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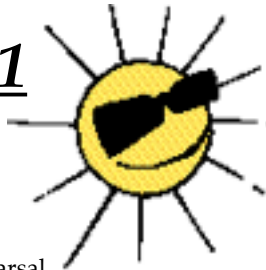
## HELLO & GOODBYE

It's that time once again. The time that we say goodbye to our graduating Seniors and hello to our incoming Rookies. Every year brings about this change, and it is never easy.

As we look back on the past, we see that the 11 graduates are leaving us for better things. If they turned in an info sheet, there is additional information about their accomplishments in this month's "Family Corner". You will see what they all will be doing next year, and what their future goals hold. They are now permanently woven into the fabric that is the Marching Clan - present, past and future. Seniors - we will all miss you and your talents. As the tradition continues, be happy in knowing that you were a part of it and that it will continue because of your contributions. When you see us perform in the future, or you see your children perform in the band, reflect on your contributions. Remember that there is always a place for you here. As long as there is a Vineland High School, there will be a Marching Clan to represent it in the City and throughout the country.

At the same time we say "Goodbye" to our Seniors, we are saying "Welcome" to our new members. You are becoming a part of the tradition that the Seniors have left for you. You can read about their accomplishments in this newsletter, and look forward to seeing your name there in four years. Also included with this newsletter is our July and August Schedule. WELCOME! Are you ready to meet the Wizard?

## Band Camp 2011



Attached you will find the calendar for this year's Summer Band Camp. Remember that band camp is not optional.

If you are a new musician and you need to borrow a school instrument, please contact me at one of the options listed at the top of the newsletter so I can have one ready for the first July rehearsal.

On the evening of our open rehearsal in August we will have a cookout for members and families. Stay tuned for details.

If you know of anyone else that might be interested in joining for next year, have them call me. It's much easier to add someone in July than it is in August. Talk to friends that you had in Intermediate School that used to play and would be a good addition to the group. I can add people up till the 2nd rehearsal in July. After that, we'll have to cut off additions. This includes Color Guard!

## Band-Aides of Vineland

At the June Band-Aides meeting, the 2011-2012 Band-Aides Executive Board was elected. The officers for the coming school year are:

<i>President</i>	Barbara Crescenzo
<i>Vice President</i>	Ed Walters
<i>Secretary</i>	Jody Steinbronn
<i>Treasurer</i>	Nancy Walters
<i>Publicity</i>	Warren Crescenzo
<i>Project Coordinator</i>	Yolanda Garcia

Congratulations to the new Board who happens to be the "old board". I can't thank our "graduating" parents enough for the help that they have given over the last four years. Whether out-in-the-open or behind-the-scenes, your help has been appreciated.

Thanks go out to all of the parents that helped us this year. From donations of food, money or time to chaperoning on buses or helping carry equipment, your contribution is greatly appreciated. The Marching Band would not be able to function without the help of our parents. The Marching Band Staff and I thank you.

There will be a meeting for all "Rookie Parents" on Tuesday, August 9th, during the Band Rehearsal. This will give all of the new parents the opportunity to see what we are all about and ask questions. Our first regular parent meeting will be on August 23rd at 7:30 PM in the Choir Room. While the kids are rehearsing, we will update parents on this year's activities. We will also have our traditional Open Rehearsal on August 25th. This event has become sort of a "Block Party" for the members and their families. More info on these events will be distributed during camp sessions.

Don't feel bad if you are a new band parent and this all begins to seem overwhelming. It's normal. Think of what the kids are feeling! Don't be afraid to ask questions.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- 3/7 Amber Raively
- 3/29 Emily Velez
- 4/8 Katelynn Walder
- 4/17 Tiffany Ballin
- 4/19 Kelsi Vecchione
- 5/23 Colby Powell
- 5/27 Felix Afanador
- 6/2 Emma Schlenger
- 6/14 Juli Crescenzo
- 6/24 Eduardo Lopez
- 7/4 Megan Jones
- 7/8 Justin Feliciano
- 7/9 Anthony Lopez
- 7/9 Marissa Williams
- 7/15 Kaitlyn Browne-Torpey
- 7/22 Ricky Acosta
- 7/27 Jonathan Roig



