



PARADE REST...

Newsletter of the Gulf Breeze High School Band Booster Association

PRIDE!

May / June 2015

If You're Keeping Time...

- **New Member Meeting** – May 20 at 6:00pm in the Band Room
- **Percussion Camp** July 6 - July 10 Time: TBD
- **Rookie Camp** - July 13-July 24 8:00am-11:00am
- **Band Camp** - July 27-August 7 8:00am-12:00pm
- **First Day of School** – August 17
- Band practice will be from 3:45pm-6:30pm after school begins

GBBB Board Meetings

- August-TBD

Annual Membership Meeting

- August-TBD

CHARMS

www.charmsoffice.com

school code: GulfBrHSBand

Password: Your Student's ID#

Letter from the Band Booster President

As newly elected President, I wish to extend my appreciation and gratitude for your support and confidence to allow me the opportunity to serve you in the upcoming season which promises to be an exciting time for us all.

The first order of business is for me to thank the nominating committee on a job well done. Next, I wish to congratulate my fellow officers - Barbara Scott, Scott Goette and Jill Whitesell on their willingness to serve to help provide the Sound Wave with a successful upcoming year.

Our schedule is a busy one as we prepare for new parent night this Wednesday evening. This is a very important meeting for our incoming freshmen class to get a lot of information in a short amount of time from some of the key people within our organization.

June kicks off with our first installment of \$100 due to GBBB. We will take the month of June off to enjoy time with family, travel, take summer classes and just relax a little. The summer schedule will get started in July.

Our new Band Director Jason Olson has some exciting new changes and visions for the Sound Wave including participating in more school functions and community events. This promises to be a busy year with much more visibility for the band.

I'd like to do a shout out to some other Dads or Grand Dads in our club that have experience with woodworking. Please email me if you can contribute some time for a sign project we have in the works. I would love the opportunity to show you what is needed before the first football game which means we need to have this completed this summer.

I encourage all parents to check out different ways to volunteer during the season as the opportunities and committees available are broad and require many skill sets. Being involved and supporting your son or daughter's passion of music or performing has proven to be a special bonding time for my daughters and myself...creating special memories. I promise you will not regret the time and effort spent to see the joy on the student's faces on a job well done!

Have a great June. I look forward to meeting you all and working with you this season!

Yours in Band,
Bruce DeMotts
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GBBB Board of Directors:

Executive Board:

President *Bruce DeMotts*

Vice President *Barbara Scott*

Secretary *Jill Whitesell*

Treasurer *Scott Goette*

Band Director *Jason Olson*

Associate Band Director *TBD*

Committee Chairmen:

Communications

Barbara Scott (newsletter)

Suzanne Ides (website)

Mandy Roper (Facebook)

Concessions

Kristin Higgins

Raechele Guy

Grants *Leslie Allison*

Membership Development

Shannon Spooneybarger

Programs *Janna DeMotts*

Co-Chairman needed

Social Events

Amy Armstrong

Brendalee Johnson

Spirit Sales *Chairman needed*

Spirit Sales Assistant *Leslie Allison*

Transportation *Fred Printiss*

Uniforms

Debbie Kranak

Tonya Duke

Volunteers and Chaperones

Chairman needed

Ways and Means *Janna DeMotts*

Co-Chairman needed

Marching/Winter Guard

Jerry Holzwarth

Indoor Percussion

TBD



Notes from the Band Director

The 2014-15 school year is quickly coming to a close, and I am in full preparation mode for next year's marching season. It is important to recognize a summer break for students, so the next scheduled practice will not take place until July. At that time I hope to have the entirety of the show finished. During July percussion will meet to start learning their music and become a cohesive line July 6-10 (time TBD), and then we welcome all new freshmen to our Rookie Camp July 13 - 24 from 8:00am - 11:00am. During Rookie Camp students will learn how the Sound Wave marches and the very different skill of playing and marching simultaneously. Upperclassmen are welcome to join us during these weeks to brush up on their own marching and playing and hopefully teach the freshmen a thing or two about the pride we have in our Sound Wave. July 27 - August 7 is our band camp for all members. We will run this camp from 8:00am - 12:00pm to hopefully beat the heat of the day, have everyone's full attention, and allow students the afternoon and evening to enjoy the remainder of their summer. It will be my goal to have the whole show (music and drill) on the field before school starts (August 17?), so we will not be wasting any time. We will have a preview of your Sound Wave on an evening (TBD) during the week following band camp. I am certain you will be amazed at the talent, discipline, and showmanship of these outstanding young men and women. I am very excited to show you what we can do. Jason Olson

A Good "Reed" *Find out the latest on the Band Booster Committees and how you can volunteer...*

Communications: *Parade Rest* is the newsletter of the Gulf Breeze Band Boosters. It is emailed through CHARMS to band families at the beginning of each month during the school year. A limited number of printed copies are available in the band room each month. Suggestions for the newsletter and/or the band website are welcome to CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com. This summer, we will be launching our new band website. We are also on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Gulf-Breeze-Soundwave/300505936683.

Concessions: The Blue Note Cafe is the concession stand located on the visitor side of the football stadium and is managed by the band. We are looking forward to an estimated profit of \$8000 this year but we can only do this with YOUR help. Please consider volunteering for the home football games, it is a lot of fun!!

If you still have Spring cleaning to do, the concession stand could use the following items that you may have taking up space in your garage:

1. Crock Pot
2. Clear plastic bins with lids
3. Old Towels
4. Large Cooler
5. Canopy Tent

If you would like to donate any of these items to the Blue Note,

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www.gbssoundwave.com

(coming soon)

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Contact the Editor

CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com



please bring them to the band room or contact Kristin Higgins at 5hihiggs@bellsouth.net. Thank you!!

