
“The Trumpeter”

The Newsletter of the W.T. Woodson Band Patrons

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October and November Calendar

October 6	FB Away (T.C. Williams) - <i>note this is a Thursday!</i>
October 14	FB Away (Annandale)
October 15	Woodbridge Viking Invitational MB Competition
October 21	FB Home (W. Potomac)
October 22-23	MB Competition - JMU, Harrisonburg VA (overnighter)
October 28	FB Away
October 29	VBODA State MB Festival - West Springfield
November 3	Frost - Woodson Concert @ Frost 7:00pm
November 4	FB Home (South County) - <i>Senior Night</i> 5:30pm
November 7-18	Fall Seating Auditions 2:30pm
November 10	Marching Band Awards Night Dessert Café "A" 7:30pm
November 11-12	Senior Regional Orchestra @ South Lakes HS
November 29	Tiny Tots Rehearsal (Gym) 2:30 - 4:40pm
November 30	Tiny Tots Dress Rehearsal (Gym) 8:00 - 9:30am Tiny Tots Concert (Symphonic only) (Gym) 10:00 - 11:00am Tiny Tots Night Show (Auditorium) 7:00pm

From the Band Patron's President:

Dear Patrons,

I hope you have been able to see the Marching Band perform at a football game or at their first competition. They have been working very hard and it shows in the great performances they have had. Please come out and cheer on your band student.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who came out and helped with Tag Day especially Donna Rye, Jackie Copp and Wendy Mumbach the co-chairs who so successfully organized this event. Everything went very smoothly due to their planning and dedication. The Woodson community continued its great support for the band and we raised more on Tag Day than we ever have. Checks continue to come in from the flyers that were left on doorsteps. Thanks to all the band patrons who donated also.

In addition, I would like to thank all the parents who continue to volunteer for chaperoning, for uniforms, for concessions, for pit crew and for all the other jobs, events and activities that are required to make this organization run so well. We could not do it without you. If you haven't volunteered yet, please do so. There are lots of places where you can help, even if you just have an hour or two.

Thanks for everyone's support for the Band. Please come out and see the Marching Band at the upcoming home football games and at the competitions. There are more details later in the Trumpeter. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Jim McDonald
President
(703) 764-3279 home

From the Director:

Band pictures:

If you had any problems with your band pictures please contact the Lifetouch Customer Service @ 1-800-445-1189. There are a few section pictures for sale at \$5.00 each if anyone is interested. See Mrs. Hall.

Band Photo Galleries: Remember that photo galleries are uploaded to the band website after every performance. Pictures may be downloaded from there.

Woodbridge Competition 10/15: The itinerary has not yet been published but we have a tentative performance time of 12:00 noon. It will be an early morning but at least we should be back at WTW by around 3:00ish. Band parents, please come out and support the band. We need lots of cheering from the stands.

Parents – The Band Patron Meeting on 10/20 is also a pre-trip meeting and it is important that a parent or each band member attend. It is at 7:30pm in the band room.

Fall Trip to JMU:

This is just a reminder that the packet of forms and \$100 were due on September, 30th. We are happy to try and accommodate families with financial concerns but we need to be notified ASAP if a payment will be late. Remember that we have many students in the band program and it is difficult to meet our deadlines when parents and students don't meet theirs. Please keep the lines of communication open!

Band Debts – Registration, Uniform, Instrument Rental and Library debts must be paid before students can sign up for a bus for the Fall Trip. This will include \$52 percussion fee and rental form

Marching Band practice reminders:

Please remind your child to bring water to band practice. We have had many without and it is difficult for chaperones to bring enough water out for everyone. We have had a few days where chaperones did not show up for their shift which meant that there was no water at all.

Also, the weather is changing/getting cooler and students should plan ahead and dress appropriately.

