



# NEWSLETTER

## ***New Uniforms!!!***

*Have you seen the new band uniforms??? In a word . . . WOW!!! The band looks as great as they sound! If you haven't had a chance to see them perform, you don't want to miss the opportunity!!!*



*It's not the glitz of the uniform that matters, but the spirit that shines within it.*



*~ Unknown*



**Next Meeting of the  
Band Boosters:**



**Tuesday, Oct. 3rd**

**7:30 PM**

**WHS Library**



## **Notes From Mr. Hadgis**



Dear Band Parents and Students,

*The performances of the Marching Band at football games and at band shows have been truly outstanding. Our Wadsworth band students have worked incredibly hard and have achieved excellence in performing, bringing many fans to their feet when they finish. The Wadsworth Marching Band not only brings joy to their home crowd, but promotes the name of "Wadsworth" to other communities by their outstanding level of performance. Several directors have said that they thought Wadsworth did the best job at the shows. I am very proud of the students' accomplishments and look forward to the rest of marching season, as well as the upcoming concert season.*

### ***DON'T TAKE SUCCESS FOR GRANTED***

*Even though I am very proud of our kids' accomplishments, sometimes students can start to relax their work ethic after achieving a high level of success when numerous people compliment them. The entire student body, community, and spectators from other schools just rave about how good our band is. There is a possibility of "over-confidence" or maybe, just a loss of focus creeping into our rehearsals. It's hard to persevere and keep the intensity of excellence while rehearsing throughout the entire season, but that needs to be our goal. One just doesn't stay successful because one achieved it earlier.*

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*The saying is true, that it's harder to stay on top than to get there. That's because it's easy to forget that success must be earned every day. Parents, please encourage your child to practice his/her instrument every day so that our band may continue to grow, musically and respectfully, and so that your child will get a "real life" experience learning what it takes to achieve top quality job performance.*

**SYMPHONIC BAND**

*Students who make it into the Symphonic Band will start rehearsals in October (Tuesdays, 6:00-8:30 p.m.) in order to get ready for the Capital University New Music Reading Clinic on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> in Columbus, Ohio. There will also be extra rehearsals added on other selected days. All rehearsals are mandatory for Symphonic Band members. We have been honored, being selected as the guest band to perform at Capital University and we must get enough rehearsal time in order to sound good and represent our school and community well.*

**OBDC HONOR BAND**

*The University of Akron is hosting the annual Ohio Band Directors conference on Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Students may submit a tape or CD of solos, etudes, and required scales recorded for auditions by Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>. I hope that numerous students will prepare and audition for this prestigious ensemble. Band students from around the state will be auditioning.*

**THANK YOU TO ALL PARENTS**

*We not only have the greatest kids, but we also have the greatest parents. Without all the hours spent chaperoning, working in concessions, cleaning uniforms, stocking the concessions, being a band booster officer or chairperson, and getting involved with spending a lot of time helping the band organization. The students and I could not do everything that we do without your amazing support.*

*If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 330-336-4011.*

**Mr. Hadgis**



***Thank you!!!***

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the uniforms. It was a big job getting the students fitted and the alterations done. I would especially like to thank Wendy Kaufman and Mary Heltzel for all their help with hemming the uniforms. I would also like to thank the parents who have helped with the uniforms for Friday night games and Saturday band shows. Everyone's help is truly appreciated. Thank you again!

Sara Steinkerchner,  
Uniform Coordinator



### Concessions

If you haven't had a chance to work concessions yet, there is still time! There are several soccer games left and 2 more home games. The soccer games are a good way to "learn the ropes" because it's not as fast paced.

You can sign up to work by contacting Eva Buhite at: [eva\\_b7828@yahoo.com](mailto:eva_b7828@yahoo.com) or by phone at (330) 331-8295 or Marge Messer at (330) 336-5137 or by e-mail at [mamesser@wadsnet.com](mailto:mamesser@wadsnet.com).

