



The Marching Clan

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Website

Check the website often for updates!
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AN OMEGA and AN ALPHA

Omega - It's hard to believe that it is already December and the Marching Season has come to an end. I think that this was a very successful marching season for a number of reasons. One of the main reasons has been the willingness of the membership to dedicate themselves to the program. The design and teaching of a marching band program is only a small percentage of the success of the group. A larger percentage comes from the group itself. Without a willingness to learn and a sense of dedication to the group, the rest would not be possible.

Alpha - I can sense a new beginning with this year's season band. Because of the dedication and willingness to learn, I can tell that it is time to take a LEAP into some uncharted territory. I will explain myself in the near future, but I see it as a beginning. Thank you Seniors for being the start of something new and exciting!



As the holiday season quickly approaches, I would like to extend Best Wishes to everyone for a safe and healthy holiday!

I would also like to thank some people for their help throughout this past year. First, and most importantly, the Marching Band Staff - Miss Bosco, Mr. Thomas, and Bob. They are truly my right hand(s) when it comes to the activities of this group. While we sometimes disagree, everyone ends up doing what is in the best interest of the students in the band.

I would like to thank all of the parents that have helped throughout the year. I know that it's not easy to work full time jobs, raise kids, keep a household going, and then volunteer time for the band. Please know that I appreciate the time that anyone has given for the sake of our students. I would especially like to thank the members of the Band-Aides Executive Board. They truly go above and beyond for the students in this program.

Finally, I would like to thank the band members themselves. You have continued to inspire me to do the job that I do, and confirm on a daily basis the decisions that I have made.

As we go though this holiday season, please take some time to thank those around you that have helped to become who you are and remember those that are no longer with us. It has been a rough year for a few of our members and their families. I hope that 2012 is better.

Enjoy the holiday break and come back with energy - ready to work!

Band-Aides of Vineland

Thank you to everyone that has helped with the band this season. It takes a lot of volunteers to get the band where they need to be. That includes getting equipment on the field, feeding students, pushing them out of the door on time, chaperoning, and just being a good parent. I really appreciate everything that everyone has done to make this a successful season.

TRIP INFORMATION

I started working on this year's trip much earlier. This is the first time in a decade or so that I have had the info out before January 1st. It is shaping up to be a very good trip. We will be leaving VHS on April 20th and returning on April 22nd. Some reminders are listed below:

Date	Account Balance
12/2/11	\$100.00
1/20/12	\$175.00
2/16/12	\$250.00
3/9/12	\$325.00
3/30/12	Balance

TRIP MEETING

March 29, 2012 - 7:00 PM
Mandatory for all participants and legal guardian

TRIP REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

April 4, 2012	6:00 - 7:30 PM
April 18, 2012	6:00 - 7:30 PM
April 19, 2012	6:00 - 7:30 PM

DROPOUT PENALTIES

Date	Penalty
12/2/11 - 1/20/12	\$100.00
1/21/12 - 2/16/12	\$250.00
2/17/12 - 4/20/12	Full Cost of Trip

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We have lots of catching-up to do:

- 8/5 Ronald Rodriguez
- 8/21 Haley Parent
Rebecca Pellerano
- 9/4 Ashley Lorenzo
Val Walters
- 9/5 Dominique Brooks
- 9/21 Jenna Gustason
- 9/22 Malachi Jenkins
- 10/1 Angel Medina
- 10/5 Christian Muller
- 10/13 Gunner Loper
- 10/15 Kerensa Loadholt
- 11/1 Jocelyn Mercado
- 11/6 Tyler Steinbronn
Tim Satterfield
- 11/18 William Lunsford
- 12/9 Brooke Brown
- 12/12 D'Anna Edwards
- 12/22 Jasmine Gonzalez
- 1/2 Joe Rivera
- 1/4 Ron Walker
- 1/14 Patrick Bryant
- 1/25 Irvin Parades-Martinez



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HOLIDAY CONCERTS

We have several concerts scheduled to get everyone into the holiday spirit. They are:

- 12/8 North Concert
- 12/14 South Choral Concert
- 12/21 South Instrumental Concert

All Concerts begin at 7:00 PM in the VHS South Auditorium.



THE FAMILY CORNER

- Congratulations to our members that were inducted into the National Honor Society on November 22nd. They are:

Juli Crescenzo
Emma Holmes

- Cumberland County Honors Band will be held at Cumberland Regional this year. The dates are:

Rehearsal - January 11th 3:00-9:00
Rehearsal - January 18th 3:00
Concert - January 18th 7:00

- We are working on the Pep Band idea again for this year. I will notify musicians as soon as I have set up a schedule.

- Keep updated every week on the Band Website (www.vhsmarchingband.org). I update the weekly schedule every week and make other types of reminders and announcements on the opening page.

- Account Updates - As you receive account updates, please check them closely. If there are any corrections that need to be made, please let me know ASAP. It helps if you show me receipts. The changes happen much quicker.

- Musicians - If you're looking for an inexpensive way to practice at home that uses your computer, check out this website: www.smartmusic.com It is a \$36 per year subscription, but does some amazing things.

- FUND RAISING ALL-STARS

Sub Sale

- 120 Devonshire
- 94 Crescenzo
- 86 Walters
- 85 Loper
- 70 Bryant
- 55 Powell

Cheesecakes

- 78 Cotto
- 39 Crescenzo
- 30 Vecchione
- 30 Raively

Boscov's Coupons

- 26 Crescenzo
- 11 Walters
- 8 Vecchione

Coupon Books

- 25 Lopez
- 12 Cotto
- 7 Mason
- 7 Loadholt

Magazines

- Gonzalez \$143 Sold
- Caignon \$129 Sold
- Moore \$110 Sold

Cookie Dough

- Bryant 13 items
- Jenkins 12 items
- Crescenzo 11 items

