



Magnolia High School Band Booster Club

JULY 2008 NEWSLETTER

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Dear MHS Band Family,

On June 16th I accepted an offer for a different professional opportunity. It was one of the most difficult decisions that I have had to make. I love MHS and the MHS Band. Most of all, I love the students of the MHS Band.

The MHS Band students accepted me with open arms. They showed me an eagerness to learn and an excitement to achieve excellence that any director in the state would be proud to be a part of. I am so grateful for my association with the students and staff of MHS and for their kindness, friendship, support and love.

I will cherish the memories of the MHS Band earning its first UIL Sweepstakes Award and the standard of excellence that the MHS Band students have established.

I know Mr. Springer will find an excellent director to take over the program. Please give that person all the love and support that you gave to me. This is your band and you have established your standard of excellence.

I hope for the continued success for the students and the MHS Band. I will treasure the memories and friendships that I have made. Go Bulldog Band!

Sincerely,

Jerry Choate

SUMMER MAILING

Be on the lookout for the summer mailing of all band & guard information! Once our new director has been named and he/she has a chance to approve all of the schedules and calendar, we will assemble all of the information and pass it along to you!

CHICK-FIL-A FUNDRAISER

Don't forget to stop by Chick-fil-a for dinner Monday night, July 7. The first Monday of every month is Magnolia Band Night.

The MHS Band / Guard will receive **25%** of your total purchase that night from 5 - 9 p.m. when you present the flyer enclosed in this newsletter to the cashier. **You must have the flyer in order for the band and guard to benefit from your purchase.**

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Band Boosters/Parents,

June has brought many changes to our band members as we have lost two outstanding Band Directors. Mr. Go rring has landed a wonderful opportunity as Second Band Director for College Park and Mr. Choate will be furthering his career as Head Band Director at Cypress Creek High School.

The kids will greatly miss them both, as they move into this exciting year of new uniforms, props for marching season, with the music and marching drill that was written exclusively for the MHS Band. All of this is a direct reflection of the dedication these two directors have made to this band and for that I would like to say Thank You. With that being said we would also like to welcome Mr. Fontenot as the new Fine Arts Director for MISD and we look forward to the excitement he will bring to this department.

As we move forward, the Band Boosters will continue with the forward thinking and positive attitudes we committed to when we accepted these rolls. We are also looking forward to meeting and supporting the new Head Band Director in their new roll at MHS. We are hoping to make this transition as easy as possible for everyone involved. We are committing ourselves to being the pivot point for the kids, and parents as well as to support the New Director.

I have been in contact with Administration who is very supportive of this band program and we are still on track with most of the items that we already established. They too are committed to the kids having a great year, while striving as always to improve this program. We are still on task building the tunnels and props for the marching contest. The fundraisers and the band fees are still in place. So sign up now and be a part of this exciting and transitional year. There are still a number of concerts that need volunteers as well as committees and concession stand workers. Dads we need you too!

We also need your help in showing the new director what a great place MHS is and how supportive the Band Boosters are as we continue to be the example that we set for our kids.

Thank you in advance for your continued support,
Lisa Lorton

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 8, 15, 22 Color Guard Open Gym 10 am – 4 pm
July 28 – Aug 1 Color Guard Camp 9 am – 4:30 pm
July 28 – Aug 1 Percussion Camp 9 am – 4 pm

BAND / COLORGUARD WEBSITE

For updated information throughout the year, please visit the Band and Booster Club websites.

Band Website: <http://www.magnoliaband.net/home2.html>
Booster Website:
<http://magnoliabandboosters.tripod.com/index.html>

FUNDRAISING

We have a lot of new and fun ways for the band to raise money this coming year, especially for the students' trip accounts. Start cleaning out the garage and closets for our first annual garage sale, and mark your calendars to eat at Chick-fil-a the first Monday of every month! We will need volunteers for our dinners and events, as well, so be thinking about your gifts and talents and plan to sign up for some fun at the Parents' Meeting in August.

PAVILION NOTES

Well, THANKS to EVERYONE for the HARD work at the Arrowfest concert!!! All of you worked so hard. You guys, Ken Lorton, Paul and Matt Chandler & Taylor Daniel - you ROCK!! We couldn't have done it without you. Bulldog men rule!!! You gals ROCK too! Lisa Lorton, Diane Hendrix, Barbara and Stacy Naylor, Amy Hahn, Laura Sherfey, and Ali Trlica - you all worked through the heat and met some rather "interesting" characters! I had such fun working with all of you. Our next concert is Foreigner with Bryan Adams on July 25, then again the next night with Journey. It should be fun! These concerts should go faster since they are shorter than something like Arrowfest. We hope to have the few kinks we had all worked out ...so sign up for your turn. It's a fun way to work with your kids and raise money!! To sign up, please contact Janet Vaughn to get on the list. C'mon dads and sons we need your brawn!!

See ya'll soon - Theresa Chandler, Treasurer

PAVILION DETAILS

DATES	PERFORMERS	WORKERS REQUIRED
Fri., July 25	Foreigner/Brian Adams	10
Sat., July 26	Journey	10 - 15
Sat., Aug. 2	John Mayer	10
Sat., Aug. 9	Kid Rock/Lynyrd Skynrd	10
Fri., Aug. 15	Dave Matthews Band	10 - 15
Sat., Aug. 23	Judas Priest	10
Sun., Aug. 24	Project Revolution/Linkin Park	10 - 15
Fri., Aug. 29	Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers	10 - 15
Fri., Sept. 5	Maroon 5	10
Sat., Sept. 20	Santana	10 - 15

IMPORTANT FACTS

Right now, we are scheduled to be selling beer, water and Gatorade on the lawn. It requires some lifting and moving around of coolers, so we definitely need several strong guys each time.

We would arrive 60-90 minutes early (free parking and shuttle service to the back stage area). Then we load up beer and drinks

into the coolers and take them up to the lawn area. We sell from the sidewalks.

Attire: Khaki pants, Capri's or shorts...they provide a shirt. We can wear MHS Band/Guard caps/hats. Sunscreen is must since there is no shade.

Those selling beer have to be at least 18, but they can be a student. Anyone selling the beer **has to go through the TABC training**. You can take the class on line or at several locations each month. Please go to www.alcoholservers.com for locations of live training and online training opportunities. You can also go to www.learn2serve.com/TXSPECIAL and receive 40% off by using Discount Code TXSPECIAL This offer Expires 7-31-08

For additional training info or questions, please contact Dawn at Sunrise@aol.com.

The minimum age for any worker is 16 (or if they look close, it'll be ok). They will only sell water and sports drinks. If we're ever in a concession stand, they can't touch the liquor.

Magnolia has committed to the dates above and if we have a good showing, we will be offered more in the future. This is an unbelievable opportunity to raise a lot of money, and very few organizations are given the chance to get their foot in the door at the Pavilion. Groups are able to make as much as \$2,500 per event, if it is sold out. Our commission rate is 10% on water and sports drinks, and 8% on beer. We can also ask for tips, which on a \$9.00 bottle of beer, many people will give us \$10 and tell us to keep the change.

This can be a lot of fun as well. So pick out your favorite artist, enjoy the concert and help raise a ton of money!!!!

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