



PARADE REST...

Newsletter of the Gulf Breeze Band Booster Association

PRIDE!

November/December 2019

Band Website:

www.gbhssoundwave.com

If You're Keeping Time...

NOVEMBER

11/11 Veteran's Day – No School

11/12 Indoor Percussion
Auditions, 4-7pm

11/12 Band Booster Meeting,
Band Room, 7pm

11/14 Indoor Percussion
Rehearsal, 4-7pm

11/16 Schmidt's Step-Up Night

11/16 Jazz Hang, GBHS, 10am-
2pm

11/18 All-County Auditions,
Milton HS

11/18 Beethoven & Company
Sale, Milton HS, 3-7pm

11/19 Indoor Percussion
Rehearsal, 4-7pm

11/19 Santino's Spirit Night - IP

11/21 Indoor Percussion
Rehearsal, 4-7pm

11/25-11/29 Thanksgiving
Break, No School

DECEMBER

12/3 Indoor Percussion
Rehearsal, 4-7pm

From the Top

Band Booster President

Greetings Sound Wave Family!

Congratulations to the Sound Wave Band, Ms. Donahoo and the staff for receiving Straight Superiors with Land Among the Stars at all their competitions this fall! The last time the band brought home scores like that was about 3 years ago. Thank you to our volunteers that were able to adapt to all the schedule changes! Without you, our success would not have been possible! We celebrated our senior class of 32 (wow!) on Friday! They are undoubtedly a dedicated class! Our hats off to you young ladies and gentlemen and best of luck to you in the future!

We survived homecoming week; concessions had a successful morning at the Blue Note opening for the JROTC Drill Meet; and we had beautiful weather for our 4th annual March-A-Thon on Saturday. Thank you to our MAT coordinator, Doug Scott, and our MAT volunteers. Shout out to Shane's BBQ that has donated the refreshments every year.

Another shout out to our all our committee heads and helpers for a job well done and a deep heart-felt thank you to all our parents that volunteered this marching season! I hope you enjoyed meeting other parents and had fun watching your talented band member!

And just like that, you can close the book on the 2019 marching season. However, the band will have two more opportunities to march this year in the Gulf Breeze Christmas Parade and the Cox Pensacola Christmas Parade. But for the most part we'll be switching gears to concert season and indoor ensembles. Santa Rosa All-County Band auditions are this month and the Winter Concert will be here before you know it. Results for the Florida All-State Bands are out, and yes, I'm a little biased, but very proud to congratulate Erin Scott for being selected for the Florida All-State Symphonic Band to represent GBHS in Tampa in January 2020. This is her third year attending and second year in a row being selected. She also made the Auburn University Marching Honor Band where she'll play along-side the current Auburn

12/5 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

12/7 Gulf Breeze Christmas Parade, 8am

12/10 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

12/10 Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

12/12 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

12/14 Cox Pensacola Christmas Parade, 5pm

12/17 Semester Exams, Early Release

12/17 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 5-8pm

12/18 Semester Exams, Early Release

12/19 Semester Exams, Early Release

12/19 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

12/20 – 12/30 Winter/Christmas Break

JANUARY

1/1-1/5 Winter/Christmas Break

1/2 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/6 Teacher Planning Day, No School

1/7 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/8-1/11 FMEA Conference & All-State, Tampa, FL

Band at half-time on November 23rd. Honor Bands are a great way for students to further their musical talents. Many universities have them in the fall and spring.

We are looking forward to launching our newest fundraiser, Flags in the Breeze. Michele Werner and Josh Jenkins are kicking it off starting in January. Stay tuned for details!

Statements for your student's My Fair Share Contribution will be going home soon. Please send in payments if you haven't already. They are tax-deductible. If you have a discrepancy on Charms, please let us know so we can clear it up asap.

Fun fact: Students with a last name starting with the letter "M" are the most common in the band and make up 15%.

Our next Band Booster Meeting is Tuesday, November 12th at 7:00pm in the band room.

Dolphin Pride!
Barb Scott
Band Booster President
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barbscott3607@gmail.com

The Director's Notes

The Sound Wave Band had a great marching season and have been working hard to go into concert season. We don't ever stop; we just change directions!

One new thing this year is our first ever "Jazz Hang" at Gulf Breeze High School on November 16th from 10:00am-2:00pm. Currently, we have 67 students from the panhandle area signed up for the collaborative workshop. We have partnered with Schmidt's Music and The Jazz Society of Pensacola to bring in clinicians for the day and are looking forward to having a great day of jazz music!

