

December 2007

**Important Dates
for November:**

- Dec 10th—Candle Delivery
- Dec 10th—Choral Concert
- Dec 14th—Battery Order Due
- Dec 17th—Booster Meeting
- Dec 17th—Instrumental Concert
- Dec 21st—Battery Coupon Delivery
- January 1—Luggage Dropoff
- January 3—Leave for Disney



Band Notes

President's Corner

When I was a child, my parents took my sister and I to Disney World. It was one of the highlights of my childhood. Some of the attractions we saw are still with us now. The Haunted Mansion, the Teacups, It's a Small World and the Hall of Presidents.

When we took our seats in the Hall of Presidents, the announcer welcomed us, asked us to stay seated during the performance and requested that we do not use flash photography. Just after the performance began, someone in the audience took several flash photographs and continued to ignore the request. The announcer's voice came over the speakers, again asking that no flash photography be used. I was struck by the selfishness of that individual who thought that they were more important than those sitting around them.

One of the traditions for this time of year is attending the middle and high school holiday concerts. As family, neighbors, teachers and friends we come together to celebrate the work and talent displayed by our young people. It is one of the highlights of the Christmas season for any parent. So it may also be a good time for a quick refresher on concert etiquette.

A concert, being a public event, has a certain expected code of conduct for all who may attend. Some are more obvious than others, but all are important in permitting everyone to enjoy the event. In our digital age, we ask that everyone turn off their cell phones and pagers. Not only would the sudden intrusion of a ring tone disrupt the musical celebration, but these items can cause interference with the microphones and speakers in the building. Also, please do not take flash pictures during the numbers. This can be disruptive to not only the audience but to the performers. Also, please try to time your leaving and entering the concert to between songs. For those individuals seated in the back of the auditorium, the opening and closing of doors can be somewhat annoying. And lastly, this is really not the time to hold a conversation with the person seated next to you. While the particular group performing may not include your son or daughter, it may include the child of the person in front or behind you. Our students work very hard all year to prepare these numbers for us to enjoy. They are part of their Christmas present to us, all of us. Please honor their work, respect your neighbors and celebrate the season by quietly and politely enjoying their offering of music.

Merry Christmas,

Andrea

Upcoming Meetings

Band Boosters

December 17th, 6pm

**Cancellations and corrections
can be found on the band
calendar at :**
www.gsband.com

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Fundraiser forms can be found on the Garden Spot Band Booster Website;



Senior Spotlights

Anne Marie Martin



Anne Marie is the daughter of Loren and Beth Martin of Terre Hill. She plays Pit Percussion and has been in the band for 3 years. She has 2 sisters. Her hobbies include writing, playing guitar, bike rides, reading, fishing, hiking, photography & art.

Her future plans are to attend college in Seattle WA to study Psychology & International Studies. She would also like travel and meet new people.

Anne Marie would like to thank his parents, grand parents, and especially her sisters and friend Kelsey

Any parting words to the band? "Everyone should march to the beat of their own drum... Just not during the field show! Have Fun!

Jessica Martin

Jessica is the daughter of Larry and Elva Martin of New Holland. She plays oboe and has been in the band for 8 years. She has a younger sister, Tonya. Her hobbies include reading, hunting playing oboe & piano.

Picture not available

Her future plans are to attend college at Penn State or Pittsburgh and study Math/Science.

Jessica would like to thank God, her parents and sister and friends who always encourage he to strive for the best.

Vanessa Martin



Vanessa is the daughter of Tony and Deb Martin of Churchtown. She plays percussion. She has been in the band for 9 years. She has an older sister, Valerie. Her hobbies include reading.

Vanessa plans to attend college for Speech Pathology and possible minor in Spanish.

She would like to thank her family and friends!

Amanda Patton



Amanda is the daughter of W. Scott and Rose Patton of Denver. She is a member of the band front and plays saxophone. She has been in the band for 4 years. She has a younger brother, W. Scott Jr and a younger sister Ashley. Her hobbies include softball, youth group hunting and working on cars.

