

KHS TIGER BAND BOOSTER CLUB

FALL NEWSLETTER 2008

Welcome KHS Band families.....we are preparing for a very exciting year!

For those new to the high school, the Tiger Booster Club is a parent support group for the band. This year, KHS Band has over 200 student members. The Booster Club assists the students and directors in many ways. Transporting and maintaining a band of this size requires parent involvement. Chaperoning, helping with equipment or uniforms, taking photos, making phone calls -- there are so many small ways each of us can make a contribution and lend a hand. The Booster meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month, either in the band room or upstairs in the choir room at 7 p.m. **Please join us on September 3rd to become well-informed about the fall season, including the overnight trip in October to Phoenix (NY) and Syracuse competitions.** Please utilize the website throughout the year. It has everything you need to know about competitions, half-time show performances at football games, uniforms, meeting minutes, and more: www.khstigerbandboosters.org.

PERFORMANCE: On **Thursday, August 28th**, the final evening of Band Camp, students will be performing their 2008 Field Show. Please join us at 6:30 pm to applaud their hard work and success. Tables will be set up with information for the year, and you will be able to sign up for Booster Membership, order yearbooks, band wear, etc. at that time. Please stop by the tables before or after the show.

PIZZA PARTY AND DESSERT BUFFET: On the final day of Band Camp, pizza and drinks will be served to band students during their 3:00 pm rehearsal break. In addition, we are planning a dessert-only buffet for everyone after the field show performance. During band camp, students will be asked to sign up to bring beverages and desserts and a **\$1** donation toward the pizza party – Section Leaders will be collecting this donation. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs for the evening of August 28th. It is always an enjoyable time!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED DURING BAND CAMP: If you can help with uniform fittings, please call Denise Berryann - 334-9844 or Denise Hoban-Weeks - 382-1356. If you can help serve pizza and drinks (3 pm) on August 28th or set-up the desserts and drinks (5 pm) or assist with cleanup, call Tammy or Craig Paquette (336-6016)

BAND CAMP NOTES TO PARENTS AND STUDENTS: Band Camp can be HOT!!!! Bring a hat, sun screen, sunglasses and a cooler with lots of drinks. Bring snacks and dinner on the long days. Parents may drop off food; however, students are on the field and dinner breaks are not set times. Wear comfortable shoes (no flip-flops or sandals) and cool clothing.

UNIFORMS: Remember you will have to be fitted for uniforms- so wear shorts (no denim please). There is some cost involved. Freshman students are required to pay an initial \$50 fee, which includes the cost of shoes, gloves, and (1) band t-shirt. Additional t-shirts may be purchased separately. **Every student must have a white KHS Band t-shirt (\$8).** See the enclosed pages for more uniform and chaperone information.

BAND YEARBOOK: This year is the 8th KHS Band Yearbook. It continues to grow and improve just like our band. Stop by the table to see books from previous years. The cost is a very reasonable **\$18** . Order forms will be available on the final night of Band Camp. Order early!

YEARBOOK ADS: The ad pages are also filled with student photos. The money raised from our ad sponsors covers the cost of photos and offsets the student cost, and covers band expenses. If you can ask a local business for an ad, or if you own a business, please pick up an ad form at the table. All the work is done -- you just have to deliver it.

WAYS & MEANS (Fund raising): We are raising funds to help cover the cost of (5) Coach Busses for the October 25th -26th trip to Phoenix and Syracuse. Students will also be sharing the cost of overnight hotel accommodations. The thrill of performing in the Carrier Dome at Syracuse is a memorable experience. It will be a fun weekend and we want to make it affordable for everyone.

ALERTIFY: We are very excited to be offering this **automated system** to communicate with members for a variety of reasons – band information, weather delays/cancellations, rehearsal/event changes, and last minute updates. This system will simultaneously contact each member at as many phone numbers and email addresses as you provide (home, work, etc). The **ALERTIFY** form is attached in this information packet. If you have not done so already, please complete the form and return the lower portion with contact information that you would like us to use for these purposes. **The cost is \$ 2.50 per band member, but is FREE with your \$10 Booster Membership.** Sign up today! Questions may be directed to Cathy Roth at 336-7915 or email her at cfr@igc.org.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2008-2009 will go on sale on August 28th. Students will be able to apply the profit from these sales towards their weekend cost for the Syracuse trip. This fundraiser is optional - check at the Booster table if interested. Books and order forms will be available at the performance night, and during September and October meetings.