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Field Officers**

**Drum Major**

Juli Crescenzo

**Band Lieutenant**

Katelynn Walder

**VHS ALUMNI  
MARCHING BAND ACTIVITIES**

**August 5th**

**Rehearsal**

5:30 - 7:30  
VHS Band Room

**Beef & Beef Social/Reunion**

7:00 - 11:00  
North Italy Hall

**August 7th**

**Concert**

3:00 PM  
VHS South Grounds

**Parade**

5:00 PM

**THE FAMILY CORNER**

- **Tiffany Ballin** has been accepted to CCC and Rutgers University. She will be attending CCC to major in Criminal Justice and will transfer to Rutgers. She aspires to become a Lawyer. She has been President of the C.E.C. and graduated from the AVID program this year. She has received the Council for Exceptional Children Award (\$100).
- **Kaitlyn Browne-Torpey** (Cum Laude) will be attending the University of New Haven (CT). She will be majoring in Music Education and Math Education. She will also be a member of their Marching Band. Her goal is to become a Music Teacher. She has received the Distinguished Scholar Scholarship from UNH, the Jodi Paterno/Olin Fisher Scholarship (\$1000), the Soroptomist Student of the Month Award, the Gear Up Scholarship, the Joan & E Blanche Riggins Scholarship (\$1000), and the Sam Bzozowski Memorial Marching Band Scholarship (\$500). Kaitlyn has also received a GEAR UP Scholarship.
- **Zac Blowers** plans to begin working over the summer. He wants to get married, settle down and have children.
- **Matthew Bowen** (Magna Cum Laude) will be attending Rowan University as a Computer Science Major. He plans to work in the computer field until he is ready to audition for Julliard for a performance career. Matt has received a GEAR UP Scholarship.
- **Charlene Caulford** (Cum Laude)
- **Ewart Graves** will be attending CCC in September. At this point he is undecided where his life will be leading him.
- **Anthony Lopez** has been accepted to ITT Tech and Lincoln Tech. In September he will begin schooling in the field of Criminal Justice with the goal of becoming a Police Officer.
- **Ariana McTamney** has been accepted to and plans to attend Cumberland County College in September.
- **Chris Scott** has been accepted to CCC, Full Sail University and Kean University. He will be attending CCC, then transferring to Full Sail to complete a degree in Audio Engineering. He would like to become a Music Producer/Musician.
- **Diane Severino** (Summa Cum Laude) will be attending CCC to begin working on an Engineering career. She will also become

- a member of the CCC Wind Symphony. She plans on transferring to Rutgers to complete a degree in Biomedical Engineering. She has received the Wizardry 101 Scholarship (\$200).
- **Jeff Walters** (Cum Laude) will be attending CCC in September. When he graduates he will be going into the field of Physical Therapy. This year, he attained the rank of Eagle Scout. He has been a gold and silver medalist at the Junior Olympics, and been a member of the VHS National Honor Society for 2 years. He has received the Honorable Frank J. Testa Scholarship (\$1000), the Joan & E. Blanche Riggins Scholarship (\$1000) and the Ted Wheaton Memorial Scholarship (\$500). Jeff has also received a GEAR UP Scholarship.

**80th ANNIVERSARY NEWS**

- Since this is the 80th Anniversary of the VHS Marching Clan, there are a few activities this summer to help our alumni celebrate. There are two performances scheduled for August 7th. The first is a concert that will take place on the fairgrounds of the 150th Vineland Anniversary Carnival being held at VHS. The second is a parade around the same fairgrounds. If you are not involved in the performances, come out and see alumni perform.
- Along with the performances, we will be holding a Beef & Beer Social/Reunion at the North Italy Hall. This is open to anyone, not just alumni. Since there is beer being served, if you are under 21, you must be accompanied by a parent. We are hoping to get a good crowd of alumni, past Band-Aides, family and friends. Info for all of this is available on the Marching Band Website.
- 80th Anniversary Coins are still available. They are \$10.00 each and available from Mr. McDevitt. There is only a limited number, so get them quickly.

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