

PANTHER BAND NEWS

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MURPHY HIGH SCHOOL

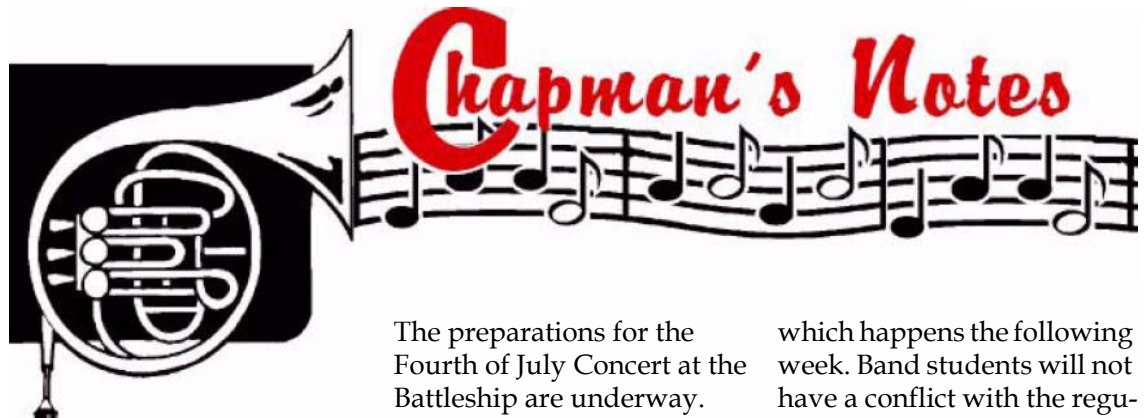
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We had a great Rookie Camp. There were 70 new members hard at work for the week. One day I counted over 140 students here, including the rookies, the drum line, the pit, and the student instructors. There are some photographs of Rookie Camp on the web site for your enjoyment.

The Rookie Color Guard members won the Outstanding Section Award at the End-of-Camp March-Off, and **Matt Hussong** and **Sarah Scris** won the Best Marchers Award. **Laura Nolen-Schmidt** won the Marshall Richards Most Spirited Award, and the new Most-Improved Award went to **Dabney Matchett**. Drum Major **Paul Williams** as well as President **Amanda Chunn** and Band Captain **Jonathan Powell** did a fine job of running the Camp, as did all of the Band Council members.

The preparations for the Fourth of July Concert at the Battleship are underway. The rehearsal and performance schedules are included in this newsletter.

The Summer rehearsal schedule is also included. Note that there is one change. The Woodwind and Brass workout scheduled for July 10 has been cancelled. I will be at an International Baccalaureate workshop out of town. The workouts for the woodwinds and brass will start up on July 17, and everything will stay the same for the remainder of the summer. The Color Guard workout schedule remains unchanged.

As I told the freshmen at Rookie Camp, the school unfortunately scheduled the Bridges program during Band Camp (after I had filed the Band Camp dates with the Main Office.) Students already scheduled for it will need to contact the school for a refund as there is a conflict with Band Camp. This is not Freshman Orientation,

which happens the following week. Band students will not have a conflict with the regular orientation. There is a tour of the of the school for all of the freshmen during the regular orientation. I will also make sure that any pertinent information from the Bridges Program is passed on to the students. To be honest, this conflict usually occurs. The Band freshmen never go to it, and I have yet to notice any ill effects from missing it.

The 2006-2007 Performance Schedule is included in this newsletter and posted on the web site. It will get longer as the year goes on, so we'll keep you informed of the changes.

I also enjoyed the new parent orientation meeting. It was very gratifying to meet all of the new Boosters. I hope you all choose to get involved. I know you will enjoy it.

See you at the next meeting on **Thursday, July 6.**

President's Corner

By Amanda Chunn, Band President

Hello, everybody! Hope everyone's summer is going well, as we just finished Rookie Camp. Congrats to Sara Scris and Matt Hussong for being our best marchers and to the Guard for being the best marching section. Hope everyone is pumped for the Fourth of July concert. Thanks to all who helped with the campaigning during the party primaries. There will be some more volunteer opportunities coming up. Have a great summer.