NIGHT OUT- Eat at Burger King on Broadway, **Wednesday, August 27th** between 2-4 pm or 8-9 p.m. Stop to eat on the way to band camp and/or go with your friends afterwards. Friends and family just need to tell them you are with the **Kingston High Band** and a refund comes back to the band.

BAND BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOPPING or all year at **iGive.com**. Do your shopping on-line through **iGive.com** and a percentage of your purchase is donated back to the band. Information is enclosed or visit our band website.

RECYCLE & SAVE your Ink Cartridges and cell phones. Boxes will be placed in the Band room to donate your recycled items. Please send them in PLASTIC bags. We receive refunds for each phone and ink cartridge donated. Ask others to participate - every little bit helps cover expenses. (Questions on iGive.com and recycling may be directed to Rose Wilson - 339-7397)

QUESTIONS?? PLEASE CONTACT BOOSTER MEMBERS - NOT DIRECTORS

BE INFORMED: We want to provide you with as much information as possible. Included in this packet are letters and forms that we hope you will take time to read. Due to copy costs and postage, we are unable to include everything. If forms are mentioned but not enclosed, you may obtain them from the website, at the tables on August 28th or at the Booster meeting on Sept. 3rd. We will be there on August 28th to answer your questions, collect order forms and money, and to ask for your help at band events. We encourage you to become a member and be active. Each family's \$10 Booster membership helps with expenses (such as keeping you well informed) and there are so many things that we provide for the students to make band a successful and fun experience. Being involved offers you an opportunity to do things with your son or daughter, meet new people, and give to the students and community.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

KHS Tiger Booster Officers and Committee Chairs

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28th

DRESS FOR SPIRIT DAY

PIZZA PARTY at 3:00 pm

PERFORMANCE at 6:30 pm

Followed by Desserts and Drinks with Families

All students must contribute:

- **A 12-pack of soda or water.**
If there are two students in one family,
bring 2 (12-packs) or a case of water.
- **A dessert for the after-performance party
and a \$1 donation for pizza party**

BAND MEMBERS - please see your Section Leader to check off your beverage donation and give them your \$1. Drink donations go into Mr. Shaut's Band Room and they will be moved to the Booster Closet. Desserts may be brought in on Thursday or parents may bring them to the performance by 6:15 pm. Drop off your desserts in the Band Hallway (uniforms). DO NOT bring items that need refrigeration to Band Camp.

We usually have over 600 attendees, so it's important that each family donate a dessert.

Bring a blanket or lawn chairs if you like!

KHS BAND WEAR

Order forms will be available at the August 28th field show performance and at our September 3rd Booster Meeting. You may also print forms from the Booster website. Remember....parent chaperones **MUST** wear maroon to chaperone events. Student sweatshirts and sample clothing will be on display August 28th before the field show.

Following is a list of available items: (larger sizes are an additional \$2)

Hooded Sweatshirt - maroon, with a large band logo on the front (**\$25**; 2XL and 3XL \$27)

Crew Neck Sweatshirt - (**\$20** ; 2XL and 3XL \$22) - additional word on back of shirt - charge is \$7 (students often have color guard or their instrument name printed on the back)

Chaperone Polo Shirt - maroon with small band logo on front (**\$15 / \$17**)

Chaperone Cotton T-shirt - maroon with small band logo on front - PARENTS only (\$8 / \$10)

Baseball Hat - cotton tan hat with maroon "KHS TIGER BAND" - one size fits all (\$12)

Extra white band logo t-shirt for STUDENTS (\$8) - these should have been ordered with uniform fitting. (One t-shirt is included for freshman in their \$50 uniform fee)

Baseball-style nylon Jacket - maroon, no hood, button snap front, large band logo on back, embroidered name on front (\$34 ; 2XL and 3XL - \$37) ** Additional word on back is \$7

Pullover Jacket - nylon, maroon, name on front, logo on back (\$45 ; 2XL and 3XL - \$47)

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CASH OR CHECKS ARE PAYABLE TO: KHS BAND BOOSTERS

Full payment is due with each order. Forms should be returned in an envelope to the attention of "Terry Sutton/Band Booster Clothing Order". Envelope may be placed in the Band Booster Mail Box/located in Mr. Garner and Mr. Shaut's office. OR you may place your order at the parent field show performance on August 28th. **Orders will only be accepted until September 15th.**

Order forms available on the website: www.khstigerbandboosters.org

Questions should be directed to Terry Sutton - 417-4147 or 334-9838

REMEMBER.....NO ORDERS ACCEPTED AFTER SEPTEMBER 15th