Her plans are to work in the garage for a year then attend a tech.

Amanda would like to thank her parents and the entire family for always supporting her.

Any Parting words to the band? "No matter where your going with the band, bring snacks to share with everyone".

Disney Facts!

Fun Facts About Walt Disney

Animal Kingdom Facts?

- ★ The Tree of Life is 145 feet tall, and the trunk is 50 feet wide.
- ★ There are over 320 animals carved onto the Tree of Life, with over 103,000 leaves on approx 8,000 branches.
- ★ The tree is made of concrete, over a modified oil rig.
- ★ Ten artists and three Imagineers worked full-time for 18 months to create the 325 animal carvings on The Tree of Life. Sculptors had between six and 10 hours to create the finished image before the plaster hardened.
- ★ The Tree of Life is topped with more than 103,000 transparent, five-shades-of-green leaves that actually blow in the wind.
- ★ The safari covers over 110 acres.
- ★ There are climate-controlled rocks on the safari, to encourage the lions to sit in view of the safari vehicles.
- ★ The safari vehicles are modified GM trucks, and go a maximum of 10mph.
- ★ There are 19 dinosaurs on the 'Dinosaur' ride.
- ★ 'Sue' the dinosaur, on display in Dinoland, is a replica of the most complete T-Rex ever found, which was 65 million years old.
- ★ The village of Harambe is based on the Kenyan town of Lamu.
- ★ There is only one live baobab tree in Harambe, outside Tusker House restaurant.
- ★ Disney's Animal Kingdom is home to the largest groups of Nile hippos and African elephants in North America.
- ★ The first birth at Disney's Animal Kingdom was a kudu, a large African antelope.
- ★ The number of species that have reproduced since the park opened is 116.
- ★ Two Micronesian Kingfisher chicks were hatched at Disney's Animal Kingdom, raising the world population of these birds by 3 percent.
- ★ The arrival of a black rhino calf born at Disney's Animal Kingdom made him one of only 250 worldwide.
- ★ Disney Animal Kingdom scientists have discovered two new vocalizations never before reported in elephants.
- ★ Since 1995, the Disney Wildlife Conservation Fund has devoted more than \$6 million to conservation efforts around the world and has supported more than 230 projects.

Uniform Dry Cleaning

Now that the Marching season is complete, it is time to have those uniforms cleaned in preparation for our Disney Trip. All marching band uniforms must be dry cleaned before our next Disney Parents Meeting December 17th. You will be required to provide a dated receipt as proof of cleaning at this meeting.

Raincoats will be collected with the uniforms after the Disney Trip. Please wash your raincoat and keep them at home until the collection date.

Please keep your uniform until we load the truck on January 1, 2008 for the Disney Trip. Band Front outfits should not be dry cleaned but should be washed in cold water and hung to dry.

If your student is not going on the trip, you may bring the cleaned uniform along to this meeting for turn-in.

Fundraisers

Fundraiser forms, tally sheets and other important information can be found at the booster website: www.gsband.com Check it out!

Looking for an easy to do fund raiser. Collect Yoder's Market receipts. Each student receives 1% of the total from receipts they turn in deposited into their student account.

Please make sure you are using the correct subtotal. Due to new Yoder's discounts, some receipts are not sub totaled. You will need to write in the adjusted subtotal amount below the total showing on the receipt.

The Band Boosters will only accept Yoder's receipts dated within our collection period.

The Band Boosters will only accept Yoder's receipts on the collection dates published in the newsletter and posted at school.

Funds will be credited to the student's band account only.

This is the Band Booster policy – contacting Yoder's will not change the Band Booster policy –

NO EXCEPTIONS! Anyone with questions, please contact Sue Spotts

Dates on receipts should be from Aug 1, through Dec 31, 2007 only! Turn in date is Jan. 7 & 8, 2008

****Credit will be entered into student accounts when we receive the funds from Yoder's. We cannot advance credits.**

Upcoming Fund Raisers:

- Yoder's Receipts: Collect between Aug 1– Dec 31. Turn-in dates Jan 7 & 8, 2008
- Home Interiors Candle Delivery—Dec. 10th
- Radio Shack Battery Sale Now—Orders due Dec 14th—Coupons delivered Dec 21st.

