



Fort Mill Band Notes



September 2006

Director's Message

Dear Parents and Friends,

It has been extremely hectic the last couple of weeks, but things are beginning to come together. I would like to personally thank each of you for all your work on behalf of our students. Whether it is working at Verizon, sewing sashes, fitting uniforms, chaperoning band camp, working with the pit, or any other activity your help contributes to the band's success. This is tremendous! Thanks to everyone who has worked our fundraising events, you are the fuel in our "Booster" Club. Chad Pence, Sean Carney, Connie Grantham, Diana Leaver, Jason Ford, Bill Register, Philip Rainer, Chris Fisher, Brian Bambauer, DeAnne Frazier, Connie Akers and Clare Hawes and the rest of the staff have all been working extremely hard to make this the best group of student musicians we have ever had. Be sure and thank these people every chance you have because without this incredible staff, the band would not be where it is.

The competition season is ahead of us and your help is needed to make these events successful. Did you realize that it takes over 50 adults to help our band through a performance? The students are in need of parents to help the band's success at performances. Please let us know where you can help our band students. We need chaperones, pit crew helpers, uniform helpers, color guard helpers, etc. Give Bev Kibler or Chris Krieger a call or email message so they can get you in touch with the right people. Thanks again for all you do.

I look forward to you participating at our next booster meeting, Monday, September 25.

Sincerely,

Martin Dickey



Email from the Booster Club

If you would like to receive information via email from the booster club, please send a note to our the booster club's email address at fmbandclub@comporium.net so we can update and/or add your email address to the Fort Mill High School Band distribution list.

If you are not receiving email from the booster club and you should be, please make sure your anti-spam/email filtering program allows the email address of fmbandclub@comporium.net to reach your mailbox.

Charlotte Bobcats Arena, Verizon Amphitheatre & Knights Stadium

HELP IS NEEDED!!!

The booster club continues its fundraising activities at the new Charlotte Bobcats arena, the Verizon Amphitheatre and Knights Stadium. The band program earns a percentage of the concession stand's sales and is one of our most lucrative fundraiser events that **benefits all band, guard and percussion students** while workers earn points that can be used to pay band fees, trips, etc.

Questions, event information, schedules, arrival time and sign-up forms can be found on the band's website (www.fortmillband.com – see the Arena/Verizon/Knights section) or by contacting:

Bobcat Arena/Knights Stadium info - **Betsy Dugan** at 803-548-2746 or via email at betsydugan@yahoo.com

Verizon Amphitheatre info - **Richard McCluskey** at 803-548-3136 or via email at rsmc_disney@go.com

All Fundraising Events – **Chris Krieger** at 803-548-6946 or via email at ckrieger@comporium.net

Upcoming Schedule*

Charlotte Bobcats Arena

Knights Stadium

No Events Scheduled

No Events Scheduled

Verizon Amphitheatre

9/29 (Fri) – Widespread Panic

9/30 (Sat) – Widespread Panic

10/15 (Sun) – Toby Keith w/ Joe Nichols

**Concert dates are subject to change. Please visit the band's website for the latest schedule!!*

Important!!!

*TIPS training is required to serve adult beverages at Verizon events but we do have other jobs that do not require the TIPS training (food/soda only windows, etc.). Please come out and see what other volunteers are doing for the band program at Verizon that **benefits all the students and the entire band program!!!***



URGENT - Drinks Needed!!!

Did you know that when the band competes, the band members will go through **lots of drinks** during the day?

To assist with this demand, we are asking parents to provide any types of soft drinks - Coke or Pepsi products (12 pack cans are preferable - no liter bottles), bottled water, etc. Please deliver – or have your kids deliver – the soft drinks to the band room under the table near Mr. Dickey's office.



Thanks!!!





