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## Student Directors

January and February were busy months for the Rio Jazz Bands, which performed at the Kiwanis and Folsom Jazz Festivals, as well as the annual Rio-Arden Dinner Dance. At Folsom, both the AM and PM Jazz Bands received straight scores of "I," the highest possible, and PM and FM each took second place in their divisions. All of the bands sounded great!

Currently, all of the bands are working hard to prepare for their upcoming performances. The Concert Bands are working toward their Spring Concert on April 20 and the Jazz Bands are preparing for the Monterey Jazz Festival on April 3, the Jazz Spring Concert on April 21 and the Reno Jazz Festival on April 24. The final Small Ensemble Night will be April 15, so don't miss your last chance to catch a performance by this unique group.

The Pep Band concluded a very successful basketball season last month! The coaches, athletes, and fans all agreed that the band's presence at the games infused energy into the players and provided a fun and exciting atmosphere.

Finally, be sure to mark May 15 on your calendar for the Spring Finale.

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## From the Director

It's spring! Bands are choosing material for their spring concerts, jazz festivals are sending their schedules, it's staying light longer, the dinner dance was a huge success, and the 4<sup>th</sup> grading period just ended. That means the school year is two-thirds over. My how time flies when you're having fun. Our students have made tremendous musical progress. Every band is in the process of choosing something challenging and wonderful for our next concert. We are running three separate nights in April for the bands' plus a small ensemble night. Honors and IB will be teaming up; ACB and CB will have their own night, as will the Jazz Bands. This way, we can

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## President's Corner

Our Dinner-Dance and auction, with 320 in attendance, was another great success! Thank you to Mr. Faniani and Mr. Murray for directing the students and providing the music for family and friends to enjoy. A very special thank you to our co-chairs, Olivia Shower and Peggy Ginsberg for working so tirelessly on every detail, and to Chris Castenada for organizing a very successful auction. (the best ever!). Thank you to the committee chairs, parent volunteers, and to all the guests who attended and bid on the wonderful items. This success allows RABB to continue

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**2003-2004****Club Officers and  
Committee Chairs****Executive Officers:**

**President:** *Fiona Arenson*  
**1st Vice-Pres:** *Paula Carrino*  
**2nd Vice-Pres:** *Lisa Pedlar*  
**Secretary:** *Tami Hoar*  
**Treasurer:** *Poh-Lin Paige*

**Committee Chairpersons:****Athletic Boosters Liaison:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Auditor:** *Sherri Inenaga*  
**Communication:** *Tina Ingram*  
**Concert Band Liaison:** *Steve*  
*Ballanti*

**Concert Programs:** *Bill Pentz*  
**Dinner Dance:** *Peggy Ginsberg*  
*and*

*Olivia Shower*

**The Finale:** *Jila Firaji and Bobi*  
*Shahmarzadi*

**Handbook/Student Directory:**

*Lyn Masbou*

**Historians:** *Yvonne Au,*  
*Adelaida Ghiselli, Kitty Oliver*  
*and Haripriya Raghavan*

**Hospitality:** *Aleta Baiely*

**Jazz Band Liaison:** *Jane Van*  
*Brussel*

**Newsletter:** *Sherri Inenaga*  
*(editor) and Charlene Yamanaka*  
*(layout)*

**Playathon:** *Pat Leary and*  
*Ruthann Ziegler*

**PTSA Liaison:** *Carolyn*  
*Woodruff*

**Publicity & Special Events:**  
*Chris Feinstate*

Phone numbers and addresses for  
the above board members are  
located in the RABB Student  
Directory.

**Rio Americano Band Room**  
971-7512

**Rio Band Website**  
www.rioband.org

**From The Director**

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showcase the groups better and have more seating for the audience. We can't wait to play for you. Please consult your schedule in this Hornblower for more details. We are really concentrating on training our ears this month. Students are learning how to identify intervals, melodies, and chords. It's a challenge with great rewards. And how about that dance?! It was so much fun and so successful. The students had a blast, the Superband was one of the best ever, the prizes were tremendous, and the feeling in the room was perfect. Thousands of thank yous to Olivia and Peggy and their crew for their expertise. That's it for now. I look forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming events.

