



# Ram-A-Gram

Central Dauphin Band Boosters Association

*Providing support to the all the RamBand performing units with the myriad needs associated with providing our students with a first class band program.*

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## What Band Means to Us

*editor's note: this is the first article in a series, providing a participating RamBand student's perspective. \*\*interested students please send articles to [boosters@dramband.org](mailto:boosters@dramband.org)*

**W**hen we came to band as freshmen, we had no idea what to expect.

Everything was foreign. There were new people, a new band room, a new band director, and a new kind of band. It wasn't the concert band that we were used to, but a band that involved having to play music and march around!

All of it was a bit overwhelming. Fortunately, as the season continued, we became more comfortable with our new surroundings, and made many new friends. When the season ended, we realized how

great of an experience marching band was. We couldn't wait for the next season to start.

Sophomore and Junior passed by faster than we had expected. As the seasons went on, we began to learn the ropes and our pride in the band started to grow. The friendships that we made grew stronger, and we continued to make new

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## Band Boosters Meeting Schedule

- Tues. 10/05/10
- Tues. 11/02/10
- Tues. 12/07/10

All meetings are at 7:00 pm in the CDHS Band Room. Please join us!!



## Everyone's Getting JAZZed!

Due to overwhelming interest, Mr. Ceresini has coordinated 3 jazz bands this year. There are 2 sections of Jazz II and 1 Jazz I to accommodate all who enrolled. Since Mr. C cannot be in two places at once (yet...), he's recruited the assistance of Mr. Masters to teach one of the Jazz II sessions. We're looking forward to the jazz concerts!



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friends. As upperclassmen, we now had more responsibilities, including guiding underclassmen. As the class of 2010 graduated, we realized that, as the new seniors, it was our turn to lead the band. However there was a downside. Alas, this was to be our last year of high school band.

The upcoming year looks to be promising. We look forward to many exciting football games, parades, and shows at Allentown, Hershey, and Band-A-Rama. We also look forward to many great performances by the concert bands, jazz bands, indoor groups, and the pit.

As we look back on our high school career, we have found that the band program truly means a great deal to us. Band has become a very important part of our lives. It has given us a great number of experiences and memories that will last a lifetime. We've been given many opportunities to learn about musical performance as well as improving our playing abilities. One of the things that has impacted us the most, are friendships that we have made in the past three years. Since the band spends so much time together, our relationships have grown to the point that it feels as though we are one large family. These elements of the band experience are what we believe band means to us.

From the Desk of the Executive Office,

*Josh Richard, Band President*  
*Dan Budd, Band Vice-President*

### T-shirt Contest Winners!

Congratulations to:  
**Sheridan Knapp & Danielle Feger**, winners of this year's Tour Shirt contest, for their striking design illustrating the power of "RISE"

**Coraline Brockman**, winner of this year's Buddy Night Shirt design!

**Meagan Kinneer**, winner of the Alumni Band Shirt design!

Keep your eyes peeled to see various band members sporting these fabulous designs!!!!



# Band Camp 2010

So, another successful season of band camp has come and gone....At last count, there are 101 students who together, are the Central Dauphin Ram Band, 2010-2011 edition. According to Mr. Ceresini, this is roughly 30 more students than we had 5 years ago. Also, a new phenomenon has been noticed – there are many more sophomores who are new to band this year.



HOT.....SWELTERING.....may begin to describe the conditions the band members and instructors endured during the first 2 weeks of August, in which freshmen were introduced to what they will live and breathe for the next few months, which we lovingly refer to as Marching Band Season. Thanks to the drum majors, for putting a bit of groove back into the P.T. portion of our band camp day, with ZUMBA, which they brought back with them from Drum Major Camp at West Chester University!



Parents' night was evident by the flock of family members seen on the hill above where the marching band practiced and gave us a preview of this year's show: "RISE", which features music composed by our very own Mr. Ceresini! After the preview, parents were seen giving it their all in an attempt to put themselves in their student's (marching) shoes....then an encore of zumba, with lots of smiles, laughter and bodies in motion.



The "end of band camp" Pool Party, although a bit chilly, was enjoyed by many at the Devon Manor swimming pool, where, once again, JP Jazz gave an outstanding performance. What more could we ask for to celebrate the beginning of another successful marching band season? Good friends, good music, good food....thanks to Mr. C for his dedication, and to everyone who helped out!



## **Community Service Day, 2010**

As is tradition, the marching band students and staff all headed out for Community Service Day, ending the first week of band camp. Again, coordinated with the United Way, they spent the day at one of 5 locations: Wildwood Lake Sanctuary, Central PA Food Bank, Capital Area Therapeutic Riding Association, Silence of Mary Home and Neighborhood Center where they visited with kids, weeded gardens, painted, sorted food, and shoveled manure, among other very helpful, and much appreciated tasks. Great job, everyone!



