

Upbeat Notes



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Dates to Remember

- 2/18 LE Upbeat Club Meeting
7:30 p.m. @ LEHS Band Room
- 3/4-7 Winds Trip— Music For All National
Concert Band Festival
- 3/6 Beavercreek Jazz Festival
- 3/8 HS/Freshman Winter CB Concert
7:00 p.m. @ LE Freshman Campus
- 3/12-13 District Large Group Adjudicated Event
- 3/16 2010 Marching Thunderhawk
Registration Night 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
@ LE Freshman Cafeteria
- 3/18 LE Upbeat Club Meeting
7:30 p.m. @ LEHS Band Room
- 3/20 Lebanon Jazz Festival
Jr High Solo & Ensemble Contest
- 4/15 LE Upbeat Club Meeting
7:30 p.m. @ LEHS Band Room
- 4/26 HS PreState Clinic
- 4/30-5/1 State Large Group Adjudicated Event
@ LE Fresh Campus
- 5/3 Jr. High Large Group Pre-Contest
Concert @ LE Fresh Campus
- 5/4 Spring Jazz Festival
7:00 p.m. @ LEHS
- 5/7-8 Junior School Large Group
Contest @ LEHS
- 5/15 Cool Jazz N' Hotcakes
Pancake Breakfast @ LEHS
- 5/17 Spring Jazz Concert
7:00 p.m. @ LEHS
- 5/20 LE Upbeat Club Meeting
7:30 p.m. @ LEHS Band Room
- 5/24 Spring Concert Band Concert
7:00 p.m. @ LEHS
- 5/27 Freshman Bands Spring Concert
7:00 p.m. @LE Fresh Campus

MB=Marching Band • CB=Concert Bands • JB=Jazz Bands

Check for updated event listings at:
LakotaEastBands.org

Pancake Breakfast

May 15 may seem far away, but the planning of the event is underway! There is need, however, for the Donations Chairperson position to be filled.



If you are interested in being part of the Cool Jazz and Hotcakes Committee, please contact Jill Cleaves at jcleaves@cinci.rr.com or Jenny Vanden Eynden at jennyvan@fuse.net as soon as possible.

Also, all CJNH Committee Chairs are reminded that we will meet before the next Upbeat Club Meeting on Thursday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Winds Head to Indy In March

The Symphonic Winds will be participating in the Music For All National Concert Band Festival on March 4-7.

For those students attending, the final cost of the trip will be \$627, making the the final payment \$127. This is due by February 15. Please check your charms account to determine exactly what you owe.

OMEA State Adjudicated Event Held at East!

The OMEA State Large Group Contest will be held at Lakota East Freshman Campus on April 30 and May 1. Mark your calendars, because we will need lots of volunteers to pull off a successful event. Contact Kemmie Burrets at 777-1032 or kwburrets@yahoo.com if you are willing to help.

East Shines in All State Ensembles

From William Thomas, Director of Bands...

Wow! What impressive OMEA All-State Concerts this past January! As I thumbed through the all-state program, I was amazed at how many Lakota East students we had in these ensembles. They truly made the whole Lakota School District proud! Their dedication to music and the program was evident by their performances. Their performance was an inspiration to everyone in attendance. Many of my colleagues joked about how this year's All-State groups were Lakota All-State Groups. Way to represent Lakota East kids!

Swing Dance a Success

Thank you to all the parents and students who helped to make the Swing Dance a huge success. It takes energetic group of people to pull off an event like this. Special appreciation to Laurie McKenna and Chereé Gallant for heading up the committee.

A great time was had by all and the event earned over \$5,000 for the band program.

See photos from the dance at The Pulse Journal:

<http://projects.pulsejournal.com/cache/galleries/Entertainment/Events/012410lakotaswing/>

Upbeat Club Leadership 2009-2010

For a full list of committee contacts, visit our web site: www.lakotaeastbands.org

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President Note

Everyone,

Let me begin by thanking everyone for their handwork with the Swing Dance. Laurie McKenna, Chereé Gallant and all of their volunteers put on another very successful swing dance. Without so many great volunteers, none of this would be possible. A lot of fun was had and a large chunk of change was made!

