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Band Season  
has begun!**

# Band Notes



## Band Camp In Review

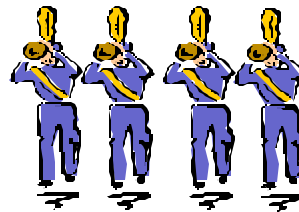
This year, band camp was held every day from Aug. 1-Aug. 5. As usual, the morning session was from 8-12 and the evening session was 6:30-9:30. The morning sessions were spent doing the basics, practicing music in sectionals, and learning the drill. On Monday morning the band boosters treated us to donuts, and gave us cool pops the other days. The evening sessions were also spent learning the drill. The week ended on Friday night with the parent show.

This year's band camp was a rough one, as it turned out to be one of the hottest weeks of summer. A few people got sick, but luckily, it wasn't anything too serious. A big positive this year was actually Freshman Uniform Day. It normally takes a few hours for all the freshman to be fitted with their uniforms. This year, thanks to a lot of help, freshman uniforms took about 45 minutes!

Our show this year is "the Best of the Doors". The three songs are "Touch

by Megan Gehman

Me", "Light My Fire" and "Peace Frog/Love Her Madly". Our band consists of over 135 members led by drum majors, section leaders and band front captains. The band can be seen performing at every football game (home and away), Denver, Ephrata and New Holland Parades and the Hempfield Exhibition. In the spring the band will be traveling to compete at Virginia Beach. Come out and support the 2005/2006 Garden Spot Marching Band!



## HEMPFIELD EXHIBITION

Each year the Garden Spot Marching Band performs their field show at the Hempfield Marching Band Competition. This year the exhibition will be on Saturday, September 17 2005. It is held at the Hempfield High School Stadium and it is open to the public. Gates open at 3:30 and the program begins at 4:30. Garden Spot is usually one of the first bands to per-

form. Family and friends are welcome to attend the show on his or her own but please be advised that Hempfield charges an admission fee.

A limited number of tickets can also be purchased from Mr. Fitz. Tickets are \$4.00 for students and Sr. Citizens, \$6.00 for adults. The cost of tickets at the gate will be \$8.00, so get your tickets

now from Mr. Fitz before they run out.

This is always an exciting show for Garden Spot to participate in and a great opportunity to see other bands perform! Come out and support our band!

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

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- ? **Policy for replacement gloves.— \$1.50 must be paid for replacement gloves at the time of replacement!**
- ? **Virginia Beach Trip**  
1st payment due Sept. 1st.
- ? **Chaperone / Fry Schedule enclosed**
- ? **Poinsettia Sale Starts in October.**

## Senior Spot lights

### **Matt Shaffer**

Matt is the son of Lee and Jennifer Shaffer of Denver, Pa. He has a sister Arianna and a brother David both of whom play instruments in the High School and Middle School bands. Matt has been playing Trombone for 8+ years. Matt's hobbies include: music, movies and Flash Dancing. Matt's is also active in GSPA, he was the "King of Siam" in last years production of the King and I. Matt's future plans are in the music field ..maybe.

Matt would like to give thanks to "God, and all of the people he has given me in my life".

Matt's parting words to GS Band "Well, geez I mean...I dunno, "Keep it Real!" or something like that.

### **Derek Martin**

He is the son of Daniel (Garth) Martin and Michasla Gale Andes of East Earl, Pa. He has played the trumpet in band for 9 years and has a sister Danielle, and two brothers Jeremy, and Jonah. Derek is active in gymnastics, art, music and is one of our cheerleaders. Derek's future plans include graduating early and attending Temple University (Tyler School of Art). Derek would also like to go to the Olympics for gymnastics as well as open a gym with his brother Jonah.

Derek would like to thank his parents for bringing him into this world, his older sister Danielle and sort of brother Jonah for being excellent role models. Thanks to his friends and family for being so supportive every step of the way.

### **Jessica Gregg**

Jessica is the daughter of Brenda Benner and David Gregg of Narvon, Pa. She has played the flute in band for 9 years. Jessica has a 5 siblings Lori, Kathy, C.J. Ashley and Katelyn. Her hobbies include playing the flute and hanging out with friends and family.

Jessica's future plans are to become a nurse.

Jessica would like to thank all her family and friends for all being there and supporting her and most importantly God.

### **Andrea Martin**

Is the daughter of Brian and Shirley Martin of Narvon, Pa. She plays the oboe/saxophone and is one of this years Drum Majors. Andrea has 3 siblings Melissa, Krista and Jonathan. Her hobbies include playing piano, singing, youth group (Weaverland Mennonite) and waterskiing. Her future plans include attending a college to study Elementary Education and Spanish.

She would like to thank God for his unfailing love, her parents for their wisdom and guidance, her sisters and brother for all the good laughs and her friends for all the great memories.

