

WAIAKEA HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS NEWSLETTER

"Na Mele o Na Koa" – The Music of the Warriors
September 17, 2009

The Band Boosters Need You!

There's still time to join

Membership is \$25 per family and is due by October 1st. Those dues help provide the necessary money to support various band activities throughout the year. The high school band budget has been cut this year to zero, so funding support from this group is essential.

You can join the Band Boosters by filling out the attached membership form and returning it with your check to the lock box in the band room, and mark it Attn: Karen Murayama, membership chair, or bring it to the next membership meeting.

We realize that there are significant expenses involved in participating in high school band. That's why participation in fundraisers is necessary and essential for both the students and Booster organization in paying expenses and defraying costs.

As a member, your child will be able to participate in fundraising activities. The money they earn is kept in their band student account and can be used to help you defray expenses for band activities throughout the year, such as KMC Band Camp and the off-island trip.

We value your time

Your participation is another way to financially support your child. When you chaperone band activities, such as performances at football games and in parades, your child's account is credited \$5 per hour for a pre-designated time allotment depending on the activity.

Please consider signing up to chaperone upcoming events and contact Sandy Nakao for details – 937-0893.



Next Booster Mtg. – Wed., Oct. 14th

Next Performances:

Honokaa Parade and the Zoo

The band will be marching in the **Honokaa Peace Parade this Sunday, Sept. 20**. Students should be at the high school band room by 10 am to catch the bus, which leaves by 10:30 am. The parade starts in Honokaa at noon.

Wear pep band attire (blue polo, jeans and athletic shoes.) If you ordered a new pep shirt, you should receive it that day.

The annual tiger birthday bash will be held at the **Panaeawa Zoo Saturday, Sept. 26**, and the WHS band will play from 9-9:45 am. Students should be there by 8:30 am.

Uniform Update



No, these aren't the new uniforms. But the orders have gone in for the standard aloha shirts, dress shirts, black pants, shoes and polos. The pep shirts (blue polos) are expected to be in this weekend. If they don't arrive soon enough to distribute at school, they'll be brought to the Honokaa parade on Sunday and handed out there.

The aloha shirts are expected to arrive in early November, but black dress pants won't be here until mid-November. What students will need to wear at various upcoming events will be outlined in this and future newsletters.

If you haven't paid for new uniform pieces yet, please have your child deposit payment in the lock box in the band room.

Pep Band Dates

The great music the band provides at WHS football games is appreciated by those in the stands, as well as on the field. The excellent participation from band members so far this season has allowed the pep band to sound better than ever!

The band will play at two more home football games this season:

Friday, Oct. 30th -- WHS Homecoming
Friday, Nov. 6th

We still need a few more chaperones for the November 6th game. Please call Sandy Nakao if you are willing to help out – 937-0893.

KMC Band Camp Set for October 5th-7th

The annual three-day band camp held at the Kilauea Military Camp in Volcano will take place during fall break week, Mon., Oct. 5th – Wed., Oct. 7th.

Students should be at the band room by 8:30 am on Monday for practice and fun activities. They should also bring a lunch to enjoy before boarding the bus for Volcano.

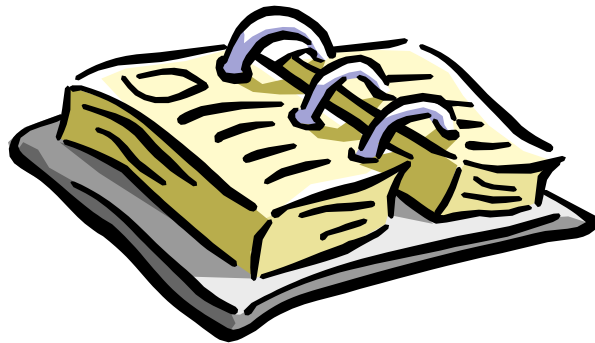
All participating students have received schedules for the three days, as well as a list of camp rules and suggestions for necessary gear to pack.

The group will be arriving back at school on Wed. between 11:45-12 noon. Please be there on time to pick up your child.

Save Cans for the Band

The Band Boosters and band members will be collecting cans and bottles for recycling one Saturday each month at the high school, with the proceeds going into the group's general fund. Please save your recycling and help support the WHS band.

We'll let you know the first collection date in next month's newsletter.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 20 – Band marches in Peace Parade in Honokaa. Be at school by 10 am.

Sept. 26 – Band plays at Zoo, 9-9:45 a.m.

Oct. 5-7 -- KMC Band Camp at Kilauea Military Camp, Volcano

Oct. 30 – Pep Band plays at WHS football game

Nov. 6 – Pep Band plays at WHS football game

Nov. 7 – Band marches in Hilo Veteran's Day Parade

Nov. 28 – Band marches in Hilo Christmas parade

Dec. 9 – Christmas Concert

Who Ya' Gonna Call?

If you have questions about any band activities, call one of these people:

Kelvin Sewake	959-6768	President
William Sever	974-4888 ext. 284	Director
Vanessa Riviera	981-2685	Seniors
Lauri Igawa	935-5013	Juniors
Peg Bitter	981-2761	Sophomores
Susan Honda	959-7307	Freshmen