

BAND BOOSTER E-BLAST! OCTOBER 7, 2009

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Another edition in our E-Blasts....

UPCOMING EVENTS!

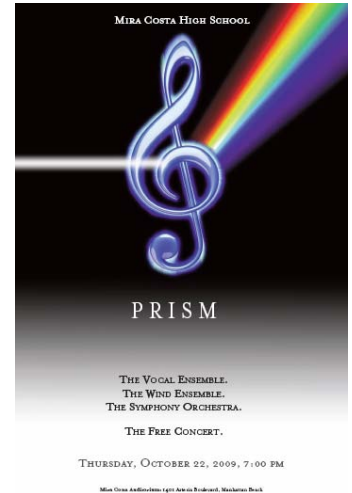


Friday, October 10th: AWAY GAME AT NEWPORT HARBOR HIGH. "Call Time" will be early-- stay tuned for details--busses may be departing as early as 4:30 PM, and may not get back until 11:00 PM. Ideally, we would send 5 chaperones with Joel for this event. Contact Gretchen Renshaw. There is room on the bus to bring your spouse or friend along for the ride if you'd like. This is always a top ranked team and a great game. Bus transportation has been provided via special donations. See our newsletter last week for greater explanation.

TIME CHANGE Thursday October 8th 7 PM BAND BOOSTER MEETING AT THE BAND HALL. Regular meeting date was postponed due to the College Fair at MCHS. One of the great things about band participation is how it dresses up the ol' college application!

We still need a few team leaders! As a leader you can see your student in action and they can see you as a successful model. Work together for their future! Come, provide your insights and impact the program.

Thursday, October 22nd 7:00 PM: MCHS PRISM CONCERT with our **Wind Ensemble**, Orchestra, and Choir all participating. This concert is top notch for the early time of school year, and is absolutely worth inviting family and friends! You will want to come and get a keepsake program for your scrapbook. It's FREE! The quality of this concert is unbelievable-- Wouldn't be a bit surprised if these concerts max out the auditorium.



BAND SPONSORSHIP & BUSINESS CONTRIBUTIONS

Want to help even more? We have many "angels" this year, but could use more! Go on the web site and download a band sponsorship form (home page). We will throw in free tickets to the concerts to go with that good feeling you're going to have.

Do you know any businesses that would like to help maintain the operation of the only high school band in Manhattan Beach and Hermosa Beach? Contact Bill Bundy at 310.344.2131.

THANK YOU TO THE FEARLESS LEADERS

Jim Jones and the Pitsters!—for doing a flawless job at 24th Annual South Bay Invitational Field Tournament. Those percussion instruments and drum major stands appear and disappear in seconds—"Are you watching closely?"

Sandra Gaffney—for stepping up to lead the Home Game Bleacher parents!

Additional team leaders needed: Chaperones; Concert Support & Concert Ticket Sales

TAILGATING—THE NEW TRADITION FOR ALL BOOSTER MEMBERS!

Lonely and depressed? Hate the economy? Well fugettaboutit! Join the band boosters at each Friday home game at 5:00 PM. Bring some food for yourself and some to share. Bring some camping chairs. We set up in the parking lot across from the band hall. Snap into some good cheer with us. Sorry, no alcohol on campus.

Parents of any band group are welcome—not just marching and colorguard.

BAND BOOSTER WEAR—FROM JUDY MANN...

Don't forget to order your Band Booster Wear. If you are going to be volunteering at any band event - football games, concerts, parades, etc. it would be great for you to have one of our shirts or jackets. This helps our students identify you as being with the band!

Please email or call me with your orders. I will also try to be in the parking lot at the band room on Friday afternoons during call time. I have samples available for you check out as well.

Thank you for your contribution to the Mira Costa Band Boosters!

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RECYCLING! FROM HOLLY VERA AND CAROL WOO...



Mira Costa High School Bands Booster Recycling Program

We encourage everyone to take advantage of this weekly opportunity to contribute to the MCHS Bands by collecting your recyclable plastic bottles and aluminum cans. Then just drop your items curbside in front of the band hall in the morning on Fridays.

It's that simple.

100% of the income generated goes directly to the MCHS Bands Program.

As one of the largest booster organizations on campus it is our responsibility to try our best to limit our carbon footprint as a group and provide opportunities for our students to step up and make a difference regarding these responsibilities. Many high school students still have to think if they should recycle. Therefore, the majority of that recyclable waste goes in the trash. Small steps, led by example are clearly the only way to move beyond this fact. The goal is to educate our students and empower them to be proactive when it comes to protecting their environment, helping them to see that no effort is "too small". Together we can provide income for the band in addition to allowing the students to recognize their ability to create change.

The Mira Costa High School Bands Booster Officers would like to thank all the families who support this fundraiser. Your commitment to the program has been vital to its success, and the examples set are of great value.

*Follow the Mira Costa High School Bands Website for more information regarding this program as it becomes available. Contact Holly Vera at mchsrecycles@gmail.com or Carol Woo at carolwoo@verizon.net with any questions.

WRAP UP FROM LAST WEEK...



HOMETOWN FAIR PARADE. We were there—it was perfection! There's nothing better than a sharp band in a home town parade, except if your kid is in it!

WEST HIGH / EL CAMINO FIELD TOURNAMENT. This was our first test of our half time performance "Are You Watching Closely" at the 24th Annual South Bay Invitational Field tournament (West High this year). We

had great audience participation from parents and friends. The competition from the local high schools was formidable, particularly South High. West High, as the host school, did not compete but fielded a band having over 200 students! It appeared that over 100 West High parents participated in hosting the tournament. That's a high level of commitment!

T SHIRT HANDOUT. Twenty five band parents met at 7 AM to hand out t-shirts to thousands of sweaty Hometown Fair 10K finishers. Organized by Bill Bundy, the band boosters netted \$1,000 and finished by 9:30! We then all tromped up to see the band performance at the Joselyn Center and took the balance of the morning off.