Next Band Booster Meeting:

December 17, 2007

6:00 pm

Community Hall

Booster Officers 2007/2008

President—Andrea Berstler 351-0590
 V. Pres.—Abby Keiser
 Treasurer—Vicky Trego 610-286-0295
 Secretary—Jim Eubank
 Student Account Secretary—Tim Heitz
 Financial Secretary—Karen Miller

GSHS Band Officers 2007/2008

President—Katie Parkes
 Vice President—Emily Dissinger
 Secretary—Kim Landis
 Treasurer—Jackie Trego
 Historian—Amanda Tyson
 Librarian—Carley Myers
 12th Grade Rep—Chris Orr
 11th Grade Rep—David Stoltzfus
 10th Grade Rep—Stephanie Fisher
 9th Grade Rep—Sam Kulp

Memory Book Information Needed

We are starting to gather and enter information for the Band StoryBook, Here's what we need to collect:

Senior Spotlight – Seniors—please email the picture you want in the album.

Section photos – We need a scan copy of the picture of each section, including band front, as well as a list of names in order for each picture. Also—any pictures and of the band staff – I have a few, but would love more to choose from.

Any other photos people would like to share with me. My parade ones didn't turn out, so I especially need some of those. And I don't have very many from band camp.

Please contact Kelli Beaver with any information at 717-355-2256 or dkcsbeav@frontiernet.net

TIPS FOR COLLECTING AND TALLYING YODER'S RECEIPTS

Due January 7 & 8, 2008

- 1.) Make sure the register receipts have **Yoder's Market** or **Yoder's Pharmacy** on the receipt, only these Yoder's receipts will be accepted. **Sorry, we cannot accept receipts of payments made on Yoder's charge accounts, Gas Island, Gift Shop or Petal Perfect.**
- 2.) Make sure the dates on the receipts are within the dates we are collecting the receipts, (i.e. 8/01/07-12/31/07) any other dates will not be accepted.
- 3.) Original receipts only, no photocopies
- 4.) Please do not highlight subtotals as it smears the ink and makes it difficult to verify.
- 5.) Tally the receipts.....**Use the subtotal after discounts, coupons and adjustments and before tax**...(see an example below), fill out slip below and turn in the receipts on specified collection dates to the container marked for receipts in the band room..... **(NOT THE WHITE PAYMENT BOX)**
- 6.) **Due to deadlines we will not be able to take late turn-ins.**



Name _____

Grade _____

Total of receipts \$ _____



Carryon Baggage Information

What carry-on baggage is allowed?

SOUTHWEST INFORMATION

In keeping with new security directives from the TSA, strict limitations are being imposed on carryon items.

- Airline passengers may now carry only one bag plus one smaller, personal-type item onboard the airplane.
- Personal-type items include purses, briefcases, cameras, food containers, or laptops (case included).
- Southwest Airlines limits carryon bag dimensions to 10x16x24 inches.
- All Customers and Employees and their items are subject to a thorough, physical search.
- The following items are not considered carryon bags or personal-type items and are not counted against the “one-bag plus one personal-type item” limit:
 - A child restraint device for a child who has been ticketed, who has a seat reserved, or for which complimentary, available space exists.
 - Assistive/mobility devices for individuals with a disability. There is no limit to the number of assistive/mobility devices a Customer can bring onboard the aircraft.
 - Outer garments or other wearable articles of clothing.
 - Food for consumption during flight contained in disposable packaging.
 - Walking canes or umbrellas.



AIRTRAN INFORMATION

For carry-on baggage, all customers traveling on AirTran Airways will be restricted to one carry-on item and one personal item. Personal items include handbags, umbrellas, walking sticks, crutches, coats, cameras, reading matter, infant food, briefcases, and laptop computers.