Coming up:

Mon, 10/3 SRO auditions @ TJSST
Tues, 10/4 MB rehearsal 3-5
Weds, 10/5 MB rehearsal 3-5
Thurs, 10/6 MB rehearsal 3-5
Fri, 10/7 No game

Mon, 10/10 No school
Tues, 10/11 MB 3-6 (note updated time!)
Weds, 10/12 No MB due to PSAT Day
Thurs, 10/13 MB 3-6 (note updated time!)
Fri, 10/14 Away FB game to Annandale
Sat, 10/15 Woodbridge Viking Invitational MB competition

Frost/Woodson Concert on 11/3 @ 7pm.

This involves the Symphonic Band only and is a good recruiting tool.

Fall Auditions: Fall Auditions will take place the first week of November. Students have been given the auditions requirements and should be preparing for them now.

Senior Night Instructions to Parents/Escorts

Parents will not receive tickets for the game but will be let into the game for free by a Band Patron who will be checking in Parents at the main gate. Be down on the track near the 20 yard line by the beginning of half time. A volunteer parent will put you in alpha order at that time. Once the band finishes their show, senior names will be announced and you will walk up and meet your student at the 50 yd line on the track and then move down to form a line facing the home stands. After half time the seniors are free to go but of course must turn in their uniforms first.

-----**Seniors (only) - Detach & return by 10/21**-----

Senior Night FB Game

Student name as you would like it announced:

Parent's/escort's name(s) to be announced:

Chaperone News

Thanks to everyone who has assisted with band camp & after school rehearsals. We know how hard it is not only to be there for your scheduled shift, but also to complete all of the steps a chaperone needs to accomplish. Thanks to everyone who has assisted with the first three home football games. Thanks to the chaperones who were planning to assist with the away football game at Oakton HS, Lee HS and the Elementary School Tour, unfortunately the weather got the best of us those weeks and days. Thank you to the chaperones who assisted with the first competition at Herndon HS. The band students appreciate the time and energy we devote to assisting with their program.

After school practices are still going strong. We have been sending out reminders at the beginning of each week to give you a heads-up about your scheduled chaperone day. Please remember that it may still be hot and practices are two hours long, sometimes longer. If you are scheduled to chaperone for an after school practice, **it is still necessary to come**. Thanks again for your assistance to keeping the kids safe during their practices.

We have 9 events coming up in October and November. Thanks to all who have already replied to past notes about the Football games and Competitions. We still need chaperone assistance for the following events in October & November:

Home Football Games

Friday, October 21st – need 2 chaperones
Friday, November 4th - need 3 chaperones (non-senior parents)

Concerts

November 3rd – Frost/Woodson concert @ Frost MS – Symphonic Band only – need 1 chaperone

Thanks so much for everyone's help. We could not do this without your assistance. Please contact us at wtwbandchaperones@gmail.com if you are available to assist with any of the above events.

Stefan & Chris

First Aid Update

Our first overnight trip will be on October 22-23, 2011. Medication check-in will take place at the time of luggage check-in. Please bring any medications in an original container with directions for use. Please make sure a Medication Authorization form has been filled out and signed by your child's doctor and is brought in with the medication. The Medication Authorization form can be found on the FCPS website at this address: <http://fcps.edu/DIT/forms/se63.pdf>

Parents, also please remember if you have not turned in your over the counter (OTC) medication form or emergency care form these forms are needed prior to the trip. If the OTC form has not been turned in we will not be able to give your child any medications without contacting you first by telephone.

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Schwarz by email at CSchwarz129@gmail.com

CONCESSIONS UPDATE

Hello from Concessions!

I want to Thank everyone who has helped out in concessions- it has been a lot of hard work, but we have shared some great laughs together, and have worked hard for the band!

We have 2 more home games this year, Oct. 21 and Nov. 4, and we still need volunteers! Concessions has lots to offer, we have fun together, are inside a warm building, and have indoor plumbing. If you are able to help, please email me at penny2c@yahoo.com.

Thank you and see you at the games!

Penny

ANNUAL FRUIT SALE STARTS OCTOBER 28!

The Annual W.T. Woodson Band's Fruit Sale will begin on October 28th and sales orders will be taken until November 28th this year. Fruit is planned to be delivered to the school for distribution on December 15th. Band students will be able to ask family members, neighbors and parents' co-workers to help support the Band's activities and trips while enjoying delicious Florida Citrus during the Winter Holidays.

