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# Walton High School Orchestra Notes

## LETTER FROM THE ORCHESTRA CO-PRESIDENTS

***Thank you Barbee and Brad Kent for OVER TWO YEARS of service as the Orchestra Board Co-Presidents. We cannot begin to tell you how much we all appreciate the time and effort you have put into this program and how much that commitment has paid off in helping the directors and students achieve their goals. We are so glad you are still going to be around for one more year to take on our BIG trip to the BIG APPLE!***

*Your ever appreciative students, directors, board and committees.*



**W**elcome to the new school year. We know it is still summer, but for you musicians, the academic year has actually started. That's why y'all are so smart!

During the month of July there are two events critical to your involvement in the program the **Mandatory Meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the Orchestra Room** and **Walton Orchestra Camp** being held at Reinhart College this year (which every student who has ever attended will tell you never to miss).

Throughout the school year Walton Orchestra holds a number of events and participates in programs to raise funds that will be used by the Walton Band & Orchestra Parents, Inc (WBOP), which is the non-profit umbrella organization run by parent & student volunteers as well as the Fine Arts directors. These events fund many of the extras our students receive in the orchestra pro-

gram making it a unique element of Walton Orchestra. WBOP has three purposes:

To provide opportunities to students in the music program to develop **PRIDE: Proficiency, Reliability, Integrity, Discipline & Excellence.**

To provide assistance and support to: The music directors in areas such as chaperoning, uniforms, newsletters, hospitality, etc. which allows our directors more time to focus on instruction with our kids.

To provide financial support for a comprehensive music program through various fundraisers.

This academic year the orchestra will be traveling to **New York City** for a very exciting event—details will follow at the **Mandatory Meeting!** This will be a critical year for fundraising, especially for Rock-A-Thon, as 50% of the funds you personally raise will go directly into

YOUR student account and can be used to fund your way to the Big Apple. See the Fundraising article included.

Thank you to everyone who signed up to volunteer, **WE WILL USE YOU AND IT WILL BE FUN!**

*Your NEW (and very green)  
Co-Presidents*

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### Quotable quotes:

There is no law against composing music when one has no ideas whatsoever. The music of Wagner, therefore, is perfectly legal  
The National, Paris, 1850  
When you come to a fork in the road, take it.  
Yogi Berra (1925 - )

**Learn more about the orchestra's trip to New York at the Mandatory Meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup>!**

## FUNDRAISING NEWS

A heads-up on some fundraising events held throughout the year:

### ROCK-A-THON

The students will receive their Rock-A-Thon (RAT) envelopes at the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting and you will only have until October to find participants. The NY trip is March 2010 so the more ads you sell, the more money you can put into your student account to pay for the trip. This is how it works, but FULL details will be in your package:

You **must** collect \$100 in listings, ads and/or donations to qualify for the RAT party. After you have qualified by collecting \$100, every additional dollar you collect is split 50/50 between the orchestra budget and your student account. **For example**, you collect \$500 total, \$100 initially goes to the orchestra budget, \$400 gets split 50/50 between the orchestra budget and your student account, so you get \$200 in your account. Student accounts can pay for trips, camp, fees, banquet, etc. **\$9,130 was raised for the through Rock-A-Thon in 2008-2009.**

### PUBLIX SWIPE CARDS

This is the EASIEST program to participate in. Please continue to use your Publix Swipe Cards at checkout as the **WBOP receives 0.667% of your total purchase**. Additional cards will be available at the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN

All you have to do is enjoy great food at CPK and **20% of your purchase** will be donated to our orchestra. This fundraiser is held a number of times a year; dates will be posted as they become available.

### SCRIP

This will be a TWICE A YEAR PROGRAM, so look out for details on this in future newsletters. Scrips are negotiable gift certificates that are used just like cash, and make great gifts. The Scrip is issued by national and local retailers where many of you already shop. You can use Scrip to purchase everyday items like food, clothing, and other essentials, and with every purchase, the **WBOP receives**

**between 3% & 13% of the purchase** you make using the Scrip card.

Last year we raised **\$1,950 through Scrip, Publix and CPK**. We cannot do this without you! Thank you.

Your Orchestra Co-Financial VPs  
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## ORCHESTRA CAMP UPDATE

Camp plans are nearly final and the student officers and student volunteers have put in many hours planning, designing the T shirt, and making signs, lanyards, and door signs. We have a wonderfully creative group of students this year and they have come up with a theme I'm sure everyone will enjoy. I can't wait to share them with you at the **Mandatory Meeting**, July 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. in the Walton Orchestra Room.

Make sure you come and get your Camp Packet at this meeting; it will contain maps, and directions for where and how to check in the campers. The packet also contains the list of spirit days for dressing up and the week's evening social activities. We will answer any questions you may have after reviewing the packet information.

