

# BRIGADE NEWSLETTER

May 2008

“loquimus una voce”

## PRESIDENT’S NOTES BY THERESE RETHERFORD

What a great year this has been. I hope everyone has had a wonderful time. I looked back on my first newsletter to see what my goals were and I am proud to say that more families got to be involved and we all had lots of fun.

Unfortunately, I have a bad reputation with making “eye contact” with people (for signing people up to help out) but fortunately for me I think more wonderful people are involved and their kindness and support seems to be contagious. We have done an awesome job with fundraising this year, both for our student accounts and the Trip Fund. It has helped out with all the individual programs and trips

with feeding the kids; it also brought the trip cost down to a reasonable price to help. Thank you Mrs. Martinez for making “Dine & Donate” happen every month and hope everyone got to enjoy. It was so nice to see lots of families get together and have a nice evening.

We have lots of stuff in store for all to enjoy and hope we all stay involved. The Bag Pipe Band and Marshmallow Bus will be in the Fourth of July Parade, so please come down to either ride, help decorate the bus, or watch the parade and the newest members of the bag pipers perform. The new Band Council and Executive Board will be working diligently this summer to make band

camp a great experience. Check the Scarlet Brigade website during the summer for updates.

I hope we will all continue to work together to make this program the best it has always been. You guys are the best and I can’t hardly wait to have more fun. Keep in mind our slogan for next year “loquimus una voce”, translated “we speak with one voice”. We will be heard!

Have a great summer and remember it all begins at Band Camp. See you there.

Your President,  
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## SCARLET BRIGADE GRADUATES CLASS 2008

Jon Alcordo, Jesse Bond, Michael Bryan, John Camerino, Alyssa Cooper, Carl Dayrit, Kayla Ford, AJ Friederich, Micaela Gothier, Katrina Gray, Alex Hawkins, Tyler Helton, Yaahn Hunter, Maren Laulita, Derion Loman, Madison Messer,

Kirk Pasley, Allison Pratt, Charles Reckmeyer, Sarah Roccaforte, Laura Romero, Jennifer Ruiz, Gabrielle Salinas, Amanda Schneider, Jennifer Seegmiller, Antoinette Shirley, Jacob Smurthwaite, Elizabeth Snuffer, Noelle Tolentino,

Jasmine Vital, Katie Young and Courtney Yuen.

Congratulations! Hope the future is filled with great discovery for you and each day brings you something wonderful and new.

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### Special points of interest:

- Pipers and Marshmallow Bus to participate in the City of Fairfield July 4th Parade.
- Mandatory mini Band Camp for new band students June 6 to learn the march. 8am to 3pm in band room. Lunch provided.
- Band Camp August 11 - 15
- Band Camp Potluck August 15

## TREASURER'S CORNER BY CAROL RUMMEL

The annual Scarlet Brigade Contribution for 2008-09 is \$300. This contribution can be satisfied by working Saturday evening Bingo, individual fundraisers offered by the Boosters throughout the year or direct payment. Direct payments of the contribution is tax deductible.

The Contribution goes directly to the General Fund to help pay for your students participation in the Scarlet Brigade Band. Many members satisfy their contribution just by working bingo, earning \$10 credit per hour. After the contribution has been satisfied you can accumulate student account credits which may be used for trip package costs and transportation fees to Fairfield

High School, reducing your out of pocket expense. Contact Karey Thompson at 437-3483 to schedule bingo hours. The fall marching band transportation fee payable to Fairfield High School will be calculated and announced in the fall.



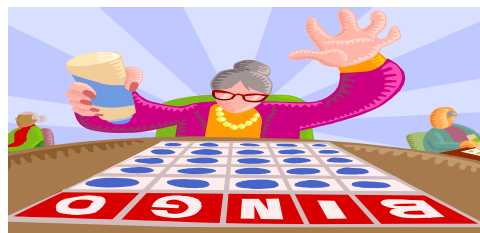
### *Scrip*

Our Great Lakes Scrip program has been temporarily discontinued due to lack of participation. If there is enough interest we may resume the program in the fall. This program is a great way to put credits in your student account. The discount we receive from your scrip purchase, minus a percentage of the postage paid, is credited directly to your Student Account. Visit [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com) for listing of merchants.

## BINGO CELEBRATES 25TH BY COLLEEN CASWELL-SNUFFER

On Saturday, May 3rd, we celebrated our 25th Anniversary of Scarlet Brigade Bingo with a 30 game special marathon session. The Pipes and Brass came and played for the bingo patrons. Special thanks to Pipe Major Katie Young for coordinating the entertainment for the evening. The marathon went very well and the evening was a huge success. Thank you to everyone that helped from decorating the hall to putting together the gift bags.

Bingo is the largest fundraiser of the Scarlet Brigade, funding over 65% of the annual budget. We will continue to need help throughout the summer.



Remember, working bingo earns you \$10 credit directly to your Student Account. This credit can be used to satisfy the annual Scarlet Brigade Contribution and reduce your out of pocket expense for band trips and transportation. Please contact Karey Thompson at 437-3483 or Colleen Caswell-Snuffer at 888-5401 to schedule hours. We need everyone's help so that we may continue our financial support of the Scarlet Brigade Band.