This year we will be asking all students to sell 5 boxes of fruit. With this year's 160+ students participating, we hope to meet our goal of \$20,000 in total sales.

Students will be able to sell in their neighborhood for Cash or check purchases or online through the Band's web link to the order site. Online orders can be purchased by credit or debit card, either to be picked up on December 17th or delivered by your favorite student. You can also order fruit to be shipped to friends or relatives via USPS for delivery by Christmas.

We will be sending out marketing emails to our prior purchasers by October 15th, asking them to credit any online purchase to their favorite Band Student. Students will receive order forms and sales materials during the week of October 24th, with interim report dates on November 11th and 22nd. Parents, Please encourage your student to knock on doors in the neighborhood—if they sell their first five boxes to your neighbors, they may be able to help a fellow band member.

We will also need Parents to help on December 15th, with hand trucks to unload the Truck, help filling the orders, and help delivering fruit. The students usually have a great time, and all of us enjoy supporting the band!

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Marching Band Uniforms



Uniform volunteers needed on the following dates:

10/15 – 10 volunteers – Hand out before & Collect Uniforms after **Competition**.

10/21 – 10 volunteers – 5:15pm & after the **Game**.

10/22 – 10 Volunteers needed to hand out uniforms. – **Overnighter**.

10/23 – 10 volunteers needed to collect on morning of the 23rd. - **Overnighter**.

10/29 – 10 volunteers –hand out & Collect – **VBODA Championship ****

11/4 – 10 volunteers – 5:15pm & after the **Game**.

That's it! – The 2011 Marching Band Season is OVER. ☺

To volunteer for any of the above opportunities please email Cindy at CLZnachko@cox.net.

Go Cavaliers!

Cindy

Concert Uniforms

Thank you so much to the ladies who took the day to help us sort out all the tuxes and shirts... Kate Coleman, Jackie Copp, Laura Damian, Celeste Delahunty, Wendy Mumbach, Debbie Stoss, and Pam vonBredow

TUX SHIRTS are in. I will be sending them home periodically from school... ask your student for them. Symphonic students will need them for the Frost Woodson Concert in November and Concert students will need them after the new year. They need to have the black button piece removed and discarded. They need to be washed and ironed and brought in to dress on the day of the concerts along with your dark black socks and shoes (for ladies their concert dress shoes).

If you able to help with organizing dresses when they come back from the tailor in mid-October, please email Chrissy at Rabayda@verizon.net.

Thank you, Chrissy and Annette

Hospitality News

The Hospitality Committee would like to thank all those parents who assisted in making Tag Day a success. The kids and parent volunteers enjoyed all of the delicious food provided. Special thanks goes out to those who helped on site that day: Trish Todd, Rachel Warme, Leah Friel, Betty Lynch, Tamra Sami, Jamie Thompson, Michael Marut, Sarah Howard, Nancy Muse, Kelly Rapoza, Beth Crake, Nancy Malina, Pam Von Bredow, Diane Clouse and Brenda McDonald.

The **Marching Band Awards Banquet** will be celebrated on **Thursday, November 10th**, with a dessert buffet at 7:30 PM in Cafeteria A. Please plan on bringing one of your best desserts to share. All Freshmen, Sophomore and Junior band members are expected to contribute. Seniors get the night off. Kelly Rapoza has graciously agreed to coordinate this event for the Hospitality Committee. We do need other parents though to help with set up and clean up. Please let me know if you are able to assist with this. You can email me at marilysitts@msn.com.

CAVALIER CARDS

I need to step down from Cav Card chair for next year. It's an easy job and can be spread out over the year more. I am very busy co-chairing concert uniforms and need to pass this along. The job entails asking for sponsors (mostly just renewing the ones we have) to be represented on the card, working with the printer on designing the card, ordering cards, advertising for them and handing them out to students and sellers. Most of these write ups and letters are already done on computer and just need to be updated with new dated and POC information. The job can easily be split for 2 people to make it very simple for someone who doesn't have a lot of time to devote to another committee. The Cav Cards practically sell themselves. Please contact me if you want to consider taking this on. Chrissy Rabayda, 703-426-1944 and Rabayda@verizon.net.

