

Important November Dates:

- Saturday, November 18th: Raleigh Christmas Parade (Yes it is happening)
 2023 Raleigh Christmas Parade In Sheet.docx
- **Tuesday, November 28th:** Guest Clinicians visit during all periods
- Wednesday, Dec. 6th: Fruit Delivery Day 3:30-6:00 pm
- Thursday, Dec. 7th: Flower Delivery Day 3:30-6:00 pm
- Monday, Dec. 11th: CB and SB Spring Trip Payment #3 due \$250
- Thursday, Dec. 14th: 6 pm Intermediate Band/Orchestra Concert
- Thursday, Dec. 14th: 7 pm Concert Band/Jazz Band Concert
- Friday, Dec. 15th: 7 pm Symphonic Band Concert

New Bands Club Announcements:

1. **Important News from the Fundraising Committee:** This is a very busy time of year for fundraising. **Please read everything below** and see where you <u>and</u> your student can get plugged in.

LRHS Bands Luminary Fundraiser Sign Ups!

Click the blue hyperlinks below to sign up.

- Dec 8 and 15th- Sandbagging Events we have to bag over 1300 bags of sand!!
 3pm 5pm at Springdale Recreation Club on Leesville Road; Bring a Square or Round Point Digging Shovel. Gloves are recommended too.
 Note: The 15th is the Symphonic band concert, so we would appreciate it if Intermediate/Concert Band kids could pitch in here.
- <u>Luminary Kits Delivery- Weekends of Dec 8 and 15.</u>
 Pick up sand and kits after 4:00 pm at Springdale Recreation Club on Dec 8th and 15th.

Bring a vehicle that can hold 20+ grocery bags of sand and boxes of kits - bags of sand weigh about 1lb, kits are 12 candles with 12 bags. Expect delivery time to be 60-90 minutes. You will find out the location of delivery when you pick up.

Any time you can volunteer, you earn \$\$\$ for your Charms account. If you don't need Charms \$\$\$, but need volunteer hours for clubs you serve on, that can be worked out too; just let us know. Questions: Contact us at <u>luminarylrhs2023@yahoo.com</u>

Fruit & Flower Fundraiser

Online <u>fruit orders</u> will continue through Sunday, November 19th. Click <u>here</u> to place an order.

We have **SLOTS AVAILABLE** to help with the following events:

- Fruit Delivery Pickup LRHS Engineering Room at the back of the school Wednesday, Dec 6th (3:30pm – 5:30pm) and/or (5:00pm – 7:00pm)
- Flower Delivery Pickup same location Thursday, Dec 7th (3:30pm 5:30pm) and/or (5:00pm 7:00pm)

Your help is greatly appreciated. Click the link below to sign up today.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4EA5AD2A1-fruit1#/

Questions: Fruit contact Kelly Monce 919-272-2685; Flower contact Stephanie Marcellino (919) 604-3996. Email <u>Irhsbands.fruitfund@gmail.com</u>.

Capital Campaign Fundraiser (runs through May 2024)

This fundraiser is designed to help raise money to purchase items on the Director's wish list:

- New sousaphone to replace a 30-year-old instrument; we replaced one last year at a price of \$12,000
- Renovate the aging band room's instrument storage for our growing program

Our Capital Campaign goal this year is \$25,000.

To donate by credit card: Click the Donate button at the bottom of the band's website (<u>https://www.leesvilleband.org/home/</u>) or give at the Merchandise Sales table at each Bands Club Meeting and Concert throughout the year.

You may also send checks to Linda McCall, Bands Club Treasurer. Please review the attached letter for more details; forward it onto your family, friends, and businesses. Any and all donations are welcome. Ask about company matching too.

Capital Campaign 2023-2024 Letter

New Announcements from the Directors:

1. Eastern Region Orchestra 2024 Audition Information: Please read the following document if you are interested in auditioning for the Eastern Region Orchestra 2024:

Eastern Region Orchestra 2024 Audition Information

2. Attention Tuba Players! 3rd Annual Research Triangle TUBACHRISTMAS - Sunday, December 17th:

The 3rd Annual Research Triangle TUBACHRISTMAS event is scheduled for Sunday, Dec 17, 2023. The TUBACHRISTMAS practice and performance will be held at St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 3008 Old Raleigh Rd, in Apex, NC. The 4:00 pm performance is open to the public and free of charge. All low brass players are welcome to play in the group. Registration for musicians (\$10.00) starts at 1:00 pm, rehearsal at 2:00 pm, followed by the performance at 4:00 pm. Details for the Research Triangle, NC TUBACHRISTMAS (as well as all other TUBACHRISTMAS locations) are online at www.tubachristmas.com.

3. Attention Double Reed Players! UNC-Greensboro Double Reed Day - Saturday, January 13th

Guest Artists: Reed Sections of the North Carolina Symphony. Melanie Wilsden, Joseph Peters, Aaron Apaza, and Wenmin Zhang Hosts/Artist-Instructors: Courtney Miller and Michael Burns, Professors of Oboe and Bassoon at UNCG When: Saturday, January 13, 2024, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Where: UNC Greensboro School of Music, 100 McIver St, Greensboro, NC Who: For all advanced, intermediate, and beginner double reed students. Double reed players of all ages, band directors, and teachers welcome! Website: https://vpa.uncg.edu/music/double-reed-day/

Previous Announcements:

1. NC State Jazz Ensembles Events: From the director of the NC State Jazz Program: I wanted to let you all know about a couple of jazz ensemble performances coming up at NC State in the next few weeks. We have experienced a lot of growth over the last few years, and much of it is attributed to the incredible teaching you all are doing in the area. As I'm typing this I can't help but think about how many of your former students I am so grateful to have the pleasure of teaching right now.

This year we grew to add a 3rd big band to the program in addition to the 4 thriving jazz combos we have every year. Many of you have seen the NC State Jazz Orchestra perform at

convention a couple of years ago, or at the Midwest Clinic this past year, but I have to tell you how incredibly proud I am of our two other big bands, the Jazz Lab Band and the newly formed Jazz Studio Band. These two fantastic groups will be performing next week on Wednesday November 8th at 7:30 on campus.

I hope you will share this opportunity to see these groups with your current students, and please tell any of them who want to attend to get in touch with me and I will make sure they can have a comp ticket. Also if any of you would like to attend I would be happy to make sure you have tickets as well. Just let me know and I will take care of it. I want as many people as possible to come hear these bands, as it is such an amazing representation of the lifelong impact you all have had on these young musicians.

NC State Jazz Concerts

 Governor's School Application Process: Here is the link for the upcoming Governor's School Application Process:

Copy of 2024 NC Governor's School Application Audition Process

3. FYI - Attention SB Marching Band Families:

The <u>Rolesville Competition</u> had a photographer on site, and they have created an online gallery if any SB families wish to purchase any of the images. They can be found here: <u>https://deevsphotography.pixieset.com/guestlogin/leesvillehsband/?return=%2Fleesvillehsband%2F</u>