

BAND BOOSTER E-BLAST! OCTOBER 29, 2009

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UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH 7:00 AM: Marching Band goes up to Pennekamp for the Halloween Parade, Periods 0, 1 & part of 2.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD 7:00 PM: Band Booster Meeting @ the band hall

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH 7:00 PM: Away Game versus Leuzinger High School in Lawndale. Marching Band and Colorguard will take buses to the game.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH 7:00 PM: Home Game versus Redondo High School—last regular Bay League game of the season.

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING LEADERS FOR THE LAST WEEKEND *Please tell these people you appreciate their efforts*

- Erica LeBlanc...nicely handled the senior recognition before the football game.
- Pitsters...went all the way to Simi Valley for a picturesque competition in Reagan country.
- Elise Johnson...for handling all the issues with the jazz band at the Sketchers Walk.
- Tracey and Chris Thomasson...for stepping in at the last moment to help with drum line at the Sketchers Walk on Sunday.
- Secret Committee...though we don't really know who they are, they have been working on the half time magic show, and it seems to be working very well.

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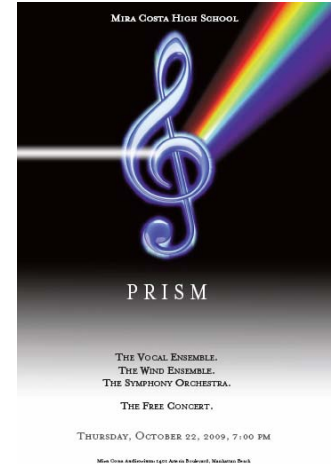
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LOOKING BACK...

The **MCHS PRISM CONCERT** with our Wind Ensemble was the 2nd annual crowd stunner! It was clear that the Wind Ensemble was “on their game” and came to **PERFORM WITH INTENSITY**, not just give a high school concert. This gave our director, Joel Carlson, the freedom to **CONDUCT EXUBERTANTLY**. Together, the students, Mr. Carlson, and the audience were **EXPERIENCING THE MUSIC**. In fact, we thought the conductor might just jump from the platform into the 1st and 2nd rows and end up in a sea of clarinets and oboes. I can guarantee you that no one was looking at their watches! All left the auditorium wishing for more....

75 CDs of the musical performances were sold at the concert. The CDs cost \$10.00. Contact Sally at momunit@verizon.net if you still want one.

We appreciate all the volunteers who helped with the decorations, set-up, refreshment tables, beverage tables, and CD sales. This people include Laurie Draper, Tracey Thomasson, Penny Ford, Karen Mohan, Jean Van Zanten Barbara Siegemund-Broka, Jackie Jedynak, Margaret Noguchi & Eve Ahlers!



HOME GAME VERSUS PALOS VERDES HIGH

Mira Costa didn't take a ton of chances or open the offense to any extreme, but then it didn't need to. Mira Costa played sound and conservative football and produced a 21-7 Bay League victory over Palos Verdes on Friday night at Mira Costa....*Daily Breeze*. The band and Colorguard left after the half time performance due to their all day Saturday schedule.

SIMI VALLEY HIGH FIELD TOURNAMENT—GOOD MID-SEASON SCORE



The marching band and Colorguard scored 76.4 points in the SCSBOA tournament. This SCSBOA tournament circuit is the most demanding. This score is 2.6 points under Mira Costa's all time high score, and a good place to be at mid-season in the competitions.

In fact Mira Costa increased their score by 8 points over the first competition three weeks ago. In the last few weeks the judges' suggestions from the first competition have been incorporated into the show—for instance the Colorguard has been making their movements more obvious to the audience at key times.

This time around, the judges mentioned that we overplayed certain musical parts of the show and so they are working on this aspect now.

According to Joel, the students have learned the program thoroughly and now are in the polishing and refining phase. Hopefully, everyone will be completely prepared for the Moorpark tournament in three weeks, and score will move even higher. Joel's summed up his assessment of the Simi Valley effort: “The most professional day ever--practice, warm-up and performance!”



DRUM LINE AND JAZZ BAND PERFORM AT SKETCHERS PIER TO PIER FRIENDSHIP WALK.

With short notice, the drum line and the jazz band were asked to participate in this Pier to Pier Walk since the MBEF is a sponsor and recipient of funds. We respected the request. The drum line started the walk and actually led the parade to Hermosa Beach. The jazz band greeted the returning walkers to the soothing vibes of the jazz greats. In fact, the bands were so appreciated, that they were asked to stay and perform more sets. The Sketchers organizers were surprised by how good the music was. We were not surprised—we already knew the two ensembles were hot! What were they thinking!? These ensembles are powered by hard working Mira Costa students!