

Braves Marching Band Association
General Meeting - September 27, 2017
7:30 p.m.

President - Barb Bonini

- Welcome!
- There are open positions next year that must be filled. We are encouraging volunteers to come forward now to work with the current chairpersons this year to learn the responsibilities of the position.
- Open Positions are:
 - President
 - Vice-president
 - Hospitality
 - Quartermaster
 - Road Crew

Treasurer - Heather Lorenzo

- \$4,536 in account.
- Just received \$620 in band dues.
- \$120 to choreographers.
- \$795 kids' lunch for Allentown trip.

Road Crew - Nathan Busker

- Thank you for the help at Bergenfield game.
- Need additional drivers - Particularly for the Midland Park Competition (10/8) and the Wayne Hills Competition (10/21). You will need to submit your driver's license and insurance card.
- 12 Volunteers are needed at each game and competition to help load/unload the truck and set up for half-time show.
- Sign-up Genius will go out for Road Crew volunteers.

Band Director - Gordon Fisher

- Your kids are doing well. Its a very challenging show this year. We are almost done with the closer.
- Tomorrow's practice is at 3:30 pm and the game is 6:30 pm.
- We should be performing the 1st, 2nd and 4th song.
- Kids have been showing up late to rehearsals and/or missing rehearsals and games. Please try to get them here on time!
- If anyone will miss a practice or game, Mr. Fisher **MUST** be notified!
- **Collegiate Band Festival - Sunday, 10/1:**
 - Arrive at IHHS at 7:45 a.m. **PLEASE DO NOT BE LATE!**
 - There will be 2 professional dancers to teach the students hip hop moves for song 4 of the show (8:00-9:00 a.m.)
 - Can send extra money for t-shirts, souvenirs, etc. (20 colleges will be there)
 - Can wear shorts and t-shirts. Must be presentable DO NOT have to wear band t-shirt.

- Wear sunscreen! Bring bottled water and snacks for the bus ride.
- They can buy food at competition. (Money will be given to them by Mr. Fisher for lunch).
- Go to Golden Coral for dinner. (Included)
- Dr. Taneja will be the parent chaperone.
- Should be home by 9:00-9:30 p.m.
- **Rehearsals Monday, 10/2 & Wednesday 10/4 6:00-8:30 p.m.**
 - Please arrive early to practice to be ready to start at 6:00 sharp!
- **IHHS Open House, Thursday, 10/5:**
 - Arrive at IHHS at 6:00 p.m.
 - Wear band t-shirt and jeans.
 - Play in the courtyard until 6:55 p.m.
 - Drum-line usually stays for the duration of the open house in the band room with Mr. Friedman.
 - The NHS students and 8th graders will be dismissed a little earlier so they can go with their group.
- **Rehearsal Friday 10/6, 4:00-9:00. Dinner will be provided.**
- **Rehearsal Saturday, 10/7, 1:00-5:00.**
- **Midland Park Competition, Sunday, 10/8.**
- **Mystery Trip, Saturday, 10/28** - More information to follow. Students should dress nicely.
- **8th Grade Band Night - 10/13** (same day as Ramapo's 8th grade night)
- Trophy case is in the band room but needs to be moved to correct spot.

Membership - Seema Bhatia

- Would like to add a Marching Band flier to the open house packet or hand them out in band room.
- Officers will be at the table in the cafeteria with information. Would also like to show video of last year's performance at the table.

Fundraising

- Discussion on having a food fundraiser in lieu of citrus sale if the recent hurricanes affected the crops. Will check with our citrus sale contact to determine the status.

Quartermaster - Colleen Dente

- Some uniforms need to be hemmed - they are currently pinned. Please ask your student to bring them home so they can be altered and **READY for the Midland Park Competition!**

Webpage - Gina Mayer-Costa

- Minutes and video have been posted.

President - Barb Bonini

- We made \$247 on the sale of cowbells, hats, etc. Will be ordering more.

The next BMBA meeting is October 18th at 7:00-8:00 - IHHS Library