

PANTHER BAND NEWS

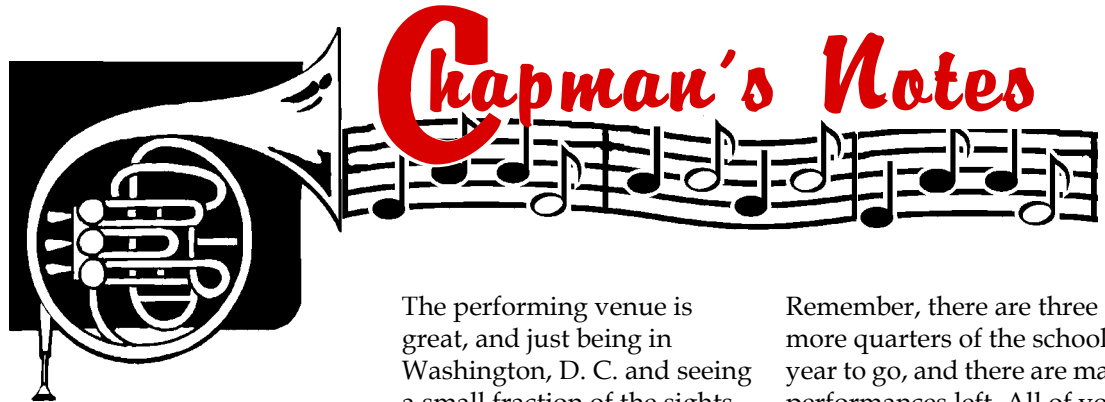
NOVEMBER 2005 MURPHY HIGH SCHOOL MIGHTY MARCHING PANTHER BAND

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murphyband.com



*By Stan Chapman,
Director*

Dear Murphy Band Members
and Parents,

The kids had a great show at the White Sands Marching Festival in Foley. I am very proud of their commitment to the band program and the show itself. If marching season is any indication, we are in for a very good year.

Symphonic tryouts will start Tuesday, November 1. The tryout schedule is listed on page 3 of this newsletter. Remember, the students must participate in all three rounds in order to stay in Symphonic Band. Most of the students have already picked up their music and scale sheets. If your Band member is not busily practicing, you need to ask him or her why. The complete tryout schedule is also listed on the web site under "Schedules."

As of yesterday, we have 185 people (adults and students) going on the Washington trip in April. I guarantee that you are going to enjoy this trip.

The performing venue is great, and just being in Washington, D. C. and seeing a small fraction of the sights that are there make a profound impact on you. We did this parade/trip in 1998, and I believe it has been the most meaningful one that I have done with Murphy.

As we wrap up marching season, I want to thank Band Booster President Ben Akey and all of those parents who did such a great job all season.

Remember, there are three more quarters of the school year to go, and there are many performances left. All of you please stay with us as we go through the year.

Incidentally, we are featuring an adult Booster of the month on the web site. Check it from time to time. You never know whose face and biography will show up.

See you at the next meeting on **Thursday, November 3.**

Cherry Blossom trip deposit deadline— November 1

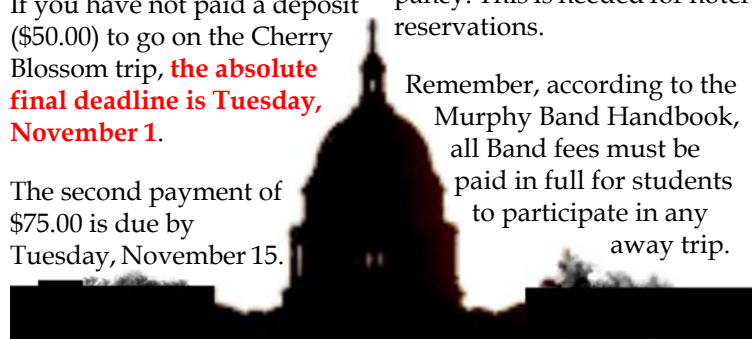
*By Janie Windham,
Treasurer*

If you have not paid a deposit (\$50.00) to go on the Cherry Blossom trip, **the absolute final deadline is Tuesday, November 1.**

The second payment of \$75.00 is due by Tuesday, November 15.

All parents going on the trip need to contact me as soon as possible about room occupancy. This is needed for hotel reservations.

Remember, according to the Murphy Band Handbook, all Band fees must be paid in full for students to participate in any away trip.