***Many hands make light work***  
 ~John Haywood

*Central Dauphin Band Boosters Association Proudly Presents*

## **The World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra**

with Special Guests The Central Dauphin HS Jazz I Ensemble

October 25, 2010 @ 7:00pm

Adults \$12, Senior citizens & Students \$9

The Central Dauphin Band Boosters Association is thrilled to present its Fall 2010 Legends of Music Concert, as we welcome the legendary Glenn Miller Orchestra to the state-of-the-art Central Dauphin High School Auditorium on October 25, 2010 at 7:00 pm. Please join us for what promises to be a very enjoyable night of timeless music! **Last time the Glenn Miller Orchestra played at Central Dauphin, we Sold Out, so be sure to get your tickets early!!**



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## **Airmen of Note**

**USAF Jazz ensemble**

November 22, 2010

We're thrilled to announce that Central Dauphin High School will host a concert by the United State Air Force Band's jazz ensemble, the Airmen of Note on November 22, 2010.

This group, the premier jazz ensemble of the United States Air Force, was created in 1950 to carry on the tradition of Major Glenn Miller's Army Air Corps dance band. (Coincidentally, Central Dauphin High School is also hosting the World Famous Glenn Miller Orchestra on October 25, 2010. [Click here](#) for more information.)



Today the "Note" features 18 of the most talented jazz musicians in the country and is one of the last touring big bands. As a result, it has earned an international reputation as one of the finest and most versatile big bands of its kind in the world. ***Tickets for the November 22nd concert are no charge but we advise you to order them well in advance!!*** Watch this space for more information as we'll provide ordering instructions later this summer.

## Band Fair/Pigskin Preview

On Sept. 1, green and white were everywhere, as the 2010-2011 edition of the CD RamBand, Rams football team and cheerleaders wowed us with their verve and vibe! Staff was dunked, games were played, music and cheers were heard, among the excitement at the upcoming football season. The Phillie Phanatic made himself right at home, as did many attendees who showed their support for Central Dauphin. Here's to a great season!



**GO RAMS!!!**



## Membership Drive: Join the Boosters!

The the 2010-11 Central Dauphin Band Boosters Association's Annual Membership Drive started a few weeks ago. And now almost 2/3 of the Marching Band members have signed up. But we're still dozens of families shy of our goal. Marching Band folks: why not print out the Enrollment Form, grab your checkbook, and get it ready to bring to practice? Concert, Jazz, and Indoor ensemble members: please drop it in the mail today!



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Last year we had over 100 families join our group. This year, our goal is to have every single family with a student in a RamBand performing ensemble (Marching, Indoor, Concert, or Jazz) join our organization. And since Marching Band is the first group to convene and work together, we're starting with you! Please [click here](#) for this year's Enrollment Form and submit as soon as possible.



Visit our website at [www.cdramband.org](http://www.cdramband.org)



**Ram Band Wearables** is the band members and fans official source for sportswear and accessories. Our goal is to show our support for the CD Ram Band by wearing their colors and logos in the stands, along parade routes, and in the community. Although profits are kept to a minimum, you're doing more than wearing the colors, you're contributing to the success of the CD Ram Band.

Merchandise for Ram Band Wearables is provided by Stitch Art of Linglestown and Linglestown Awards & Engraving. They are committed to provide us with quality merchandise at a low price. Plus, every piece is custom designed for us!

Visit us at [cdramband.org/wearables.htm](http://cdramband.org/wearables.htm) where we have something for everyone: t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, jackets, bags and more!



# West Hanover Township Parade

On August 28, 2010, the RamBand began the 2010-2011 parade season by joining in the celebration of West Hanover Township's 225<sup>th</sup> year!



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## Help Support a Tried and True Tradition -- Central Dauphin's RamBand Program

Would you like to 'play' a part in the success of Central Dauphin's RamBand 2010-11 season? Here's your opportunity. In June, we will be kicking off our annual RamBand Business Patron/Sponsorship Program.

Each year we have a growing number of students participating in our marching band, jazz bands, concert bands, and indoor units – last year we had more than 175 students performing in one of the eleven RamBand ensembles – and this year our numbers are on the rise again! This means, Mr. Ceresini, our Band Director, needs more instruments, supplies, and equipment to ensure every student is given an opportunity to participate. You can help students enhance their years at Central Dauphin by supporting a program that not only teaches our future generations about the arts but expands their educational and social opportunities throughout their high school years.