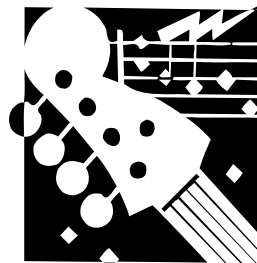
Musically, Mr. F.

**President's Corner**

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generously supporting our terrific band program.

The nominating committee has been developing our slate of officers for next year. The slate is printed in this newsletter, and we will seek approval of it at the Spring Concert/General Meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate those of you who have agreed to fill leadership positions. This year's nominating committee includes Paula Carrino, Dan Smith, Lisa Pedlar, Steve Koire, Laurie Faniani and Sepeda Saed. Please contact one of them should you be interested in filling a vacancy.



Planning is underway for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Finale. Our past two were fun-filled events for the band students and directors, with games and lunch provided by RABB. Please contact Jila Fariji or Bobbi Shahmirzadi to offer your help. Note May 15<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and plan to attend for at least the awards portion of the day at Arden Park. Watch for details and ask your student about it.

Our AM Band students are excitedly learning Japanese phrases and customs in preparation for their trip in June. Congratulations to AM Band for yet again being selected to perform in the Monterey Jazz Festival on April 3<sup>rd</sup>! Good luck to all three jazz bands for the Reno Jazz Festival in late April. Spring Concerts in April will provide wonderful listening opportunities before the year is over. I hope to see you all there.

Have a wonderful Spring!

Fiona Arenson.  
RABB President

## Student Directors

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Planning for the party is well underway and this year's Finale is shaping up to be the best yet!

Oh, and one last note: Don't forget that we are always available to field your questions or comments regarding the Rio Band Program. The three best ways to reach us are by phone (see the RABB Handbook), e-mail (see the RABB Handbook or RioBand.org), or by leaving us a note in the envelope marked "Comments or Suggestions for Sean and Joe" in the band room.

*Sean Arenson and Joe Van Brussel*

This year's Dinner Dance was a great success, furthering the noble Rio-Arden jazz band tradition. The combination of spring-like weather, superb music, elegant decorations and fine food contributed to a fun-filled evening enjoyed by all. This was all made possible due to the support of everyone who attended and, more importantly, to those who worked tirelessly to make it happen. The preliminary results look very promising and we will list the final accounting in the next issue.

This memorable evening could not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the following Rio Americano associates:

Chris & Terri Castaneda, Bill & Yvonne Au, Maria Farrace, Doug & Joyce Grandy, Mark Ginsberg, Sherri & Geoff Inenaga, Carolyn Woodruff, Maxine Mantell, Keric Ashley and Debbie McCoy-Morehead...we can not thank you enough...what a great team! We would also like to thank Tammy Murray, Kitty Oliver, Nancy Yee, Eileen Peebles and Barbara Greenspan with Arden Middle School for their efforts in assisting with this event's success.

Kudos to our set-up helpers: Suzy Namba, Claire August, Debbie Ballanti, Pohlin Paige, Joyce Hsiao, Nancy Doherty, Brenda Smyth, Fiona Arenson, Tina Ingram, Angela Ambrose, Marsie Mott, Rex Carino, Michael & Carson Shower, Richard Gann, Joel Ginsberg, Ramsey Castaneda, Ben Grandy, and Sam August.

Thank you to the students who acted as our hosts and hostesses for the evening: Kaylin Drake, Jessica Duncan, Megan Gerrity, Leslie Kolafa, Whitney Morgan, Alexandra Russo, Rachel Stauber, Molly Todd, Michael Venturino, Adam Werner, Sarah Woodruff and Ronnie Yamanaka.

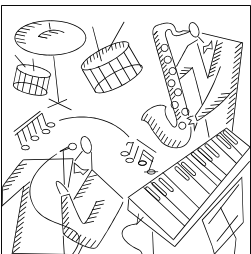
A very special thank you to Helen Miller, Olivia's friend, who helped her make the beautiful roses.

Moreover, we would like to pay tribute to our exceptional band directors, Craig Faniani and Josh Murray.

A very special thank you is extended to "American Linen" for their most generous, on going contributions.