From the Band President

By Joy Easterling

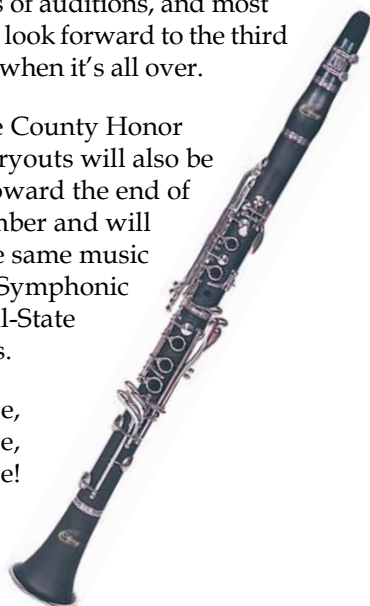
Our contest performance in Foley won us superior ratings across the board and a Best in Class for the colorguard. The night was a lot of fun because everyone was excited and ready to perform and then anxious about the results. After our performance, we were able to watch the Troy University Marching Band, and they put on an excellent show. Their band had a big, full sound, and everyone I talked to afterwards liked it as well. The contest was a satisfying finish for a difficult field season.

As our field season draws to a close, Murphy will be heading to the playoffs for the second time in my high school career! The playoff game will be on November 4 and will be played against Foley. Because the game is local, all Band members will be able to attend, and this may be our last performance of our field show.

Starting just three days before the playoff game, symphonic tryouts will be held almost every day after school from then until All-State tryouts in January. Everyone must play three rounds of auditions, and most people look forward to the third round when it's all over.


Mobile County Honor Band tryouts will also be held toward the end of November and will use the same music as the Symphonic and All-State tryouts.

Practice, practice, practice!



Taste of the Band

Enjoy a silent auction, wine tasting, and delicious samplings from several local restaurants, including these:

-  Cooper T's
-  Ruth's Chris Steak House
-  Felix's Fish Camp
-  The Best Grill (Bishop State Community College Culinary Department)




Tuesday, November 15 Scottish Rite Temple

(Corner of St. Francis and North Claiborne Streets)

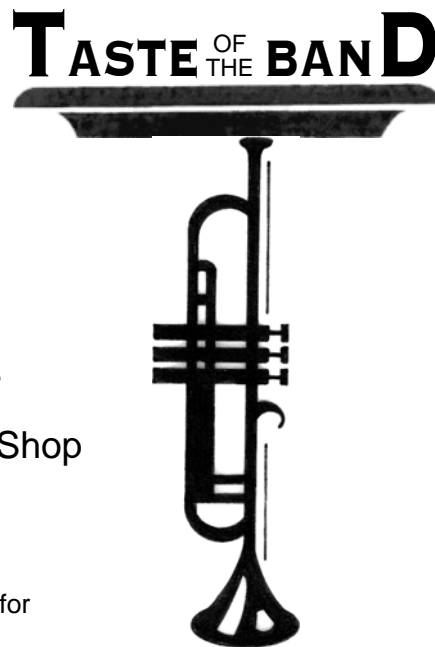
\$20.00 per person
(Adults only)

All proceeds go to the
Murphy High School Band

This event is sponsored by:

-  Panther Band Boosters
-  Three Georges Candy Shop
-  The Nuthouse

Students receive \$5.00 in their accounts for each ticket sold.



Panther Band schedule Hospitality update

2005

- **October 28 (Friday)** 7:00 pm
Football—Murphy at BCHS, BCHS
- **November 4 (Friday)** TBA
State Football Playoffs
- **November 29 (Tuesday)** 3:30 pm
All-County Woodwind Tryouts, Baker
- **December 1 (Thursday)** 3:30 pm
All-County Brass/Percussion Tryouts, Baker
- **December 13 (Tuesday)** 7:00 pm
Winter Concert, Murphy
- **December 17 (Saturday)** TBA
Christmas Parade, Downtown

2006

- **January 9–10 (Monday–Tuesday)** TBA
All-County Honor Band, Murphy

- **January 28 (Saturday)** 8:00 am
All-State Tryouts, Davidson
- **February 10 (Friday)** 6:30 pm
Mardi Gras Parade, Downtown
- **February 14 (Tuesday)** TBA
District Contests, Murphy
- **February 17 (Friday)** 6:30 pm
Mardi Gras Parade, Downtown
- **April 5–10 (Wednesday–Monday) Overnight**
National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade, Washington, D.C.
- **April 19–22 (Wednesday–Saturday) Overnight**
All-State Honor Band, Auburn
- **April 29 (Saturday)** TBA
Solo and Ensemble Festival, TBA
- **May 1 (Monday)** 7:00 pm
Spring Concert, Murphy

by Jeanne and Dennis Schemensky, Co-chairs, Hospitality Committee

THANKS!!!! to everyone who sent, brought in, or gave us money to buy snacks.

