

# ROHS Combined Choirs October 2008 Newsletter

## Mark Your Calendar

- Monday October 13<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 – 8:30 PM – Autumn Concert Rehearsal (Upperclassmen Choirs)
- Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM – **Autumn Concert**
- Friday October 24<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 PM – Homecoming Parade – A Cappella Choir
- Friday October 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 8:00 PM – Homecoming Game – A Cappella Choir

## Autumn Concert

Tuesday October 14, 2008 at 7:00 PM

Tickets are \$5 each and it is reserved seating. Advance ticket order is attached. TEMPO will be selling flowers before the concert & at intermission. Pick up a bouquet to show your support for your choir student(s).

## Notes From the Director

I can't believe its October ALREADY!! We've had too much fun already!

Approximately 40 students enjoyed themselves at Laser Quest, playing 3 to 4 games of Laser Tag along with Pizza, Ding Dong's and Water. They had a great time. Attached is the picture of them, taken by the managers of Laser Quest. They really liked our group and did a few extra activities with us.

The A Cappella Hayride was a huge success, thanks to our wonderful officers. Thank you also to Jennifer Semivan and Lisa (the bus driver) for riding the hayride. The food was great, the weather was perfect and the activities were a blast!

We do have an October concert, The Autumn Concert, coming up very soon. If you have received clothes home to repair, please take them to George at the cleaners. He is the owner and his company is Earl Cleaners, on Rochester Road, just north of 14 Mile Road, on the west side. (Corner of 14 & Goodale) Do this ASAP, so your son or daughter will have their clothes ready in one week. The concert ticket form is attached to this newsletter. Please order your tickets in advance. Checks made out to ROHS, or cash. Tickets are reserved and \$5 each. Ticket will also be available at the door.

Please remember that there are some items that you must purchase for your son or daughter's performing outfit. All girls need to purchase flesh tone nylons, black 2 inch pumps, and fake diamond stud earrings. Concert Choir boys, must purchase a long sleeved dress white shirt, dark tie, black dress pants, black dress shoes and dress black socks. A Cappella guys must purchase their tux shirt (which they have already) and black dress socks. We still have approx. 28 families that have not paid for their \$25 user fee for our performance clothes. All fees, items, equipment must be turned in before the end of the card marking, or your son or daughter would receive an Incomplete on their first report card. Please take care of this requirement ASAP.

**Please contact me if you are interested in driving to the two upcoming workshops.** They are:

FOR MEN ONLY WORKSHOP

Where: South Lyon H.S.

When: Nov. 5

Times: 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

FOR WOMEN ONLY WORKSHOP

Where: Walled Lake H.S.

When: Oct. 30

Times: 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

These two workshops are open up to any choir member. The cost is \$6. Checks made out to ROHS or cash. The deadline for the money for the two workshops is next week, Wed., Oct. 8th. **For these two workshops to happen, I need parent drivers. Otherwise, the events will be cancelled.** We will be working with a college professor and learning two new songs, in 3 or 4 part harmony. Students will be singing with a large group of 250 (men) or 500 (women).

On Monday, Sept. 29th, four A Cappella choir students represented our school at the Choral Leadership program at M.S.U. It was a tiring but very fulfilling day. They learned 6 new songs in 3 or 4 part harmony and worked with the 3 elite directors there - Sandra Snow, Jonathan Reed and David Rayl. All of these M.S.U. directors have been choral festival clinicians. Their top choral ensemble, Chorale, also performed for us.

On Saturday, Oct. 11th, 11 students will be auditioning for placement in the Regional Honor's Choir. The packet of information and map to Dundee High School will be given out this week. **ASK YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER FOR IT. THEY HAVE IT!** I will be given their audition time slot very soon.

### **President's Notes**

Thank you for your overwhelming show of support for the choir program with our best-ever attendance at the September parent meeting. I have met many of your children this past week as I fitted choir wardrobe and find them respectful and polite - I look forward to meeting you, their good examples in the coming weeks. Keep in mind the fall concert - tickets will go fast! The order form is included with this newsletter.

Watch for information on the ROHS fall musical "Little Shop of Horrors"; you'll see many familiar choir faces in the cast. It is not too late to turn in your parent volunteer form - it is attached with this newsletter, and you can send it in with your student to Mrs. Buffa. Choir Handbooks were distributed at the TEMPO General Meeting and will also be distributed at the Autumn Concert on October 14<sup>th</sup>. If you did not already pick yours up, please check for it near the ticket table. Happy Autumn - Barb Tuohey

### **Fundraising Activities**

**Grocery Certificates** - Earn money for your student's account while grocery shopping. Purchase certificates for Hollywood Market and/or Oakridge Market.

**Grocery certificates will be sold before all choir concerts and at intermissions. You may also contact Beth Harris at 248.543.6606 - [mbscreen@wowway.com](mailto:mbscreen@wowway.com) or Lauri Peltonen at 248-435-3102 - [lapeltonen@yahoo.com](mailto:lapeltonen@yahoo.com) to arrange certificate purchases.**

We have other fundraising activities planned throughout the year and will keep everyone updated as details become available.

**ROHS DRAMA CLUB WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS ITS APPECIATION TO MRS. BUFFA FOR ACCEPTING THE ROLE AS MUSIC DIRECTOR FOR THE FALL PRODUCTION OF "LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS"**

**Newsletters, order forms, etc. can be accessed on the PTSA website.  
Go to [www.rohsptsa.org](http://www.rohsptsa.org) and click on Choir Programs.**

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