Your students should be practicing All-County audition material at home, which is November 18th at Milton High School. They will also be hosting Beethoven & Co. Music Company from 3:00-7:00pm that same day for any students interested in buying new sheet music for solo and ensemble. All Symphonic band students are required to audition for All-County and perform at Solo and Ensemble. While it is not required of Concert Band, it is highly encouraged for those looking to be in Symphonic Band in the future.

1/9 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/13 Concert Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

1/14 Concert Bass Sectionals, 8-9am

1/14 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/14 Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

1/15 Symphonic Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

1/16 Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

1/16 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/17 Concert Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

1/21 Concert Brass Sectional, 8-9am

1/21 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/22 Symphonic Woodwind Sectionals, 8-9am

1/23 Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

1/23 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/24 Concert Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

1/24 Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

1/27 Concert Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

Students should also be practicing their concert material for the Winter Concert. The date is still TBA (and will be announced ASAP!) as I am trying to find a facility that is big enough to hold all of the ensembles performing at the concert. It will be a great night of music, as the kids have already started digging in and working very hard! Additionally, we will be doing the Gulf Breeze Christmas Parade on December 7th, and the Cox Pensacola Christmas Parade on December 14th. Itineraries for both of these will be sent as we get closer to the performances.

While the winds moved into concert season, the guard and percussion have started their indoor season as well. This year, we have decided to combine the guard and percussion into one ensemble and are very excited for the season as the staff knows this will bring the show concept to the next level. Rehearsals for the indoor percussion will be from 4:00-7:00 on Tuesdays and Thursdays and has been changed on the Band App Calendar. This year is our 20th Anniversary Season of indoor and we are excited to get started!

Thank you,
Victoria A. Donahoo
Director of Bands
Gulf Breeze High School
donahoov@santarosa.k12.fl.us

The Battery

The month of October presented many exciting opportunities for the percussion section, as well as the band as a whole. Because a large majority of the show was already learned, the remainder of the time was spent cleaning the music, drill, and solidifying our tempo control. During this time, the members also reassessed their personal and group goals they set for themselves at the beginning of the season. The drive and determination of the group was truly impressive. Rehearsal after rehearsal, show after show, the group began achieving their goals. They worked extremely hard and made sure not to peak before the final week. The percussion section had their best performance at the final competition, The Eastern Shore Classic, in Daphne, Alabama. Their hard work truly paid off, and they were able to reap the rewards they deserved. The staff could not be prouder of the progress these individuals have made this season. A special part of being an instructor is watching the members grow not only as musicians, but also as people throughout the season. Seeing them reach their goals and grow in

1/28 Concert Brass Sectional, 8-9am

1/28 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/29 Symphonic Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

1/30 Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

1/30 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

1/31 Concert Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

February

2/1 Drum for Superbowl Sunday, IP Fundraiser, Publix Super Market, TBA

2/3 Concert Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

2/4 Concert Brass Sectional, 8-9am

2/4 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

2/5 Symphonic Woodwind Sectional, 8-9am

2/6 Symphonic Brass Sectional, 8-9am

2/6 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

2/7 Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 4-6pm

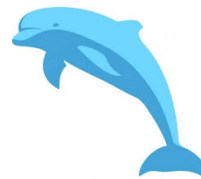
2/11 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

2/11 Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

2/13 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

maturity is truly something special, and it is not taken for granted. As the door to the marching band season closes, the door to the indoor season begins to open. The first indoor percussion audition was held on Tuesday, November 5th. We are all thoroughly excited for the season the begin.

Best,
Quentin Bagby
Battery Instructor
Qbagby2@gmail.com



Upcoming 2019-20 Gulf Breeze Band Booster (GBBB) Meetings

- November 12th, 7pm–Band Booster Meeting in the band room
 - December 10th, 7pm–Band Booster Meeting in the band room
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A Good "Reed" *Find out the latest on the Band Booster Committees...*

Communications: CHARMS: www.charmsoffice.com
Click "Login" as a parent/student. Use **gulfbrhsband** for the school code. Password: Use your student's ID# the first time you log on. It will prompt you to choose your own password. CHARMS has a reset link if you forget your password. If you have more than one student you can "link" the accounts so you don't have to sign out and in again to switch between them. After logging on, please make sure your email address in CHARMS is correct to ensure delivery of this newsletter and emails from Ms. Donahoo, committee members and important events.

