

Hi SCHS Band Families!

The following are announcements for the week of October 21th. (Please read to the bottom for announcements specific to Symphonic Band, Drumline and Marching Band).

## **ALL BAND UPDATES**

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS** are now also posted on the SCHS Band website ([www.schsbands.org](http://www.schsbands.org)).

### **FUNDRAISING**

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- 1) **Pie Pick Up** – Pie pick ups will be on November 15<sup>th</sup> at the loading dock. We will need volunteers to help distribute pies. Signups will be posted soon!

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  - 2) **Yard Sale** – If you have any “yard sale” items, please save them for the Band! We will be having a **yard sale** on **November 17, 2018** from 8AM to 1PM. Proceeds will help defray the costs for the Symphonic Band’s participation in the “Music for All National Concert Band Festival” in Indianapolis in the spring! We would love to accept your donations on the evening of November 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> (exact date to be announced), and we will provide you with a tax donation receipt. Pickups can also be arranged. We will need volunteers for both “donation night” and for the yard sale itself. Signups will be posted soon.

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  - 3) **Silent Auction** – The SCHS Band Boosters is once again running the Silent Auction at the SCHS Holiday Extravaganza & Craft Show on **December 1, 2018**. We are looking for donations for baskets (or donations of prepared baskets), along with gift cards for our gift card wreath and tree, tickets to sporting events, etc. for auctioning. We would also very much appreciate receiving donations from businesses of items or services!
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This year, we are specifically creating baskets with the following themes (each of which have suggestions/ideas for donated items):

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**That’s a Wrap** (gift wrap for all occasions, ribbons, bows, gift bags, gift cards, tissue paper, scissors, tape, etc.)

**Movie Night** (DVDs, movie tickets/passes, popcorn seasoning, popcorn buckets/bowls, candy, movie trivia games, pizza gift card)

**Warm & Cozy** (blankets, tea, coffee, mugs, books, socks, scented candles, lotions/bubble bath)

**Camper’s Dream** (s’mores items, lanterns, sleeping bag, tent, cooler, bbq utensils, lighters, deck of cards, Frisbee)

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**Drive Safe, New Driver!** (car care items, tire gauge, car emergency kit, “New Driver” decal, key chain, flash light)

There is a box in the Band Room for your silent auction donations (or pick ups can be arranged). Gift cards should be placed in an envelope marked “SILENT AUCTION” and dropped in the Band Mailbox. Questions? Please contact Heather Cooper @ heather.cooper2011@yahoo.com.

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## **SPIRIT WEAR**

Spirit wear orders should be in this week!

## **SMILE.AMAZON.COM**

As you begin your holiday shopping, please don't forget about the SCHS Band Program when you are shopping on Amazon! Go to **smile.amazon.com** and select South County Secondary Band Boosters as your designated charity before you begin shopping. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your qualifying purchases to the Band Program. It's that easy – and every little bit helps!

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## **SYMPHONIC BAND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Symphonic Fall Concert**

The Symphonic Band put on a terrific show this past Tuesday! The crowd was treated to a performance by a percussion ensemble, along with 5 pieces by the band (including two songs from the popular Marvel movies, Blank Panther and the Avengers that will be played for local schools in recruiting in January. One attendee noted it best on the Band's Facebook page: *“Outstanding. Seemed more like a spring concert than one so early in the year.”* We can't wait to see how the Band improves throughout the year!

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**Music For All Trip** – The second payment towards the Music for All trip to Indianapolis will be \$250, and due no later than **Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>** (the Monday before Thanksgiving). Payment will need to be made by check payable to SCHS. These payments are not available to be made on MySchoolBucks. Please contact Mr. Engdahl with any questions.

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## **DRUMLINE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There will be a Drumline interest meeting on **Monday, November 12th at 7PM** in the band room.

