Booster Corner 2/25/19

**“I wanna be where the people are
I wanna see, wanna see 'em dancin' …**

*“Up where they walk, up where they run, up where they play all day in the sun, wandering free, wish I could be Part of that World …”* It’s coming! These are the moments – the final week of rehearsals before dress rehearsals and show time!! WOW!

Up on and behind the stage, it may be the hardest week of all – finalizing all those details, getting comfortable with props, tweaking all the elements to get to the best show possible. But no matter how hard it gets, there are still exciting opportunities to feel and make it just as the show is designed – delightful. Every component of a show is important, and this is where it all comes together!! Everyone has worked so hard, and has SO MUCH to be proud of!!

In addition to bringing it on stage – there are other ‘behind the scenes’ details still needing support. Volunteers are still needed during ‘hell week’ – in backstage supervision, food donations for the kids, and for merchandise and concession sales during performances! We do ask that every parent sign up to help with something during performance week. So Parents, please check your email or get connected on Facebook at “Phoenix Chorus and Drama Booster Club” for up-to-date information on what’s needed and PLEASE sign up to help.

If you’ve already signed up, please confirm your shifts and/or bring in food/drink donations on the dates signed up for. Students can check with producer Lisa Spereno for appropriate placement of items coming in or that might need to be refrigerated.

Later this week, The Phoenix Chorus and Drama Boosters and JCB Drama Club will host an “Under the Sea” party, inviting children and families to get a sneak peek at characters and to enjoy a little active fun! There will be games, crafts, refreshments and a chance to meet many of our students in character. Please register and bring your friends Friday, March 1, between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. for one more adventure ‘under the sea’ at JCB. (Volunteers are asked to come at 6pm for set-up.)

“The Little Mermaid” show mugs will be available to students as mementos or gifts. The mugs are a unique keepsake - highlighting the camaraderie shared by all involved in the production. Make sure to order yours!!

Keep in mind that, beyond dress rehearsals, there are several special celebrations during ‘hell week’ – including a “Senior Wills” dinner, and time together, post-performances. It is that little extra time together that builds the connections and relationships and make our theater family in Phoenix something special. Parents and alumni are welcome!

We also want to extend GREAT thanks to so many. There has been a new wave of involvement in costuming, set completion, special effects and prop support, thanks to parent and student volunteers. Disney’s “The Little Mermaid” has proven to be a massive and creative adventure, with exactly the kind of support that lifts this program to make something magical. It would not have been possible without all of you and we hope that, for all the challenges found, you also found moments of great joy in the experience!!

**Look at this trove, treasures untold
How many wonders can one cavern hold?**

**BREAK A LEG!! (But not a fin!)**

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**Washington D.C. Trip – April 2019:**

There are still seats/spots available for our Washington D.C. trip. Because of great fundraising support this year, the cost of the trip has now dropped from $550.00 to $300.00. This means that those who are already signed up and are up-to-date on deposits will not have to make the third and final payment. Look for a final trip letter packet of information in the next week or so. Medical forms and information on medical permissions will be included, along with information on Parent/Student and Chaperone meeting attendance. Anyone still interested in signing up for the trip can contact Diana Cook at dinana@mac.com or Angela VanGorder at angvangorder@twc.com for a Trip Intention Form and further steps needed.

**Chaperones:**

A reminder to parents and Booster members that anyone interested in chaperoning the Washington D.C. trip must turn in a Chaperone Application NO LATER THAN MARCH 1st, this Friday. Those selected as chaperones will be notified in mid-March.