### **Are you an alumnus or business owner? Here's how you can help:**

- If you have not received information from us in prior years, email your business address so that we can send you our sponsorship information at [boosters@cdramband.org](mailto:boosters@cdramband.org).
- Email us any business you know or patronize that may be interested in supporting our RamBand.

Depending on your level of sponsorship, here are just a few of the benefits you receive:

- Recognition in our Indoor-RAMa indoor unit competition event program.
- A sponsor listing or rotating ad on the RamBand's amazing website, [www.cdramband.org](http://www.cdramband.org).
- Tickets to many of the fabulous events sponsored by Central Dauphin's RamBand and indoor units.
- Golf-a-RAMa hole sponsorship. ...and many more

Don't miss this opportunity to support not only an outstanding music program – but a group of teachers, volunteer instructors, and students who WOW and entertain our community with their talent, creativeness, intelligence, and generosity.

# Metro Bank Park



For the Inaugural season at Metro Bank Park, the RamBand showed their stuff before the Senators defeated the Erie SeaWolves, 10-1, on August 18<sup>th</sup>. After the band performed, they enjoyed a night at the ballpark!



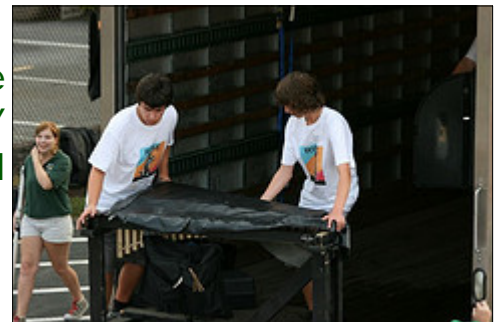
**We Wish,**

**We Wish.....**



Wish List update.....A HUGE **THANK YOU!!** To the Central Dauphin School District, which has graciously purchased new RAINCOATS for the entire CD RamBand.

Also, to date, the boosters have placed a \$1,000 DRUM SUPPLY order, to keep our drumline and pit gear in tip-top shape.



**Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010 @ 6:00 pm**

Gates open at 5:00

**Landis Field**

**Central Dauphin Middle School**

**Central Dauphin RamBand**

**BAND-A-RAMA**

**Marching Band Exhibition**

***Don't Miss It!***

High School marching bands help support the cheerleaders and ballplayers each Friday night during the football season. Saturday, you can show your support for the Ram Marching Band, as well as hundreds of band students from more than a dozen high schools from across the mid-state who will join together to appreciate each other's talents and accomplishments at the 29th annual Band-a-RAMa marching band exhibition.

This amazing event, hosted by the Central Dauphin Ram-Band, takes place at Landis Field starting at 6:00 pm, Saturday, September 18, 2010. Band-a-RAMa is the perfect family event, providing an evening of great music and marching, pageantry and color, food and fun.

The evening will feature performances by marching bands from Central Dauphin HS, Central Dauphin East HS, Elizabethtown Area HS, Halifax HS, Indian Valley HS, Kennard-Dale HS, Lebanon HS, Lower Dauphin HS, Mahanoy Area HS, Northeastern HS, Steelton-Highspire HS, Waynesboro Senior HS, William Penn HS, and Wyomissing Area Jr./Sr. HS. The RamBand is pleased to welcome special guest performers, the Bloomsburg University Husky Marching Band.



Admission to the Band-a-RAMa is \$7 for adults and \$5 for seniors and students. Proceeds benefit the Central Dauphin High School Ram band program. Tickets are available at the gate.

While the performances begin at 6:00pm, the RamBand invites spectators to come as early as 5:00 pm for an inside look at the bands' preparations for their evening performances. More information, including the Order of Performance, is available at the RamBand website. Just click <http://www.cdramband.org/BandaRama.htm>.

# A New Tradition!

Beginning with our first home game of the season, against the much respected Bishop McDevitt Crusaders, the CD RamBand led the football team and cheerleaders in a pre-game parade to Landis Field, on Friday September 10th. Could it be that this new tradition was just what the team needed to complete their preparation for the game ahead? The RamBand continued to rally the team and fans throughout the entire game, as we watched our Rams secure an exciting win over Bishop McDevitt with final score of 17-7.

This is a fantastic example of how Central Dauphin continues to foster the support of its fellow students. Specifically, the RamBand, Rams Football Team and Rams Cheerleaders have consistently come together, under the leadership of Mr. Ceresini, Coach McNamee and the Cheerleaders' coaching staff. Without the support of our community and our sponsors, we could not accomplish what we do!

**WE ARE ...CD!**

