



**Illinois Valley Central HS Band Boosters Newsletter**  
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**MAY/JUNE 2015 NEWSLETTER**

**PARENT INFORMATION CORNER: OUR NEXT MEETING**

Our next booster meeting will be announced once we find a location and date since so many people are traveling this summer. .

**\*\*\*2015 MARCHING GREY GHOST BAND PARENT INFORMATIONAL MEETING\*\*\***

An informational meeting for Freshman/incoming parents will be held on **Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm in the Commons** and all other parents will be held on **Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm in the Commons**. We will cover as much for you as possible within an hour. We hope you can make it for the meeting. All band members will be rehearsing.

**BAND BASH 2015**

Simply put, we need your help! This is our largest fundraiser of the year. During this one day, we can raise the necessary funds so we do not have to continue to hound you to sell products throughout the year. This fundraiser is held before school starts, so we can get it out of the way and not interfere with sporting events and the craziness of a new school year. Any help is valued! Please contact Deb Stoecker at 309.635.0174 for details. Our next meeting is **Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>** starting at **6:30 pm at Tim and Shelly's**. Please join us! Band Bash is Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> from 11 - 4.

**HELPING OUT HELPING HANDS TO HELP US**

During the week of June 30 – July 4<sup>th</sup>, a portion of the proceeds of all the sales will be given back to the band. If you have anything to donate, we are requesting that you boost their inventory during the week of June 23-27 between 10 am and 5 pm so sales are potentially strong for the following week. Donations can be dropped off. Please stop by the corner of Route 29 and Truitt Avenue to shop. Notice: they are closed Sundays and Mondays.

**UPDATE ON OUR SMALL BAND TRIP TO CHICAGO**

We have over 75 members heading to Chicago to have some fun exploring the city and just celebrating an amazing year for our students. They deserve a great trip and celebrate not only another state championship, but a great jazz and concert band season. We will visit Six Flags Great America, Willis Tower, Millennium Park and see a performance by the Blue Man Group. Thanks to Kathy Crank for all her help and efforts chairing this event for our kids.

**2015 PORK CHOP SUPPER/SPRING CONCERT WRAP UP**

Thank you to all those great band parents that served, cooked, prepped, donated products and cleaned up for our annual pork chop supper. We appreciate all the dedication and “behind the scenes” work from many of you. The students did an amazing job musically and I hope the seniors felt like it was made known that they were valued for all the hard work and dedication to this program. A special thanks to Terry and Katy Fox for all their help chairing this event.

**KROGER GIFT CARDS**

If you would like more information regarding Kroger cards, please contact Kathy Crank at 309.696.9550. The band as a whole does receive returns if you can just take a few minutes to register your cards. It only takes a few minutes and can be done on the Kroger app or website.

**AMAZON SMILE.COM**

Here is a very easy way for those of you who shop Amazon to earn money for our band. Please consider when making purchases from Amazon that you go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and select I V C Band Boosters as your charitable organization. 0.5% of your purchase price will be given back to the band booster organization. You must put the spaces in I V C for it to find our organization or just search by Chillicothe, IL and select us from the list of charities.

## **CIVIC CENTER FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES**

Throughout this year, over \$12,000 was given to 37 parents for 26 events. This is a huge way to make monies that do not have to come out of your pocket. We were one of the most reliable organizations they had.

IVC band parents have the opportunity to earn money for their band student's account by working at a concession stand during events in downtown Peoria. This is a moneymaker that can accumulate funds for you very quickly. Some parents have worked just two events and have this summer's band camp paid for. If you are new, you can be trained: Even a band director can do it! Please contact Alanda @ 309.258.1648 if you would like to work at the Peoria Civic Center during an upcoming event. They have suggested one event per month during the summer months.

## **PAYPAL OPTIONS**

For your convenience, we are offering the option to use PayPal as a way to use a credit card to deposit monies into your member's band account or if you know someone that would like to donate to the band that do not live in the area. Visit our website, [www.ivcbands.com](http://www.ivcbands.com) and look for the PayPal logo and follow the instructions.

## **IRELAND SISTER CITY BAND VISITS PEORIA/CHILLICOTHE**

Peoria's sister city youth band from Clonmel, Ireland is visiting the United States from July 1-7, 2015. They are in need of host families that have time, space, some meals, bedding and adequate transportation for those visiting over those days. If you are interested in hosting members of their youth band, please contact Terry and Kathy Tate -309-698-7049. No overextending financial obligations are required outside the normal hosting experience.

