

# PANTHER BAND NEWS

JUNE 2008

MURPHY HIGH SCHOOL

PANTHER BAND

**Director**

Stan Chapman

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Director**

Darren Smith

**Executive Board**

**President**

Tabitha Harwood

**Vice President**  
Maggie Taylor

**Secretary**  
Greg Essary

**Treasurer**  
Janie Windham

**Band Room**

221-3203

**Website**

[murphyband.com](http://murphyband.com)

**New Band Booster  
email address**

[pantherbandboosters@  
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**Band Parent Meeting:**

Thursday, June 5th

7:00 p.m.  
in the Band Room



## Farewell '08 Seniors! Welcome Rookies!

Dear Murphy Band  
Members and Parents;

The end-of-year activities went really well. The Band Banquet was one of the best that I can remember. Many thanks go to Rachel Griffin and all of the rest of the Band Council. The same goes for the performance at the Spring Concert and particularly the show at graduation. I felt that the band really played well.

Plans for the next season are already underway. The new Band Councils, both Elected and Appointed, are already functioning and new Drum Major Alex Camardelle has a Leadership Camp planned. By the time this newsletter is released the new color guard will be in place.

You can get the rosters for all of these groups elsewhere in this newsletter as well as on the web site. Rookie Camp started Tuesday, May 27 and the drumline, while working during rookie camp, will have their own camp the next week, June 2-6. The new Band Booster officers and Committee Chairs are already hitting the ground running. The opener for the field show is already here (we played it as prelude music for graduation.) The field show will be based on music by Stevie Wonder.

It's not too late for parents of incoming freshmen to contact me about the summer rehearsals. We are also still actively recruiting sponsors for the

performance in Australia. The last thing I heard from the city, they still plan on having us play for the commissioning of the USS Independence in June. We'll keep everyone informed through the website about that.

I will be at the meeting for the incoming parents on May 29<sup>th</sup>, but I will miss the band booster meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> (I'm reading AP Music Exams this year.) You shouldn't miss that meeting, though. We have an interesting opportunity for a performance in 2009-2010 and the parents need to discuss its feasibility.

Stan Chapman  
Murphy Band

# Murphy Band Leaders

## 2008-2009 Elected Band Council

**President: Knowles Suffich**

**Vice-President: Kiki Nolen-Schmidt**

**Secretary: Malcolm Banks**

**Treasurer: April Prather**

**Sergeant at Arms: Brennan Woods**

**Historian: Adrian Johnson**

**Parliamentarian: Brittany Williams**

**Inspirational Leader: Kierra Pettway**

**Senior Representatives: Eric Myers/Jenna Bofley**

**Junior Representatives: Lucy Perkins/Timmethy James**

**Sophomore Representatives: Katie Hoitt/Tyler Betancourt**



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*Nothing is more  
fashionable than a good  
Band Tan!*

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## 2008-2009 Appointed Band Council

Band Captain: Tommy Hamel

Brass Captain: Henry Perkins    Woodwind Captain: Kierra Pettway    Field Captain: Kiki-Nolen-Schmidt

Trumpet Section Leader: Eric Myers    Asst. Trumpet Section Leader: Timmethy James  
Trumpet Squad Leaders: Michelle Draime, Brennan Woods, Patric Brand, Reginald Chambliss

Flute Section Leader: Kristan Donnelly  
Flute Squad Leaders: Eden Mims, Rowan Keller, Victoria Baker Sophia Houston

Horn Section Leader: Lauren Morrison    Horn Squad Leader: Trilby Cleveland

Trombone Section Leader: Manny Nodar    Trombone Squad Leaders: Blaine Rowell, Hunter Hutto

Clarinet Section Leader: Ava Hutcherson    Asst. Section Leader: Adrian Johnson  
Clarinet Squad Leaders: Genesis Terrell, Ciara Kidd, Brianna Edwards, Jessica Schmensky, Hilary Young

Baritone Section Leader: Joseph Fick    Baritone Squad Leader: Kyle Thornton

Tuba Section Leader: Bradley Hankins

Saxophone Section Leader: Trevor Quiovers    Saxophone Squad Leaders: Michael Hamel, Jeffrey Williams

Librarian: Aislinn Colbert

Bus Captains: Brittany Williams, Harold Griffin, Darius Lott, Tyler Williams, Stephen McIntyre