*Olivia Shower & Peggy Ginsberg  
Co-Chairs "Leap Year Ball 2004"*

## Concert Corner



Who was that dashing figure in black tie at the dinner dance? No, not Mr. F., we always expect him to make a sartorial statement, and set a fashion standard. It was Justin Au, (aka Tuxedo Justin) making a fashionably late entrance on his return from the Jammies. Justin and Christine Hsui performed with the Sacramento Youth Symphony Premiere Orchestra, at the Mondavi Center at the University of California, Davis. The Jammies recognizes High School musicians and educators, and the proceeds support the California Music Educators Association (CMEA).

In addition to Christine's performance with the Youth Symphony, she was a featured solo performer that evening. Her performance at the Jammies was a high point, and well represented Rio Americano High School, and especially, the high quality of the music program. Congratulations, Justin & Christine.

Please don't let your student's accomplishments go unnoticed. E-mail any news and announcements to [juno@pacbell.net](mailto:juno@pacbell.net).

### 2003-04 RABB MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Rio American Band Boosters appreciates the following who have already joined the Band Boosters for 2003-04. If you haven't yet joined, look for the membership form in the Hornblower, or on the Rio website. Let's all show our support for this wonderful program. **IT'S NOT TOO LATE !!!!**

\*new member

Adair	Allen	Anderson	Arenson	Asher
Atkinson	Au	August	Bailey	Baird
Balkow	Ballanti	Bandy	Barnett	Barry
Batchelder	Berrin	Berry	Black	Bluth
Bretting	Butler	Caretto	Carrino, P	Carrino, R
Castaneda	Chan	Cristy	Croom	Davis, N*
Davis, R	Davy	DeLoney	Doherty	Dourgarian
Dow	Eckstrom	Edber	Elliott	Faniani
Faraji	Farrace, Ma	Farrace, Mi	Fass	Feinstat
Fingado	Gann*	Ghiselli	Ginsberg	Gramyk*
Grandy	Grissom	Gunston-Parks*	Haven	Holl
Inenaga	Ingram	Ishii	Jennings	Johnson
Koire	Kolafa	Kosler	Kruse	Kwett
Lane	Leary	Lennie	Levy	Liberati
Lyman*	Ma	Mantell	Masbou	McGlamery
McHenry	McPherson	Morehead	Morgan	Morrison
Murillo	Naftulin	Namba	Oliver	Pace
Paige	Palmer	Park*	Patterson	Pedlar
Pentz	Ragahavan	Reed	Reynolds	Rouge
Roworth	Russo	Ryen	Saied	Sandberg
Schaefer	Schwarz	Shaeffer	Shower	Smith, B
Smith, D&M	Smyth	Stanley	Stauber	Stewart
Taron	Tippin	Totter	Triphon	Tubbs
VanBrussel	Venturino	Wallace	Werner	Woodruff
Wreden	Yamanaka	Young	Ziegler	

My name is Ann Pedersen, Rio Americano Graduate of 2002. I was a member of Honors Concert Band, and of AM Jazz Band. I accompanied AM Jazz Band to New York City in 2001 and 2002 when they went to the Essentially Ellington Competition. Both years I won the Ella Fitzgerald Outstanding Vocalist Award. I have just made a new CD with the Capital Jazz Project entitled, simply, Ann Pedersen. The songs that I chose are mostly done by instrumentalists, but I decided to branch out and sing them. The CD includes the tracks Waltz For Debby, I Remember Clifford, Wave, Joy Spring, and Moon River. This is a student project for me, as well as a DownBeat Magazine Student Awards audition CD. After finishing the CD, I also purchased the rights to the songs, so buying one from me is completely legal. I am charging \$10 for each CD, and would love any support from the band program that gave me so much and pushed me to where I am today. I can be reached at [AMP8584@aol.com](mailto:AMP8584@aol.com), or you can purchase them in the Band Office from Mr. Murray or Mr. Faniani. Thanks for you support.

*Ann Pedersen*



**Deadline for the next  
Hornblower  
Is May 25, 2004**

**Please note the following  
changes to the  
Handbook/Directory:**

**Directory changes/Updates**

Bret Bailey:

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Bret Bailey parent:

[aleta@planetbailey.com](mailto:aleta@planetbailey.com)

Farshid Faraji:

[shid360@hotmail.com](mailto:shid360@hotmail.com)

Colleen Lane parent:

[Geejay0013@yahoo.com](mailto:Geejay0013@yahoo.com)

Kathy McHenry:

[k.mchenry@comcast.net](mailto:k.mchenry@comcast.net)

Charlotte and Jessica Stanley par-  
ents:

[joyce@orionenvironment.com](mailto:joyce@orionenvironment.com)

Thank you to our gracious  
Dinner Dance hosts and  
hostesses for greeting and  
seating the guests and making  
them feel welcome and  
comfortable:

Kaylin Drake, Jessica Duncan,  
Megan Gerrity, Leslie Kolafa,  
Whitney Morgan, Alexandra  
Russo, Rachel Stauber, Molly  
Todd, Michael Venturino, Adam  
Werner, Sarah Woodruff, Ronnie  
Yamanaka

Thanks also to Sean Arenson for  
his help in recruiting these  
students!

