

The Bands of Gateway High School



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BAND SCHEDULE Please check your e-mail for valuable updates to the band's spring schedules. The April/May daily schedule includes:

Wed 5/6 – Hoagie Orders Due
Thu 5/14 – Hoagie Delivery – 4:00
Tue 5/19 – Band Booster Meeting – 7:00

Enjoy the downtime!!!

BOARD ELECTIONS for the 2009-10 Gateway Band Boosters Board positions will take place tonight. If you or a fellow Band Parent are interested in serving on the Board, please make it known so that your name may be added to the ballot. A nominee for the position of Treasurer is needed. The Board position nominees are as follows:

President –	Joe Wightkin	David Cook
Vice-President –	Martti Kinnunen	Scott Kick
Financial Sec. –	Janet Kelly	Cathy Brown
Secretary –	Beth Humenik	Val Haley
Treasurer –	Donna Zaccagnini	Name Needed
Ways & Means –	Lisa Babjak	Jane Dandrea

BAND CAMP The 2009-10 Marching Band season's Band Camp has been scheduled for the weeks of August 10 and August 17. Remember, Band Camp is mandatory so plan your vacations accordingly!

CONGRATULATIONS TO EMILY KINNUNEN! Emily has been selected as a member of the **Macy's All-American Marching Band** and will be performing in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade this coming November. Emily was also selected for the PMEA All-State Band, and received the invitation to the Macy's All-American Band through the PMEA office. She plays the Mellophone in the Marching Band and French Horn in the Wind Ensemble at the high school. Congratulations, Emily!

FUNDRAISERS Watch for some fun and exciting (hint: *Vera Bradley*) fundraisers coming your way soon. If anyone has any ideas on new ones, please say so!

GOLD SALE FUNDRAISER Look for another Gold Sale Fundraiser during tonight's meeting. Dig through those jewelry boxes for any unworn/unwanted gold pieces and bring them with you for immediate profit! Also, please feel free to invite friends and family to attend these monthly sales for a win-win night!

HOAGIES. Our monthly hoagie sale is a popular fundraiser, and a great way to build up your account with a cost of only **\$5.00** for a 12" hoagie. Each hoagie sale will credit **\$1.75** to your student's account. The order forms are posted online. **Next order is due May 6th.** Pickup is 5/14 from 4-5pm in the GHS Cafeteria. Orders and checks payable to **GBB** should be given to Darla Carras, 412-596-6072.

GATEWAY BAND ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW Thanks to Susan Guerrieri for all the great work she puts in to the craft shows. Susan will be 'graduating' next year and would like to share her knowledge with the next chairperson. If you or someone you know would be interested in chairing this important event, please see any member of the Board.

BOOSTER MEETINGS We ask that all Band Parents make every attempt to attend the monthly GBB meetings. We understand conflicting schedules can make it difficult but we value everyone's input in looking at new ideas, policies, etc. Important upcoming activities include tonight's Board elections, May's vote on redefining items in the GBB Bylaws, and June's 2009-10 school year introductory meeting when we discuss all that will be happening in the new school year. We will strive to provide you with as much information as possible so that you may plan your time and fundraising accordingly. Hope to see you there!

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ACT 34/CHILD ABUSE CLEARANCE. Please be aware that School District Policy 916 requires that any adult having contact with students (whether as chaperone, pit crew, hemming uniforms, etc.) **MUST** have clearance forms. The cost of each form is \$10 and is to be paid by the individual. The Act 34 Criminal History Form must be sent in first so that a copy of that processed form can be attached to the Child Abuse Form. Once you've received both clearances, please give a COPY to Mr. Read (keep the original). You do not need to re-apply for these clearances if you've already done so. You can find both online:

Criminal History Request Form:

<http://www.psp.state.pa.us/psp/lib/psp/sp4-164.pdf>

Child Abuse History Clearance Form:

<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/resources/documents/pdf/fillinforms/dpwchildabuse.pdf>

IMPORTANT ADDITION: You must receive an Act 114, Federal (FBI) Criminal History Report at: http://www.pa.cogentid.com/PDE_Main.html. Please note this is a longer process because the form must be completed online then you go to a fingerprinting center for completion. The cost of this clearance is \$40 (note no cash or personal checks are accepted.) **It could take 8 weeks to obtain this clearance.**