### Partial list of what to bring:

- Tennis shoes (for long distance walking)
- Comfortable summer clothing, shorts, etc.
- Sweatshirt (air conditioning can be too cool)
- Rain gear/poncho/umbrella—we do walk in the rain!
- *Optional nicer outfit for the dance—this is a very casual dance*
- Sun block
- Backpack or small duffel to carry personal items between activities across the campus
- Sunglasses / visor or hat
- Insect repellent

## Orchestra Camp Update continued

- Volleyball for the beach ball pit in front of the dorm, soccer ball, frisbee, football, rugby ball.
- *Optional flashlight (emergency only)*
- **Spirit Day Clothing** – Each day of the week will have a theme to dress up for. Example: Sunday is Hawaiian Day. You'll have to pick up your Camp Packet to find out the rest of the week's daily 'Spirit' themes.
- Cards/ games/ summer reading?
- Toiletries
- Bedding – 2 twin-long sheets (80 inches) or a sleeping bag, pillow (and case) and blanket (rooms can be cold). You may want to bring a mattress pad.
- Towels and washcloths
- Trash bag for your laundry
- Clock radio / Alarm
- Photo ID (upperclassmen only)
- Money (for campus vending machines, \$1 a slice pizza delivered to dorm late on some evenings, and trips to student center and bookstore HINTS: Starbucks/smoothies and ice cream are generally all about \$3-4. \$25 for the week should be adequate.
- Room Decorations – must use 'MAGIC MOUNTS-POSTER MOUNTS' to adhere anything to walls.

If you can't make it to the Mandatory Meeting, have your roommate or a friend pick up the packet for you or make arrangements with one of the Camp Directors to pick it up early. We're looking forward to seeing all of your smiling faces and enjoying a week of musical fun!

Your Co-Camp Directors

**Barbee Kent**  
**Tom Reardon**



## ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS

### SPRING PACKETS/CAMP FORMS/MEDICAL FORMS FOR CAMP 2009

Yellow medical forms and camp forms, if attending camp, are past due. Please mail them to: Katy Kopach, 5424 Woodberry Circle, Marietta, 30068. All orchestra students **MUST** submit fully completed medical forms for the 2009-2010 year, regardless of whether you are attending camp.

Everyone is required to attend the Mandatory parent/student meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup> in the Walton Orchestra Room at 6:00 p.m. Watch your mail for a post-card reminder after the 1<sup>st</sup> of July.

Tuxedos **ONLY** will be available for fitting and pick up at the Mandatory Meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

Orchestra tuxedos AND dresses will be available and must be picked up on Walton Fall Meet and Greet day held in August; the school will be notifying students and parents of this date. Pick up will be in the Orchestra room. For tux questions call **Susan Fulkerson** at 770-977-2337 and for dress questions call **Armande Kooijman** at 770-992-0942.

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We have updated the orchestra website: <http://www.waltonorchestra.org/> to add a number of new features, including a calendar that should become your **FIRST POINT OF CONTACT**.

Please e-mail [waltonorchestrapres@gmail.com](mailto:waltonorchestrapres@gmail.com) with "Going Green" in the subject line if you would like to receive some orchestra correspondence via e-mail, including the newsletter.

### BANQUET RECAP

The Orchestra Banquet, held May 15<sup>th</sup>, was an enjoyable and fitting end to a great year. The evening commenced with an instrumental prelude of "Por Una Cabeza" performed by **James Lee, Stacey Choi, Christine Cheng** and **Angela Ju**. Outgoing board members, **Steve** and **Mary Francis Hamlin** as well as **Nancy** and **Richard Burroughs** were recognized for their service. The evening consisted of awards, student superlatives and culminated with a memorable slideshow by **Annie Wang** and **Raya Siddiqi**. Special thanks to all the parents who helped to make the Orchestra Banquet such a special occasion.

The following awards were announced by **Ms. Dosch**. Congratulations to the recipients and to all our graduates:

**NSOA** - Kathryn Hamlin  
**Burnosky-Brennan Essay Scholarship** - Christina Milhous  
**Kirk D. Moss Scholarship** - Ryan Gibson  
**Leadership Award of Excellence (Harry Spider Award)** - Brad Fulkerson  
**Care Bear Award** - K. J. Pulver-Sinfonia; Ricky King, Sinfonia; Brad Fulkerson, Philharmonia  
**Most Improved Musicians** - Concert Orchestra: Charlie Kilpatrick; Serenade Orchestra: Nolan Hackett; Sinfonia Orchestra: Ricky King; Philharmonia Orchestra: Brad Fulkerson  
**Secret Service Award** - Bryan Ahn and Tyler Liu

### CALLING ALL MALE STUDENTS!

Please order your black mock turtleneck from Land's End as soon as possible; you cannot wear your tux without it. You will need to contact Land's End at 1-800-356-4444. The order number is 038644. The price is \$15.00 plus shipping/handling and taxes. However, if you go to Sears and order at the store the shipping is usually **FREE**.

### Calling all male students continued

This is a 100% cotton black mock turtleneck and comes in men's sizes: S, M, L, XL, XXL. Be sure to order your shirt in **BLACK**.

You can also order from:

[www.landsend.com](http://www.landsend.com)

The order number is 038644. The price is the same as above.

Any questions? Please contact **Susan Fulkerson** at 404-406-9013.

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# Calendar of Events

- Monday, July 13** Mandatory Meeting in the Walton Orchestra Room @ 6:00 PM  
Rock-A-Thon Sales Begin
- July 19-24** Walton Orchestra Camp
- Friday, July 24** Walton Orchestra Camp Concert @t 7:00 PM  
at the Falany Performing Arts Center
- Monday, August 10** First Day of School

Calendar Sources: [www.waltonhigh.org](http://www.waltonhigh.org) & [www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com)

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