Maria Farrace,  
Reservations Dinner Dance  
Chairperson

# Rio Jazz

## *Dancin' to Jazz -- All Night Long*

...And a great time was had by all! The hall sparkled with festive lights and balloons, the dinner catered by Ettore was superb, the prizes were exciting, and the jazz was terrific. The **Rio-Arden Dinner Dance** was once again a delightful evening and a successful fund-raiser. Parents, friends and neighbors enjoyed the great sounds of the AM, PM and FM jazz bands, as well as the ever-energetic Arden Middle School band, and special appearances by Mr. Faniani, Mr. Murray and Ann Pedersen, Rio jazz alum and singer-extraordinaire. The event was truly special for many generations of music lovers.

Our spring festival season now approaches. Mr. Faniani announced at the Dinner Dance that AM has once again been invited to participate in the **Monterey Jazz festival** April 2 – 4. Mr. F has confirmed that this year's festival will remain at the Monterey Fairgrounds. Information on lodging was sent home in late January and e-mailed to AM families.

The **Reno Jazz Festival** is set for April 23 – 25. We do not yet have performance times, but lodging information has been sent to all band families via e-mail and backpack express. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Reno Hilton (800-648-5080) and the special group rate will be available until March 24. (Ask for the "Rio Americano Jazz" group rate.) Please contact Jane Van Brussel at 481-8506 or at [vanbtalk@surewest.net](mailto:vanbtalk@surewest.net) if you have questions about accommodations for the festivals.

<b>Dates to remember:</b>	Monterey Jazz Festival	April 2 – 4
	Small Ensemble Night	April 15
	Spring Concert & General Meeting	April 20
	Spring Jazz Concert	April 21
	Reno Jazz Festival	April 23 – 25
	Band Finale + Senior Awards	May 15

Stay tuned! We've got a lot of great music ahead.  
Jane Van Brussell

## **3rd Annual Finale & Student Awards**

Saturday May 15, 2004

at Arden Park

1000 La Sierra Drive

Awards at 11:00 a.m.

Finale Party 12:00-3:00 p.m.

All band students are invited to celebrate the year and have lots of fun.  
More information will be coming your way.

Contact Jila Faraji (481-5514) or Bobbi Shahmirzadi (635-6999) for parent  
volunteers or if you would like to make a donation.

## Proposed 2004 -2005 RABB Officers & Committee Chairs

It's been a great year for the Rio Band program. Now it's time to prepare for next year. The RABB Nominating Committee presents the 2004 – 2005 slate of officers and committee chairs that have been nominated or volunteered .

Thank you to those who have stepped up and volunteered. We greatly appreciate your commitment.

*We still have a few open positions. If you are interested in a Board or Committee position, or have questions about a position please call Paula Carrino, 342-0423.*

The slate will be presented for vote at the next general meeting on April 20, 2004.

*Nominating Committee to be elected in September.*

### EXECUTIVE OFFICERS 2004-2005

<b>President</b>	Tami Hoar
<b>1st Vice President (Ways &amp; Means)</b>	Steve Ballanti
<b>2nd Vice President (Membership)</b>	Lisa Pedlar
<b>Secretary</b>	Joyce Hsiao†
<b>Treasurer</b>	Poh-Lin Paige

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2004-2005

<b>PTSA Liaison</b>	
<b>Auditor</b>	Sherri Inenaga
<b>Communication</b>	Tina Ingram
<b>Concert Band Liaison</b>	Chris Feinstat
<b>Concert Programs</b>	Aleta Bailey
<b>Dinner Dance</b>	†
†	†
<b>Handbook/Directory</b>	Lyn Masbou
<b>Historian</b>	Yvonne Au
†	Kitty Oliver
<b>Hospitality</b>	†
<b>Jazz Band Liaison</b>	Terri & Chris Castaneda
<b>Newsletter (Hornblower)</b>	Charlene Yamanaka
<b>Playathon</b>	Tami Hoar
†	†
<b>Publicity &amp; Special Events</b>	†
<b>Spring Concert</b>	Bobbi Shahmarzadi
<b>Finale</b>	Paula Carrino