CHARMS is where you sign up to volunteer, check your student's MFSC balance, make payments to MFSC or uniforms and see the calendar of events. Contact us regarding the website, social media or the newsletter at CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com. Sign up for Remind and the Band app.

Like us on Facebook: Gulf Breeze Sound Wave

2/15 FBA District 1 Solo & Ensemble, Escambia HS, All-Day

2/17 President's Day – No School

2/18 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

2/20 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

2/21 FBA District 1 Jazz MPA, Pensacola State College, All-Day

2/25 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

2/27 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

MARCH

3/3 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/5 District 1 Concert MPA, Fort Walton Beach HS

3/5 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/6 District 1 Concert MPA, Fort Walton Beach HS

3/7 District 1 Concert MPA, Fort Walton Beach HS

3/10 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/10 Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

3/12 Fine Arts Festival (Tentative Date)

3/12 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/13 Teacher Planning Day, No School

3/16 Spring Break, No School

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Parents Remind: Text the code **@GBWAVE1920** to the number **81010** to get immediate updates and reminders throughout the school year.

Band App: Download the Band app on your smartphone. It is **GREEN** with a white "b". Search for **SoundWave Parents** and join the band!



Concessions: The Concession season is now complete! We were open for 5 home games, and the ROTC Competition. We introduced veggie burgers, chicken sandwiches, cotton candy, roasted peanuts and pickle ice pops this year. We sold a lot of burgers, hot dogs, boiled peanuts, and cheese fries! I had the best crew anyone could ask for! They came when needed and we even had some new faces this year who I hope will come back! Even though we had some low attendance games, we made it work and had a good time doing it.

Hospitality season will now kick in and I will still need some help, just not as much! I also have a senior this year and only a 7th grader coming up. I would really like to take a year off to focus on her 8th grade band year, so if anyone would like to step up, I will work with you and help out in the stand next year. I just don't want to be in charge. It also takes 2 people! I could not have done it without my partner-in-crime Missy Hecht, who was gracious enough to help me even though she didn't have a band student this year. Please let me know if you and a friend would like to do this next year. Please contact Grace Hofius at gmhofius@bellsouth.net.

Flags in the Breeze (FITB): Please contact Josh Jenkins at jrjenkin76@gmail.com or Michele Werner at shelwerner@bellsouth.net to get involved with FITB. Subscription will start selling in January!

Football Programs: We still have some football programs for sale if you would like one as a keepsake for your band student. Only \$3.00!

Barb Scott headed the program this year and had a lot of fun doing it. It's an easy sell to promote the band and acquire ads. You have all the contacts and sales letters from previous years to use or change as

3/17 Spring Break, No School

3/17 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/18 Spring Break, No School

3/19 Spring Break, No School

3/19 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/20 Spring Break, No School

3/24 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/26 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

3/31 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

APRIL

4/2 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

4/3 WGI Guard Championships, Dayton, OH

4/4 WGI Guard Championships, Dayton, OH

4/4 State Solo & Ensemble, Rutherford HS, Panama City, FL

4/5 WGI Guard Championships, Dayton, OH

4/6 WGI Guard Championships, Dayton, OH

4/7 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

4/9 Indoor Percussion Rehearsal, 4-7pm

4/10 Good Friday – No School

needed. If you have attention to detail and don't mind sending emails, this is for you. No graphic experience needed. We use a printing company and a graphic artist. There's an occasional face to face and phone calls but it's fulfilling knowing it all goes to the kids. Timeframe is spring and summer by marching season, you're done, since they start selling at the first game. Contact Barb if you are interested in heading this next year.

March-A-Thon (MAT): Despite having to postpone the March-A-Thon to the rain date, our 4th Annual March-A-Thon was a great success! A HUGE thank you to the parent volunteers who came out to help. The band boosted spirits and had toes tapping throughout Gulf Breeze! We are continuing to tally the donations that have come in to date, and we are happy to report that we are VERY close to our goal of \$13,000. The final numbers will be announced in the next couple of weeks, and prizes will be presented to our top fundraisers. Congratulations to all on a job well done.



