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Next Booster Meeting: Tuesday, October 14, 2008,
@ 7:00 PM in the Band Room

2008—2009 Band Booster Officers

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PRESIDENT'S Message

Hey everybody! Can you believe that September has flown by and October is here already?? We've just been so busy since school started. Thanks to everyone who has helped out with all the work that it takes to get the band and the school year started right. I have a lot of great helpers out there and I really appreciate every one of you!

Thank you to all you parents who came out to our September Booster meeting! It was a great crowd! That was probably the most attendance that we have ever had and it was wonderful to see. Be sure and mark the 2nd Tuesday of every month so that you can attend every month's meeting at 7 pm in the band room.

I also want to thank the Total Logistic Control Corporation for the use of the truck again this year to pull our equipment trailer to away games and competitions. We really appreciate them for their donation. Most people have no idea how much it costs us to take our "stuff" to different places, but with TLC's help, it has been a huge load off the band's treasury. Thank you very much!!

Our band has had a busy month with lots of hard work and 2 competitions under their belts now. They received superior ratings across the board at both competitions. Please read more about their great accomplishments in the article in this newsletter. GREAT JOB, BAND!!

The Division I contest is coming up and I know all of you will be ready and willing to help on Saturday, November 1st. Each student is required to work the event and we could really use a member of each family to work as many hours as possible as well. It is a great chance to meet new parents and students, get involved, and have fun. Extra hands are always a blessing, so if you have other family members that would like to help- aunts, uncles, grandparents- we will gladly find a place for them to work. Thanks to the Division I chairs, Angie Ray, Karla Brown and Nancy Franklyn, who are working so diligently to make this a successful fundraiser for the band and a fun day for our visitors.

Our citrus fruit, nuts and fudge sale kicked off on September 30th and everyone's participation is needed and encouraged. Sales come easy with these great products and are a wonderful way to fund your student's fees for coming events, as well as next school year! Make sure and ask your student for the packet if you weren't able to be at the kick-off meeting. The packets went home on Wednesday, October 1st and are filled with instructions, brochures and order forms. More forms are available if you need them. Good luck to everyone!

Make sure and keep up with all the latest info about the band on the website, www.riverdaleband.com. The site is updated almost daily and is the best source for news.

See you at the October meeting,

Keith



DIVISION I 2008 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

This is just another reminder that the Division I State Marching Band Competition is about 3 weeks away and there is still much to do! The contest will be at Riverdale High on Saturday, November 1, with our visiting bands and parents starting to arrive about 7 am and leaving around 10:30 pm. It will be a long day and we need everyone to be involved in one way or another. Working this event is a requirement for all RHS Band members and at least one adult from each student's family.

We will be hosting 27 bands and their fans/family members and we want to be excellent hosts and continue the tradition from the last 30 years of hosting! Please make plans to attend the next Booster meeting, Tuesday, October 14. We had sign-up sheets at the last meeting, but many of you have not signed-up yet for working the day of the competition. You will be contacted soon to serve in some capacity or another so please take this opportunity to "pick" your committee before the assignments are made! The students will have an opportunity to sign up for different jobs during class and Mrs. Reed will coordinate the student assignments, which will be posted in the band room.

Pre-orders for competition t-shirts are now available at discount pricing. The shirts are \$8 each for S-XL, \$10 for XXL, and \$12 for XXXL. A limited amount of shirts will also be available for purchase on Competition day but will be sold at Competition prices. Order forms are available from your student, in the band room near Mr. Meer's office, and at the next booster meeting. All orders and payment are due by **Wednesday, October 15.**

Some other needs are:

We will need help in setting up tents, the concession stand, and putting signs on the stadium seats on Friday night after our home game with LaVergne. Please be willing and able to stay after the game and help with these projects, as well as cleaning up the stadium. We want to put our best effort into this and show the most hospitality to our guests on Saturday.