## EWASTE EVENT

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! WE NEED YOU! On Saturday, May 31st, the Scarlet Brigade Band will be hosting a Free Ewaste event from 8am to 4pm in the Fairfield High School Student Parking Lot. We need volunteers to help direct traffic, unload vehicles and supervise the student volunteers. Please contact Barbara Martinez immediately if you can

help us with this fundraiser at [HD4kids2@aol.com](mailto:HD4kids2@aol.com). This event will generate \$2,000 to \$4,000 for the Scarlet Brigade General Trip Fund. The General Trip Fund helps feed hungry kids on band trips and also pays for other trip expenses not included in the trip package costs, reducing your out of pocket expense.

### *Revised 08-09 Band Slogan*

*After researching Latin translations further, Mr. Taylor has decided our slogan for the 2008-09 year will be:*

*"loquimus una voce"*

*translated*

*"we speak with one voice"*

## SENIOR DESTINATIONS

*Jon Alcordo/UC Davis*

*Jesse Bond/Los Medanos Com College*

*Michael Bryan/Solano Com College*

*Carl Dayrit/San Jose State*

*AJ Friederich/Pt Loma Nazarene Univ*

*Alex Hawkins/Solano Com College*

*Tyler Helton/Honor Academy, Texas*

*Yaahn Hunter/Berklee College of Music*

*Gary Hutson/Solano Com College*

*Derion Loman/UC Santa Barbara*

*Madison Messer/Solano Com College*

*Kirk Pasley/Solano Com College*

*Allie Pratt/Pacific Conservatory Perf Arts*

*Sarah Roccaforte/Solano Com College*



*Karina Rodriguez/Bakersfield*

*Laura Romero/Solano Com College*

*Jennifer Ruiz/Solano Com College*

*Gabbie Salinas/Solano Com College*

*Amanda Schneider/UC Irvine*

*Jen Seegmiller/Brigham Young Univ*

*Elizabeth Snuffer/Solano Com College*

*Noelle Tolentino/UC San Diego*

*Katie Young/UC Santa Barbara*

*Courtney Yuen/UC Davis*

## CHAPERONES BY BARBARA MARTINEZ, HEAD CHAPERONE

Now that our Fall Marching Band trip has been announced, parents are going to be asking "how do I become a chaperone?" It is really quite simple. You MUST attend our mandatory training in the Fall, tentatively scheduled for September 29th and you MUST chaperone a minimum of 3 marching band reviews this Fall. But before being allowed to chaperone the reviews or any trips, you must be cleared as a volunteer with Fairfield High School. In order to do this, there is a three step process. 1. Get fingerprinted August 14th, 8am to 2pm.

Call 421-4001 to schedule an appointment for that day. 2. Make sure you have proof of a current (less than 4 years old) TB test to provide Ms. Price, the Principal's secretary. 3. Fill out a volunteer agreement with Ms. Price at the FHS front office once your prints have cleared. 4. If you plan to be a carpool driver for Jazz, Drumline or Winterguard, fill out a driver's form with Ms. Price at the same time so you are all set for when we need to call on you. Fingerprints are good for as long as you continuously volunteer with the school

and fill out a new volunteer agreement each Fall. Driver's forms must be completed each year also. The good news is this will cover you to participate as a chaperone in ANY activity your student is involved with at Fairfield High for the school year. The District has been offering fingerprinting sessions about once a month, so if you miss August you may be able to get done in September and still be able to qualify as a trip chaperone. The results come back in about 1 week's time. Don't put this off! Questions not answered? Contact Barbara Martinez at HD4kids2@aol.com

## BAND CAMP FAMILY POTLUCK

Mark your calendar for an eventful evening on August 15, 2008.

The Band Camp finale begins at 5:00 pm followed by the family potluck at 5:45 pm.



If your name begins with the below alpha:

A - H please bring a salad

I - P please bring an entree

Q - Z please bring a dessert

Barbeque hamburgers and beverages provided by the Band

Boosters. Bring a chair or blanket and be prepared to enjoy a wonderful evening.

**SCARLET BRIGADE BOOSTERS CLUB OF  
FAIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL**

205 E Atlantic Avenue  
Fairfield, CA 94533

*To the Scarlet Brigade Parents of:*

*Next Band Booster Meeting will be on  
August 25, 2008 7:00 pm in the Band Room*

We're on the Web:  
[www.scarletbrigade.com](http://www.scarletbrigade.com)

## WE'RE GOING TO HOLLYWOOD!

The Scarlet Brigade Band has received a very special invitation to perform in the Hollywood Santa Parade on November 30, 2008. You should have already received the trip details. If not, visit [www.scarletbrigade.com](http://www.scarletbrigade.com) for the documents. Be sure to review the information and get your commitment deposit and financial contract in to secure your reservation. We need 125 marching band members to march in the parade. We need everyone on board for this trip. In addition to the parade performance the Band will visit Disneyland and Universal Studios



### *Important Phone Numbers:*

Band Room/Band Director

Steve Taylor 438-3065

2007-08 Booster eBoard

President - Therese Retherford 422-0318

VPresident - Barbara Martinez 434-1185

Treasurer - Carol Rummel 426-2444

Secretary - Cathy Bryan 429-8681

Bingo Director -

Colleen Caswell-Snuffer 425-1383

Bingo Manpower -

Karey Thompson 437-3483

Head Chaperone -

Barbara Martinez 434-1185