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# Spring 2008 Silver Jaguar Newsletter



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## **The Shark Tank**

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- 1) Smartmusic is now up and running for the fourth quarter. There are numerous assignments now posted. All students must either use Smartmusic OR submit the assignment by recording - CD or tape. The subscription price for Smartmusic will go up to \$30/year this summer, so enrolling now will save you \$5. Students should go to the "Enroll for Class" button - through the "Assignments" button on the start-up screen. The assignments for most of the fourth quarter playing tests are now assigned.
  - 2) Wind Ensemble (4th Hour) and Symphonic Winds & Percussion (6th Hour) will be going to Springfield, Missouri, for the Pride Classic Band Festival on Tuesday, April 29, 2008. The trip will be all day, with an early morning departure and a late evening return to the school. This is one of the most prestigious band festivals in our state, and we expect nothing less than Superior performances by both groups! In the past, we have received Superior Ratings from this festival on two occasions, our Percussion section has received the Outstanding Performance Award, and we have been awarded the Outstanding Band in our division of the festival.
  - 3) Friday, May 23 we will have a workshop with Scott Lang. He is the clinician who came twice last year, in February and again in August. We will have a full band session immediately after school, and then a leaders only session in the evening.
- Thanks.....Dale

# A Letter From Our Board President

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Dear Band Students and Parents,

First thing this month, I would like to congratulate and say a big **THANK YOU** to Mary Pace. Mary offered to run Trivia Night this year and she did an awesome job! Trivia Night was such a huge success, it earned over \$8700. and the booster board cannot thank her enough! The band and also several students earned a lot of money! I personally heard many compliments from people who attended that evening! So thank you Mary! Mary did have a great group of parents helping her also, so thank you to them as well!

I would like to take this opportunity to say a special thanks to Mr. Jeff Atchison, a neighbor and friend of mine, who sold the big 42" Plasma TV to us at below cost! The sales of the raffle tickets for the TV brought in over \$1800. to the band! You may want to visit his web site at [www.dadstoys.com](http://www.dadstoys.com) to check out his business! Or just to say thank you!!! Winter Color Guard member, Sam Jacobs, sold the winning ticket. Sam chose the restaurant, Kitaro's, for her gift card!!

Our next fundraiser will be TJ's pizza which will begin April 14th. This fundraiser will be handed out the night of Freshman Orientation! New freshman students will be able to start earning money for their accounts along with current band students!! Remember, next year is a "big" trip year, everyone might want to start earning money for their accounts!!

Another big fundraiser is Verizon Wireless Amphitheater (VWA)! As most of you know, working these concerts will earn funds into your child's band account also. However, to work these concerts, you must be TIPS trained! (Some of you need to be retrained as well) Training this year will be held at West Middle School for your convenience! The first training will be at Francis Howell North Library on April 16 at 6:30. The second training session will be held at Fort Zumwalt West Middle School on April 23rd and it will begin at 7 pm and it will last about an hour and a half! The first concert of the season is a Jimmy Buffet Concert on April 24th. You may want to check the web site now and sign up for concerts. Just contact me at [debann042@aol.com](mailto:debann042@aol.com) to sign up!!

Mrs Becky Blythe has been looking into Fund Raising opportunities for the band. One of them being the Rascals baseball games. She will be attending a meeting soon and will let the boosters know all the details of working at the Rascals games. If we do take on this as a fund raiser, everyone working this will also need to be TIPS trained. And that, of course can be done at the two meetings listed above, the same evening for VWA training!!! This opportunity will allow students 17 and older to work, but they also will need to be TIPS trained!!! More information will follow as it becomes available!

Believe it or not, our seniors will be graduating next month! To our senior parents, we are asking you to submit pictures of your senior for the senior slide show! Mrs Angie Kelly has offered to put the slide show together this year. She is still waiting for pictures from many of the students! She is looking for baby pictures, senior pictures and in between pictures!!! She will also be asking for your child's favorite quote, their future ambitions, and their favorite band memory! Please look for another form to come home! So get those pictures together real soon! The senior slide show is usually shown at the final band concert of the year and also at the Award's Banquet!

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Winter Drumline and Winter Color Guard for two fantastic shows. WD has placed 2nd several times and received a first place nod at one! Their high score this year has been 77.9! WCG continues to improve scores each week! Congratulations goes to both squads!!!

At the March concert, all the bands played exceptionally well! Congratulations to them as well!!!

Now that Spring break is over, it looks like about 2 months of school left. There is still so much to do with Freshman Orientation, new officer elections, putting together the senior slide show, year end concerts, the awards banquet and so on. I hope to see everyone at the big band meeting on April 14th!

