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Next Booster Meeting:

Tuesday, August 4th, 2009,
@ 7:00 PM in the Band Room



2009–2010 Band Booster Officers

President	Frank Powell 907-2457
Vice-President	Angie Ray 895-6117
Treasurer	Melinda Arnold 494-3471
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PRESIDENT'S Message

Greetings fellow Band Boosters:

Band Camp is now behind us and the show is rapidly taking shape. I know the students had a fun and meaningful experience. I'm sure many new friendships were created during camp. If you haven't watched any of the practice sessions I encourage you to stop by in the coming weeks and watch our students work in the practice area to perfect this year's show. Bring a chair and join us under the trees at the edge of the parking lot. Please plan to attend the Covered Dish meeting this Tuesday where you will be treated to a brief preview to this year's show, some great food, and a chance to meet other band parents.

The past two weeks the students have been at the school for music camp and band camp on a daily basis. Several volunteers have been present to make sure the students had a positive, healthy experience at camp. Thank you to Jennifer Lebechuck, Mary Meyer, Angelia Weeks, Theresa Moore, Julie Reed, Lynda Creech, Carla Brown, Angie Ray, Amy Fausnaught, Tallie Fausnaught, Keith Patrick, Leigh Ann Bowles, Debbie White, Melinda Arnold, Ken Arnold, Deirdre Matteson, Dorothy Walker, Jana Fann, Nancy Franklin, Gary Reed and Lisa McAnally who all helped out doing everything from food preparation work to general clean up. Thanks to everyone who donated food items for band camp! Special thanks to Ann Rossman and Patti Powell for overseeing the food preparation and serving the snacks everyday during camp. Also, special thanks to Terri Cole for preparing delicious meals daily for the instructors and remarkable birthday cakes for Mr. Meers that were enjoyed by all. And very special thanks to Paul and Douglas Shoenfield for grilling out, and twice providing an awesome meal for the students. They filled us all up with burgers, hot dogs and Paul's famous "Kickin' Chicken".

Uniform check out nights went very smoothly thanks to the many, many people that volunteered to help out and staff the different stations. The group did a great job processing each student. I know it is a time consuming process and I appreciate everyone's patience and cooperation. It is a necessary process to insure a safe, secure, and satisfying experience for each member of the band. During the process I had the pleasure of meeting many of the new parents and welcome them into the RHS Band Boosters. If I didn't get to meet you on one of those nights I hope to do so in the very near future. I want all parents to feel welcome and play an active role as an RHS Band Booster.

We have already kicked off our first fundraiser of the year. This is a QSP catalog sales fundraiser. Your student has the opportunity to earn as much as 25% of what they sell in student account credits. This is an excellent opportunity to help support the band boosters and earn student account credits to help offset fees. The QSP catalog offers many quality low-cost items that make for easy sales. This fundraiser will close out on August 11th and we will follow it up with the sweet and delicious Butterbraid sale.

Our first football game this year is on August 21st in Antioch. Our band will perform at half time and play pep music through-out the game. Come out see the show, support the band, and enjoy the football game. Please plan to join us on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM in the band room for the monthly booster meeting. Go Warriors!

~ Frank Powell



Don't miss our new "Warrior Notes" magazine in Adobe Reader format...

If you received this newsletter in your mail, it is because you've either told us you don't have Internet access or email, or we do not have an email address on file for you.

If you have an email address, please notify me at dwcreech@pixeltoad.com, so that in the future I can notify you via email when the magazine is posted, and so we can save the school some money on postage, printing costs, etc.

Zaxby's Fundraiser

Remember that every 3rd Tuesday of the month is Riverdale Warrior Band Day at Zaxby's Restaurant on Church Street. On that day, 10% of the sales made using the flyer for the band will be given to the band. In July, the band received \$110. Everyone needs to go and enjoy a chicken lunch or dinner on that day and support our wonderful band. Remember that you must give a flyer (usually at the counter) to the cashier when you order for the band to receive the credit.



*****SCHEDULE CHANGE-** Since Freshman Orientation has been scheduled on August 6th, we are moving our Parent Performance / Covered Dish Dinner to Tuesday, August 4th. Full Band Rehearsal from 3:00-6:00 pm, Warm-up 6:30PM, 6:45 performance, Meal and Booster meeting immediately following the performance!

*****We are going to rehearse next Thursday, August 6th from 3:00PM - 5:00PM!**

Thank you Frito Lay for your generous donation of several boxes of chips for our band camp snacks and cookout!