I hope you've had a chance to tell your student what a great job they are doing! The half-time shows have been great. The crowd is lovin' it! At the 9/11 Memorial, the band did not get to do a lot, but they represented us well. The song was well done and they showed respect by their attention to the ceremony. 8th Grade Night was a lot of fun and encouraging for the 8th grade students, many of them have now been bitten by the band bug! At the Springfield Band Show, Wadsworth performed well and was highly complimented by the members of the Kent State Band. As you can see—the band has been busy! So celebrate your student—they are doing a great job!

Cathie Cooper,  
Band Booster President



*I'd like to thank everyone who has signed up and helped in the concession stands—everyone has been a big help. Special thanks to Mary Miller for all her help frying up 80 pounds of hamburg! WOW—that's a lot of beef!*

*Eva Buhite,  
Concessions*

**SUCCESS COMES  
IN CANS**



**NOT IN CANNOTS**  
John Ralston. NFL coach

**Wadsworth City Schools Band Boosters****Minutes – General Meeting****September 5, 2006**

Attendance: 29

## I. Welcome &amp; Thank You's – Cathie Cooper

## Report from Directors

Mr. Hadgis – Students are doing a great job. Mr. Williams interviewed Steve on WCTV. Mr. Hadgis has noticed changes, energy level - everyone is not only coming out to see the game, but also coming out to see the band too. Have received lots of compliments. Students need to check off music for Sweet Georgia Brown by Thursday 9/7 – students should be practicing at home. Next week will need to check off Play That Funky Music, then there will be a little break. Trip itinerary - still looking at this, no decision yet. Auditions for Symphonic will be later this month. Will change to 1 rehearsal on Thursday for marching band and 1 rehearsal on Tuesday for Symphonic. Additional practices for Symphonic for upcoming performance on November 10<sup>th</sup>. Will be wearing new uniforms Friday 9/8 unless there is a monsoon. Students should wear white T-shirts under their jackets. Eighth Grade Night is 9/15 – would be beneficial for current parents to talk to 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents to encourage students to stay in band.

B. Dana Hire – Thanks to everyone who has been involved in uniform fitting, sewing and everything to get uniforms ready. Middle School – off to a bit of a slow start, still trying to figure out where things are and how things work. Music for marching night (Free Ride & Grizzlies), plus stand tunes, has been passed out to students. Getting music out to them this year will make transition easier next year when they get to High School. Middle School Band played outside today practicing Free Ride. Seventh graders are coming along. Email is best way to get in touch with Mrs. Hire [dhire@wadsworth.k12.oh.us](mailto:dhire@wadsworth.k12.oh.us)

## III. Business:

A. Motion to approve minutes from August meeting made by Heidi Clark and seconded by LuAnn Gresh.

B. Finance – Jan Croyle reviewed August financials. We took in \$4,038 more than we spent. Maximum that can be earned for student accounts is \$50 per season (fall/winter). A total of \$6,057 was earned toward student accounts from the sale of Discount Cards. There are extra cards that can be sold and all the money goes straight to Band Boosters. Motion to approve financials was



made by Bill Bauer and seconded by Heidi Clark. Still need to find an outside person to audit the last 2 years of financials (possibly Barb Miracle). Also, still need to obtain remaining documentation from the last 2 years so it can be audited. Cathie Cooper will request outstanding records in writing from previous finance person. Jan confirmed Band Boosters is bonded.