Canes, walkers, and other assistive devices capable of being collapsed small enough to fit in overhead bins or underneath a seat are welcome inside the cabin and will not count toward your carry-on limit.

No carry-on item may exceed overall dimensions of 55 inches (length + width + height). All carry-on items must fit under the seat or in the overhead bin. Any heavy item must be placed underneath the customer's seat. Any item with inflexible surfaces must be placed underneath the customer's seat or flat on the floor of an overhead bin.

Knives or sharp objects will not be allowed in carry-on baggage or past the security checkpoint. Any sharp items you may need in your travels should be packed in your checked baggage. Customers dependent upon syringe-injected medications may carry on such items. The TSA has instituted specific rules for carry-on of liquids, gels and aerosols. We encourage you to [review the security rules](#) for these carry-on items.

Specific items prohibited from carry-on baggage due to security restrictions include: metal scissors with pointed tips and a cutting edge longer than four inches in length, tools greater than seven inches in length, knives of any length, cutting instruments including carpet knives, box cutters and folding or retractable blades regardless of blade length or composition. Straight razors are prohibited, but disposable razors, e.g., Gillette or Bic, are allowed. Learn more about [specific items that are permitted or not permitted](#) on AirTran Airways flights.



GENERAL TSA SECURITY REGULATIONS
(TAKEN FROM THE SOUTHWEST WEBSITE)

Effective September 26, 2006, the TSA is adjusting the ban on liquids, aerosols and gels.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is currently limiting liquids, gels, and/or aerosols in carryon baggage. These items include beverages, shampoo, suntan lotion, creams, toothpaste, hair gel, hair spray, and other items of similar consistency.

Customers are presently allowed to bring with them one clear, transparent, resealable, 1 quart (1 liter) size, plastic bag containing liquids, gels, and/or aerosols in containers of 3 oz. (90ml) capacity or less per container. (Most "travel size" items found in grocery and convenience stores are 3 oz. or less.) The contents of the plastic bag must fit comfortably within and be completely closed/sealed. These items will be subjected to x-ray inspection separate from the Customer's carryon bag.

Additionally, Customers may have the following items, but must declare them to TSA at the security checkpoint **if not** contained in a clear, transparent, resealable, 1 quart (1 liter) size, plastic bag and/or are over 3 oz. (90ml):

- Baby formula/milk (to include breast milk) and baby food in containers if a baby or small child is traveling
- Medications (liquid, gel, and aerosol)
- Liquids (to include juice) or gels for diabetic or other medical needs

Electronic items (including notebook computers, MP3 players, PDAs, etc.), and solid cosmetics as well as personal hygiene items (such as lipstick, **solid** deodorant, lip balm and items of similar consistency) continued to be allowed through the security checkpoint. All Customers may be subjected to secondary screening if they enter the checkpoint with liquids, gels, and/or aerosols on their person or in their carryon bag.

Customers **are** permitted to take onboard the aircraft liquids, gels, and/or aerosols **purchased beyond** the security checkpoint.

Disney Trip – Student/Chaperone Final Payment Coupon

Please complete and return one coupon with each payment per person. You may write one check to cover the payments, but please be sure each person traveling with the band has a coupon completed.

Payment 4 for Disney Trip 2008—Due November 15, 2007 to white box in Band Room
Payment: **\$250.00**. Clearly label envelope with Student and Parent name.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

\$ _____ Check Enclosed \$ _____ Cash Enclosed
_____ Amount to be taken from Student's Account

Disney Trip – Tagalong Final Payment Coupon

Please complete and return one coupon with each payment per person. You may write one check to cover the payments, but please be sure each person traveling with the band has a coupon completed.

Payment 4 for Disney Trip 2008—Due November 15, 2007 to white box in Band Room
Payment: **\$279.00**. Clearly label envelope with Student and Parent name.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

\$ _____ Check Enclosed \$ _____ Cash Enclosed
_____ Amount to be taken from Student's Account