

# Calendar of Events 2009-2010

## April

17-Band-O-Rama; 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>  
Grades-Worth

26-Final Band Parent  
Meeting  
7:00pm

27-28-SWIC Band  
Rehearsal (Selected  
members only)  
Palos South  
4:00pm-8:00pm

## May

5-Final Band Concert;  
Symphonic Band, Jazz  
Band, Choir, Golden  
Drummers;  
7:00pm

6-9-Band Trip; Branson, MO

12- Final Band Concert; 5<sup>th</sup>  
and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Bands,  
Golden Drummers,  
7:00pm

17- Band Awards Banquet;  
All members and families;  
Sabre Room,  
7:00pm

*A Fond Farewell and  
Congratulations to all our  
graduating 8<sup>th</sup> grade band  
members! We will miss you  
and hope you continue your  
band careers at Stagg!*

# Conrady Band Newsletter

Spring 2010

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## **Congratulations!**

Our Conrady Band 2009-10 season is quickly coming to a close. We have had much success so far this concert season, both as a unit and as individuals.

The IGSMMA Solo and Ensemble contest was held on February 13 at Liberty Junior High in New Lenox. Many of our students competed for their ratings in individual performance and in ensembles. All Conrady band students who participated performed at their best and received either superior or outstanding ratings! Fantastic job...we are very proud of all of you for your efforts and constant achievements! What a great experience for our musicians, motivating them to excel. We look forward to next year's competition and hope to see MORE students participate and take advantage of this challenging learning experience.

On March 13, the IGSMMA Concert Band Contest was held at Manhattan Middle School in Manhattan, IL, where our Symphonic Band competed. Our group did an excellent job and got a great rating from the judges!

But *WAIT!* Contest season hasn't ended quite yet! Band-O-Rama is being held on April 17 at Worth Junior High, where our Cadet and Jaguar Bands, will compete. The Cadet Band (5<sup>th</sup> grade) will perform at 8:30 am and Jaguar Band (6<sup>th</sup> grade) will perform at 10:15am. All students need to have all their uniforms ready for the competition. There will be a new picture vendor at the site this year, with individual photographs as well as group photos being taken.

**GOOD LUCK!**

## **Band Attire**

Please make sure that your student has all components of his specific uniform for upcoming appearances..

To review, the appropriate uniform for each grade level is as follows:

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band:** black dress pants, white long sleeve dress shirt, black shoes and black socks.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band:** black dress pants, uniform white tuxedo shirt, black shoes, black socks, bow tie.

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band:** white uniform tuxedo shirt, black DrillMaster shoes, black socks, band uniform. (jacket, pants, suspenders, bow tie).

We appreciate your cooperation in making sure that your band student adheres to the uniform requirements, as it enhances our performance as a cohesive unit.



## **Spring Fundraiser**

This year's Spring Fundraiser was, once again, our Flower Fundraiser. All monies and orders were due on March 29. Orders will be shipped directly to your homes, when planting time is appropriate. As always, each student's band account will be credited in relation to their sales. We thank everyone for their support of this fundraiser!



## **Band Trip**

The Annual Band Trip is scheduled for May 6-9 to Branson, MO.

There is still some space available; additional trumpets, flutes and drummers would be greatly welcomed! Simply send in your \$100 deposit by April 4. Band account money may be used towards the trip.



### Concerts & Performances

The end of the season brings our final performances. They

are scheduled as follows:

**May 5: Finale Concert-7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Jazz Band, Golden Drummers-**

The Choir will also be performing and Parents are needed to help set up for the concert and break down afterwards. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Mrs. Clemons.

**May 12: Finale Concert-Cadet Band (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Jaguar Band (6<sup>th</sup> Grade), Golden Drummers-** Our performance schedule culminates with our beginning band and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Parent assistance is also needed for this concert. If you are able to lend a hand, please let us know.



### Conrady Jr. High School Band

is now on Facebook! Find our Page, become a fan and invite friends and family to do the same! Share pictures, videos and your experiences of being a former or current Conrady Jr. High Band member!



### Band Awards Banquet

All band members and their families are encouraged to attend

our Annual Band Banquet to be held on May 17 at the Sabre Room. Come honor your student for his hard work and diligence they exhibited throughout the year. Ticket information will be forthcoming in the following weeks.



### Information

We have been compiling an e-mail list of Conrady Band families, to further enhance our communications. If you have not received notices from us via e-mail, we ask that you please forward your e-mail address to [eangelos@npd117.net](mailto:eangelos@npd117.net).

All band parents are welcome and encouraged to attend our Band Parent meetings. We are always looking for two new board members to fill vacated positions. **PLEASE CONSIDER helping us out! Our next meeting is on Monday, April 26 at 7:00pm.** Hope to see you there!



### Band Fees

All student band fees were due October 23. ***If you have not done so already, please forward your band fees along with the necessary form,*** which is available on the Band page of the district website.

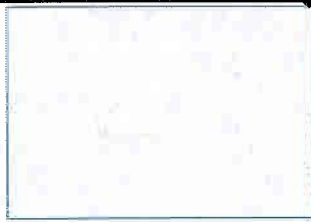


### Band Camps

It's not too early to consider summer band camps and/or private lessons to keep your child musically involved over the summer- U of I, Eastern Wisconsin, Blue Lake MI to name a few. There are many around the area and the state. Closer to home, the Southwest Community Concert Band holds one annually in Lemont. Info can be found on their website [www.swcommunityband.com](http://www.swcommunityband.com). A list of private lesson teachers can be accessed on our band page of the District 117 website for your reference.

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Band Parent Organization Officers 2009-2010: Lisa Gonzini, President; Deanna Swickonski, Vice-President; Ethel Angelos, Secretary