# 3rd ANNUAL RIO AMERICANO BAND FINALE PARTY & BAND AWARDS

**DATE:** Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

**TIME:** 11:00am to 3:00pm

Awards at 11:00am

Lunch at 12:00pm – Finale to follow lunch.

**PLACE:** ARDEN PARK! (In Arden Park at 1000 La Sierra Dr)

**THERE WILL BE A CATERED BBQ LUNCH,  
GAMES, & MUCH MORE!**

The Finale Party is sponsored by RABB so there is no charge for band students. However, if any parents, relatives, or friends would like lunch, the cost is \$7.00 per person.

Lunch includes a BBQ beef, chicken, or vegetarian sandwich, salad, chips, drinks and dessert.

Also, parent volunteers are needed or, if you are unable to volunteer, we are accepting donations to cover some of the costs.

**Please return the bottom portion of this flyer by Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
to: Jila Faraji, 4813 Marlborough Way, Carmichael, CA 95608– Ph. 481-5514  
*Order food now –not available at the door.***

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Student name \_\_\_\_\_

I WILL be attending \_\_\_\_\_

Sandwich type (circle one): BBQ beef    BBQ chicken    Vegetarian

I WILL NOT be attending \_\_\_\_\_

# of parents, family, friends attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$7.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# of BBQ beef \_\_\_\_\_ # of BBQ chicken \_\_\_\_\_ # of Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD like to volunteer (name and phone number): \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD like to make a donation:

Monetary \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other (name and phone number) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to RABB and attach to this order form

## Thank you to the generous donors of the Rio/Arden Dinner Dance Auction/Raffle!

Adventure Zone	Fairytale Town	Rio Del Oro Racquet Club
Alice's Looking Glass	Farrace, Mike	Rob Hollingsworth
Allen, Susan	Fass Family	Rudy's Hideaway
Alma R. Thompson Hair Design	Fleming, Denise and Ron	Russo, Janet and Sal
American Fly Design	Funderland	Rytina Fine Cleaners & Launderers
American River Athletic Club	Ginsberg, Mark and Peggy	Sacramento Ballet
Arden Hills Country Club	Golfland Sunsplash	Sacramento Brewing Co.
Arden Park Soccer Club	Gottschalk Music Center	Sacramento Magazine
Arthur Murray Dance Studio	Grateful Bread Company	Sacramento Opera Association
Asher, Tom and Beverlee	Greenspan Family	Sacramento Philharmonic Orchestra
Au, Bill and Yvonne	Gunther's Quality Ice Cream	Sacramento River Cats
B Street Theater	Hagen's Organge Freeze	Sacramento Traditional Jazz Society
Ballanti, Steven and Deborah	Hard Rock Caf�	Sacramento Youth Symphony
Banas and Nishie Family	Henderson/Barry Family	Sacramento Zoo
Bandera American Cooking	Herakles Data	Salazar's Dance Studio
Barnes & Noble	Hoshall for Hair	Salons Within
Baskin Robbins	Hudson's Family Fun Center	Sam's Club
Bella Bru	Inenaga, Geoff and Sherri	San Francisco Giants
Best of Broadway	In-N-Out Burger	Scandia Family Fun Center
Bettay's Flowers	J. Brett Brinkley	See's Candies Corp. Office
Biba's	Jensen Photography	Serritella's Italian Restaurant
Blum Family	JetBlue Airways	Shelley, Coralee
Bond Driving School	Kelli's Cookies	Sherrie Swass Interiors
Boulevard Coffee	Kenedy's Collectibles & Gifts	Signatures by Shelly
Bradshaw Ranch Golf Course	Kline Music	Simpson Family
Broadway Bakery Caf�	Koire, Steve and Linda	Sirlin Photographers
Buca di Bepo	Kovar's	Skatetown
Caf� Napoli	Laughs Unlimited	Sports Chalet
California Family Fitness	Leatherby's Family Creamery	SportsZone Skate Arena
California State Fair	Lee, Linda W.	St. James Studio Salon & Day Spa
California State Railroad Museum	Levy, Joel and Annette	Steven W. Koire, DDS
Capezio Dance-Theater Shop	Macaroni Grill	Strands of Time
Capital Nursey	Maita Toyota	Summit Funding
Capitol Peridental Group	Maloof Sports & Entertainment	Sunrise Fun Center
Carousel Toy & Party	Marty Rothfels	Talking Book World
Case Family	Melody Company	Tannenbaum Family
Casey's Hallmark	Midtown Framing and Gallery	Techniques Gymnastics
Chevy's Mexican Restaurant	Mimi's Caf�	Terry's Filmworks
Cookie Creations	Mr. Pickles	The Beat
Craig Evans Photography	Music Circus	Tim's Band Instrument Service
Crest Theater	Noahs Bagels	Tower Framing and Design Gallery
Crocker Art Museum	NuArts	Tower Records
Current Adventures Kayaking	Oakland Athletics Community Relations	Tricks Gymnastics
David Berkley	Oliver, Liz	Troiano, John and Vicki
David Fair, DDS	Outback Steakhouse	Wenelli's Pizza
Davy, Mary	Paige, Dale and Poh-Lin	Whole Foods
Dimple Records	Palmer, Leslie	Williams-Sonoma
Discovery Museum	Palms Casino Resort	World of Great Tastes (La Bou)
Disneyland Public Relations	Paragary's Restaurant Group	Yee, Nancy and Wes
Dolphin Scuba Center	Parme, Ann	Young, David and Linda
Donaldson Family	Piatti	
Duval, Laurie	Power Alley	
Edbber, Scarlett	Pretty in Pink	
Eiselman Family	RABB	
Espanol Restaurant	Ralph Lauren Sacramento	
Ettore's Restaurant & European Bakery	Ramsey's Hats	
Every Blooming Thing	Regal Entertainment Group	
Exotic Plants	Renaissance Designer	