Andreas parting words for the band are "Live every day as if it were your last, and don't forget to have FUN!  
I love you guys!!!

## Yoder's Receipts due Sept. 1 & 2.

Yoder's Market has generously allowed the band to collect receipts year-round as a fundraiser for band students. With this in mind, the Band Boosters have initiated a policy concerning the collection and credit of these receipts. **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.**

1. The Band Boosters will only accept Yoder's receipts dated within our collection period.
2. The Band Boosters will only accept Yoder's receipts on the collection dates published in the newsletter and posted at school.
3. Funds will be credited to the student's band account only.

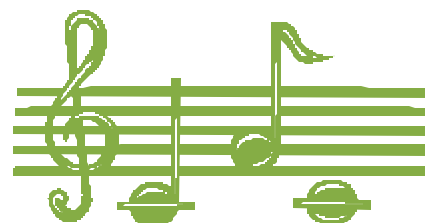
This is the Band Booster policy – contacting Yoder's will not change the Band Booster policy –

NO EXCEPTIONS! Anyone with questions, please contact Kathy Zellefrow.

**Dates on receipts should be from June 1-August 31, 2005 only!**

### Middle School Half-Notes:

Middle School students are always welcome to participate in any Band Booster fundraiser to raise funds for "Music in the Parks" as well as building up your student account for future trips with the High School Band. Disney is every 4 years with a mini-trip on the off 2nd year. This year we are going to Virginia Beach.



We will have a "Middle School only" fundraiser in January .

Parents are always welcome at Band Booster meetings! The Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of

## CALENDAR CORRECTION:

The Band Booster meetings are held at 7:00pm on the second Monday of every month. The school calendar states 6-9pm. This is incorrect.

**Please plan on joining us for the next meeting September 12th**

Attention Senior Parents:

Join your Senior on the track during Senior Recognition Night November 4th.

# Fundraisers

Fundraiser forms, tally sheets and other important information can be found at the booster website: [WWW.gsband.com](http://WWW.gsband.com)

A sub sale is planned for November... Please watch for more information.

Coffee and Cookie Dough fundraiser starts September 1st. More information will be coming home.

Yoder's receipts due September 1 & 2 2005. Next collection dates will be September 1, 2005 – Decemebr 31, 2005

Please use tally sheets when turning in receipts

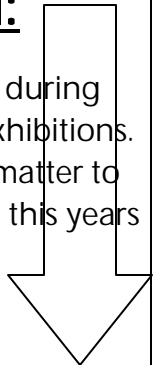
## Student Safety

Just a reminder...

Students may put their blankets at the stadium prior to meeting at the band room. When dropping off students, **Please** use the Tower Road entrance to the parking lot. The school closes the road behind the gym during games. And as always watch for students crossing the parking lot. **Thanks!**

## Wanted:

Pictures of the band during games, parades and exhibitions. Please see John Strittmatter to submit your photos for this years DVD.



2004/2005 Marching Band season DVD's are still available. See John or Betsy Strittmatter for more information

Have anything like this?



## Disney Again?

Yep, A proposed Disney trip is in the plans for January of the year 2008.

The Boosters periodically sponsor fundraising opportunities to help with the cost of trips for the students and their families. The Disney trip runs around \$800.00. Feel free to participate in what ever fundraisers that are going on. As always fundraisers are **voluntary**—never mandatory.

Help is needed for fundraisers. Without ever y-one's help we will not be able to aid the students to raise the monies needed for band trips. Please consider helping out not only your student, but others as well.

### Booster fundraising policy:

Funds raised in high school or middle school stay with the student through graduation as long as the student stays in the band program. Students may use their funds for any Band Booster sponsored event/activity. Funds remaining after the student graduates or leaves the band program will be transferred to the Band Boosters General Account or may be transferred to a middle school siblings account by written request. Any questions please contact any Band Booster Officer..

### Attention.....Varsity Football Game Passes

Parents may purchase parent passes to home football games. The cost is half the cost of adult admissions, there are 6 home football games this year. You can purchase tickets by going to the Garden Spot High School Gym on August 25th at approximately 8:00pm or you may purchase them through the Athletics Office at the end of the school day or by contacting Patty Montagna at 354-1141. Tickets must be purchased prior to Sept. 9, 2005.

### Uniform Alterations

Parents : Just a reminder.....all uniforms ( Marching and Band Front) must be hemmed to keep them from dragging on the ground. If you are not able to hem the uniform please contact any officer and they will hem the uniforms for you. Thank You!

#### Booster Officers 2005/2006

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### Next Band Booster

### Meeting:

September 12,  
2005

7:00 pm

#### Student Officers 2005/2006

President—Jeremy Horning

Vice President—Andrea Martin

Secretary—Megan Gehman

Treasurer—Ellen Speace

Historian—Tanya Hurst

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