

Stow Band Parents Meeting, May 7, 2012 7:30 pm - 8:32 pm

- Secretary and Treasurer Report are online
- Newsletter: submissions due this Thursday for the May/June edition
- Reverse Raffle: was a huge success! Thanks again to Heather Galioto who chaired the event. about \$6400 was raised for the band.
- Senior Memory Pages: are beautiful!! Thanks to Gail Davis and Margaret Thiese. They will be on display at the Wed Band Concert.
- Band Banquet: over 260 in attendance. Thanks Janice Brown for chairing this event. Janice is looking for someone to be in charge of the Band banquet for 2013. If you are interested, please contact her.
- Tag Day: Sat April 28. Need help - drivers, money counters. Gearing up to make phone calls.
- Ice Cream Sales: Will be selling Blizzards at the three concerts this month. Flavors will be Girl Scout Thin Mint, Strawberry Golden Oreo, Nutter Butter.
- DVD/CD Sales: Many orders were taken for the American Celebration Concert. You can still tell Scott Powell if you want to order one by this Thursday.
- Connection Cards: Still trying to collect money and cards from about half of the band. If your child hasn't turned in their money/unsold cards, please turn them in ASAP!
- Graduation Band: might need a parent chaperone Mr Monroe will let us know.
- Thank You: A nice note was written by Caleb Morgan, class of 2011, thanking the Band Parents for the scholarship he received last year. He used the money to help pay for a new trumpet.
- Election of Officers - ballots distributed. No nominations from the floor so ballot stands as is. Here are the results for 2012/2013:
 - President - Mark Thiese
 - Vice President - Jeff Earle
 - Secretary - Lisa Gopp
 - Treasurer - Joe Petrecca
 - Asst Treasurer - Tammy Studt
 - Sr Class Rep - Sue Donahue
 - Jr Class Rep - Laura Pribula
 - Soph Class Rep - Margaret Thiese
 - Fresh Class Rep - Janice Brown
 - Kimpton Rep - Karla Morris
- Best4Stow: no new information this month
- New Band Bus!! A committee will form to work on the new bus. The work will be done in Mr. Monroe's garage. The old bus will be disassembled and those parts put on the new bus. Contact Mark Thiese if interested in helping.
- Band Camp: "we're going!" ~ John Cannon. Chaperone list will hopefully be completed by the end of the week. Have a contract for a truck to pack luggage

- in. Chaperones will have to have a background check (again if had one before) this year.
- Scholarships: 2 applicants this year. Motion passed to award two scholarships this year instead of one. Passed unanimously. Awards to be given at Wed Band Concert.
 - Band Volunteers: If you volunteer for the band in any way, please complete volunteer form online: stowband.org/help.html. It needs to be completed each year you volunteer.
 - McDonald's Night: Monday May 14, 5-8 pm. No flyer needed. 20% of all sales go to the band. Please advertise this to your family and friends!
 - Blossom: New coordinators this year - Terri Harris and Kim Marmarsh. You can sign up to work concerts this summer. Money earned goes toward your students' account. It was decided to keep the condo at Blossom instead of being stuck with beer stands.

Director's Reports:

Mrs. Sandman -

- Lakeview Concert Thursday, May 17th at 7 pm. They will have an assembly at 1:30 pm. The Kimpton Jazz Band will also be performing at the concert.
- Donut Party for Lakeview - May 21st. For all 5th graders who learned their 5 scales and 6th graders who memorized 8 scales.
- Pizza Party - lunch on May 29th for all Lakeview Band Members. At the concert will ask for helpers and cookie donations. There was an error in the Lakeview Band Newsletter and the day of the concert was incorrect. The correction was "tweeted".
- Summer Band is June 18-29. Cost is \$18 for 5 & 6th graders. Summer band is at the high school and there will be a concert on the last day. High schoolers come as volunteers. Let Mrs. Sandman know if you are interested in helping out.
- Private Lessons are a good idea to stay fresh on your instrument over the summer. Information was in Lakeview newsletter.

Mr. Newman was not in attendance because his son was in a school band concert. =)

Mr. Monroe -

- Little Shop of Horrors was wonderful! The pit was stow band members and they did a great job.
- American Celebration Concert went very well. They played 18 songs.
- Band Banquet - thanks to all the parents who did the work. Here are the names of those who received the band awards this year:
 - Freshman Band Award - Zach Bindus and Paul Thiese
 - Louis Armstrong Jazz Award - Neil Lantry
 - The US Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Award - Michael Welden
 - The Patrick Gilmore Band Award - Brian Thiese

- The John Phillip Sousa Band Award - Ryan Gopp
- Jazz Concert is April 5th at 7 pm at Kimpton.
- Senior Check Out Day is coming. It will be verified that their uniforms are turned in, music returned and fees paid. Then student needs to decide what to do with any left over money in band account. First choice is it goes to a younger sibling in band. Other choices then are to the uniform fund, general fun, trip fund or to a friend. Money can not be given back to student.
- Finals for band: 1) Freshmen play for Senior Recognition Night on Tues, May 22. They also get to have a 2 hour party before they play again that night. 2) Wind Ensemble/Grad Band play for commencement May 24th. There will be practice on that Thursday in the morning (bussed from school). Dress is all black and men will wear the maroon ties. (Seniors need to return their ties if they have not.) 3) Symphonic Bands play for Memorial Day on May 28th at the Stow Cemetary at 10:30 am. Students need to provide their own transportation. Meet at the high school at 9:30 am if need to get in the school for instruments.
- Percussions Auditions on Wed May 30. Voting of student officers for next school year.
- June 1st marching band reading session in auditorioum after school.
- Squad Leaders are selected through application process. Section leaders are chosen by chair placement and leadership abilities.
- Stow voted Best Community for Music 2012. 1 of 10 schools across nation and 1 of 167 school districts. Thanks to our great music educators!
- Thanks again to the parents for all the work you do for the band!
- Pre-Camp Meeting with seniors after marching band reading session.
- Fundraising opportunity - Charity Poker through Knights of Columbus to staff event for a weekend (Thurs-Sun). Another group Scott Powell spoke to came home with \$30,000 for one weekend of work. This will be talked about more with the exective board.

Submitted by Lisa Gopp, Secretary