We need 4-wheelers, with or without trailers, and gators. If you have some we could use, please call Angie at 895-6117 or Paul at 542-4070. We also need some heavy duty extension cords. Call Paul if you have some of those we can borrow that day. Please make sure and label them with your name so we can return them to you correctly.

We may also need kerosene heaters (hopefully not). Watch the weather and let us know if you can bring one. We need fall decorations such as corn stalks, hay bales, pumpkins and pots of mums to be used to make a welcome sign at the entrance of the stadium. If someone would like to take charge of this task, please call Karla at 347-1286.

We need snacks such as cupcakes, brownies, cookies, salty snacks, fruit and boxed drinks for our own students in the band room during the day of the competition. Please bring them that morning.

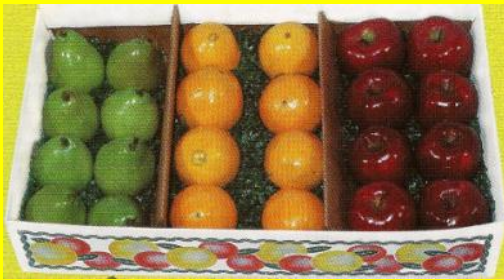
WE NEED EVERYONE to attend the next Booster meeting on Oct. 14 and the competition meeting on Thursday, Oct. 30 during band practice to be more informed of the needs and how you can respond to them. Both of these meetings will be in the band room at 7 pm.

Thank you for all your help in preparing for this competition. Freshman parents, please keep in mind that you are welcome to become involved in all aspects of the band. We need you!! Please don't be shy! We are a family and it takes all of us together to make the "band experience" the best for our children!

Angie Ray, Nancy Franklyn, and Karla Brown— 2008 Competition Co-Directors

Fruit Sale!!

The annual fruit sale has officially kicked off!! Packets went home with the students on Wednesday, October 1st, containing instructions, brochures and order forms. Please be thorough and neat in filling out the paperwork and make sure and transfer all orders to the spreadsheet with your student's name on it. Make sure and designate each of your order forms as a Thanksgiving or Christmas order. Be sure to read all the information provided to find out the rewards of this fundraiser to the students' accounts. There is a lot of money to be made with sometimes only minimal effort! If you have any questions, call Patti Powell at 907-2457 or Lynda Creech at 907-2484. Good luck to everybody!!



Alumni Student/Parent Cook-out

The first ever Riverdale Warrior Band Annual Alumni Student/Parent Cook-out was held Friday, September 26. There was a good turnout for the event with about 30-40 attendees. An open house was held for the former students/parents of our band so that they could see our beautiful new band additions to the building. Thanks to Annette Picklesimer who organized the event and to everyone who participated and attended. There is a new Alumni Student/Parent page on the band's website, www.riverdaleband.com, for all former members to visit and keep up-to-date with our band's activities and events.

Alumni members have contributed over \$600 to help the band this fall.

Thanks to all our supporters!!!!

KROGER Cares Cards Still Available

Don't forget to purchase a Kroger gift card from the band! This is the easiest fundraiser that we have and just keeps on giving! Buy these gift cards from Dorothy Walker (896-1501) at any of the meetings and most anytime you might see her at band practices. We keep up with your card number(s) and when we get a check from Kroger, 4% of your purchases will be added to your child's band account, after the band receives \$50.00 per family per year. (We must have \$5000.00 in "reloads" to receive a check.) We get monthly reports from Kroger and the year is from August to August. You may get and use as many cards as you want (tell your family and friends—even out-of-town) and they will all go to your child's account. Charge your cards at the check-out or service desk with cash, check, or credit card. The gift cards may also be used at the pharmacy and gas station. GO KROGER-ING!

Special Thanks...

Special thanks to the following restaurants for their support of the Riverdale Homecoming food booth: Buffalo Wild Wings, Toot's, and Jim 'n Nick's BBQ.