- C. Chaperones – Greg & Diane Steinkerchner – working on getting chaperones for football games and band shows. There are 34 families (47 parents) helping out this season. Trying to make it fair for everybody, making sure senior parents are included as much as possible. For the 9/11 Ceremony, still need 6 to 8 parents to pass out water to the kids. Will be wearing new uniforms for 9/11 performance & students need to be at the High School by 5:10 p.m. for rehearsal. Gearing up for 8<sup>th</sup> grade night on 9/15 (there are 70 or 80 eighth graders). If parents know any 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents, positive remarks about band go a long way. Thank you's for band camp will be given to (Tucker Supply, Cherokee Hills Golf Course & Wendy's) – Ed Meyer Photography has generously donated printed pictures of the band that can be framed and displayed to thank them for their support. Band shirts for chaperones should be in the end of this week or early next week – they are \$17 each and payment can be deposited in the drop box in the band room. All events so far have gone off without a hitch. Chaperones will be given a lanyard with a badge so they can be easily identified by the band students. Chaperones need to turn these back in to Greg or Diane at the end of the night so they can be used for the next event.
- D. Concessions – Eva Buhite – we are doing well, but still need more volunteers. Lisa Jones will send a plea for more concession stand volunteers to sign up in the next “Band Notes” email.
- E. Publicity – Lisa Jones – has been sending “Band Notes” emails out weekly with various reminders. Susan Feller has been working on outside publicity. She and her son are working on putting together video clips.
- F. Membership/Newsletter – Mary Heltzel – reminded everyone to complete a Band Booster Membership Form including email address if they haven't already done so. Printed forms are available on the table for completion or they can be accessed online from the Band website at [www.wadsworthband.com](http://www.wadsworthband.com) In order to save Band Booster funds, the preferred method of Newsletter distribution is email. If you're currently receiving a paper copy and you prefer email, please let Mary know or send an email to [mheltzel@neo.rr.com](mailto:mheltzel@neo.rr.com) Deadline for Newsletter article submissions is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month – send articles to [mheltzel@neo.rr.com](mailto:mheltzel@neo.rr.com).
- G. Transportation – Greg Steinkerchner – still ironing out a few snags – had a problem last week, and we may be going back to Ryder/American Rental instead of U-Haul.



I. Uniforms – Sara Steinkerchner – Thanked everyone who has helped with uniform alterations. Reminder, students need white gloves for Friday (\$4/pair) and they will be available on an ongoing basis throughout the year. Clarinets & flutes need to cut the fingers at first knuckle so they can slip fingers through to play.

Ways & Means – Beth Guenther – Thank you to team leaders for handling their team and for drivers on Blitz Day. We took in \$11,895 for the fundraiser and still have extra cards available for adults to sell with all money going directly to Band Boosters. Fall fundraiser will run from 10/23 – 11/3 with delivery the first week of December. We will be selling Pee Jayes Fruit & Sally Foster wrapping paper & candies. The fruit profit is about 40% and Sally Foster is 50% with profits going directly to the student's account. Students who sell are asked to collect the money due with the order when placed. Checks should be made payable to Wadsworth Band Boosters. If kids turn in 5 email addresses of friends & family, they will be entered to win an iPod. We will get 1 week notice when fruit will be delivered and need a lot of help to unload truck. Eighth graders are included in the fall fundraiser to help them save for Band Camp. Band Boosters will buy the summer uniform for the top seller in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The top seller at the High School will have the same amount of money deposited into the "Band Account".

Web Site – Bill Bauer – Keep checking the web page periodically. New pictures have been added. If you can't figure out how to add your pictures, you can give them to Bill on a CD and he will load them. On the Calendar Page, there is a link with Google Maps for away games and shows. Forms distributed to students can be sent to Bill to include on the web site. The web address is [www.wadsworthband.com](http://www.wadsworthband.com)

#### Old Business:

Senior Night – Craig Dietrich & several other people are involved in organizing for 10/13 (Barberton game). Invitations for parents are pretty well taken care of. Working on getting flowers for seniors. Susan Gruccio and LuAnn Gresh are working with Craig. Need confirmations from parents that will be there.

Yard Signs – Cathie Cooper will get everyone connected that is interested. Goal is to have them done by the end of the month.

