

December 2009



# Band Notes

**Important Dates for December:**

December 8 – Poinsettia Pick-up  
3:00 - 5:00 pm

December 17 – Uniform drop-off  
6:00 - 7:00 pm

## HOLIDAY CONCERT SCHEDULE

December 7 - Middle School Holiday Concert @7:00 pm

December 14 - High School Holiday Concert @7:00 pm

*Please come support your student and enjoy the sounds of the season!*

**Next Band Boosters Meeting is January 11, 2010 at 7 pm**

## UNIFORM TURN IN

The drop-off for the uniforms is on December 17<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm.

Please have your students band uniform dry cleaned and bring your dry cleaning slip along with you when dropping off the uniform for storage.

Raincoats can be washed in the washing machine and air dried. Do NOT put raincoats in the dryer!!

Band front uniforms must be washed and air dried prior to turn in as well.

**Cancellations and corrections can be found on the band calendar at : [www.gsband.com](http://www.gsband.com)**

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## BAND BANQUET AT SHADY MAPLE

January 21<sup>st</sup> at Shady Maple Banquet Facilities.

Sign up forms have been handed out. Please ask your student for this information!

Payment forms are to be sent to Karen Miller.

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Fundraiser forms can be found on the Garden Spot Band Booster Website;  
[www.gsband.com/forms.htm](http://www.gsband.com/forms.htm)

## PLEASE NOTE:

THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER BAND BOOSTER MEETING DUE TO THE HOLIDAY CONCERT SCHEDULE!

COME JOIN US IN JANUARY TO SEE WHAT BAND BOOSTERS ARE ALL ABOUT.



## December Fund Raiser

The Poinsettia pickup date is December 8<sup>th</sup>. Plants must be picked up in the band hall from 3:00-5:00 pm. Thanks to Kathleen Depew for helping to organize this fundraiser.

## Information about Student Accounts:

As the Williamsburg trip approaches, several questions have come up about credits to student accounts. Your student account will receive credit when payment is received from the sponsor of the fund raiser.

If you would like up-to-date information about the funds in your student's account, you may contact Tim Heitz, our student Account Treasurer, by email at [tjheitz@comcast.net](mailto:tjheitz@comcast.net). You may send him an email with your student's name and grade and Tim will look up the information and reply to your email with the current status for your account.

## Williamsburg Trip - March 25-28:

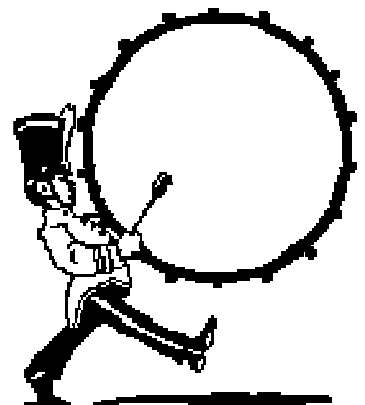
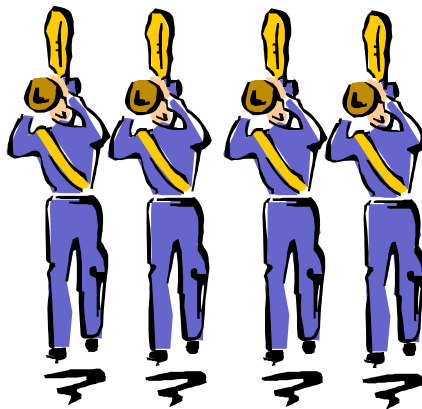
The final payment will be due January 15.

At this point we are not sure of the final amount. The travel agency will give us that information closer to January due to gas prices etc. It will be approximately \$100.00

If you are not up to date on payments for this trip please submit payment to the white box ASAP!!! If you want the money to come from your students' account please indicate this on the payment forms. Money submitted must be in the form of a check or money order. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE ANY CASH IN THE WHITE BOX.