Guard News

By Wanda Harrell

The Color Guard won best section at Rookie Camp. The best female marcher was **Sara Sacris**, who is also in the Color Guard. The kids are off to a great start!!!! It looks like it is going to be a very enjoyable year.

Got email?

If we don't already have it, please send your email address(es) to murphybandwebmaster@murphyband.com, so we can add you to the newsletter emailing list. Feel free to send more than one email address – for example, if both parents would like to receive the newsletter by email.

Band Fees Reminder

By Bob Windham, Treasurer

2006–2007 Band fees (\$240.00) are due by the end of Band Camp (**Thursday, August 10**).

At least two-thirds (\$160.00) must be paid to receive a Band t-shirt, used for the Hot Weather Uniform.



Fundraising News

By Leslie Chunn, Fundraising Chair

Well, as usual, I'm feeling a bit overwhelmed with fundraising! I've a TON to do to make our Football Program come together. Please contact me (leslieleigh@netzero.net or 689-0893) if you haven't already and are available to help.

We also have other projects we can start on. I'd like to set our first fundraising meeting for **Thursday, July 13, at 6:30 pm**, in the Band Room. Please be watching your email for any changes to this tentative date. We will be

discussing all the fundraisers for the coming year.

I'd also like this to be a night when some may come to present their own products to you. We have several companies with ties to the Band wanting to show you fundraising opportunities. Among them are Mary Kay, Avon, First Impressions Jewelry, Tastefully Simple, and Advocare. I'm just so overwhelmed I thought it might work to have quick presentations all on one night. I'm calling it "Peddle Your Product Nite!" If this doesn't work for everyone, we'll try to make other opportunities available.

Please communicate with me by email as RSVP. I'm writing this article early in June and realizing we'll have our first Bag-for-Tips day **Saturday, July 1!** I'll send out a separate email on this. Please begin selling ads for the Football Program! As I drive down the road each day, I see lots of businesses that would look good in there!

Thanks so much for your continued support.



Summer Schedules

Workouts

- **Tuesday, July 11**
6:00–7:00 pm—Weapons
7:00–9:00 pm—Guard
- **Monday, July 17**
10:00 am–noon—Woodwinds
1:00–3:00 pm—Brass
- **Monday, July 24**
10:00 am–noon—Woodwinds
1:00 pm–3:00 pm—Brass

Fourth of July

- **June rehearsals** are listed in the June newsletter and on the web
- **Monday, July 3—Rehearsal**
8:00–11:00 am—Full Band
- **Tuesday, July 4—Performance**
5:00 pm—Call at the MHS Band Room. Uniform posted on the web.
7:00 pm—Move to stage/warm up
7:30 pm—Concert
8:30 pm—Speeches, etc. (Should be a brief break for the students.)
9:00 pm—Fireworks.
9:30 pm—Pack up/load up. (Students may leave with parents.)
10:30 pm—Arrive at MHS

Incoming freshmen may audition for this performance. See the web for details.

Drinks Needed

*By Jeanne Schmensky,
Hospitality Co-Chair*

Starting at Band Camp time, we will be collecting drinks and paper cups for Band Camp and third-quarter breaks. Water and the good kind of drinks are all on sale now, so now would be a good time to start buying them.