Loading Crew: Malcolm Banks, Bradley Essary, Nick Allen, Robert Hooten

Uniforms: Jack Baylor, Rachel Hall, DeAngelo Nesby, Carrie Bray, Nijia Turnbow

**BAND BOOSTER MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 5th**  
**6:30 PM**  
**BAND ROOM**

**2008-2009 Band Booster Officers:**

President	Tabitha Harwood
Vice-President	Maggie Taylor
Recording Secretary	Greg Essary
Treasurer	Janie Windham
Band Director	Stan Chapman
Asst. Band Director	Darren Smith
Color/Winterguard	Bill Blocker Jenny Jones
Bagging for Tips	Leshia Miller
Chaperones	Consheda Wallace
E.B. Coleman Scholarship	Ken Megison
Facilities and Properties	Bruce Donnelly Richard Harwood
First Aid	Faye Hussong
Football Program	Laura Cleveland
Hospitality	Stacey and John Baylor
Publicity/Newsletter	Janet and John Nodar
Safety	Ralph Gonzales Bill Hussong
Uniform	Cindy Donnelly Patti Hutcherson

(Editor's Note: Nice to see that Stan was re-elected.)

## *Color Guard News*

Color Guard Tryouts were held on May 22. The 2008-2009 Color Guard consists of: Onesia Baldwin, Angelica Barlow, Leeanne Bass, Ellen Baylor, Erika Bettner, Jacquayle Dailey, Lauren Deese, Heather Denis, Cecilia Anne Doahue, Fauna Evans, Victoria Farrell, Brianna Fletcher, Whitney Foy, Rachel Hall, Wendi Ham, Michelle Harvey, Carolyn Harwood, Cathryn Harwood, Krystan Henderson, Whitney Jackson, Jerria McWhorter, Logan Miller, Sabrina Paige, April Prather, Lawrencia Ratcliff and Nancy Roberts. Taylor Jackson will serve as this year's alternate. Weapon workouts began on Monday, June 2. Full guard workouts being on Thursday, June 5.

The annual trip to Waterville is tentatively scheduled for Friday, June 13. The cost will be approximately \$30, plus money for food. Parents are welcome to join us --we need drivers! We will meet at Murphy at 8:30 a.m. and will stay at Waterville until around 6:00 p.m.

Guard camp is Monday, July 14 - Thursday, July 17 and Monday, July 21 - Thursday July 24. The money for guard equipment bags, uniform bags, guard t-shirts, etc. may be turned into Mrs. Harwood or the booster office no later than July 17.

Contact Leeanne Bass at [leeannelove@gmail.com](mailto:leeannelove@gmail.com).



Graduated senior Meredith Anderson, now an instructor, shows rookie Ellen Baylor the proper way to hold her flag.  
Photo Credit: Keefus

### **Now For Some Notes:**

#### **From Panther Band Booster President:**

Welcome to all incoming students and parents! It is going to be a wonderful year. I look forward to meeting each of you. Our first General Meeting will be Thursday, June 5 at 7:00 in the Band Room. We will be sharing information about a possible upcoming BIG trip for January 2010. If you are interested, please attend. Please give me a call if you have any questions or concerns: cell 680-4095; home 344-4713.

Tabitha Harwood, Panther Band Boosters President

#### **From the Vice President:**

My name is Maggie Taylor, and I am your Vice President for 2008-2009. I would like to welcome our new students and parents to Murphy High School Panther Band Boosters. I am in charge of fundraising and looking forward to a great year. We kicked off our fundraiser with Cookie Dough and Sauces on May 19, 2008. All orders are due July 3, 2008, and will be delivered the week of August 7, 2008. Welcome aboard and thank you for your support. Have a great summer!