I have about 60 cards left and some students haven't sold theirs yet so keep selling! Call me if you need more. Students who sold additional Cav cards receive 1 band service point for every 4 cards they sell. I have more cards in case you want to reach out and sell a few more. This is on the honor system so you need to mark it on your sheets. Course if you mark a lot of cards you may get asked about it. Thank you to Laura Muse and Amy Sitts, my biggest student sellers so far! When I run out I will send a blast to let you know I might get some buyers for your leftover cards. If you have not received your Cav cards, please email me at Rabayda@verizon.net

Thanks, Chrissy



Look How Easy It Is To Support Woodson Band with Gift Card Purchases!

Just purchase gift cards for your favorite stores, restaurants, and service providers – where you shop every day or for gifts – and the Band Patrons receive a percent (ranging from 2% to as high as 18% or

more) of your card purchase. There is *no* additional cost to you, and you get the full value of your gift card. This fund raising program is called “scrip.”

Here’s how “scrip” earns money for Woodson Band

Family A's Order

Card	Qty	Amount	Rebate %	Band Earns
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25	2	\$50.00	7.00	\$3.50
Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10	10	\$100.00	10.00	\$10.00
Gap/Banana Republic/Old Navy \$25	4	\$100.00	14.00	\$14.00
JCPenney \$100	1	\$100.00	5.00	\$5.00
Kohl's \$100	1	\$100.00	4.00	\$4.00
Starbucks \$10	5	\$50.00	7.00	\$3.50
Total		\$500.00		\$40.00

Family B's Order

Card	Qty	Amount	Rebate %	Band Earns
Amazon.com \$100	2	\$200.00	4.00	\$8.00
L.L.Bean \$25	3	\$75.00	17.00	\$12.75
Staples \$25	1	\$25.00	5.00	\$1.25
TJ Maxx/Marshalls \$25	6	\$150.00	7.00	\$10.50
Total		\$450.00		\$32.50

Family C's Order

Card	Qty	Amount	Rebate %	Band Earns
Bob Evans \$10	5	\$50.00	10.00	\$5.00
iTunes \$25	1	\$25.00	8.00	\$2.00
Noodles & Company \$10	5	\$50.00	8.00	\$4.00
Panera Bread \$10	5	\$50.00	9.00	\$4.50
Shell \$25	4	\$100.00	2.00	\$2.00
Total		\$275.00		\$17.50

Family D's Order

Card	Qty	Amount	Rebate %	Band Earns
Aeropostale \$25	1	25	7	1.75
Marriott \$100	2	200	8	16
Gymboree \$25	1	25	13	3.25
Ruth's Chris \$50	1	50	10	5
Total		\$300.00		\$26.00

If 50 families – not even half of our band families – place orders that provide the average rebate above of \$29.00, \$1,450 will go to the Band in that month alone!!!

Here's how to place a gift card order

Place your orders online at www.shopwithscrip.com. Just create an account and associate your account with our organization, the W.T. Woodson Cavalier Band Patrons, Inc., by entering our Enrollment Code: 787DC8EF2145.



Place your order by 6am on the first Tuesday of each month for delivery of your cards mid-month.

For grocery purchases, you can also purchase grocery store gift cards for Giant, Shoppers, and Safeway at the monthly Band Patrons meetings.

**Contact Sue Mickelson (smickelson0961@yahoo.com)
with questions or for more information.**

TAG DAY 2012 :)

With Tag Day 2011 behind us, we're putting our maps away but still hoping the parent of a freshman band member will sign up to help us get ready for Tag Day 2012.. Work on preparations won't begin until mid-August, and there isn't too much to do to get ready because the organization has already been done. Think about being a big part of the band's largest fundraiser. Contact Donna Rye at 703-855-3393 to talk about it.

Thanks!

Donna