Are you a leader? Are you looking for a way to use your leadership skills to serve our community? Want to help the band, but can't volunteer at football games? Our committee needs your help! If you are interested in helping with the planning and execution of our premiere single-day fundraising event, please

4/14 Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

4/15 WGI Percussion Championships, Dayton, OH

4/16 WGI Percussion Championships, Dayton, OH

4/17 WGI Percussion Championships, Dayton, OH

4/18 WGI Percussion Championships, Dayton, OH

4/28 State Concert MPA, Mattie Kelly Arts Center, Niceville, FL

4/29 State Concert MPA, Mattie Kelly Arts Center, Niceville, FL

MAY

5/2 GBHS Prom

5/12 Band Booster Meeting, Band Room, 7pm

5/20 Senior Finals

5/21-5/22 Senior Finals

5/23 GBHS Graduation, Pensacola Bay Center, 6pm

5/25 Memorial Day, No School

5/27 Semester Exams

5/28 Semester Exams

5/29 Semester Exams, Last Day of School

Sign up on CHARMS for volunteer opportunities!



CHARMS and CHARMS APP

contact Doug at gbhsmarchathon@gmail.com or 850-910-3603.

Transportation: The truck seems to be working better now but needs to be driven regularly to keep it in good running order. We are currently waiting to hear back from Ward International regarding our proposal for a reduced price to fix the brakes, in exchange for them advertising on the back of the truck. The brakes went bad right after the warranty expired. Thankfully, once we pay the truck off and the county owns it, they will be responsible for maintenance and repairs. Also, we purchased two new rims and tires (\$463.00) for the trailers, so we now have spares in case of an emergency.

Thank you,
Dave Bleiler
davebleiler@att.net

Uniforms: Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers that assisted with fittings during band camp and washing uniforms during marching season to keep the Sound Wave looking and smelling good. We really appreciate your help!

Many thanks,
Cathy Driskell and Paula Sarkari

Volunteers: A huge thank you to all of the AMAZING parents that graciously took time out of their busy schedules to support the Sound Wave Band and volunteered during marching season! We couldn't have done it without you!!!

Rachel Alba
Melodee Allmon

Joe Allmon

Dave Bleiler

Kelly Bleiler

Lisa Buchanan

Cristina Carroll

Dennis Christiansen

Jim Docherty

Susan Docherty

Cathy Driskell

Jay Driskell

Tonya Duke

Mindy Flores

Mindy Flynn

Sean Flynn

Maria Freckmann

Josh Jenkins

Shara Jenkins

Bobbie Lewter

Fred Lewter

Reba Libby

Dane Mallette

Jeff Mallette

Ally Maw

Jim Mazel

Susan McKenney

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Denise Miniati

Priscilla Molina

Courtney Moran

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The new **Level 2 Volunteer Form**, which is for volunteers that accompany students on overnight trips, and the regular **Volunteer Form** are on our band website at:

www.gbhssoundwave.com/documents-forms

Please contact Kelly Bleiler at davebleiler@att.net or 850-816-8275 with any questions.

My Fair Share Contribution (MFSC)

To make a payment, you may drop a check off at the band room and put it in the safe, or you may pay online. Please be sure to notate on the envelope your student's name and what the payment is for. If you choose to pay online, please log into your child's Charms account: www.charmsoffice.com. Click on "Login" and choose "Parents/Students/Members". Type **gulfbrhsband** for the school code and click 'enter CHARMS'. Once on the account, click on the 'Finances' icon on the home page and then click on the 'make miscellaneous payment' button, and follow the directions. These contributions help fund the band activities and other operating expenses. Any payment is welcome if you cannot pay the whole amount at this time. We will certainly work with you if you can let us know. We need your help to make our band work. Thank you for your support of YOUR band. It makes a difference!

Those that paid \$495 early received a 10% discount. Those that volunteer for 3 income producing shifts will also receive a 10% discount. Income producing includes concessions or program sales. Information about MFSC is on the website:

www.gbhssoundwave.com/new-members

If you have ANY questions regarding your \$550 My Fair Share Contribution or need to set up a payment plan, please contact:

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Quentin Bagby

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What's Making Waves...

CONGRATULATIONS TO ERIN SCOTT FOR MAKING ALL-STATE BAND TWO YEARS IN A ROW! WAY TO GO ERIN!!!!

This month's Person with a Porpoise: GRACE HOFIUS has worked tirelessly all season to run the Blue Note concession stand. Grace is always upbeat and has a smile on her face. She truly lives up to her nickname "Amazing Grace".