



FISHERS HIGH SCHOOL
TIGER BAND

NEWSLETTER

Late July 2010

Visit the website at www.fishersband.com

Events in July/August:

- Mon & Tues 19th, 20th:
Command Staff 8-noon
- Wed & Thurs 21st, 22nd:
Pre-Camp, new marchers &
command staff 6-9pm
- Fri 23rd: Pre-Camp, Every-
one! 6-9pm
- Sat 24th: Carwash at Sears
Hardware, 10-4pm
- Mon-Fri 26th-Aug 6th:
BAND CAMP!
- Fri 30th: Ben & Ari's Lock-
In
- Mon 2nd: Cool River Pizza
Fundraiser, all day
- Fri 6th: Parent Picnic 6-9pm

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Car Wash - July 24th

There is a car wash scheduled at Sears Hardware on Allisonville Road on Saturday, July 24 (weekend before band camp officially starts.) It will run from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Contact Keith Kline at kline-kaa@comcast.net to sign up for a shift. Start working on those signs :-)

We are issuing a challenge... last weekend, the FHS Girls Soccer Team made just over \$1,100.00 in a 4 hour wash. The band can easily beat that by spreading the word to all their family and friends to bring their cars in for a Wash!

Bring towels, sponges and buckets. We have soap, 2 hoses and a Y-connector. If anyone could bring a 3rd hose, it would be much appreciated. Things will be set up by 9:45, Band Members need to arrive before 10:00 and stay as long as they can. We need help throughout the day, with a minimum of 15 to



STUDENT ACCOUNTS/PAYMENTS

3rd payments for Marching band were due July 15th

Scott Crawford has taken over the SA information, and is getting up to speed with it. Statements will be sent soon. If you need to check your balance or set up a payment plan, please contact Scott at fhsbandaccounts@gmail.com. If you are waiting for fundraisers to pay for marching band fees, please contact Scott, so he knows when to expect payments!

Parents of Seniors...please contact Vicki Rudell at

vrudell@aol.com; she is organizing a special T-shirt to commemorate our Senior Marchers.

Thank you to band mom Michelle Nguyen, and Todd Tida-back at Fishers Target for the donation of 150 bottles of Gatorade for the use of the band! Every donation is appreciated.

A LETTER FROM OUR BAND CAMP MOM, CAROL BAILEY....

Very Important Band Camp Information!!!!

Dear Marching Band Parents,

As the first day of band camp draws near, I wanted to take this opportunity to send out a few tips and reminders that I think will come in handy. For those of you who are new to marching band (as we all have been at some point!), I am hoping these pointers will help to put your minds at ease. Sometimes I think we should publish a book titled, 'Marching Band Parent' for Dummies!

If you still aren't sure of the schedule this year, please go to our wonderful website www.fishersband.com. You can download and print not only the schedule, but the registration and health forms if you haven't already gotten those turned in for your student. (If the website is down, please contact Alison Goller at fishersbands@att.net for forms or calendar!)

TIPS AND REMINDERS:

- Camp starts promptly at 8 am daily. That means the band members need to be ready to practice by then. **Please have them arrive several minutes early in order to be prepared!**
- Acceptable attire includes – shorts, T-shirts or tank tops, socks and tennis shoes, hats or bandanas (if desired). DO NOT let your child leave the house in flip-flops, sandals, crocs, or anything else that doesn't look like an athletic shoe! I can't stress enough that a good shoe is VERY important.
- Please make sure they eat at least a light breakfast before leaving home. Avoid milk products, especially on the hottest of days.
- Sunscreen is a MUST every day. They will be practicing outside every morning and most likely again later in the afternoons. You may have them apply it before they leave (best case scenario!), and you should send some along for them to reapply if they need it after lunch. We will have limited supplies available in cases of forgetfulness.
- We will require all marchers to bring a LARGE insulated container of water each day this year. It is very important that they stay hydrated in the heat. Believe me, they work very hard and sweat a whole lot! This is an example of the type of container we recommend. They are available just about everywhere - at least 1/2 gallon, preferably 1 gal!
- Bottles of sports drink may be sent along with the water, but the marchers need to be responsible for these.
- **A sack lunch should be sent on Mon, Wed & Fri, 7/26, 7/28, 7/30, 8/2, 8/4, and 8/6.** We provide lunch on the other 4 days, (Tues & Thurs.) Keep in mind that these days can get very hot, so try to keep the lunch light. Lunches will be kept inside, but if you want to send them in a small cooler you are welcome to.
- We do provide a morning snack, so there is no need to send food other than lunch! Drinks are provided during snack breaks.
- IF YOUR CHILD USES A RESCUE INHALER FOR ASTHMA.....please have them carry it with them during camp. We want them to be able to use it as soon as they might need to.
- If you have any other medical concerns you would like us to be aware of, please contact me via email. We do have a stocked first aid tent during camp, and we also keep the band members' medical forms with us. Once again, please make sure we have the signed health form on file.
- The marchers must provide their own **paint pens or glass chalk**. They can probably tell you why they need these if you don't know! Bright colors will be easiest to see on the blacktop. These can be found in the auto section of Walmart and other stores.