Maggie Taylor 251-454-8839

#### **From the Treasurer:**

2008-2009 Band Fees are \$255.00 for all band students (including Color Guard). Band Fees are due by the end of Band Camp (August 7, 2008). Payments may be made over the summer months: \$85.00 in June, \$85.00 in July and \$85.00 in August. At least 2/3 (\$170.00) must be paid in order for the student to receive his/her band T-Shirt. Make checks payable to : **Panther Band Boosters** Payments can be placed in the drop box slot on the door of the booster office or mailed to: Panther Band Boosters

P.O. Box 6745  
Mobile, AL 36606

Thank You,  
Janie Windham 251-432-7828

# **Sizzlin' Summer Stuff**

## **Murphy Band 2008 Summer Rehearsal Schedule:**

**Rookie camp.** A successful Rookie Camp is behind us...for most.

### **Students selected for the Drum Line will have an additional week of camp June 2 thru June 6 (8:00 AM-4:00 PM)**

The 2008-2009 rookies were welcomed into the Mighty Marching Panthers Band on May 27. After a long hot week of "stand ready" and "mark time, mark up", the color guard proved itself to be the most outstanding section. Color Guard's Nancy Roberts received the title of best girl marcher, and Keith Farnell of drum line was named best boy marcher.

A mock show was created to prepare the rookies for our much anticipated band camp, which begins on July 28.

Parents, please make sure your student wears cool clothing and brings sunscreen and lots of water. Camel backs, sunglasses, and hats have proven to be good investments. Also, make sure your student eats breakfast (NO MILK) and has a lunch or money to purchase lunch. Remember it is HOT!

**Workouts.** Workouts are rehearsals that are held in order that the students can keep their playing and marching skills up. We will review all of the marching and playing fundamentals covered in Rookie Camp plus work on the field show music for the coming marching season. If you are in town, not scheduled to work, etc., we want you to come to the workouts. If you are on vacation, etc., that is fine. There is no penalty for missing one or more workouts.

### **Workout Schedule**

Monday, June 16  
5:00 -9:00 PM Pit

Tuesday, June 20  
6:00-7:00 PM Weapons  
7:00-9:00 PM New Guard

Tuesday, June 24  
6:00-7:00 PM Weapons  
7:00-9:00 PM Guard

Tuesday, July 8  
6:00-7:00 PM Weapons  
7:00-9:00 PM Guard  
Monday, July 14  
10:00 AM - 12:00 Woodwinds  
1:00 PM- 3:00 PM Brass

Monday, July 21  
10:00 AM - 12:00 Woodwinds  
1:00 PM- 3:00 PM Brass



It just SEEMED like they only went to band...apparently, they took their other classes, too! Congratulations '08 Seniors!

# And Mark Your July Calendar for ***BAND CAMP!***

Band camp is a series of required rehearsals. If you are going to march in the show this fall, you must attend all band camp rehearsals. If you miss a rehearsal, you lose your place in the show.

## **Band Camp Schedule**

### ***Monday July 14- Thursday July 17***

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Color guard

### ***Thursday, July 17***

8:00 AM- 12:00 Noon Leadership Camp (Appointed Band Council)

### ***Monday July 21-Thursday July 24***

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Color Guard and Pit

### ***Friday July 27***

8:00 AM-4:00 PM Drum Line

### ***Monday July 28***

8:00 AM - 12:00 Full Band (Brass, woodwinds, guard, drum line, and pit.)

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Trumpets and Flutes

5:00 PM- 9:00 PM Full Band

### ***Tuesday July 29***

8:00 AM - 12:00 Full Band (Brass, woodwinds, guard, drum line, and pit.)

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM French Horns and Alto Saxes

5:00 PM- 9:00 PM Full Band

### ***Wednesday July 30***

8:00 AM - 12:00 Full Band (Brass, woodwinds, guard, drum line, and pit.)

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Clarinets

### ***Thursday July 31***

8:00 AM - 12:00 Full Band (Brass, woodwinds, guard, drum line, and pit.)

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Trombones, Baritones, Tenor Saxophones

5:00 PM- 9:00 Full Band

### ***Friday August 1***

8:00 AM - 12:00 Full Band (Brass, woodwinds, guard, drum line, and pit.)

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Tubas, Drum Line, Pit (mallets)

### ***Tuesday August 5***

5:00 PM- 9:00 PM Full Band

### ***Thursday August 7***

5:00 PM-9:00 PM Full Band (Football program pictures will be made tonight).

## **After School Rehearsals.**

Band meets as a regular scheduled class during fourth block. The marching band will rehearse after school according to the following schedule until the last marching contest is finished, which is usually around the middle of October.

**Monday** 2:45 PM -5:00 PM Full Band

**Tuesday** 2:45 PM- 5:00 PM Brass and Woodwinds

**Tuesday** 6:00PM -8:30 PM Guard

**Wednesday** 2:45 PM - 5:00 PM Drum Line and Pit.