



# Bruin Bandstand

2008-2009

Lake Braddock Bruin Band Boosters, Inc.

## *Lots More Music Before the End of the School Year!*

*Hello Everyone,*

We are now winding down to the end of the school year with only a little less than a month to go. On Saturday, the Middle School Bands performed in the annual Spring Band Festival in Fredericksburg, the bands did well and took home the esprit de corps award. Later they were able to have a great time at Kings Dominion, just missing the heavy rains.

In the first week of June, Spring concerts for both the Middle School and High School will be held. The Middle School performance is on June 2 and High School on June 4. Please plan on attending as all the performances are wonderful to listen to and the students have worked so hard to play for you. It seems not too long ago we were planning for the Marching Band Picnic to begin the and now we are looking forward to the final Band Awards Banquet on Sunday, June 7th.

This is my last newsletter article as I have stepped down as the boosters president; my son has been accepted to Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology and he will be starting 9th Grade at TJ this fall. I will miss the Lake Braddock Secondary School community. I have made so many friends and had wonderful opportunities to help make a difference. I truly appreciate everyone's support as it made the job so enjoyable.

We must also say farewell to many of our senior parent booster board volunteers; **Susan Magnotti** as Secretary, **Jacki Robinette** as Tag Day coordinator, **Doris Vaiana** as Instrument Petting Zoo coordinator, **Carolyn Green** as Publicity and Band Picnic coordinators, **Cassie Sinichko** as Website coordinator, **Robin Ringler** as Progressive Dinner coordinator, **Dawn Delaney and Marguerite Knickmeyer** as Membership co-chairs and **Steve Turner** as Pit Crew coordinator.

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We also have new coordinators; **Doug Terrell** for Tag Day, **Susan Diessner** in addition to Citrus has taken on the Instrument Petting Zoo, **Bob Malinowski**, in addition to Middle School Liaison, has taken on the Band Website, **Andrea Hellier** for Membership and **Rocky Benedetto** for Pit Crew. Thank you for stepping up and taking on these responsibilities.

*Farewell and Good Luck!*  
*Carlotta Dallstream*



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# Jazz Band Concert at Blues Alley was a Success!

I'd like to thank all who came to hear the Jazz Ensemble perform at Blues Alley in April. It was a terrific night and it was great playing for a full house. It was a great experience for the students to play in such a



*Photo courtesy of Steve & Carolyn Green*

historic place. I am very proud of all the students and the time and effort they put into such a demanding program. They really did an outstanding job. It has been fun watching the ensemble grow this year. Each concert has served as a spring board to the next.

I would also like to thank Craig Fraedrich for performing with us at Blues Alley and all of his assistance with the Jazz

Ensemble this year. He has been instrumental in the development of the LB Jazz Ensemble. He has given a great deal of his time to rehearse with the students and shared his excitement for music.

Please join us for our final concert with the LB Trombone Choir and Taffy Jazz Friday night, May 29th at 7:30.

*Mike Luley*



*Photo courtesy of Ed Eby*



*Photo courtesy of Steve & Carolyn Green*

# YOU'RE INVITED LBB Spring Concerts

**May 29**

**Trombone Choir & Jazz Ensemble  
7:30. p.m.**

**June 2**

**Middle School Band Concert  
7:30. p.m.**

**June 4**

**High School Band Spring Concert  
7:00 pm  
(not 7:30 as usual)**

*We are doing several interesting and extensive things and do not want this to go on too late.*

*Roy Holder*

# 2008 - 2009 Band and Color Guard Annual Awards Banquet

*Dinner Dessert Awards  
Senior Slide Show*

Entertainment provided by  
The Lake Braddock Jazz Ensemble

Lake Braddock Cafeteria  
Sunday, June 7, 2009  
5:00 p.m.

## What to bring

### If your last name begins with A-K.

Bring a main dish AND a salad to share

### If your last name begins with L-Z.

Bring a main dish AND a dessert to share

**\*\*\*PLEASE PROVIDE A LABELED \*\*\***

Serving utensil for your dishes

We will provide drinks, paper products  
And eating utensils

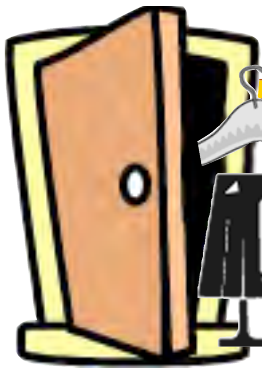
## HOW TO HELP:

If you can help set up  
or clean up for this  
event, or if you have  
questions, please contact  
Tris Miserendino at  
703-440-0991

Come for great food and great  
company, here are some of the  
highlights to look forward to:

- \*Recognition of hard working  
individual students by band and  
guard members
- \*Music Letters given by the Directors
- \*Special recognition of Senior  
Parents' volunteer efforts
- \*Slide show-prepared by the  
students-capturing the staff,  
students and volunteers during  
some of their funniest, best and  
happiest moments.