Sincerely,  
Debbie Annarelli

# News and Notes

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- Scrip is a great opportunity to earn money in your student's band account. You may already be dining/shopping at many of the participating merchants. Making those purchases using scrip, you'll be earning a percentage back toward your band account. If you have any questions regarding the scrip program, please contact Connie Krull at (636) 240-5540.
- You can use the web-site below to find info. on performance schedules, locations, etc. ...  
<http://www.mccga.org/schedule.htm>
- The boosters is looking for 3 more people who can help us out at the Jimmy Buffet concert. We realize that it is an early call time, but we do need at least half of the adults to open up at 3:00. Joanne Quinlan will be there at 3 to help set up and open the booths. If you are being trained the night before, you will be eligible to work!! Contact Debbie Annarelli.
- Since The Fair and Air Show will no longer be held, we are exploring the opportunity to work concessions at the River City Rascals games. We can earn up to 10% of the profits on a 25 game schedule. Workers must be 17 years or older and go thru TIPS training. Becky Blythe has been working on this and a more info will be coming.
- Next years Trivia Night will be held on 2/2/09. So, mark your calendars!
- Band Banquet will be May 17th and catered by Bandanas BBQ. Cost of the tickets will be \$15 and seniors get in for free.
- Heritage Festival will be held April 25th-26th. Students can earn money towards their account. 12-15 students are needed. We will not be serving food this year.
- Cuvier River will not be available for Band Camp. Other sites are being explored and more info will be coming.
- Special SHOUT OUT to Bob Ransom for designing the trailer logos and to Steve Hudson for handling the logistics of getting bids and dropping off and picking up the trailer.

## TIPS Training

**Wednesday - April 16th - Francis Howell North High - Library - 6:30**

**Wednesday - April 23rd - Fort Zumwalt West MIDDLE School - Commons - 7:00**

**The high school could not allow us to use the building this evening because of Freshman Orientation.**

Anyone wishing to work VWA concerts this summer needs to be TIPS trained! Remember you will need to be TIPS trained to work the Rascals games if we choose to take on this Fundraiser. Students 17 and over can work these games and also will need to be TIPS trained. I must submit names of who will be attending. Please contact me if you can make either meeting!! [debann042@aol.com](mailto:debann042@aol.com)

## Show Your Support!

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### **A MESSAGE FROM MARY PACE**

The Trivia Night was a success. All total the band made \$8,754.16. Of this table sales accounted for \$4,559.66, raffles (TV and baskets) and mulligan's totaled \$3,263.00 and games played at Trivia Night totaled \$931.50. Earnings for each trivia table sold are \$101.33 and earnings for the student workers are \$62.10. The money from the raffles and mulligan's go toward the band discretionary fund. This night would not have been possible without the help of many people. It was a true team effort! A special "thank you" goes out to all of the band families that graciously donated items for our raffle baskets. Many thanks go to Larry Coffin for writing the questions. Our bankers for the night were Craig and Paula Pettig, the voice reading the questions was Rik Johnson and our emcee was Andrew Hoormann. The judges were Karen Johnson, Debby Kenny, Melissa Annarelli, Andy Pettig, and Tim Merli. Our beautiful table centerpieces were made by Grace Garrison. The check-in table volunteers were Joan Spurlock, Grace Garrison, and Theresa Bruer. Dee Dee Renfroe received many, many donations for our raffle baskets. Also helping with raffle basket donations was Joan Spurlock. Helping to put together the baskets was Dee Dee Renfroe, Joan Spurlock, Joanne Hoormann, Paula Pettig, Grace Garrison, and Kathy Horvath. Tim and Sue Merli allowed us to sort, assemble and store the raffle baskets in their heated garage. This was a huge help as it saved us from having to use the Commons at school! Steve White donated one of the projectors used at Trivia Night and Heidi Henke helped plan the event as well. We had 15 student workers that received payment for their efforts and 3 that volunteered to work. Debbie Annarelli was always available to me for assistance in planning and handling different scenarios that arose during planning. We exchanged countless emails over the course of planning. As you can see many people were involved in planning this event. For those that came to Trivia Night thank you for coming we hope you had a good time and we hope to see you again next year!



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## Calendar News—dates and times subject to change

**April 16th AND 23rd**—TIPS training

**April 25th-26th**—Heritage Festival

**April 26th**—State Solo Competition

**May 12th**—Band Booster Meeting

**May 17th**—Band Banquet

**May 23rd**—Leadership Clinic

**July 1st-3rd**—Mini Camp

**July 4th**—4th of July Parade

**August 3rd-9th**—Band Camp

