

From the President

Hello East Band Families:



Another marching band season comes to an end.....almost! We still have the upcoming trip to Orlando in December. That is sure to be a wonderful time for all. Have you made your final payment? Please be sure to check those student accounts through Charms to be sure. As this marching season ends, we have to be sure to thank Mr. Thomas, Mr. Tanis, Mr. Schuckman and Mrs. Smith for their dedication and patience (I'll bet it takes more than we know!). I know I speak for all the parents when I say that we are so grateful for your guidance and positive influence on our students.

Please be sure to take a look through this issue of Upbeat Notes for all the different ways you can help our band program. Need an Entertainment Book or Domino's Pizza card for a Christmas gift? Come see us at the Lakota East Craft Show on November 12 and 13. Want to lend a hand during the show? Have you gathered up all your fruit and cheesecake orders for the upcoming holiday season? That deadline is approaching fast. Don't miss out! Have you reloaded your Kroger card for all your holiday feast purchases? How about a Scrip order for stocking stuffer gift cards? It's never too early to check items off of your holiday list (as the retailers have already shown)!

Although we are always encouraging the fundraising side of things, we also are grateful for the other gifts you can provide. We have some very large events coming, i.e., Swing Dance and Cool Jazz N'Hotcakes, and will always be thankful for the gift of your time. Please consider scheduling some volunteer hours as a way to support this wonderful program.

I strongly encourage you to go to the polls on November 8 to let your vote be counted. It is more important than ever to move forward.

*Thanks,
Jennifer Moak*



Parent FYI

Spiritwear

Stop by the spiritwear table after the marching band concert and check out our two new items. We are offering a cinch bag and a beanie / skullcap. Both will make great stocking stuffers or a nice travel gift for Orlando. Each item will be on sale for \$10 each through November 2. After Nov. 2 they will be regularly priced at \$12 each. Don't miss this chance to take advantage of our limited time offer.

End of season inventory clearance! Many items will be on sale with limited sizes available so don't miss out. This is a great opportunity to do some holiday shopping at reduced prices.

Upcoming Levy – Move Forward Lakota

Lakota is at a crossroads when it comes to our schools. Either we can move forward or we can move backward. The district has been listening. Are they perfect? No. But, there have been some positive changes and now is the time to move forward as a community and support our schools. The cost of moving backward could be very significant for our band programs.

You can learn more at the Lakota School District Levy 2011 website – www.lakotalevy2011.com

Split-the-Pot Update

Three years of running Split-the-Pot has come to end. We were able to raise \$5134 in 3 years with the help of many band parents. We would like to thank all those folks that ran up and down stadium stairs, counted money, split tickets or bought tickets. A few band parents were lucky enough to win Split-the-Pot and our hats are off to you!

We are officially retiring from Split-the-pot since our son is a senior and there are no more siblings behind him! The Upbeat club will be looking for someone to step-up next year, so we're hoping one of you will consider taking it over!! It's a good gig!! You get to watch the half-time show from the press box, best seat in the house!

Thanks much
Laurie & Pat McKenna



Information for Upcoming Events

ORLANDO TRIP PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Final payment was due for the Orlando trip on October 1, 2011. If you have not yet made final payment, please contact Jennifer Rolfes at treasurer@lakotaeastbands.org to make arrangements. ***If final payment or arrangements have not been made as of November 14, the student will be removed from the trip.***

Trip Meeting

There will be a meeting for all parents of students who are going on the Orlando trip on Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 PM at the East Freshman Campus. In addition, we are asking those parents who have volunteered as chaperones to arrive at 6:30 for a chaperone only meeting.

UPBEAT AT THE CRAFT SHOW 2011

We need your baking skills for the Bake Sale, which will be held during the Craft Show on November 12 and 13. If your shopping skills are better, we also accept purchased items for the Bake Sale. We can use cookies, cakes, brownies, candy, pies and anything else you can think of. Just drop them off at the Concessions Booth near the front doors on Main Street at Lakota East on Friday, November 11 from 5:00 - 8:00. Questions? Donna Carr 777-9609 or scarr44@cinci.rr.com

Adult and Student Volunteers for the Bake Sale are also needed. Please sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/upbeat>

I have thoroughly enjoyed running the Bake Sale for the past years but all good things must come to an end. My youngest is graduating so this is my last Bake Sale. If you would like to take over this fundraiser, there is plenty of time to jump in and shadow the position this year. This fundraiser brings in around \$1,000 with a two-day commitment. Just let me know if you are interested.

Donna Carr

CLICK ON THIS LINK TO SIGN UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.....

[WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/UPBEAT](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/upbeat)

We have an opportunity to fundraise at the Lakota East PTSO Craft Show on November 12th and 13th. In addition to our traditional Bake Sale and Parking participation, Upbeat will host two booths: The Package/Coat Check Booth and The Upbeat Club Booth.

