

PANTHER BAND NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2006

MURPHY HIGH SCHOOL

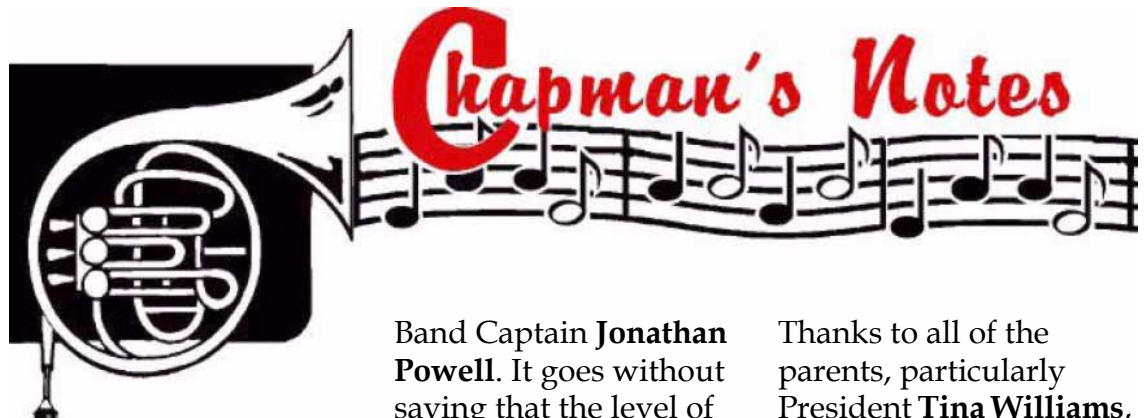
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Dear Band Members and Parents,

What a great Band Camp! I am really proud of the level of commitment from this year's group. We are blessed with great talent, great attitudes, and solid kids. We were also extremely lucky with the weather.

The rehearsals have progressed nicely, and we have about two-thirds of the competition field show on the field ready for the first half-time show.

I am particularly pleased with the leadership from the Band Council, particularly President **Amanda Chunn** and Vice-President **Rachel Griffin** as well as the

Band Captain **Jonathan Powell**. It goes without saying that the level of the new drum major, **Paul Williams**, is superb.

The football program pictures came out great. Order forms for those interested in them are in the Booster office. The football program itself is going to be a work of art (congratulations, **Leslie Chunn**).

Thanks to all of the parents, particularly President **Tina Williams**, for the cookout at the end of Camp. The food was great.

You can help us spread the word. Middle School Appreciation night will be **Friday, November 3** (the Murphy-Daphne game).

See you at the next Band Booster meeting, **Thursday, September 7**.

Drinks Needed

*By Jeanne Schemensky,
Fundraising Co-chair*

Many thanks to all who helped with the End of Band Camp Cookout; it went off without a hitch.

Just a reminder – If you haven't sent any drinks in yet, we need a minimum of 200 per

football game. Every Band member is asked to bring in a 12-pack of soft drinks or water. This year we are not asking for snacks, so please help with the drinks.



Thanks again.

Fundraising Update

By Leslie Chunn, Fundraising Chair

September is a busy month for fundraising!

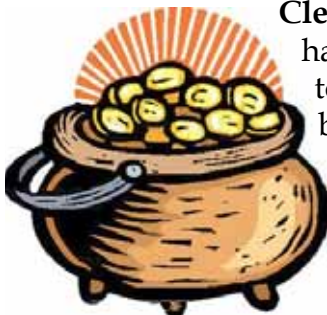
Football Program

The football program is finalized and looks great! We had a great response from businesses in our area. Please be sure to buy a program at the home games and then visit those businesses and thank them for their support. Money will be put into student accounts when all payments are in.

We also need help selling programs at the game. **Debbie Richards** has offered to help, but we'll need more volunteers to prevent fundraising/volunteer fatigue! Please contact Debbie or me if you'd be willing to sell at a game or two. You would be selling pre-game and during the first quarter, so you would not miss the halftime show.

Split the Pot

We also need help promoting the Split-the-Pot game. **Laura**



Cleveland has agreed to help, but I wouldn't mind having one or

two more volunteers on standby. Again, you would not miss halftime.

Carwash and Bagging for Tips

Our president, **Tina Williams**, is organizing our car wash and bagging-for-tips on **Saturday, September 2**.