2009 - 2010 Band Officers

President: Daniel Tenpenny
Vice President: Nathan Jones
Vice President: Eric Moore
Recording Secretary: Ashley Eady, Megan Brown
Corresponding Secretary: Emily Rossman, Seth Nieciecki
Treasurer: Elizabeth Walker
Librarian: Karen Houze, Anna Laura Williams, Stephanie Cooper
Asst. Librarian: Hailey Hatfield
Jr. Reps: Brad Beasley, Ethan Patrick, Ethan Gailey, Vicki Fritz, McKinzy Hart

2009-2010 Field Commanders:

Field Commander- Katie Dugan
Assist. F.C.- Kelsey Lebechuck
Alt.- Ashley Corum

2009-2010 Section Leaders and Leadership:

FLUTE LEADER- Hannah Clay
FLUTE ASSIST.- McKinzy Hart
FLUTE CONCERT LEADER- Anna Laura Williams
FLUTE LEADERSHIP- Brittanni Haynes
Bb CLARINET LEADERS- Ashley Eady, Elizabeth Walker
Bb CLARINET ASSIST.- Karen Houze, Haley Hatfield
SAXOPHONE LEADERS- Stephanie Cooper
SAXOPHONE ASSIST.- Adam McAnally
LOW REEDS LEADER- Emily Rossman
LOW REED ASSIST.- Sarah Ono
HORN LEADER – Bryce Fausnaught
HORN LEADERSHIP- Emily Reed, Megan Brown
HORN LEADERSHIP- Emily Reed
TRUMPET LEADER – Daniel Tenpenny
TRUMPET ASSIST.- Jordan Luckett, Hugh Schmidt
TRUMPET LEADERSHIP- Ethan Gailey
TROMBONE LEADER- Seth Nieciecki
TROMBONE ASSIST.- Bryan Creech
BARITONE- Eric Moore
TUBA SECTION LEADER – Nathan Jones
TUBA ASSIST. – Anna Laura Williams, Ethan Patrick
TUBA LEADERSHIP – Austin Fann
PERCUSSION BATTERY- TBA
PIT LEADER- Rachel Steiner
PIT ASSIST.- Chelsea Beckwith
GUARD SECTION LEADER- Danyelle Herrell
GUARD ASSIST- Lindsey Buchanan

SEASON TICKETS TO RIVERDALE HOME FOOTBALL GAMES will be on sale from Dorothy Walker up until the first HOME game, Sept. 4. These tickets are \$30 each and are good for all five HOME games this year. This the same price as buying a ticket at each game and there is no waiting in line to get in. There is a special entrance gate for season ticket holders. Everyone, adults or children, is the same price per ticket. Purchasing them from the Band gives the Band ½ the selling price, \$15, to go into our travel fund to allow us to go to the away games. Please see Dorothy at rehearsals for tickets or call her at 896-1501 and she will be glad to meet you to get you as many tickets as you need. These are not only for Band parents, but can be used by anyone who wants to go to the games. Remember, buying them from the Band gives us travel money and buying them from the football team or at the gate does not!

KROGER CARES GIFT CARDS may be purchased anytime from Melinda Arnold. This is a gift card that is refillable and tied to your student's band account so that by buying groceries, prescriptions, or gas from Kroger, your student receives 4%

return from your purchases. Melinda can be reached at 494-3471 to order cards and at the evening rehearsals. As many cards as you want may be tied to your student's account so give them to your friends and relatives for when they shop at Kroger. Each card is \$5 and comes loaded with \$5 on it already. Please see or call Melinda for more information.

Contest and Football Schedule

Aug 21 Football @ Antioch
Aug 28 Football @ Hendersonville
Sept 4 Football Home Lavergne
Sept 11 Football Home Lincoln Co
Sept 18 Football @ Oakland
Sept 19 Full Band Mini-Camp 9:30 am
Sept 25 Football Home Farragut
Sept 26 Contest
Oct 2 Football @ Smyrna
Oct 16 Football @ Seigel
Oct 17 Contest or rehearsal
Oct 23 Football Home Cookeville
Oct 24 Contest
Oct 30 Football Home Blackman
Oct 31 Contest
Football Playoffs??—Nov 6,13, 20, 27, Dec 5

OUR CAMP INSTRUCTORS

We're lucky to have a staff of professional musicians that work with students during band camp, many of whom have worked with Riverdale for years. Not only are they great musicians, they're wonderful people as well!

Dr. Emily Wasson – clarinets. A phenomenal clarinet teacher and performer, Dr. Wasson teaches lessons through out middle Tennessee (including Riverdale) while also performing with several orchestra.

Mike George – trumpet. Simply stated, Mr. George is a teaching machine! He has taught lessons at Riverdale for several years, producing several All State and All Mid-State students.

Devri DePriest – f-horn. A tremendous musician, Ms. DePriest has studied music at the Blair School of Music in Nashville and is also a former student of our own Mike George!