Make sure you mark all belongings with student's name!

This is probably not all of the information you need, but it should help get you started. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. If I can't answer a question, I sure will find somebody who can! Thank you so much for letting your student participate in band camp this year. Get ready for a wild, exciting ride

Yours,

Carol Bailey
Band Camp Coordinator
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MARCHING BAND SIGN UP – IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY DONE THIS!

All of the forms and the calendar are on the home page at www.fishersband.com. (If the website is down, please contact Alison Goller at fishersbands@att.net for forms!) The "Parent Guide to Marching Band" gives lots of information, but feel free to email any of the board members if you have questions.

Paperwork Checklist:

- Welcome letter** - explains fees & payment schedule. Print & keep!
- Commitment form** –agreeing to be part of 2010-11 marching band season, pay fees etc. Parents and students sign and return.
- Code of Conduct** –behavior expectations, students sign and return.
- Health form** –Fill out and sign both sides. Students can't participate without this on record (All information is kept confidential)
- Contact Information** - It is essential that we have accurate contact information! All statements, newsletters, updates and communications are emailed! **Please include T-shirt & GYM SHORTS size!** (S M L XL 2XL or 3XL) (A second order will be placed for those who didn't get these items for the parades.)
- Parent Volunteer form** - Please consider volunteering some time to help this wonderful group! There is something for everyone!
- Please be aware that as of July 15th, the 3rd payment was due. Please include at least one payment with the paperwork, and make arrangements with Scott Crawford (student accounts) to catch up on the payment schedule.

Need a break from cooking during these hot summer days or tired of coming up with new ideas for dinner?

Try a new restaurant and support the band all at the same time! Check out **Cool River Pizza**, 14741 Hazel Dell Crossing (in front of Kroger) 575-8002 www.CoolRiverPizza.com

Monday, August 2, ALL DAY Dine In, Carry Out, or Delivery

Just mention Fishers High School Band and 20% of the sale will be given to the band's general fund. Make sure they write FHS Band on the receipt they keep. No flyer is needed. They have pizza (ready to eat or take & bake), pasta, salads, wings, etc. Check out their full menu on-line. Ask about their daily specials and "Family Deal" which is a large pizza with unlimited toppings, large order of breadsticks, large tossed family salad, and a 2 Liter soda or 4 fountain drinks for \$25. If you dine it, you'll enjoy the rustic look of the restaurant. They have board games to play while you're waiting for your food, so have some friendly competition with your section!

Enjoy some great food with friends while dining at

Cool River Pizza; See you there!

(Hazel Dell is currently closed just south of 146th Street. It would be best to take 146th west at Allisonville to get to the restaurant. Turn at either of the two entrances to the Kroger immediately west of McDonalds. The restaurant is on the northeast corner of Hazel Dell and 146th Street.)





Fundraising!

Indianapolis Motor Speedway: Contact Julie Edwards at fourtj@comcast.net for more information or to sign up for events. We have a relationship with a company named "Chill Out" that sells ice cream, pretzels and lemonade at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. They need people to man their booths for IMS events. Indy GP dates are Friday, August 27; Saturday, August 28; and Sunday, August 29. You can work one, or as many dates as you would like. Students 16 years and older can work as long as they are accompanied by an adult.