Grants: The school year may be coming to an end, but GBBB grant writing efforts are in full swing! Two federal grants have been applied for and in the upcoming weeks we will continue submitting requests to state and local foundations. Please contact Leslie Allison at (850) 293-3005 or leslieallison3005@gmail.com if you have information regarding grant opportunities or would like to assist in our grant writing efforts. Thank you!

Membership Development: Welcome to all the incoming Freshman families! We are so glad to have you as a part of the Sound Wave Band family! Very soon you will be contacted with information about summer practices, volunteer opportunities, uniforms, My Fair Share (MFS) account and other important details. Until then, please make sure to make note of the following dates on your family calendar so your student can be present for important summer practices:

Rookie Band Camp (*required for all freshmen students*):

July 13-July 24 from 8:00 am-11:00 am

Band Camp (*for all band members*):

July 27-Aug 7 from 8:00 am-12:00 noon

School starts back on August 17. As a new band member we realize you will have many questions and we want to make sure your transition to high school band is as seamless as possible. Please don't hesitate to contact me, Shannon Spoooneybarger, at sspoooney@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Programs: *This committee is in need of a co-chairman.* This committee oversees the selling of the advertising, printing and distribution of the football programs. With a senior parent as chairman, this is a great opportunity to learn how this is done.

Social Events: This committee provides refreshments at meetings and for long distance band trips. They plan the awards banquet and other parties or special events.

Spirit Sales: *This committee is in need of a chairman.* If you are interested, please contact a board member. Leslie Allison will be glad to work with the chairman to help sell our existing inventory of spirit wear.

In stock and ready for purchase: \$28 Blue & Gold track shorts with GB logo in sizes Youth L, Adult S, M & L.

\$30 Blue & Gold plaid lounge pants with drawstring waist. They come with or without white screen-printing down one leg reading "Gulf Breeze Dolphins" in sizes Adult S, M & L.

The GBBB currently accepts cash, check and credit for these spirit items. Please contact Leslie Allison at (850) 293-3005 or leslieallison3005@gmail.com should you wish to place an order. Thank you for supporting our band!

Transportation: This committee coordinates all transportation details and needs associated with travel by the band to away football games, tournaments and competitions. This includes the

upkeep and maintenance of the truck. We are always looking for extra volunteers to learn the ways of band equipment transport. Anyone interested may contact me at 251-721-2286, text or phone, or by email at fprintiss@yahoo.com. The truck is currently at the county garage for its yearly service and should be completed some time next month. When it is ready, we will need to have the slide out ramp serviced. Anyone with a contact who may be able to assist us with this please reach out to me. We will pick up the Gator for next fall from Smith's later this summer. We will also need to refurbish the trailer we use for away games to haul the Gator. Again, anyone who may be able to help, please reach out. Anyone who drives the truck must have a photocopy of his or her driver's license on file.

Uniforms: This committee oversees all uniform needs for the band. This includes the fitting of band students into marching uniforms, ordering marching shoes and cleaning of the marching uniforms throughout the school year. They also coordinate all details associated with the ordering and distribution of summer uniforms including shorts, polo shirts, gloves and parent volunteer/staff shirts. The Uniform Committee could use assistance with:

1. Helping size incoming 9th grade students for their summer uniform. 10th through 12th will only need to order if they have outgrown or need to replace their current summer uniform.
2. Helping incoming 9th graders determine what size they need for their marching band shoes.
3. Helping incoming 9th graders get fitted for their formal marching band uniform.
4. Hemming pants and sewing on buttons.
5. Making alterations as needed.

You can assist in one or all of these tasks as your time permits. Hemming and alteration work can be done at your home. These fittings are usually completed in July/August during band camp.

The approximate cost of summer uniforms and shoes that are not included in "my fair share" are as follows: (These are subject to change.)

-Polo shirt \$15-\$17 (Adult volunteers/chaperones also wear these when assisting at band events. Parents need to order their own polo shirt to easily identify them as Sound Wave parents or helpers.)

-Color Guard polo shirt \$21

-Shorts \$10-\$14

-White gloves \$3 per pair (2 pairs recommended)

-Black marching shoes \$35

-White sneakers/tennis shoes (get at any store) \$?

Volunteers and Chaperones: *This committee is in need of a chairman.* This committee requests and organizes volunteers for the concession stand, spirit wear & program sales as well as chaperones for home games, away games, competitions and band trips.

Ways and Means: *This committee is in need of a co-chairman.* The function of the Ways and Means Committee shall be to seek and recommend methods of acquiring and raising funds for the Corporation from persons or other entities in the private sector of the community. With a senior parent as chairman, this is a great opportunity to learn how this is done.

Please contact a board member if you are interested in chairing any of the available committees and/or if you wish to volunteer for a committee.

Color Guard

We are hard at work preparing for this field season. All the kids are showing a large amount of growth! Rehearsals are staying normal through May & June; Mondays & Thursdays from 4-7pm.

We will be hosting a car wash Saturday, May 30th. I am having the kids be there at 9 to help set up and make sure there are supplies there (hoses, towels for drying, soap, buckets, sponges, decorated cans for the monetary donations & signs). I want a few cans so we can have one on the street to collect money if someone doesn't want their car wash. I have found that has been just as profitable! We will be selling the never ending pretzels as well! Haha I look forward to this exciting season!

Jerry Holzwarth - Color Guard Director

What's Making WAVES...



We are in the process of setting up the ability for band families to pay for summer uniforms, My Fair Share (MFS), special events, etc. through PayPal. Stay tuned!
