



# CHS Band Parent Publication

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November 2002

## Important dates at a glance...

- Nov. 1, 2, 3 *The Mikado*
- Nov. 7 Parent/Teacher conferences
- Dec. 9 Winter Concert



Please note the **change** in the date and times of the next Band Parent meetings. Check below or on the band calendar.

If you'd like to help out, have any questions or need to get a hold of a committee person, please call: Michael O'Bradovich at 556-3464.

### Your Band Parent Officers 2002-03:

- President - Michael O'Bradovich
- Vice President - Cindy & Bob Serfass
- 2nd Vice President - Pete Wilger
- Secretary - Brian Zdan
- Treasurer - Mary Jo & Jim Kielion

### Student Band Officers 2002-03:

- President - Lauren Prest
- Vice President - Peter Sullivan
- Secretary - Mara Martinez
- Treasurer - Jessica Richart
- Historian - Ashley Krijan

## The next Band Parent Meetings...

**Nov. 12, 7 p.m., Rm 048**  
and  
**Dec. 3 at 6:15 p.m., Rm 147**

For newsletter information, contributions or questions, please contact Mr. Wilger (wilgerp@ops.org), 557-3300; Alice Love (lovea@ops.org), 557-2045(w), 553-2562(h)



## From the Podium

This is an issue with many important dates listed to give you an overview of things happening currently and in the near future.

The Great American Fundraiser began October 23 and ended October 30.

November 7 - Butterbraid sales end (having started October 28)

Thanks to you, the parents, for all your help during the past marching season. In the weeks to come Pep Band and Concert Band will be involved in several performances.

**Football Playoffs:** 7 p.m. at Norris unless we have to play away.

Wednesday, November 6

Monday, November 11

Saturday, November 16

Friday, November 22 - Finals at Memorial Stadium

**We will not march at these games, but will perform as a Pep Band at the games.**

The Pep Band will also perform at home basketball games (at Norris Middle) beginning December 14. More Pep Band information will be made available in the next Band Parent newsletter.

**Band Parent meetings are in room 048 at 7 p.m. on these Tuesdays, unless otherwise indicated:**

November 12 (change from previously stated news)

December 3 (time change to 6:15 p.m., room 147)

January 7

February (no meeting due to schedule conflicts)

March 11

April TBA

Don't miss these special Band Parent fundraiser events:

- February 8 - Roadshow Band Parent Dinner before the Saturday performance

- April 4 - Jazz Band & the Folks  
a dance and frolic evening with entertainment from students and parents alike.



### Instrumental Music Events

December 9 - Winter Concert, 7 p.m.

January 14 - All City auditions begin

February 7, 8 - Roadshow; Snow date Feb. 10

February 22 - Elkhorn Band Olympics (selected 9th/10th grade students)

March 15 - All City Music Festival, TAC Auditorium

April 1 - Band Adjudication at Benson (evening performance)

April 11 - Papillion Band Contest (Freshmen band members only)

April 25 - District Music Contest

May 8 - Instrumental Concert 7 p.m.

May 9-11 - Possible Band Trip to Colorado Springs

Please check the band calendar for other important school related dates.

## Setting Concert Band Goals

With our fall season ending, our concert band will need to set new goals. Last year, I shared some of these goals with the band parents, which include performing at a state music convention and traveling to contests with the band. We will need to schedule sectionals and additional rehearsals to attempt these goals. The concert band experience can be wonderful and our students are capable of performing at a high level (as evidenced in the halftime shows and especially for the percussion at OME). We need to keep these experiences going throughout the year. In December we plan to record the band for upcoming auditions. Given our situation, the concert band arena will afford us the best opportunities as we go through the renovation. The added bonus will be our students will be better musicians because of the work we put in now. In December we plan to record the band for upcoming auditions. Thanks for your support. -Mr. Wilger

*from Mike O'Bradovich, Band Parent President*

We had a great turn out at the Omaha Marching Exhibition at Northwest earlier this month. The percussion and pit sections performed fabulously! They were very well received. All of us missed seeing our full marching band out on the field and look forward to the days when we can return to these kinds of competitions. Almost 50 students and 20 parents attended on behalf of Central. Thanks to each of you who took the time to be a part of this event.

I would like to take this opportunity to also thank Bob and Cindy Serfass, Mike and Nancy Getty, Marla and Jesse Hannah, Steve Waszak, and Leslee O'Bradovich for working at the Omaha Marching Invitational at Burke on Saturday, October 19, 2002. We worked with other volunteers at the concession stand, ticket booths, and parking lots even though Central did not compete. We do receive proceeds from our work. It was also great to see so many bands from around the area perform. Again, we missed seeing Central out on the field.

I know that Mr. Wilger has already thanked those who worked at the bake sales during the football season, but I wanted to add my personal note of appreciation. Without the dedicated help of so many individuals, the bake sales would not be as successful. Likewise, we made many friends with the fans and supporters of Central High School each week.

As we now turn our attention to the rest of the year, we ask for your continued support in our Concert Band activities. We will need some help planning a meal before the Road Show in February and would like to try some fresh ideas. We will be discussing that at our November meeting.

We had over 30 people at last month's parents meeting and we are looking for that many, or more, this month!

Thanks to all for your continued interest and efforts.

*Michael J. O'Bradovich, President*



Again, a huge **"Thank You"** to these stewards of band:

For uniform care/distribution and transportation of instruments/equipment  
- H. Wigger, J. Wigger, J. Kielion and family, S. Waszak, B. Serfass, N. Watkins; football game bake sales - L. Gillman and volunteers; - and to all those who helped them achieve their goals.

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Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
				* *Woodwind sectional on Oct. 31 either 7-7:40 am or 3-3:40 pm Students must attend one.	<b>1</b> Musical <b><i>The Mikado</i></b> 7 pm at Central Auditorium	<b>2</b> Musical <b><i>The Mikado</i></b> 7 pm at Central Auditorium
<b>3</b> Musical <b><i>The Mikado</i></b> 2 pm at Central Auditorium	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Football Playoffs 7 p.m.	<b>7</b> Parent/Teacher conferences  Butterbraid fundraiser sale ends	<b>8</b> No school for senior high students	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Football Playoffs 7 p.m.	<b>12</b> Band Parent Mtg 7 pm in 048	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Football Playoffs 7 p.m.
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Full Band rehearsal 6 pm -7:30 pm in 048.	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> _____ Nebraska Music Educators Conference 21-23 in Lincoln _____	<b>22</b> Football Playoffs 7 p.m.	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Thanksgiving	<b>29</b> Break	<b>30</b>

# December 2002

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<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Band Parent Mtg 6:15 pm in 147  Full Band rehearsal 6-7:30 pm in 048.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Winter Concert 7 p.m. in the Auditorium	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Basketball game at Norris - entire Band to perform as a Pep Band
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> December 23 - January 3 Winter Break	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				