

# *Upbeat Notes*

## **Thunderhawk Band News**

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### 2011 Marching Band Season

**Yes!** There will be marching band in 2011 and the tradition of excellence will continue. The delay in registration for the 2011 Marching Thunderhawk season is due to some uncertainty with regard to fees, location of band camp, staffing, etc. We have been delaying registration until we have definitive answers with regard to some of these issues, including whether band camp will be at Wright State or at home this August. A marching band sign-up night will most likely be held at the end of April or beginning of May when we should have answers to these questions. Please check the band website frequently for updates and keep August open for the start of rehearsals.

Because we'll be getting a late start on planning for the season, volunteer support will be especially important. If you're interested in helping out with band camp, please contact Barb Wilson at [bawilson1209@gmail.com](mailto:bawilson1209@gmail.com).

### Liberty and Hopewell News

Many Liberty and Hopewell band students are diligently preparing for Solo & Ensemble Contest. The OMEA Junior High Solo & Ensemble Contest is April 16 at Clinton-Massie Junior High School. We are very pleased with the amount of participation even though the date of contest falls on the first day of our spring break.

This year the Liberty and Hopewell Eighth Grade Bands will not be participating in OMEA District XIII Junior High School Large-Group Contest. There is no hosting school for junior high large-group contest and, in addition, there is a major school conflict for both schools on the contest date.

The final performances of the Liberty Junior seventh and eighth grade bands will be on Thursday, May 26, 2011. The Seventh Grade Band Awards Concert will begin at 6:20 p.m. in the LJS Gymnasium. The Eighth Grade Band Awards Concert will begin at 7:45 p.m. in the LJS Gymnasium. All are welcome to attend.

The final performances of the Hopewell Junior seventh and eighth grade bands will be on Tuesday, May 17, 2011. The Seventh Grade Band Concert will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the HJS Gymnasium. The Eighth Grade Band Concert will begin at 8:15 p.m. in the HJS Gymnasium. All are welcome to attend.

The LJS and HJS Seventh Grade Jazz Bands will be performing at Cool Jazz N Hotcakes on Saturday, May 7. Liberty performs at 9:30 a.m. and Hopewell performs at 10:30 a.m.

The Lakota Summer Band Clinic is coming. The summer camp will be for incoming seventh, eighth and ninth grade band students throughout the entire district. More information regarding the dates will be forthcoming.

**April 2011**

# President Note:

Band Families,

We are in the last quarter of 2010-2011 school year and in a sprint to the finish. There are so many activities, concerts, fundraisers coming that time will certainly fly. It has been a great year of accomplishments as always, yet a year of great uncertainties also. What we can be certain of is that no matter what, the Lakota East Bands are talented group of kids, with great families that will continue to work together to maintain our program. It gets used a lot, but the statement "we do it for the kids" is certainly true of our Upbeat Volunteers!

In the very near future, we will hopefully be providing info about marching band. Because of the economic situation of the district, we know that it will be totally student and booster funded, including the supplementals paid to the directors etc. The most recent info I received was that the school district is requesting that marching Band will be \$550, the same fee as for High School Athletics. I guess we need to be grateful that the program can still continue, unlike Grove City which had no marching band several years ago due to levy failures.

Please everyone volunteer for the upcoming Cool Jazz and Hotcakes fundraiser. It is a big money maker that benefits all of the band students. We are fortunate to have such talented Jazz bands to provide the entertainment! And we need to buy/sell those tickets! I personally buy my tickets, and then give them to my friends/family as gifts. I have some senior citizen friends that look forward to it every year!

Ann Kilyk

## Fundraising News

### FLOWER POWER SALE

Through April 15, Lakota East Bands will be selling flower bulbs and plants to raise funds. These are wonderful products from Gardener's Supply and can be ordered through your student or via an online link from email and are shipped directly to the customer. Order forms and information have been distributed to your students. Please take advantage of this great opportunity to earn 25% of your sales for your personal band account!

To invite friends and family to order via email, send your email address to Jennifer Moak at [fundraising@lakotaeastbands.org](mailto:fundraising@lakotaeastbands.org) in order to be added as a team member.

Don't Forget to use your...

# KROGER CARDS



**Saturday, May 7, 2011**

**8:00 am to 12:00 noon**

**Tickets to sell will be sent home with Band Students the  
Week of April 11<sup>th</sup> and are due April 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Please click on this link to find all of the information you need to  
know about this fundraising event that benefits  
ALL Lakota East Band Programs!**

**<http://www.LakotaEastBands.org/hotcakes>**

**Parents: Please click on this link to Volunteer for the event. This will  
take you to an automated sign up through CHARMS. You will also find  
simple instructions for 'How to log onto CHARMS' for those who have  
not done this before.**

**<http://www.lakotaeastbands.org/upbeat-club/charms>**

**Student Volunteers will sign up the week following  
Spring Break through their Band Classes.**

**Contact Jenny Vanden Eynden [jennyvan@fuse.net](mailto:jennyvan@fuse.net) or 777-2447 or Jill Cleaves  
[jcleaves@cinci.rr.com](mailto:jcleaves@cinci.rr.com) or 755-3133 with any questions about the event.**

# BUY A SPACE ON THE



## PLACEMATS!!

Lakota East Band Programs is hosting the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Cool Jazz N' Hotcakes Breakfast on Saturday, May 7, 2011. Last year we served over 1,000 pancake breakfasts! Here is your opportunity to publicize your business or show your support for your band student! Great time for you to congratulate your son or daughter on graduation or a fantastic school year or best wishes for a fun summer! Purchase an ad space on the placemats we will use on the day of Cool Jazz N' Hotcakes Breakfast! A \$20 donation provides you with a black and white ad space the approximate size of a standard business card. Please fill out the form below and place money/check plus form in an envelope marked "CJNH Placemats." Turn in envelope to any Lakota East Band Director before April 29, 2011.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

PROVIDE US WITH A BUSINESS CARD OR COMPLETE YOUR MESSAGE BELOW  
(Messages cannot be over 250 characters)

If you would like a larger space, please contact Jill Cleaves at 755-3132 or  
jcleaves@cinci.rr.com for prices.