**This event is for the whole family!**



# Hung Up in the Closet

*Either I'm getting older or everyone is getting better!*

Spring trip seems like ages ago and I can't remember if there were any major problems with the uniforms! One pair of orange sneakers made a show at the concert until a much too small pair of shiny, black shoes could be squeezed into.

Handing out the uniforms before we left was long and tedious. There is just no easy way to check 200 garment bags quickly to make everyone had what was need for the concerts. Handing back in at the end of the trip was another story. I think we did it in record time, and there wasn't much talking, goofing off, etc. as everyone was simply too tired.

*Next up are the June Concerts, you guys know the routine:*

*Susan Stanger • Closet Mom  
703-764-9480  
lbclosetmom@yahoo.com*

Clean, white Tux shirt with 4 BLACK stud buttons  
White undershirt for boys  
White cami, tank or undershirt for girls  
Black socks or black hose  
**BLACK, SHINY MARCHING SHOES** for boys  
Black, closed-toed shoes for girls  
No make-up of any kind may be worn during any performance. This includes, but is not limited to foundation, concealer, lipstick, blush, MASCARA and EYELINER.  
This means everyone, no exceptions,  
*and just so you know, no one was ever told that mascara was allowed.*  
No fingernail polish and no fake nails with polish that cannot come off.  
No jewelry. If you just got your ears pierced, you will be asked to wear Band-aids®.

## Chaperone Corner

**What a great year!** It was my first year as the Chaperone Coordinator and it went pretty smoothly! Thanks to all those parents that volunteered to chaperone for competitions and/or pep band. Thanks to those parents who braved the long bus ride to Orlando, FL for Spring Trip. I know I had a great time! Special thanks to Susan Stanger for helping me through all the subtleties that go along with planning the spring trip. I could not have done it without her. Also, thanks to Wilma (our secretary), she kept me on-track with lists and the kids emergency care forms. And finally, thanks to all the senior parents who showed their support for the band! You will be missed!

*We still have one more volunteer opportunity. We need volunteers to go with Concert I and Symphonic Bands for Graduation which will be on Tuesday, June 16 at GMU in the afternoon. Please contact me at (703) 455-0796 or e-mail me at brunson7@cox.net.*

Pre-school marching band rehearsal for the 2009-2010 school year will start Monday, August 24 (August 17 - percussion and color guard), and run through Friday, September 4. Please consider being a chaperone for the kids during this time. The great thing about being a "band camp" chaperone is that you get a sneak peek at the program for the year. There are two shifts, AM and PM and you don't have to commit to all week, you can work just one shift, for one day! It's a great way to get to know the kids and other chaperone parents!  
More information to follow in the summer update!



*There are days, and there are Glory Days.™*

# Lake Braddock Band Fundraiser

**WHAT:** A Great-Tasting Fundraising Event!

**WHEN:** August 24 – November 6, 2009

**WHERE:** Any Glory Days Grill in Virginia

**WHY:** When you dine at a Glory Days Grill on your designated nights, the restaurant will contribute 10% of your total food purchases to the Lake Braddock Band Boosters. Bring your neighbors, friends, and relatives, because the 10% applies to the total food bill. Simply ask your server for a copy of your guest check (not credit card receipt) and place it in the purple box in the band room. Questions? Call Bobbi Hess at 703-440-0851

[WWW.GLORYDAYSGRILL.COM](http://WWW.GLORYDAYSGRILL.COM)  
[WWW.Gotsliders.com](http://WWW.Gotsliders.com)

Not combinable with any other promotions, offers or discounts. This 10% donation cannot apply to sales tax, alcoholic beverages, or to any guest check that receives any other type of discount, coupon, offer or promotion. See Fundraiser Rules for full details.

# Miscellaneous Items

The new Color Guard coach, Safia Hakmati, requests some help in sewing new flags for the fall.

If you can help in any way, please email me at T-L-K@cox.net

Thanks,  
Theresa Kauffman



**Pre-School band fees of \$70.00  
are due now !!**

Editor's Note:

## The Band Newsletter has gone GREEN!



In order to save costs and help with the environment, the Band Newsletter is going GREEN! Beginning with this edition, the newsletter will be distributed via the Website. Instead of receiving a hard copy in the mail, you'll get an email announcing the publication of the newsletter to the Band Website. You will be able to click on a link in the email and see the newsletter. If you would like a hard copy to read, you can just print it!

However, if you would like to continue receiving hard copy newsletters through the mail, please contact Laura Nelson at [lnelsonva@cox.net](mailto:lnelsonva@cox.net) and put "**Continue Receiving Hard Copy**" in the subject line. Don't forget to include your name and full address.

Thanks! *Laura Nelson*  
Newsletter Editor



Check out the  
band website  
[www.lbband.org](http://www.lbband.org)

*It's the place to find the most up-to-date information,  
forms, instrument exchange, alumni news, uniform  
details, scrip order forms, photos and much more!*

### CONCERT PHOTOS NEEDED:

*If you have taken any concert photos this year, please send them to: [webmaster@lbband.org](mailto:webmaster@lbband.org) so that the slide show can be updated from marching season to concert season. If it's easier, burn them to a CD and give them to Kelsey Sinichko in Symphonic. Thank you!*