News on the Newsletters

Beginning in November, the Warrior Band newsletters will be emailed to everyone with an email address, unless you specifically ask to have a paper copy. This will save a considerable amount on paper and postage. Please make sure that your email address is "on file" with the Boosters so that you will get a copy in your inbox. Of course, the newsletter will always be on the website for your viewing pleasure.

Also, it's a surprise, but look for a "new look" with the newsletter next month!



Booster Spotlight

A Special Thank You goes out to...

- Ken Arnold—for helping in the pit area!
- Annette Picklesimer and Paul Shoenfeld for organizing and working so hard on our Alumni Student/Parent Cook-Out!
- Ed and Karen Rogers, Tom and Terri Cole, Angie Ray and everybody who has worked so hard on getting our Guard their beautiful new flags! They look great!
- All the parents who come to the games and competitions and support their band students so wholeheartedly!
- Everyone who contributes photos to the website for our students and families to enjoy!
- Keith Patrick, our Booster president, for driving our equipment truck!!
- All our SUPER Uniform moms!! You make us look great!!

Board Member Office Available

Due to a recent death in her family and a job change, our corresponding secretary, Patti Powell, and her family will be moving away from Murfreesboro in the near future. The job of Corresponding Secretary is therefore up for re-election. Anyone who may be interested in filling in this position for the remainder of the school year, please make your wishes known at the upcoming Booster meeting, October 14, and a vote will be taken on nominees at the November meeting. The position includes the publishing of the monthly newsletter and some basic secretarial duties for the Boosters, as well as attending the monthly Boosters Executive Board meeting.

Fair Share Payment Schedule:

- August 29th—50.00 past due
- September 30th—50.00 less Butter-braid Credits
- October 31st—\$50.00
- November 25th—\$50.00

2008 Marching Band Competition Schedule and Results



Completed

- September 20—Franklin-Simpson HS, Franklin, KY: RHS Warrior Band was selected as Reserve Grand Champions (2nd place) of the contest. Our Guard was selected as Overall Champions and our Drumline finished in 2nd place overall by 1 point! Great Job, Band and Guard!!
- September 27—Hixson HS, Hixson, TN: Band, Guard, Field Commander, and Percussion all rated SUPERIOR; Percussion FIRST PLACE IN CLASS 5TH OVERALL, Field Commanders FIRST IN CLASS - 5TH OVERALL, Guard 2ND IN CLASS 4TH OVERALL, BAND 2ND IN CLASS 9TH OVERALL! Way to go, Everyone!!

Upcoming

- October 18—Muscle Shoals HS, Muscle Shoals, AL
- October 25—Contest of Champions, MTSU campus

Detailed information and schedules will be available online and given to students before all competitions. Please help our Uniform Committee by reminding your student how important a uniform look is during competition. Noncompliance negatively affects scoring. We have many problems with socks, hair, bandannas, etc. that are absolutely unacceptable at this point in the marching season. All students know by now what is acceptable and what is not acceptable when in uniform. Please help us help them to do their best for the entire Warrior Band.

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Upcoming Events!!

September 30 (Tue) Fruit Sale Started!
 October 14 (Tue) Band Booster Meeting
 October 18 (Sat) Muscle Shoals, AL Marching Contest
 October 25 (Sat) Contest of Champions, MTSU
 October 30 (Thu) Division I Worker Meeting
 October 31 (Fri) Clean-up/Set-up for Div I after LaVergne game
 November 1 (Sat) DIVISION I MARCHING COMPETITION
 November 10-11 (Mon-Tue) Turn in Thanksgiving Fruit Sale Order Forms
 November 21-22 (Fri-Sat) Thanksgiving Fruit Delivery/ Check-out

Butterbraids Wrap-up

We had a great Butterbraids sale this year. The top sellers were:

- Brandon Ray- 73
- McKinzy Hart- 60
- Patrick Cole- 55
- Emily Reed- 49
- Abigail Moate- 45



Good job everyone!!