Tips/Reminders



- A written note must be submitted to Mr. Dickey **PRIOR** to any trip – not the day of departure - if your child will not be traveling back with the band after an event.
- Any prescription medicine required for a child needs to be in a clearly marked container and delivered to **Cathy Loeper**, our chaperone leader.
- Please **DO NOT PARK** in front of the ramps/gates in the parking lots (by band room or the practice field). This is used to move the band equipment for practices, games and performances.
- Please remember **when making payments**, write your child's name and what the payment is for on the check and/or envelop.
- **All students** must have a health & financial form completed on file. See the band's website for the form.
- If you are interested in **assisting any committee**, please contact the committee chairperson, President or Vice-President.
- **Questions about Guard???** Please refer to the guard handbook that was provided to each guard student last May.
- Date and times of events are subject to change. **PLEASE ASK STUDENT** to verify schedule/start time!!!

BOA Trip – Atlanta

October 27th-29th

- The band will perform in the prelims at the Georgia Dome in downtown Atlanta on **Friday evening, October 27th**. Finals are scheduled for Saturday evening.
- Ticket information and other information (schools participating, etc.) can be found at the **Bands of America** website – www.bands.org.
- The band will be staying in the Perimeter Center area of Atlanta – 15-30 minutes from downtown. The city of Atlanta has a wide range of hotels via location and price but the Embassy Suites (Perimeter Center) and Doubletree Suites (Perimeter Center) are reasonably priced and clean hotels.
- The students will be traveling to Atlanta on Friday and returning back to Fort Mill on Sunday. **Exact dates and times** will be available the week of the trip on the table outside of Mr. Dickey's office.

Do you have questions, comments or ideas for the newsletter? What would you like to see? How can we make it more useful? What do you want to know about? – Please contact **Chris Krieger** via email at ckrieger@comporium.net or phone at 803-548-6946 with your thoughts and ideas.

Remember – Please visit the Fort Mill Band website regularly at www.fortmillband.com for the most current information about the Fort Mill High School band and its upcoming activities.



Guard Info



Reminder!!! Uniform deposits of \$100 need to be sent in as soon as possible. There will be a balance of approximately \$60 due when uniforms are received. The balance will depend on the final cost of the uniform and any shipping fees. Points cannot be used to pay for uniforms.

Equipment bags have been ordered. Each guard member is required to purchase an equipment bag for \$20. Payments should be sent in to the Blue and Gold Band Club. Points cannot be used to pay for the bags.

There are no updates on shoes at this time. Information will be distributed as soon as it is available.



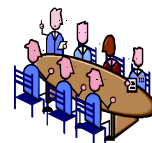
2006-2007 Blue & Gold Band Club Board of Directors

For questions, information or volunteering opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the board. Email addresses can be found on the website – www.fortmillband.com - under the directory.

<i>President</i>	Bev Kibler	BevKibler@hotmail.com	984-8533
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Club Committee Chairpersons

<i>Band Store</i>Judy Keziah	<i>Color Guard Liaison</i>Tina Walters
<i>Newsletter</i>Chris Krieger	<i>Website/Email</i>Colleen Hunt
<i>Band Camp</i>Sharon Stanek	<i>Hospitality</i>Wendy Mize
<i>Chaperones</i>Cathy Loeper	<i>Band Exhibitions</i>Kathy Krieger/Bev Kibler
<i>Verizon</i>Richard McCluskey	<i>Uniforms</i>Debra Herbert
<i>CIPA</i>TBD	<i>Fruit Fundraiser</i>Cathy Loeper
<i>Golf Tournament</i>Chris Krieger	<i>Knights</i>Betsy Dugan
<i>Programs</i>Colleen Hunt	<i>Charlotte Bobcats Arena</i>Betsy Dugan
<i>Region Band</i>Kathy Krieger	<i>Pit Crew</i>Donald Jacobs/Chris Krieger
<i>Solo/Ensemble</i>TBD	<i>Spring Meal Fundraiser (BBQ)</i> ...TBD
<i>Percussion Liaison</i>Donna Pennisson	<i>Silent Auction/Yard Sale</i>TBD



Band Store

Show shirts are in!!! We will be at evening practices (except when it rains) if you want to stop by or, if your child will be picking up the shirts, please have them see **Judy Keziah** immediately after practice. We do have a few left so if you are interested, come see us.