Baked Goods & Drinks Sales

Our next endeavors are the baked goods & drinks sales at the PTSA barbeque dinner, **Tuesday, September 19**, from 5:00 until the PTSA meeting and Open House. The Guard is selling the drinks (see **Cathy Sanders**), and the remainder of the Band will be selling baked goods. On Monday and Tuesday, September 18 and 19, **Jeanne Schemensky** and I will have Rubbermaid containers in Mr. Chapman's music library. PLEASE bring baked goods, sweets, and the like in individual wrapping for sale.



Advocare & Avon

Continue to ask **Faye Hussong** about her Advocare products and **Karen Lauderdale** about Avon.



Enjoy the City

Tabitha Harwood has the Enjoy the City coupon books up and running.

Panther Paw Print Socks

Jeanne Schemensky has run into a bit of a snag with the socks. There are a few sizes and styles that, because they're not in as high a demand, cannot be bought in bulk. Continue to take orders, and we'll make adjustments as best we can. Thank you for being flexible!

Thanks!

Again, thank you so much for all you're doing to help me this year! What a great bunch of parents! If you have any questions, you can contact me at 689-0893.



President's Corner

By Amanda Chunn, Band President

Hello, Murphy Band!

Well, it's football time again. Our first game was Thursday, August 31, in Foley. The freshmen played in their first Murphy High School pep rally that morning.

Most of us were walking in Friday half asleep but, thankfully, that was our only Thursday game. The other games in September are Friday night games.

The field show is piecing together as we are beginning to work on the third song to prepare for the marching

event on **September 23** at MGM and our first and only competition on **October 7** at Troy State University.

I've picked a uniform crew to put away uniforms after games, so those people please be sure to go directly to the uniform room after every game.

Also, I am planning on having an elected Band Council meeting after school on **Thursday, September 7**, to begin discussing ideas for the Band Banquet. It should take only 5-10 minutes, so please try to attend.

Hope everyone is having a great year so far!

Uniform News

By Sandra Fuqua, Uniform Chair

Thank You!

The Uniform Committee would like to thank all the sew-ers who helped us get the uniforms altered and back in time for pictures. If you signed up to sew and we didn't use you, don't worry – we have your name and number for future sewing needs.

Special thanks to the following people for spending all week fitting all of the students in their uniforms:

- Sheila Stonecypher
- Patty Henderson
- Cindy Donnelly
- Jane Parker

Band Hoodies

Band hoodies are still available. They're \$20.00 each, and the order deadline is Friday, **September 29**.

Chaperone News

By Consheda Wallace, Chaperone Chair

Thanks to everyone who came to the chaperone meeting. I look forward to working with all of you.

Chaperones are an important part of the Murphy Band. We help the band directors keep our students safe at all Band functions.

Prior to each football game, I will call or send an email

reminder to those of you who have signed up to chaperone for that game. If you have any questions, you can call me at 402-6805.

Again, thanks for your support of the Band.



Help the Band Save Money

Send us your email address, if we don't already have it, so we can email this newsletter to you. We currently spend about \$60 each month copying and mailing newsletters.

Panther Band Boosters

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Next Band Booster Meeting

- **Thursday, September 7, 7:00 pm**

2006-2007 Performance Schedule

- **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
 - **Saturday, October 7**
Marching Contests—Troy State
 - **Friday, October 13, 7:00 pm**
Murphy at Blount—Blount
 - **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
(Middle School Night)
 - **Friday, November 10**
Playoffs—TBA
 - **Saturday, November 11**
Veteran's Day Parade—Downtown
 - **Monday, December 4, 7:00 pm**
Winter Concert—Murphy
 - **Saturday, December 16**
(Rain date is Sunday, December 17)
Mobile Holiday Parade—
Downtown
 - **Saturday, January 27, 8:00 am**
All-State Auditions—Davidson
 - **Friday, February 2**
Mardi Gras Parade (Conde
Cavaliers)
 - **Tuesday, February 6**
District Contests—Murphy
 - **Friday, February 9**
Mardi Gras Parade (Order of Inca)
 - **Wednesday, April 18**
All-State Solo Festival—Auburn
 - **Thursday–Saturday, April 19–21**
All-State Festival—Auburn
 - **Monday, April 30, 7:00 pm**
Spring Concert—Murphy
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