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President's Message

By Georgette Whitbred

Winterguard season is in full swing and they look fabulous! I am always amazed at how much work these kids put in, but they always look great and it shows how much they love what they are doing. We are so lucky to have such great instructors in our color guard and percussion staff that

teach them difficult moves/music and put together an unforgettable show year after year. We are also lucky to have our beloved directors, Moorf and Mr. G., also there every step of the way.

Our very own Winterguard and Percussion Show is on Sat., March 28th and it is imperative that every band family come and work to help support this fundraiser. Even if you don't have a student in guard or percussion, all the monies raised benefits the ENTIRE band. We need our fundraisers to support the program that is loved dearly by your children. Please call Irene Meechan or email her asap to sign up, or when she calls you--gladly sign up for a time slot. You cannot sit back and let others do the work, we need everyone to be involved. We are also looking for trophy sponsors as well, so please check out the website for more information.

As you are reading this newsletter, our editor is staying on even though she no longer has a child in band. She would like to pass it on to someone else and it is fairly easy to do. If you are interested, please contact me at your earliest convenience. We also have several jobs opening up for the next year, as we will be having "graduating" parents leaving with their seniors! On the executive board, we will need a secretary and a general accounts treasurer; we need someone to coordinate uniforms, help with the food we fix the kids at band reviews, as well as some other jobs. Plan on coming to the next Booster's meeting to see how you can become involved. It is a lot of fun and you get to meet and hang out with a lot of very cool people :) !



The Foothill Band and Color Guard march through Union Square in San Francisco for the Chinese New Year's Parade, Phoenix, Feb. 7.
Photo by Ellen Holmgren

Recycling News

By Cecilia Santiago, Recycling Coordinator

Foothill Band Boosters greatly appreciates your donations of empty inkjet and toner cartridges. Please note that we can only accept brand name toner cartridges such as HP, Xerox, Lexmark, Canon, Sharp, Brother, Samsung and Dell. We cannot accept toner cartridges such as Corporate Express, Office Depot, Staples, Office Max or any other generic brands since we are unable to turn those in for payment. All brands of inkjet cartridges are accepted. Please bring your donations to the box in the band room as soon as possible so we can turn those empties into cash for the band. We also recycle used cell phones. If you have any questions, please contact Cecilia Santiago at (925) 846-6717.

eScrip News

By Karen LaDuca, eScrip Coordinator

eScrip and Safeway: Reports are now being done monthly so that may be why it seems that your deposits are smaller. Safeway has a tiered program so you only earn 1% on the first \$300 you earn each month. As you spend more at Safeway each month, you will get a higher percent back on the additional amounts. If you have credit cards registered with eScrip, you will only earn credits when you use the card with participating merchants. You can find a list on the website. There are different merchants who participate in the online mall eScrip program. For instance, if you order from Staples at the online mall, you will receive a rebate, but if you use a registered credit card at a local Staples store, you will not. Also remember that eScrip charges a fee each month that amounts to \$1 per participant account. That is deducted from your earnings.

If you have friends or relatives register with eScrip for the Foothill Band Boosters and you want their earnings to go to your student's account, you must be sure to email me the name. I have one name that registered with us in September (Judy Duemling) that I do not have designated to a student's account.

Raley's: Checks are deposited quarterly. Raley's also has a tiered program similar to Safeway. They do not charge any fees, however. I do need to know the Raley's card numbers that you use if you want to get credit. There are several card numbers that earn a fair amount of money for us, but I don't have any information on who they belong to. So if you are using your card and not seeing any deposits in your account, please contact me.

Lucky: The best deal out there right now. You get 3% back on all of your purchases with no fee deducted. Checks are deposited quarterly. You do have to submit your last receipt of each month for each card that you use to me in order to get credit for your earnings in your student's account. Lucky does not give us a report by card--only a total.

Any questions on any of these programs, or if you need Raley's or Lucky cards, email me at escrip@foothillband.org or see me at a Booster meeting.

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