New items have arrived!!! We have a very warm and fuzzy fleece blanket that can folded back up into its own pocket to make a pillow. It will be great for bus trips. The band logo is included and personalization is available at extra cost. We also have a royal blue padded stadium seat with back and accessory pouch for your program and snacks. We have two styles of women's polos offered in three different colors, sweatshirts, zip hoodies for both men and women and a toboggan hat for the students - good for those cold evening practices in October. Please see our website at www.fortmillband.com/pages/Band%20Store.htm for more details.

We will have samples at evening practices for you to see. You can also find us in the band parking lot before home football games. The next order deadline for new items is September 20th. Please email Judy Keziah at judy@pro-bal.com for questions.

BLUE & GOLD BAND CLUB

Parent Volunteer Survey

2006-2007

Dear Band Parents,

The Blue and Gold Band Club (B&GBC) needs your help with the committees that operate throughout the band's marching and concert season. There are a variety of ways to get involved with at least one area that can fit into your schedule. Please take a few moments to review this list of B&GBC committees and check all the items that you are interested in learning more about or assisting with in the future. We will have committee information available at each B&GBC Booster meeting. Please join us to learn more...

Parent(s) Name: _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Student(s) Name: _____ **Grade(s):** _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail(s) _____

Father's Employer: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Mother's Employer: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Other Contact Information: _____

Please indicate the areas in which you would be interested in volunteering during the upcoming school year. Please remember that the band needs the assistance and support of all the parents and families to be successful. This is a great way to meet parents, get to know the band students and have an enjoyable time. Please indicate your preferences in the first column with a ✓.

✓	ACTIVITY	DATES	DUTIES
	Hospitality Committee Wendy Mize pwmize@comporium.net Donna Pennisson 802-7296 524-3584 pennisson@comporium.net	Fall	Donation of beverage items Donation of baked goods Preparing snacks for competitions Serving meals at competition
	Pit Crew Donald Jacobs 417-2589 revdjacobs@comporium.net Chris Krieger 548-6946 ckrieger@comporium.net	Fall	Commercial Drivers License Class A Prop Fabrication Loading Truck before competitions Assist with equipment at competitions assist with equipment at home football games
	Chaperones Cathy Loeper loeperfam@comporium.net	All Year	Away Football Games One Day Competitions Overnight competitions
	8th Grade Football Night (Open)	Fall	Coordinate with directors Arrange for meals for 8th grade students Arrange snacks for 8th grade parents
	Fruit Fundraiser Cathy Loeper loeperfam@comporium.net	Fall	Distribution of student order forms High School order collection; Distribution of fruit to students
	Band Store Judy Keziah 548-6733 Judy@pro-bal.com	All Year	Help as needed
	Programs Colleen Hunt 547-1312 cfhunt@juno.com	Fall	Design/work with printers Solicit advertisements Collate programs