SCRIP/Kroger: This fundraiser runs year round - so you can earn money for your student account all the time, just by doing the shopping you would normally do! Contact Peggy Ranz at epranz@comcast.net or Margie Shaw at mpshaw63@gmail.com for details on how you can sign up and start saving!

Trash bags: Even though there are only 2 official trash bag sales during the year, you can purchase these high quality bags, in 4 sizes, at any time! \$3 per roll sold goes to your account. Contact Keith Kline at klinekaa@comcast.net; for more information.



Entertainment Books: Our annual sale of these great coupon books will be kicked off at the parent picnic at the end of band camp. Approx \$11.25 of each book sold will go to your student account - Lots of information to come. Juli Ellis is heading this up, contact her at juli.ellis@sbcglobal.net

Lucas Oil Stadium: Contact Angela Ballensky at ballensky6@comcast.net for more information. Registrations will be online through HSEHS Bands website soon. TIPS training required.



Conner Prairie Concessions: Contact Peg McEvoy mcevpeg@yahoo.com for details. We are in the process of getting dates and details - watch this space!

Over \$37,200 has been raised by all of you for your student accounts from June 2009 -June 2010! WOW, that's a lot of money -*about 46% of all band fees were paid for through fundraisers!*

Trash Bag Sale coming soon!

We're going to kick off another trash bag sale at the Parent Preview Picnic on August 6th.

Start thinking about who may want to purchase!

Payment will be required with orders.

Bags are available in 4 sizes, at a cost of \$9/roll. \$3 per roll goes directly to your student account. For more information, contact Keith Kline at klinekaa@comcast.net



Parent Show-Shirt Orders!

Angela Walsh will be collecting orders for all you parents to purchase your own *Rising from the Shadows* show shirt to support our Marching Tigers for the season. More information will follow, but if you'd like to place your order, Angela will start to tally the numbers. Contact her at angwalsh@comcast.net.

- Price and timeline to be determined...(ballpark of \$15/shirt)
- Only** pre-ordered shirts will be available. (No extras will be ordered.)
- All orders must be paid for at time of pick up - we will note if you have student account money available. (We're shooting for the parent picnic on Aug 6th...!)
- Please state sizes clearly... (for example, do you want 2 extra large shirts or one 2XL shirt?!)
- Adult unisex sizes from S to 3XL.
- Shirts that aren't picked up in a timely manner will be charged to your student account.

Gearing up for a FANTASTIC season—show your Tiger Pride :-)

BACKGROUND CHECKS: Is yours valid? If you anticipate volunteering for the band in any capacity, from building props to chaperoning, manning the first aid tent or serving meals...we all need a valid background check on file with the HSE corporation.

Please go to the HSE central office, or stop by the FHS office (or call them!) to fill out a new background check form or verify the expiration date of your old one. Thanks!

FHS Boosters Capital Campaign

It is time to get serious about money. The FHS Tiger Band is moving into it's 5th year, and we need to consider some MAJOR purchases. As the whole program grows, we will need instruments; lots of instruments. Marching band uniforms are wearing out and will need to be replaced, and we need a safe band tower. The list goes on... to the tune of about \$125,000. Raising this money will require a dedicated group of volunteers building relationships with local businesses and within the community, and working toward our goals.

Please consider what you can do to be a part of this team. Can you be part of the campaign committee? Would your place of work be willing to sponsor our band program? Please contact Vicki Rudell, any board member or the directors, if you can help.

FAIR SHARE FEES FOR 2010/2011 SCHOOL YEAR. The band boosters will charge a \$25/student fair share fee for the upcoming school year for **all students participating in band class**. The "book fees" for band have been dropped from \$50 to \$25 to offset this. The reasoning behind this change is to allow greater flexibility in how the money is used. The school district mandates that book fees are for consumable items only, yet the band directors have a far greater need for instruments to put in kids' hands or any number of non-consumable areas. With the money coming to the booster organization, we have the flexibility to purchase items that are most needed for the program. This fee is to be considered part of your school fees and will be billed to you through Student Account. It can be paid for through any of the fundraisers we offer, or by check to FHS Bands.