We are going to the playoffs, so we will need some more drinks (no Cokes please) and snacks to make it all the way through. Remember, whatever your child likes is what you should bring in. We have had a request for Gator Aid or similar drinks.

Anyone who wants to help during third-quarter break is welcome.

Thanks again!

Symphonic Band tryout schedule

First Round

- **November 1 (Tuesday)**
Flutes
- **November 2 (Wednesday)**
Low Clarinets/Oboes/Bassoons
- **November 3 (Thursday)**
Clarinets
- **November 7 (Monday)**
Saxophones
- **November 8 (Tuesday)**
Trumpets
- **November 9 (Wednesday)**
Horns
- **November 10 (Thursday)**
Baritones
- **November 14 (Monday)**
Trombones
- **November 15 (Tuesday)**
Tubas/String Bass
- **November 16 (Wednesday)**
Percussion

Second Round

- **November 17 (Thursday)**
Flutes
- **November 21 (Monday)**
Clarinets
- **November 22 (Tuesday)**
Low Clarinets/Double Reeds
- **November 28 (Monday)**
Saxophones
- **November 29 (Tuesday)**
Trumpets
- **November 30 (Wednesday)**
Horns
- **December 1 (Thursday)**
Trombones
- **December 6 (Tuesday)**
Baritones
- **December 7 (Wednesday)**
Percussion
- **December 8 (Thursday)**
Tubas

Third Round

- **December 12 (Monday)**
Flutes
- **December 13 (Tuesday)**
Clarinets
- **December 14 (Wednesday)**
Low Clarinets/Double Reeds
- **December 15 (Thursday)**
Saxophones
- **January 9 (Monday)**
Trumpets
- **January 10 (Tuesday)**
Horns
- **January 11 (Wednesday)**
Trombones
- **January 12 (Thursday)**
Baritones
- **January 16 (Monday)**
Tubas
- **January 17 (Tuesday)**
Percussion

Panther Band Boosters

100 So. Carlen Street
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Next Band Booster meeting

Thursday, November 3, 7:00 pm,
in the Band Room

Panther Band Boosters

Officers

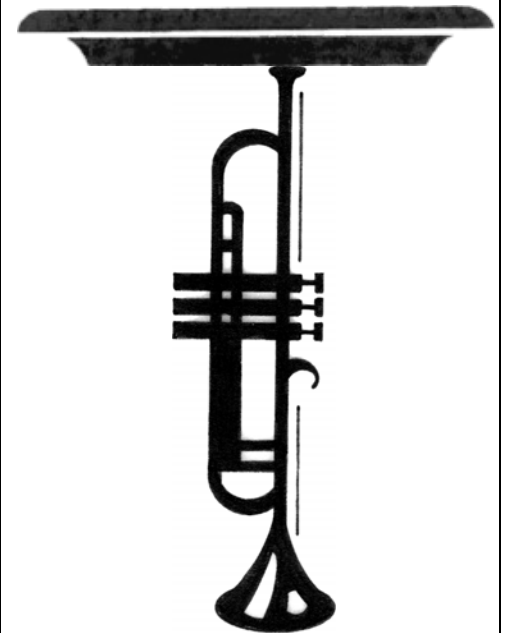
- **President**
Ben Akey
- **Vice President**
Leslie Chunn
- **Secretary**
Tina Williams
- **Treasurer**
Janie Windham



Committees

- **Chaperone**
Sandy Wheeler
- **Email**
Marsha Anderson
- **First Aid**
Cherine Chundro
- **Fundraising**
Leslie Chunn
- **Football Program**
Susan McNair
- **Hospitality**
Jeanne and Dennis Schemensky
- **Newsletter**
Ken Gadomski
- **Safety**
Ken Thompson
- **Telephone**
Aerial Shoots
- **Uniform**
Sandra Fuqua

TASTE ^{OF} THE BAND



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15
GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!