I think it is important to mention that the Jazz Swing Dance and the Cool Jazz and Hotcakes breakfast are fundraisers for the **entire East band program**. The money made goes into the general Upbeat funds. The Jazz bands provide the entertainment, but all band students benefit. This is why it is important for **all band families** to support these fundraisers, not just Jazz families.

As I look ahead to next school year, there are a lot of positions that will need to be filled with Upbeat Club. I plan on staying as president, unless someone would like to impeach me! I encourage parents to think about volunteering for a position that will be opening. I am not exaggerating when I say I have never worked with a more dedicated group of parents. Look for more info soon about additional openings in Upbeat for next year. There is info about a few positions in this newsletter. If you have any questions about potential future positions, please contact Bill Roy at sroy@cinci.rr.com.

–Ann Kilyk, LE Upbeat Club President



Fundraising

Spirit Beads Remain on Sale

Our Thunderhawk Spirit Beads are still available to order. Need a gift for your favorite student or teacher? These beads, bracelets, pendants and earrings are the perfect keepsake. Please visit the fundraising page on our website for photos and details.



Great Valentine gift idea!

Don't Forget those Kroger Cards!



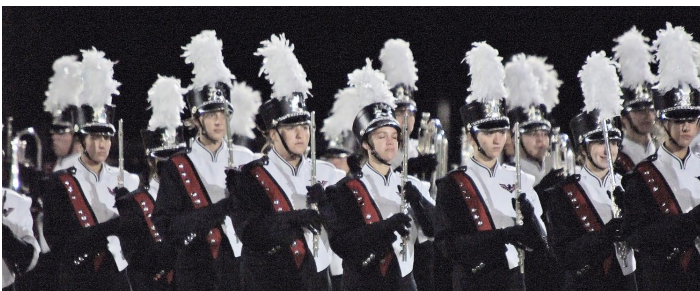
Please remember to use your Kroger gift cards when you shop. Cards can be easily loaded at checkout, Customer Service or even the fuel station.

The Upbeat Club receives 4% of gift card sales; it's the easiest fundraiser around!

If your card no longer works or you need an extra card (*How about for your spouse or for your student to purchase gas? How about your mother-in-law or neighbor?*), please contact Jennifer Moak at 759-0280 or fundraising@lakotaeastbands.org.

Thinking Ahead

We've already reserved the date for the 2010 Lakota East Mattress Sale for August 28, 2010. Most mattress purchases aren't impulse buys, so if you or someone you know is considering a purchase in the future, please mark your calendars for late summer. Students will receive cash prizes for referrals, so keep your eyes and ears open!



Coming Soon! 2010 Marching Thunderhawk Registration Night

When: Tuesday March 16, 2010 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Where: Lakota East Freshman Cafeteria

More details to follow. Please contact Suzanne Roy at sroy@cinci.rr.com with any questions.



Parent Volunteer Positions for 2010/2011

Spirit Wear

Enthusiastic parents are needed to pick up the responsibility for Spirit Wear next year. It will be much easier for the person or persons that take over if you shadow the current Spirit Wear Chair over the next few months.

It is a fun job. The Cranstoun's, Gasser's, and Wertepny's shared the role in 2007/08, it made it lots more fun and less individual work, and it can be split up fairly easily.

Spirit Wear is not a fund raiser, it is a service for our Band Families. It is the only place where kids or parents can buy music or marching specific Lakota East designs.

If you are looking to get involved, find another family that might be willing, and take it on as a shared role.

Call Pat Wertepny at 777-5167 if you're interested.

Upbeat Notes Editor

This position involves compiling and editing articles from Upbeat Club officers and committee chairpersons and publishing in the monthly newsletter. Editing and desktop publishing skills are preferable. The duration of this position begins with the June 2010 edition.