Band Camp

- **Monday, July 17–Thursday, July 20**
5:00–9:00 pm—Color Guard
- **Monday, July 24–Thursday, July 27**
8:00 am–4:00 pm—Drum Line, Pit
5:00–9:00 pm—Color Guard
- **Friday, July 28**
8:00 am–4:00 pm—Drum Line, Pit
- **Monday, July 31**
8:00 am–noon—Full Band (Brass, Woodwinds, Guard, Drum Line, Pit)
1:00–2:00 pm—Trumpets, Flutes
5:00–9:00 pm—Full Band
- **Tuesday, August 1**
8:00 am–noon—Full Band (Brass, Woodwinds, Guard, Drum Line, Pit)
1:00 pm–2:00 pm—French Horns, Alto Saxes
5:00 pm–9:00 pm—Full Band
- **Wednesday, August 2**
8:00 am–noon—Full Band (Brass, Woodwinds, Guard, Drum Line, Pit)
1:00 pm–2:00 pm—Clarinets
- **Thursday, August 3**
8:00 am–noon—Full Band (Brass, Woodwinds, Guard, Drum Line, Pit)
1:00 pm–2:00 pm—Trombones, Baritones, Tenor Saxophones
5:00–9:00 pm—Full Band
- **Friday, August 4**
8:00 am–noon—Full Band (Brass, woodwinds, Guard, Drum Line, Pit)
1:00–2:00 pm—Tubas, Drum Line, Pit (Mallets)
- **Tuesday, August 8**
5:00–9:00 pm—Full Band
- **Thursday, August 10**
5:00–9:00 pm—Full Band

Uniform News

By Sandra Fuqua, Uniform Chair

Uniform Fitting Schedule

Please find your fitting date below and mark your calendar. These dates are in conjunction with Band Camp. You **MUST** be fitted on your assigned day. If there is a conflict, call me *before* your date (402-5951), so I can try to work out another time for you to fit.

- **Seniors**
Monday, July 31, 12:00 noon
- **Juniors**
Tuesday, August 1, 12:00 noon
- **Sophomores**
Wednesday, August 2, 12:00 noon
- **Freshmen**
Thursday, August 3, 12:00 noon

Chaperone Shirts

The deadline for ordering chaperone shirts is **Thursday, August 10**. The cost is \$20, and these shirts are required to chaperone. It is my understanding that we are changing to a gold shirt this year, so everyone will need a new shirt, and the deadline is firm.

Sew-ers Needed

We need volunteers to help hem uniforms during Band Camp. It is simple hand hemming, and we typically send home about 5 pieces. Please call me (402-5951) if you can help with this very important, one-time-per-year task.

Panther Band Boosters

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Dates to remember

- **Thursday, July 6, 7:00 pm**—Band Booster meeting
- **Thursday, July 13, 6:30 pm**—Fundraising meeting & “Peddle Your Product Nite”

2006-2007 Performance Schedule

- **Tuesday, July 4, 5:00 pm**
Fourth of July Celebration for the City of Mobile (full returning Band)—Battleship Park
- **Saturday, July 15, 9:30 am**
Colonial Mall Grand Re-Opening (Pep Band)—Colonial Mall
- **Tuesday, July 18, 11:00 am**
Alabama State Department of Education Convention (Pep Band)—Convention Center
- **Thursday, August 31, 7:00 pm**
Murphy at Foley—Foley Stadium
- **Friday, September 8, 7:00 pm**
Murphy vs Davidson—Ladd
- **Friday, September 15, 7:00 pm**
Murphy at Baker—Baker
- **Friday, September 22, 7:00 pm**
Murphy at Theodore—Theodore
- **Saturday, September 23**
Azalea City Marching Festival—MGM
- **Friday, September 29, 7:00 pm**
Murphy vs Vigor—Ladd
- **Friday, October 6, 7:00 pm**
Murphy at MGM—MGM
- **Friday, October 13, 7:00 pm**
Murphy at Blount—Blount
- **Saturday, October 14**
Marching Contests—Location TBA
- **Friday, October 20, 7:00 pm**
Murphy vs Bryant (Homecoming)—Ladd
- **Friday, October 27, 7:00 pm**
Murphy vs McGill —Ladd
- **Friday, November 3, 7:00 pm**
Murphy vs Daphne—Ladd
- **Friday, November 10**
Playoffs—TBA
- **Monday, December 4, 7:00 pm**
Winter Concert—Murphy
- **Saturday, January 27, 8:00 am**
All-State Auditions—Davidson
- **Friday, February 2**
Mardi Gras Parade
- **Tuesday, February 6**
District Contests—Murphy
- **Friday, February 9**
Mardi Gras Parade
- **Wednesday, April 18**
All-State Solo Festival —Auburn
- **Thursday–Saturday, April 19–21**
All-State Festival—Auburn
- **Monday, April 30**
Spring Concert—Murphy