Please include cash or check (checks made out to LEUC—Lakota East Upbeat Club)  
Turn in to any Lakota East Band Director before April 29, 2011.

## **Dates to Remember**

April 20th	Jeff Durham Scholarship Application postmark deadline
April 25th	Scrip Order Due
April 29th – 30th	State Band Contest
May 7th	Cool Jazz N Hotcakes
May 12th	Freshman Spring Band Concert
May 16th	Scrip Order Due
May 17th	Hopewell Spring Concert
May 23rd	Spring Jazz Concert
May 24th	Spring Band Concert - Main Campus
May 26th	Liberty Junior Spring Band Concert
May 27th	Marching Band Rookie Day
May 30th	Memorial Day Parade
June 4th	Graduation Band

# The Jeff Durham Memorial Scholarship

Application packets will be available from Mr. Thomas or Mr. Tanis early in April. The completed applications are to be sent to the following address and postmarked no later than

April 20, 2011:

The Jeff Durham Memorial Scholarship

c/o Lakota East Upbeat Club

PO Box 1686

West Chester, OH 45071-1686

The criteria that was established for this scholarship follows:

- Graduating Senior
- Continuing their education
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Excels in Instrumental Music
- Member of a concert band plus at least one other band group (i.e. jazz band, marching band, honor band, etc.)
- Shows leadership qualities
- Intends to continue in college and/or community band related activity

A committee consisting of the President and Vice-President (or other elected position) of the LEUC, along with the band directors as advisors, will make the decision.

The Scholarship will be awarded at the Lakota East High School Senior Awards Night, and the recipient will also be recognized at the Lakota East High School Band Award presentation night.

Jeff Durham was a band parent and President of the Lakota East Upbeat Club at the time of his tragic death in January 2005. For many Upbeat members, Jeff exemplified the best qualities of leadership, musicianship and friendship.

Donations for this scholarship fund continue to be accepted. Please send your donations to the above address.

# Application for Jeff Durham Scholarship

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the following:

Cumulative GPA as of last grade card: \_\_\_\_\_

Band Groups participated in Grades 9 thru 12:

	9	10	11	12
Concert Band	—	—	—	—
Marching Band	—	—	—	—
Jazz Band	—	—	—	—
District 13 Honor Band	—	—	—	—
District 13 Honor Jazz Band	—	—	—	—
All State Band/Orchestra/Jazz	—	—	—	—
Solo @ Solo and Ensemble	—	—	—	—
Auditioned Youth Large Group Ensembles (i.e. CSYO, Blue Ash, etc.)	—	—	—	—
Auditioned Honor Ensembles (i.e. Ohio U Honor Band, Tri-State, etc.)	—	—	—	—
Other Community Groups _____	—	—	—	—

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***(Attach additional sheet if necessary to answer the following questions):***

Leadership positions in Band: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Leadership positions in other organizations (School/Community): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What have you gained from your participation in the Band program at Lakota East?

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What are your future musical plans? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mail completed applications to:** Jeff Durham Scholarship  
c/o Lakota East Upbeat Club  
PO Box 1686  
West Chester, OH 45071-1686

**Must be postmarked no later the April 20, 2011**

## Upbeat Club Leadership 2010-2011

### Directors

Bill Thomas – Director of Bands	759-8615 x 15056	William.Thomas@lakotaonline.com
Rob Tanis – Asst Director	759-8615 x 15456	Rob.Tanis@lakotaonline.com
Todd Hartman – Director-Jazz	759-8615 x 15157	Todd.Hartman@lakotaonline.com
Julie Fuqua/Kathy Knueven -	Hopewell Junior School	
Alan Nordyke/Kathy Knueven -	Liberty Junior School	

### Elected Officers

Corporate Chair Peter Bartram		
President Ann Kilyk	777-4377	kilyk.ann@juno.com
VP East Campus Bill and Suzanne Roy	779-7411	sroy@cinci.rr.com
VP Freshman Campus Tanya Jolliffe	779-2547	jolliffe@fuse.net
Secretary Cindy Riemen	847-1046	clriemen@gmail.com
Treasurer Jennifer Rolfes	847-4687	treasurer@lakotaeastbands.org

### Committee Chairs

Membership/Charms	Leslie Griffin	779-9396	charms@lakotaeastbands.org
Fund Admin. Coord.	Jennifer Moak	759-0280	fundraising@lakotaeastbands.org
Communications	Cindi Dawson	759-5521	cindi@fuse.net
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	Jenny Prather	779-0586	kpra721363@aol.com
Color/Winter Guard	Jami Dyess	779-3285	jamidyess@yahoo.com
	Kerri Smith	759-9351	<a href="mailto:2thpolisher@fuse.net">2thpolisher@fuse.net</a>

For a full list of committee contacts, visit our web site: [www.lakotaeastbands.org](http://www.lakotaeastbands.org)