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"God tells me how the music should sound, but you stand in the way." - Arturo Toscanini to a trumpet player

### Reflections

I hope that everyone had a relaxing spring break. I don't know about everyone else, but mine felt extremely short. We've had a busy two weeks so I'll do my best to quickly recap the breathtaking events of the CV instrumental music department.

Jazz Band has been busy. They started with an extremely successful performance at the GUSD Educators Appreciation Dinner on Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Buddy Nuanez took the helm since I had to conduct a meeting with the Hawaii Bus Captains and our Tour Director. Jazz Band also performed the next day at Open House to a full courtyard of parents, students and teachers. Most recently, the Jazz Band Combo also competed at USC on April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> with 6 other amazing schools. They experienced two days of incredible Jazz which included performances by Dave Brubeck, Terell Stafford, USC State of the Art Ensemble, and the USC Thorton Jazz Orchestra.

Our main event over break was the Music Department's trip to Hawaii. The entire Music Department traveled to the beautiful island of Oahu to see the sights and perform at BYU for the Gateway Music Festival. We were represented by 290 students, 23 adults, 8 performing groups and an unlimited supply of enthusiasm. Both the CV Choir and the Orchestra earned the "Grand Master Trophy." Jazz Band, String Orchestra and Symphony Orchestra earned Gold Ratings. Concert Band earned Silver Rating. String and Symphony both placed 1<sup>st</sup> while Jazz and Concert Band placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in competition. Besides the performance on, students took tours of Pearl Harbor, the USS Bowfin, Diamond Head and experienced both the Polynesian Cultural Center as well as a Luau on the Beach.

The trip was an amazing success. Thank you to everyone who chaperoned and made sure that our students were safe. If anyone has pictures that they would like to add to our collection, please send them to me either on a CD or via email. I will take hard-copies, however it might take awhile for me to return the pictures. Visit the web page for two pages of pictures.

Important Dates this week: check <u>http://falconmusic.org/Instrumental/Calendar/detailed.htm</u> for more details Monday, 4/18 – School resumes

Saturday, 4/23 – Car Wash – Office Depot Parking Lot

**Important Dates next week:** check <u>http://falconmusic.org/Instrumental/Calendar/detailed.htm</u> for more details Wednesday, 4/27 – Ensemble Concert Rehearsal Thursday, 4/28 – Ensemble Concert

### **Car Wash Info**

5 tickets were given to each student the week before Spring Break. I know it's a hectic time right now, but every student should make every attempt to sell all their tickets. This is our only car wash of the year and we need it to be successful. We also need people to help work the event. Sign-up sheets will be available in class. Extra credit is available.

# **General Fundraising Opportunities**

# KRISPE KREME - (\$5.00 per hour per person)

Click on the Krispy Kreme link on the homepage for more info, or contact Michelle Pashayi for more information. - (818)-249-9718 or by email: <u>Falcondonuts@yahoo.com</u> Download order form from <u>www.falconmusic.org</u> and turn in to Mr. Schick to get a box of 50 bars. ESCRIP – **Electronic Scrip fundraiser**. Go to <u>www.falconmusic.org</u> and click the link "escrip." This is the easiest fundraiser to help the music department. Our group name is Falconmusic and our ID number is **149030987**. KOREAN SCRIP – Contact Eunice Cho (<u>sahron4689@aol.com</u>) for scrip from Korean Grocery stores in Glendale.

Web Page Update - <u>www.falconmusic.org</u>

Newsletter, Hawaii Pictures

# Musical Joke of the week:.

Misery is... ...knowing that your hard drive has more gigs than you do.

Until next week...

Musically yours,

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