FOUR PEOPLE are needed to set up all Upbeat Booths on Friday Night. It is important to enter the Volunteer Entrance near the Drop Off/Pick Up Zone ONLY. Enter the door that leads to Locker Bay C.



TWO STUDENTS are needed for each shift at the Package/Coat Check Booth. We will be selling the remainder of the Entertainment Books. Anything yielded from the Tip Jar for the time period served, will be split between the two students and added to their individual CHARMS accounts.

TWO ADULTS are needed for each shift at the Upbeat Club Booth. Domino's Pizza Cards will be sold as a fundraiser for Upbeat's General Account.

FOUR STUDENTS & TWO ADULTS are needed for each shift at the Bake Sale. All Band Families are encouraged to donate a treat for the Bake Sale.

If you would like to volunteer for Parking, please contact Ian Stegmaier directly at IJStegmaier@aol.com

All Band Families are requested to donate a treat for the Bake Sale. Items can be dropped off to the Concession Booth located near the front entrance of East on Friday, November 11th, 5:30-8:00. Other arrangements or questions? Please contact Donna Carr at 777-9609 or scarr44@cinci.rr.com

Thank you for all you do to support the Lakota East Upbeat Club!

Fundraising Information

LAKOTA EAST BAND PATRONS

At the end of this newsletter you will find the 2011-12 Patron form. If you, a family member or a friend would like to support our great program, please consider being a patron. Any amount of donation is welcome and your name will be listed in our concert programs with our gratitude. This is a great way to reach out-of-town family, grandparents and friends for their support of our students.

2011 Lakota East Bands Fruit, Cheesecake and Cookie Dough Sale

Ends October 31st.

Delivery will be on Saturday, Dec. 3rd from 8 am – noon at Lakota East High School cafeteria.

Payments must be in cash, money orders or checks written by Band Parents only. No other checks will be accepted. One check is preferred for total order. Check payable to Lakota East Upbeat Club (LEUC).



KROGER CARDS

Whether you're running into Kroger for a snack, pumpkins, or a prescription, you can use your pre-paid Kroger Card. And it works at the gas pumps too. Kroger generously donates 4% to the Upbeat Club. All you need to do is load your Upbeat Club card with money. It can be \$10 or \$500, or even \$38.45. Worried about not getting credit card points? Just use your credit card to pay when you fill your Kroger card. I do it all the time. Bonus for me (credit card points) and bonus for the band (4%). We both win. If you have questions or need a card, contact Lawanna Casto at casto.lawanna@gmail.com.

Dates to Remember

October 31	Fruit, Cheesecake and Cookie Dough sales end
November 2	Marching Band Concert Rehearsal 3:15 PM – Concert/Awards – 7:30 PM
November 3	Jr. High Winter Guard Tryouts – 6:00 – 8:00 PM LEHS Band Room
November 8	Winter Guard Tryouts – 6:00 – 8:00 PM LEHS Band Room
November 15	Fall Jazz Concert – 7:00 PM
November 17	Orlando Marching Rehearsal – 3:10 – 4:10 PM
November 17	Lakota East Upbeat Club Meeting 7:30 PM in the band room
November 29	Orlando Marching Rehearsal – 3:10 – 4:10 PM
November 29	Orlando Chaperone Meeting – 6:30 PM – Freshman Campus
November 29	Mandatory Orlando Meetings for Parents/Students at 7:00 PM (LEFS)
December 6	Orlando Marching Rehearsal – 3:10 – 4:10 PM
December 13	Orlando Marching Rehearsal – 3:10 – 4:10 PM

View the complete schedule - [HERE](#)

Check for updated event listings at: LakotaEastBands.org



Upbeat Club Leadership 2011-2012

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

Directors

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Upbeat Officers

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**LAKOTA EAST BANDS PATRON REMITTANCE FORM
Contribution Year: 2011-2012**

Please print clearly.

Patron's Name _____

Company Name (if applicable) _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Phone: E-mail _____

Check here if you are a Lakota East Bands alumni/alumni family _____. You will be designated as an Encore member.

Please be assured that any dollar amount you give will be greatly appreciated. Only Donations of \$10.00 and above can be recognized. Each patron will be acknowledged in all LEHS concert programs and on the website.

Select Support Level:

_____ Musicians Circle \$10.00-\$24.99 _____ Bravo Circle \$25.00-\$49.99
_____ Applause Circle \$50.00 - \$99.99 _____ Conductors Circle \$100.00 or more

Payment accepted by cash/check/MC/Visa only. Please make check payable to: **LEUC**

Credit Card # Exp Date _____

Security Code _____ Master Card/Visa (circle one)

Mail to:

Lakota East Upbeat Club
Patron Program
P.O. Box 1686
West Chester, OH 45071-1686

Please make a copy of this form for your records.

Thank you for your support.