## **STUDENT INFORMATION CORNER**

### **WIND ENSEMBLE PERFORMED AT ISU WRAP UP**

The wind ensemble performed at the ISU Concert Band Invitational/Contest in Normal, Illinois this past month. They received some incredible feedback for our program which was an enriching experience. We scored an 88 out of 100 which was the third highest rating amongst eleven bands of the contest that were judged. Congratulations to our kids.

### **LEADERSHIP CLINICS AT MEMORIAL WEEK CAMP**

Section Leaders, we are requesting that you join us for a new and fresh leadership clinic. Please inform your sections and please be ready to go on the times we have scheduled.

#### **Wednesday May 27**

1:30 - 3:00 Drum Majors & Section Leaders (21)

#### **Wednesday May 27**

4:50 - 6:15 Color Guard (13)

6:15 - 7:40 Trumpets (15)

7:40 - 9:00 Tenor Saxophones & Mellophones (10)

#### **Thursday May 28**

4:50 - 6:15 Drumline (21)

6:15 - 7:40 Trombones (14)

7:40 - 9:00 Alto Saxes (11)

#### **Friday May 29**

4:50 - 6:15 Flutes (10)

6:15 - 7:40 Euphoniums/Tubas/Bari Saxes (10)

7:40 - 9:00 Clarinets(11)

## **Mr. C's COMMENTS**

Thank you to all the students for their amazing commitment, dedication and passion for this music. Seniors, you have been a joy to teach over the past four years. For some, it has been much longer and it was an honor to see you all grow up into fine young adults. I wish you all the best and as I say it to all the alumni, you are always welcome here at IVC!

Just to let you know, we still need help planning for the future. The fall competitive season is only a few months away. We cannot do it without you: students and parents. If you have some time, please help lighten the load. This is such a unique program and we could sure use your help. So if you could find some time this summer and fall, we could use your talent. We look forward to meeting you!

Parents, we are planning our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Band Bash fundraiser which really takes care of much of the financial needs we have throughout the fall season. We need your help! Please seriously consider coming forward and helping in any way you can. The students work so hard to be successful and I hope we can all support them! Thank you in advance.

Please look at the schedule on our web site, [www.ivcbands.com](http://www.ivcbands.com). This summer and fall season is crammed with great experiences for all of us. We look forward to seeing you at these future events and thank you for your continued support. Let's make some great memories!

Please check out all the dates on the following page.....

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**Upcoming Events (tentative)**

May 23 – 24	Memorial Day Trip – Chicago	Itinerary forthcoming
May 27 - 29 (Wed - Fri)	Memorial Day Marching Band Camp	5 – 9 pm – Incoming Freshman will join us
June 2, 9, 16	Tuesday Marching Band Rehearsals	5 – 9 pm – Incoming Freshman will join us
June 13 (Sat)	Chillicothe Zorro Parade	Line Up – 10:30 am                      Start 11 am
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July 27 – 30 (Mon-Thur)	Marching Band Pre – Camp	9 – Noon and 5 – 9 pm
(Parent Preview – Thursday evening at 6pm)		
July 31 <sup>st</sup> August 5 <sup>th</sup>	(Friday - Wed) Allerton Park Band Camp	
August 9 (Sun)	Band Bash	Downtown Chillicothe – 11 am – 4 pm
<b><u>Upcoming Events (tentative)</u></b>		
August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Maroon and Grey Night – (Entire band)	5:00 pm call/6:30 pm done
August 28 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Home Football Game – Canton	6:00 pm call/7:30 pm game
September 5 <sup>th</sup>	Kewanee Labor Day Parade	Noon Call/2:00 pm parade time (direction on site)
September 7 <sup>th</sup>	Toluca Labor Day Parade	12:30 Call/2:00 pm parade time (direction on site)
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Home Football Game – U-High	6:00 pm call/7:30 pm game
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Washington Marching Band Competition	
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Home Football Game – Prairie Central	6:00 pm call/7:30 pm game
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Morton Marching Band Competition	
September 26 <sup>th</sup>	Rock Island Marching Band Competition	
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Home Football Game – Bloomington CC	5:30 pm call/7:00 pm game (Homecoming)
October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Limestone Marching Band Competition	
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Home Football Game – Eureka	5:30 pm call/7:00 pm game
October 17 <sup>th</sup>	ISU State Finals	
October 23-24	BOA Super Regional in Indianapolis, Indiana	Staying overnight on Friday/returning Saturday

\*\*\*(More marching band competitions may be added)

\*\*\*Marching band registration forms and first payments due: May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015