



# NOTES

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## No Band Booster Meeting in December!

*(Next booster meeting will be January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2004)*



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## Hello, Riverdale Band parents and students!!!

Thanksgiving is behind us and Christmas is on its way! If you found a few extra pounds over the Thanksgiving holiday, don't worry because the coming weeks before Christmas with the band will run them off!!

Please make a point to check the December calendar daily as it is loaded with activities for the band. Mr. Meers would like to remind parents and students to check the band handbook for attendance regulations regarding band activities after school and during holidays.

### *A few important dates to remember include:*

Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> – Concessions for varsity basketball vs. Warren Co.

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> – M.T.S.B.O.A. Senior High Auditions at McGavock

Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> – State championship football game at MTSU

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> – Holiday Band Concert (Spring trip meeting before)

Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> – Concessions for freshman basketball vs. Siegel

Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> – Concessions for varsity basketball vs. Blackman

### *Whew!!, take a deep breath.....*

Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> – Christmas fruit delivery

Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – Christmas fruit checkout

Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – M.T.S.B.O.A. Junior High Auditions at McGavock

Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> – Murfreesboro Christmas Parade (meet at MTSU Bell St. parking lot at 1:30 PM and pick-up is at end of parade route)

Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> – RHS mid-term exams

### *Yeah, Christmas break!!*

We hope everyone has a wonderful and well-deserved break for Christmas!

**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL AND BEST WISHES FOR A  
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!**

## 26<sup>TH</sup> Annual Division 1 Marching Band Championship

The final tally on our profit for this event is approximately \$18,000! We are extremely proud of the Riverdale band family and what we were able to achieve at the event this year! The first year we raised approximately \$9,000 and the second year \$17,000, so we are certainly headed in the right direction! Look out next year.....!!!

We want to be sure to extend the proper thanks to those area businesses/individuals that helped us out with various contributions for the event. Please let Bobby Damron, competition chairperson, know of anyone you might want to include on this listing or if you need to check to be sure they are being recognized.

The survey results we have received from the participating bands have been excellent ? from "Way to go!" to "Excellent job!". Thanks again, everyone!

***GO, RIVERDALE BAND PARENTS AND STUDENTS!!!!!!***

## Annual Band Fruit Sale

The *Christmas* orders for fruit have been placed. The delivery date for these orders will be Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. The fruit will be delivered around 2:45 PM. If you can help unload fruit, please be at the school by 2:45 PM. We will need to unload and set-up fast as there is a basketball game that night at the school.

The fruit pick-up will be on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Students need to sign-up for a pick-up time in the band room. If you sold fruit, please put this date on your calendar to remind you of the pick-up date. This fruit does not need to set in the band room through the weekend. Please deliver it as soon as possible to ensure freshness.

The approximate gross sales for Thanksgiving were \$6,510 and for Christmas \$9,716. This will give the band a net profit of approximately \$8,000 for the fruit sale this year.

Thanks to everyone who sold fruit! Prizes will be awarded soon! Details about the lock-in for those students who participated in this year's sale will be forthcoming in a newsletter soon! Look forward to the big party with your band friends for your hard work selling fruit!!

## Basketball Concession Stand

Basketball season is under way and the concession stand is open and running! Debra Winter and Bobby and Phyllis Damron have accepted the responsibility of running the varsity and freshman basketball concession stands respectively. It is a tremendous undertaking and they are working very hard on making it a financial success as a fundraiser for the band.

The students are signing up to work in good numbers. **Thank you students!!** We are still looking for a "**FEW GOOD MEN/WOMEN**" (*i.e., band booster parents*) who can help out with working concessions during the games. We really need two adult volunteers per game to help out. If we had several band parents who were trained to work concessions, this responsibility could be spread around and not be a burden for anyone.

Therefore, please contact Debra Winter at 895-9260 or Bobby and Phyllis Damron at 896-0254 if you are willing to work a night now and then in the basketball concession stand to help out. The more the merrier.....!!!

## Spring Band Trip

An itinerary for the spring band trip to Chicago has been attached to this newsletter. A representative from Thomas Tours will be at the holiday band concert in the RHS auditorium on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:45 PM to answer any questions you might have regarding the trip.

Also, attached is information regarding the purchase of Chicago Symphony Orchestra tickets if you chose to attend this performance on Friday afternoon instead of shopping. This is optional and it will be your responsibility to order the tickets.

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, will be the final day to make a deposit on the trip and secure your spot. Please note that the initial \$50.00 deposit is nonrefundable. This trip is going to be awesome and we hope everyone will make arrangements to go!!

## Winter Guard and Winter Drumline

The winter guard and winter drumline are gearing up for competition and beginning rehearsals. Look for news and pictures regarding their exciting season this year in future newsletters. *Support your RHS winter guard and drumline!!*

## Riverdale Warrior Stadium Seats

Don't forget, the stadium seats make *great* Christmas gifts! If you need one, please contact Annette Picklesimer at 895-3483 and Santa will deliver!!!

We need to sell 17 more to pay-off our initial investment.

**Oops!** Congratulations to Candice Rutledge, 9<sup>th</sup> grade, for making the Honor Roll list for the first six weeks!

**Good luck** to all of our students trying out for Mid-State, senior high and junior high!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MR. AYMETT!!!!