Scott Kinney – trombone. Mr. Kinney is a band director at Central Middle School in Murfreesboro. An active musician, he performs in numerous groups, touring the southern United States.

John Mears – low brass. Mr. Mears (no relation to our Mr. Meers!) is the band director at LaVergne Middle School. In addition to teaching, he is an active performer and arranger with several groups.

Matt Crossley – tuba. This is Matt's 2nd year working Riverdale Band camp. A master tuba performer, he is currently teaches middle school band in Williamson County.

Tim Hale – percussion. Mr. Hale has worked with the Riverdale band for the past decade. As an arranger and performer, Mr. Hale is an extremely active percussionist. As the proud father of a 2 year old daughter, he looks forward to a "vacation" of band camp!

Beth Konopka – woodwinds. Ms. Konopka previously did her student teaching at Riverdale and is currently pursuing her

Masters degree at MTSU.

Kathy Quarto – percussion. Mrs. Quarto is an experienced band director who is band director at Rockvale Middle School this fall!

Robin Winkler – guard instructor. A former All-State double reed musician at Riverdale and an experienced drum corps veteran, Robin begins her 2nd year with the guard.

Tyler Smith – guard. Assisting Robin, we're glad to introduce Tyler, an experienced guard instructor with drum corps experience.

Kristen Frye – flute. A private flute instructor and performer, Kristen holds advanced music degrees in music. Having taught flute lessons at Riverdale last year, we're excited to welcome her to her first Warrior Band Camp!

THANK YOU SO MUCH, INSTRUCTORS, FOR ALL YOU DO FOR US!

** IMPORTANT DATES **

Aug. 4 Rehearsal 3-6 pm, performance for families 6:30, Covered Dish Dinner with Booster Meeting 6:45 pm

Aug 6 Rehearsal 3-5 pm

Aug 6 Freshman Orientation (County-wide)

Aug 13 QSP Fundraiser Ends

Aug ?? Butterbraids Fundraiser Begins

Aug 21 Football @ Antioch

Aug 28 Football @ Hendersonville

Sept 4 Football Home vs LaVergne

Sept 7 Labor Day—No School

Sept 11 Football Home vs Lincoln Co

Sept 15 Zaxby's Fundraiser Day

Sept 16 Early Dismissal Day

Sept 18 Football @ Oakland

Sept 19 Full-Band Mini-Camp 9:00am-12:30pm

Sept 25 Football Homecoming vs Farragut

Sept 26 Contest

Riverdale Band

Annual Covered Dish Dinner

(Booster Meeting & Band Performance)

When: Tuesday, August 4th, 2009, 6:30 – 8PM

Who is Invited: All Riverdale Band and Guard Members, their parents and siblings.

Where: Main Building Cafeteria

What to bring:

Guard Members - Salads (tossed, pasta, fruit, potato, congealed)

Clarinets - Salads (tossed, pasta, fruit, potato, congealed)

Other Woodwinds - Desserts (Prepare 2, Please)

Brass - Meat Casserole

Percussion - Vegetable or Vegetable Casserole

Band Boosters will provide the meat

***** EVERYONE PLEASE BRING AT LEAST (1) 2-LITER SOFT DRINK, TEA, OR LEMONADE!! *****

Things to keep in mind: Someone will be in the cafeteria beginning at 6PM to receive food items. Please remember to bring appropriate serving utensils for your food item. Also,

please remember to pick up your serving dish after the meeting. We can expect 600+ people for dinner, so please prepare enough to feed your family plus 2. Teenagers can eat a lot and we need everyone to participate.

What to expect: This is probably our largest and most enjoyable booster meeting of the year. It is a very relaxed atmosphere and the students tell us they look forward to it every year. They will also perform some of their show they learned in camp for us. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

If you are interested in helping with set up or have any questions regarding this event, please call Jennifer Lebechuck 319-4970 or Patti Powell at 962-1737.

THANKS A MILLION!!

Many Thanks go out to the Publix Store #1163, South Rutherford Blvd., and Mr. Rick Smith, Assistant Store Manager, as well as Frank and Patti Powell for their very generous donations to the "Freshman Band Camp Survival Kits"! With Mr. Smith's collaboration, Publix donated several items, bags and drink containers, bottles of water and hand sanitizers for each of our new marchers this year. The Powells donated granola bars and sunscreen for each kit. The idea for the "Survival Kits" came from Mrs. Powell along with a note attached to each kit reminding each new marcher of ways to stay healthy during the two weeks of Band Camp. These kits were given to the freshmen and other new members on Wednesday of Music Camp by their "Big Sibs", the upperclassmen assigned to be their "mentors" for the year.

Be sure and stop in Publix sometime and say thank you to Rick Smith and the staff for all the support they have given our band and give them some support in return!