## Band Booster Meetings:

Please come join us for our next Band Booster meeting. We meet the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Band Room. We would love to hear your ideas to help our organization continue to benefit our marching band program. This is also a great opportunity for you to be informed of what is going on in our organization. If you have any questions regarding Band Boosters, please feel free to contact any of the Booster officers.



## Senior SPOT-lights



**ALYSSA HORST** - Flute - 9 years

Alyssa is the daughter of Barry and Sharon Horst of New Holland. She has 2 sisters, Jessalyn (13) and Mikayla (9).

Her hobbies include riding horse, hiking, reading, and hunting with her dad.

Alyssa plans to go to college for nursing.

"Thanks to my parents for driving me to practices and all the directors for all their hard work."

Parting words: "Keep striving to do your best and have fun!"



**RAYMOND (TREY) KAHLER III** - Tuba - 4 years

Trey is the son of Ray and Vickie Kahler of East Earl.

In his spare time Trey enjoys playing volleyball, video games and snowboarding.

Trey plans to go to college to major in geology and minor in biology, and then pursue a masters and doctorate in paleobiology.

"Thanks to my parents for all the support, my friends who I would never have made it through school without, and Mr. Fitz for being, well, Mr. Fitz."

Parting words: "Only one thing matters, and that is how you live your life!"



**BEN KOPP** - Snare Drum - 9 years

Ben is the son of Tom and Suzanne Kopp of New Holland. He has one brother, Wesley (15).

Ben's hobbies include drawing, hanging out with friends and fire fighting. In fact, after graduation, Ben hopes to become a professional fireman.

"Thanks to Chad, Hannah and the rest of the drum line past and present who have taught me so much through the years."

Parting words: "Thanks for such a great learning experience. Thanks also for all the support and all the great memories throughout my 9 years. I will miss you all!"



**KAYLA SAWYER** - Band Front - 4 years

Kayla is the daughter of Ken and Donna Sawyer of New Holland.

In her spare time Kayla enjoys singing, acting, hanging out with friends and staying active at church.

Kayla will be attending Messiah College to pursue a BS degree in nursing.

"Thanks to my parents for always supporting me and picking me up from all the late night football games. Thanks to God, my church and all my family and friends. I'd also like to thank Donna, Christel and Mr. Fitz for pushing not only me, but the whole band front to do their best."

Parting words: "Band front rocks! Wear a hard hat!!!"

# Fundraisers

Fundraiser forms and other important information can be found at the booster website: [www.gsband.com](http://www.gsband.com) - Check it out!

## Yoder's Receipts Procedure

As of January 2009 we are no longer collecting Yoder's receipts to turn in. The process is now automated through Yoder's Gold Card Program. When you register your gold card, the system will automatically credit your student's account with the 1% back, without having to save the receipts or having the extra work of adding them up and having both the boosters and Yoder's double-check the totals.

There are two months of the system totaling, then one month off for administrative purposes. Yoder's has timed the "off" months to be lower volume sales months - they are January, May and September.

Each student has been assigned an ID number (which is designated during registration) to have their account credited. Friends and family members may register their Gold Card to be tied to your student's ID as well. For those who don't have a specific student to support but would like to be of help, there is a Band Booster ID they can use to support the group as a whole.

During the off month, Yoder's will send a report that lists each student's total for the month, as well as a check issued to the Band Boosters for the credited amount. The Boosters will then credit each student's account for use toward trips, etc.

If you haven't registered yet, go to the customer service desk at Yoder's for help or log on to [mycommunityrewards.com](http://mycommunityrewards.com) and click on the Yoder's Market logo and then "Register your Gold Card" in the menu to the left.

Booster Officers 2009/2010

President – Dawn Hare  
 Vice-President – Angie Gornish  
 Secretary – Jen Weber  
 Treasurer – Kelli Beaver  
 Financial Secretary – Vickie Kahler  
 Student Accounts – Tim Heitz

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## THE WHITE BOX

Reminder - We can no longer accept or be responsible for any cash placed in the white box for fundraisers. Please only place checks and/or money orders in the white box with the order forms. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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