	Event	Time
June 6, 8	Rookie Rehearsals	1pm – 3 pm
June 13, 14, 15	Mini Camp 1	9 am – 3 pm
June 20, 21, 22	Drum Line and Guard Only	TBA
July 11, 12, 13	Mini Camp 2	9 am – 3 pm
July 18, 19, 20	Drum Line and guard Only	TBA
July 24-28	Band Camp	8 am – 5 pm
Aug. 1, 2, 3	Evening Rehearsals	6 pm – 8:30 pm
Aug. 5	Saturday Rehearsal	8 am – noon
Aug. 8, 9, 10	Evening Rehearsals	6 pm – 8:30 pm
Aug. 12	Saturday Rehearsal	8 am – noon

These rehearsals are not optional; however, most reasonable schedule conflicts will be excused absences (family vacations, other camps, summer school, driver's ed., etc.) I do not excuse absences for work. After school marching band rehearsals during the first nine weeks will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 pm to 8:30 pm, and on Wednesdays from 2:50 pm to 4:30 pm. These rehearsals will begin on Thursday, Aug. 17 and are flexible with athletic schedules.

# Photo Gallery



Photos of parade by Beth Coleman-Valdettaro