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## **MARCHING BAND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BANDS OF AMERICA -2018 MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

On Saturday, October 20, 2018, the Marching Band competed against other schools from Ohio, North Carolina, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland and Virginia at the BOA Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships at the University of Delaware. We are so proud of the Marching Stallions, who placed 16<sup>th</sup> overall out of 26 of some of the best Marching Bands in the Mid-Atlantic region. The shows were phenomenal, and what an experience for our band! Great job, Marching Stallions!

Note that Jolesch Enterprises took photographs at the competition, including those of the full band and the different sections. The pictures should be available online for purchase by the end of the week at [www.joleschenterprises.com](http://www.joleschenterprises.com).

## **UPCOMING COMPETITIONS**

### **Saturday, October 27, 2018**

There are two opportunities for you to see the Marching Stallions perform their captivating show, BLINK, this **Saturday, October 27, 2018**. The first, VBODA, will be at Patriot High School (performance at **2:15PM** sharp!) This is the band's assessment and is the first step in being named a Virginia Honor Band. From there, the Marching Stallions go to Dominion High School, where they perform in competition at the VMBC Shenandoah Regional (performance is at **7PM** sharp!). Come out to cheer on the band! Your vocal support, combined with their drive, determination and focus, will put them at the top!

Saturday's schedule was e-mailed to everyone by Mr. Engdahl on October 9, 2018. If you don't have the schedule, please contact Mr. Engdahl at [southcountybands@gmail.com](mailto:southcountybands@gmail.com).

### **November 3-4, 2018**

November 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Virginia Marching Band Cooperative (VMBC) State Championship! Come out, support the band, and help them finish the season strong! This will be an overnight trip for the students, as they perform on Saturday (11/3) (twice when they make the finals 😊 ) and return on Sunday (11/4). There will be no school Monday (11/5) or Tuesday (11/6). Hotel Accommodations: Holiday Inn Express, 5600 Seminole Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24502. PH: (434) 237-7771. The itinerary for this trip was emailed out on October 15, 2018 by Mr. Engdahl (from [southcountybands@gmail.com](mailto:southcountybands@gmail.com)).

## **SENIOR DINNER**

Senior Dinner invitations were sent out last week, and **RSVPs are due Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**. The dinner will be at Laurel Hill Golf Club located at 8701 Laurel Crest Way, Lorton, VA on November 1, 2018. Just a reminder that the Band Boosters pays the cost for the Marching Band senior's meal. Other family members who will be attending will need to pay for their own meals (\$25/meal). RSVP forms and checks should be

placed in an envelope marked SENIOR DINNER and placed in the tan box in the mail room. Questions? Please contact Renee Flynn at ReneeFlynn1@msn.com.

### **MARCHING BAND END-OF-SEASON BANQUET**

Mark your calendars for this year's Marching Band End-of-Season Banquet, which will be the evening of November 13<sup>th</sup>. Details coming soon!

### **MARCHING BAND SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday (10/22)** – Rehearsal from 5PM to 8 PM

**Wednesday (10/24)** – Rehearsal from 6PM – 9PM.

**Friday (10/26)** – Rehearsal 3:30PM to 6PM

**Saturday (10/27) – Assessment AND Competition!** See previously-disseminated schedule for important times.

**Sunday (10/28) – Halloween Parade!** The Marching Band has been asked once again to play at the annual South Run Oaks Halloween Parade. The date is Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 4PM (report time is 3:30PM) at the top of neighborhood (entrance of neighborhood at Rt. 123 and S. Run Oaks Drive). Parade will go down Oak Hollow Lane, left on Monarch Oak Lane, and left on Oak Bridge Lane. There is a small gathering area at the end of Oak Bridge Lane (from which there is a shortcut back to the top of the route). The parade is mandatory for all that are available that afternoon. Please let Mr. Engdahl know if you are not able to attend. South Run Oaks loves having the Marching Band participate in the parade, and this has been a fun event in the past. Students are permitted to wear school-appropriate Halloween costumes.

If you have an announcement for the weekly e-mail, please send them to Heather Cooper (heather.cooper2011@yahoo.com) or Renee Flynn (reneeflynn1@msn.com).

Have a great week!!

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