√	ACTIVITY	DATES	DUTIES
	Uniform committee Debra Herbert 802-8560 josh.herbert@iname.com	Fall	Sew Hems Track uniform accessory distribution & payments Prepare uniforms to go to the cleaners. Spot clean uniforms after performances when uniforms don't go to cleaners. Repair uniforms after each performance.
	Verizon: Richard McCluskey 548-2746 rsmc_disney@go.com Knights: Betsy Dugan 548-3136 betsydugan@yahoo.com Bobcats: Chris Krieger 548-6946 ckrieger@comporium.net	All Year	Schedule volunteers Volunteer/work events Volunteer/Manage events
	CIPA Competition Open	Late Winter	Schedule volunteers Coordinate with directors Arrange for concessions Work the day of the event (Early Spring)
	Color Guard :Tina Walters twalters@comporium.net		
	Percussion: Donna Pennisson pennisson@comporium.net		
	Silent Auction / Yard Sale open	Spring	Soliciting donations through correspondence Soliciting donations through business visitation Donor recognition Pricing and organizing auction items
	Spring Meal Fundraiser open	Spring	Schedule volunteers Coordinate with directors Arrange for food Work the day of the event
	Exhibitions Bev Kibler 984-8533 bevkibler@hotmail.com Kathy Krieger 548-6946 ckrieger@comporium.net	Fall	Schedule volunteers Coordinate with directors Arrange for concessions Work the day of the event
	Region Band Kathy Krieger 548-6946 ckrieger@comporium.net	Winter	Schedule volunteers Coordinate with directors Arrange for concessions Work the day of the event
	Solo/Ensemble open	Winter	Schedule volunteers Coordinate with directors Arrange for concessions Work the day of the event
	Website Colleen Hunt 547-1312 cfhunt@juno.com	All Year	Web site design Distribute e-mail to booster club members Update web site
	Golf Tournament Chris Krieger 548-6946 ckrieger@comporium.net	All Year	Sign up sponsors Sign up foursomes Volunteer at the tournament

If you are willing to serve as a volunteer in your occupational capacity such as nurse, auditor, accountant, etc., please list your area of expertise:

**Blue and Gold Band Club
PO Box 611
Fort Mill, SC 28716**

Please complete this form and return to Mr. Dickey's box in his office, by mail or you may e-mail your preferences to cfhunt@juno.com .



Important Dates

Dates and times are subject to change. Please visit the band's website – www.fortmillband.com - for the most current schedule.



September

- 25 (Mon) Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm - Fort Mill HS Band Room)
- 29 (Fri) Football Game v/s York (Homecoming - 7:30 PM – Fort Mill HS)

October

- 6 (Fri) Football Game v/s Northwestern (Pep Band - 7:30 PM - Rock Hill, SC)
- 7 (Sat) Olde English Festival of Bands (Rock Hill, SC)
- 13 (Fri) Football Game v/s South Pointe (Pep Band – 7:30 PM - Rock Hill, SC)
- 14 (Sat) SAT Test Date – **TAKE ON THIS DAY**
- 20 (Fri) Football Game v/s Rock Hill (7:30 PM – Fort Mill HS)
- 21 (Sat) Golden Classic Competition (Shelby HS - Shelby, NC)
- 27-29 (Fri-Sun) Bands of America Regional (Atlanta, Georgia)
- 30 (Mon) Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm - Fort Mill HS Band Room)

November

- 3 (Fri) Football Game v/s Lancaster (Senior Night - 7:30 PM – Fort Mill HS)
- 4 (Sat) 5A State Marching Band Championship (District 3 Stadium - Rock Hill, SC)
- SAT Test Date – **DO NOT TAKE ON THIS DAY**
- 27 (Mon) Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm - Fort Mill HS Band Room)

December

- 2 (Sat) Fort Mill Christmas Parade (Fort Mill, SC)
- SAT Test Date
- 5 (Tue) Winter Concert (7:30 PM - Fort Mill HS Auditorium)
- 25 (Mon) **No Band Booster Club Meeting – HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

January

- 20 (Sat) Region Band Auditions
- 27 (Sat) All-State Band Call Back Auditions
- 29 (Mon) Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)

2007 Future Events

- Feb 26 (Mon) Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)
- Mar 26 (Mon) Band Booster Club Meeting (7:30 pm – Fort Mill HS Band Room)
- Apr 5/6 - Apr 12/13 Hawaii Trip
- April-May Spring Meal Fundraiser (BBQ)/Yard Sale/Silent Auction

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September 2006 Band Notes

Next Booster Club Meeting – Monday, September 25, 2006

7:30 PM – Fort Mill High School Band Room

Booster Club Meetings Are The Last Monday of the Month!!!

Olde English Festival of Bands

October 7th

District 3 Stadium – Rock Hill, SC

Bands Of America Regional

October 27th-29th

Georgia Dome – Atlanta, GA