

Newsletter 11/1/16

FUNDRAISING – Run in conjunction with LN Bands

1. WREATH SALE FUNDRAISER

- Please turn in orders by Wednesday, November 2nd. Delivery will be on Wednesday November 16th.
 - Items will be ordered from the Hiawatha Company and a full 40% of sales will be credited to your student account.
 - See the attached sale packet, or click here to download.
 - o Contact Kaye Schoenling kschoenl@comcast.net or 317-709-0039 with questions.

2. BREAKFAST SALE FUNDRAISER

- Keep checking the **CERVIS** volunteer link on the LN Band website to sign up for shifts.
 - Join us from 7:50 9:05am for each day's sale and earn \$5/day for your student account.
 - If you have any questions or need help signing up on CERVIS please contact Gayle Cartwright gmjc031154@comcast.net or call 317-439-4020.

3. CONCESSIONS

- Please keep checking the link to CERVIS for current openings, and to sign up. Thank you!
- Contact Julie Wilson for more information at micwilson@sbcglobal.net or text 317-523-7357.
- Please Note:
 - All workers must be 16 years or older.
 - o The time listed is your arrival time this is usually 30 minutes before the game.
 - There is security at all LN events please allow time for this.
 - Dress appropriately! Closed toe, comfortable shoes are a must, you will be on your feet!
 The gym concession area is HOT.
 - Varsity Football Games check at the Snack Shack to see which concession you will be working at. This is right by the ticket office at the main gate.
 - o If the weather is not looking good check your email! Notification will be sent if a game is cancelled.

4. SCRIP - Gift Cards

- Turn Everyday Shopping into Fundraising no selling, just earning! Scrip is fundraising while you shop at all your favorite stores! Click here to find out how.
- The next Scrip order date is Tuesday, November 1
- Go to the Scrip website at www.shopwithscrip.com to place your order, enroll in PrestoPay, reload cards, search for special offers and more.
- Orders paid by cash or check must be received by Alison Goller in the Performing Arts office by 2:00 pm on the order date. Online orders paid by PrestoPay must be made by 7:00 pm on the

- order date.
- The shipping fee on plastic cards is \$8.50 for standard delivery. This fee is divided between everyone who placed orders for plastic cards on that date, and is deducted from any earned rebate. If you are the only person ordering cards, the entire shipping fee will be deducted from your rebate.
- For Scrip questions, please contact Kaye Schoenling KSchoenl@comcast.net or 317 709-0039.
- **KROGER UPDATE**: If you register your <u>Kroger Plus Card</u>, a direct a percentage of your purchases to the LN Orchestra General Fund. We are listed as *Lawrence North Orchestra* # 10225. It is time to renew your annual registration to benefit the orchestra program with every purchase.

OTHER NEWS

5. ISSMA SOLO & ENSEMBLE

- ISSMA Solo and Ensemble is a voluntary, but highly recommended judged performance opportunity. District Contest is Saturday, February 4. (State Contest is February 25, for those students who attain a gold rating in level 1 performance at District.)
- This opportunity is open to ALL orchestra students. The cost is \$15 for a solo performance or \$7 per ensemble member. Forms and payment are due November 18 to the Performing Arts Office.
- Download the entry form here.

Director's Corner:

- **The IN-American String Teachers Association Orchestra Invitational Festival** will be held as a field trip on Friday, November 4. Chamber Orchestra will be performing for evaluation and a clinic. We will return prior to the end of G3.
 - o The bus leaves from Door 16 at 9:00 am.
 - o Students wear nice black, white, grey clothing. Black shoes.
 - Please bring along a lunch. We will be returning to school on the bus during the lunch time.
 - We should arrive at school by 2:00 pm.
 - o Remember your instruments and music.
- **Big Announcement of Concert Time Change**: Our next concert for ALL orchestras will be **December 7 at 6 pm at the LNHS Auditorium**. Help make sure your student is practicing their part of the music so that we can work on making the music more in tune with the other parts. The reason for the time change is that there is a basketball game between LN and LC that evening and we will not have any parking available to us if we start the concert at 7 pm.
 - Extra rehearsals for the Chamber orchestra portion of the concert are: Monday evenings, 6 8 pm, November 14, November 28, and December 5.
- I would like to hear from more parents who want to help with the **Orchestra Booster Club**! The more people involved, the more we can do for the orchestras. Please email Mr. Valencia if you, too, can get involved.
- Things the LN Orchestra Boosters can help with:
 - Raising money to help offset costs for the trip to see the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on April 14, 2017. The CSO consistently ranks as one of the best American Orchestras. We want this trip to be affordable and accessible to as many students as possible.
 - Raising money to help start the Mariachi program at LNHS that will bring together, string players, harpists, guitarists, trumpeters, and vocalists! This will be a multi-cultural experience worth having for the whole district.

• Some special needs for the orchestra as we grow will be a need for more instruments in our inventory for young musicians who can't afford to rent from the local instrument stores.

- Private lessons:

O Private lessons are highly recommended for our students that are in Chamber orchestra or those that want to end up in the Chamber Orchestra. Private lessons also help at any level, regardless of how good you may be or how badly you feel you play. Really, the more you play, the better you play, and the more fun it is to play! Please let Mr. Valencia know your student's interest and when they are available during school by using the following form on page 15 of the student handbook:

http://lnorchestra.weebly.com/uploads/5/8/1/3/58131833/orchestra handbook 2016.2 017.pdf A list of private teachers is on the LN Orchestras Website or by following this link: http://lnorchestra.weebly.com/private-lessons.html

- Practice for orchestra grade

A strong reminder for students in orchestra each orchestra class. They are expected to practice at least 30 minutes, five times a week. This will make it easier for them to learn the techniques we spend time on in class and, eventually, will lead to more fun playing. Also, when students learn their assignments, the orchestra gets to do what it supposed to do – we then start to make music instead of just playing notes. That leads to excellence in music-making. And, I know your young musicians can do it!

- Other concert experiences coming up

Veteran's Day Convocation: Chamber Orchestra is going to play with the band and chorus.
 Date and time is still undetermined so, please ask your student about notice for this event.
 It will be held during the school day.

Thanks for listening.

Mr. Valencía