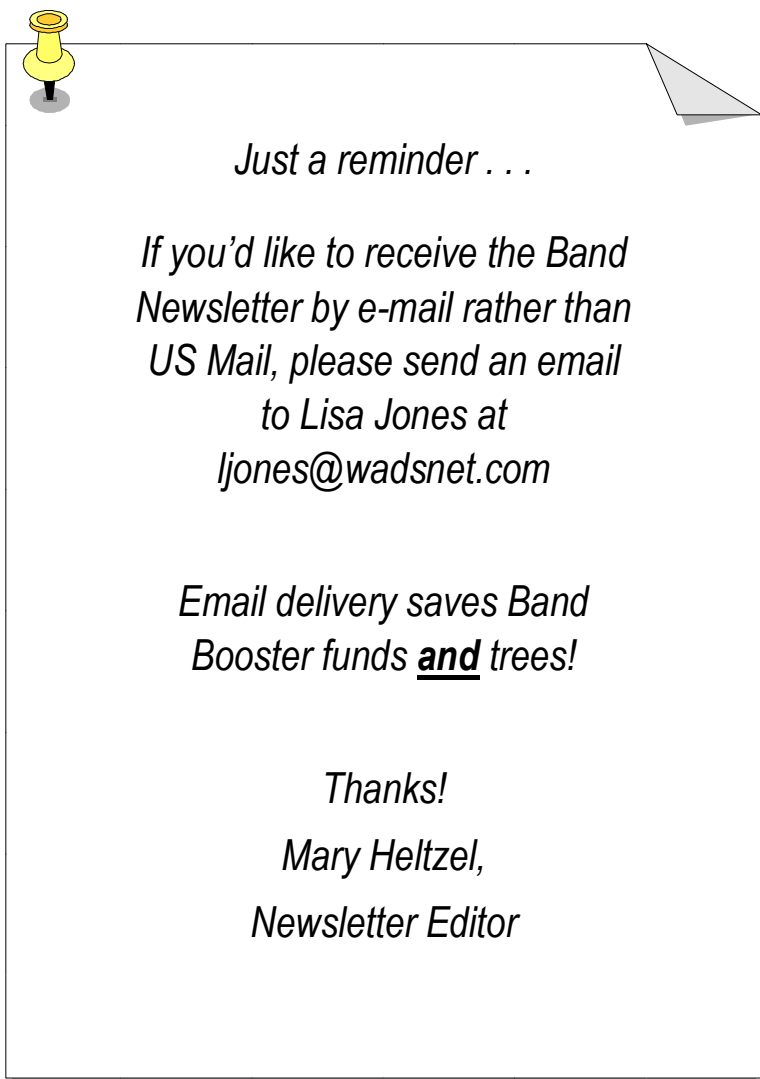
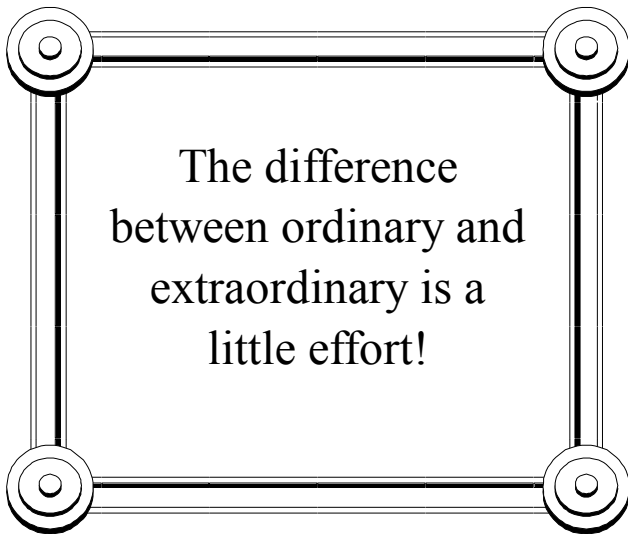
Picture Day – Rescheduled for 9/28. New envelopes will be sent home with students & payment needs to accompany order. Students need to be at High School by 5:00 for pictures (in uniforms). Will need helpers to get students dressed in uniforms for pictures. Rehearsal starts at 6:00.



V. New Business:

- A. By Law Changes – need a new committee to change By Laws to reflect how we are actually running the Band Boosters. Lisa Jones, Bill Bauer, Heidi Clark & Beth Guenther volunteered.
- B. NSF checks – need a policy in writing stating how we will handle charges imposed by the bank. Motion made by Greg Steinkerchner to add wording to pass NSF charges on to the person writing the check. Motion seconded by Sara Steinkerchner. Greg will forward sample wording to Mary Heltzel.

Motion to adjourn was made by Lisa Jones and seconded by Heidi Clark.



. . as a reminder, there will be a \$10 service charge for all returned checks.





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