### Rio Americano Band Boosters - 2003-04 Membership

**Yes ! We will join RABB for 2003-04 as: \_\_\_ active band family (\$20) or \_\_\_ alumni & friend (\$10)**

Student(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 (please print) (please print)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues \$: \_\_\_\_\_ + \$ \_\_\_\_\_ optional donation = check amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Make check payable to RABB and mail to:  
 Lisa Pedlar, Membership Chair, 11858 Point Rock Way, Gold River, CA 95670*

I would also like to participate in the Band Booster Activities. Please contact me for:

Chaperone \_\_\_ Newsletter Assembly \_\_\_ Playathon (Nov) \_\_\_ Dinner Dance (Feb) \_\_\_  
 Dinner Dance Auction \_\_\_ Committee Chair \_\_\_ Year-end Party (May) \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

(detach here)

### *Join the Rio Americano Band Boosters*

The Rio Americano Band Boosters (RABB) is an organization of parents, alumni and friends who support music education at Rio Americano High School. This premier program includes four levels of concert bands, four levels of jazz bands and combos. Rio is fortunate to have an outstanding team of instructors to lead these bands. We look forward to another exceptional year with the Rio band program for 2003-04. By becoming a Rio Americano Band Booster you are voting to maintain and nurture this excellent program.

Band activities include: concerts, fall Playathon, spring Dinner Dance, Jazz Festivals, music conferences, musical support and spirit to the home football and basketball games and rallies, musical support for a variety of school events including graduation, and provides a support-group and home for those who love music.

Donations to RABB help fund essential music department expenses such as:

Purchase and repair of instruments	Music clinics
Hornblower (RABB newsletter)	Guest artists
Parent/student handbook for each family	Master teachers
Purchase of music	Teacher stipends
Transportation to musical events	Support all band activities
Concert programs	Publicity and special events

Your donations this year will help us support the faculty's efforts, meet the challenge of growth, and replace out-dated equipment and music. All Rio music students will benefit by your donation.

The RABB membership fee is \$20 for an active band family regardless of the number of family members involved in the program. Alumni donations are \$10, but all donations are greatly appreciated. We hope every music family will be able to contribute to enhance the music program at Rio!

For information about RABB and the Rio Americano music program, visit the website at: [www.rioband.org](http://www.rioband.org)