

# Limestone Band Boosters Newsletter



September 2012

www.limestonebands.com

## Coming Events

Check for updates at:  
[www.limestonebands.com](http://www.limestonebands.com)

Tuesday Rehearsals 6-9  
Thursdays 6-8  
until further notice

- 9/8** Competition at Washington
- 9/10** Mid-Illini Marching Band Festival Washington
- 9/14** Home football game
- 9/15** Competition at Morton
- 9/17** Booster meeting  
LCHS Cafeteria  
7:00 pm
- 9/22**   
Limestone  
Marching Rockets  
Field Competition
- 9/28** Homecoming football game
- 10/6** Competition at Normal West
- 10/12** Home football game
- 10/13** Competition at University of Illinois
- 10/27** Competition at Illinois State University

## Spring Break 2013

Trip to *Disney World!*

## Next Meeting!

Monday, September 17, 2012  
7:00 pm  
LCHS Cafeteria

The competition is coming! The competition is coming! If you haven't already signed up to volunteer for this important event, you still have a chance to do so. (It's fun!) Besides getting things squared away for the competition, we'll hear the latest on the band's schedules, Disney, and fund raising.

Your help is needed to make this day a success. If you haven't already volunteered for something, you can read about how you can help and how to sign up at <http://limestonebands.com/sub/field-competition/volunteers/>. For those who are donating bake sale items, please package servings individually and label items (brownies with nuts, etc.)—don't mark prices; our volunteers will do the pricing so like-items are priced the same. Hospitality food donors: crock pots and other containers that you want returned should have your name on them. The school will provide serving spoons, etc.

Drop-off instructions for Bake Sale items & Hospitality Room food:

- Deliver items between 11:00 am and noon.
- Drive into the Teachers' Lot (north of the school, with "Bus Parking Lot A" signs). Tell the parking lot attendant that you are dropping off food.
- Drive to Entrance Door 4, a "Directors Hospitality" sign will be outside.
- Bring the food inside and to the left, there will be tables to set the food on.

If you are staying to work the competition, exit the parking lot, turn left, and park in the Volunteer Parking Lot (by the tennis courts).

For those who sign up to help work the competition, here is the check-in process:

- Please park in the Sophomore Lot (by the tennis courts).
- Come to the Volunteer Check-in table near the public entrance (southeast gate, behind the band room) to have your name checked against the Volunteers List, pick up your name badge, and get your hand stamped. This entitles you to free admission to the competition.
- Proceed to your designated area. The check-in crew can point you in the right direction and tell you whom to ask for, if needed. When you get to your area, you will be given all the training that you need.

If your assigned shift is later in the day, you can have your hand stamped early and enjoy the show until your time to work. Thank you for volunteering for this fundraiser. It promises to be another great day of performance and competition.

Questions? Contact Stephen Cordes at [competition@limestonebands.com](mailto:competition@limestonebands.com).



The 2nd annual Marching Rockets Field Competition will be on September 22. Seventeen bands have signed up to participate, with twice the number of students as last year.



*Have you started earning  
free money  
for your student's account?  
Get a Limestone Band Booster  
Kroger reloadable gift card.  
Contact assistant treasurer,  
Kim Dunham.*



Scrip is another opportunity to  
earn money while you shop.

Access Scrip at  
[limestonebands.com](http://limestonebands.com) through  
the booster/fundraising link  
Questions?

Contact Terry Miller,  
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Fun Funds from GFS  
Marketplace are another way  
to earn money while you shop.

Check it out at:  
[www.limestonebands.com/sub/  
band-boosters/gfs-fun-funds/](http://www.limestonebands.com/sub/band-boosters/gfs-fun-funds/)

Read the minutes from the August  
Booster meeting at:  
[www.limestonebands.com/sub/band-  
boosters/minutes](http://www.limestonebands.com/sub/band-boosters/minutes)

## Mums Fundraiser

Can you feel the fall chill in the air? Hardly! But it will be here sooner than we know. Along with fall come football games, watching the half-time show, wiener roasts, hooded sweatshirts, leaves falling from the trees, brilliant fall colors and MUMS!

The LCHS Bands is excited to offer chrysanthemums from Hoerr's Nursery as a fundraiser. We have ordered the plants and are expecting to sell 350 and more! They are priced at \$15.00 each. Colors available are maroon/burgundy, bright yellow, purple, and orange/bronze. They are 10 inch plants in a 2 pound pot. This is a great way to help support the marching band and have something to enjoy year after year.

Please email me at [acthmpsn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:acthmpsn@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in ordering. All orders and payments are due September 10. Plants will be picked up from Hoerr's on September 14. Pick-up will be available at the home football game on the 14th starting at 6:00pm.

—Angie Thompson

## Annual Raffle!

On August 14, the LCHS Band Boosters started selling raffle tickets. Each student was given an envelope of 6 books of tickets (5 tickets per book). 1st prize is \$1000, 2nd prize \$500, 3rd prize \$400 and 4th prize will be \$250. There will be 4 early bird prizes of \$100 each which will be drawn at the last home football game on October 12. The final drawing will be held at the winter band concert December 13. We will sell raffle tickets at each of the home games until half time - if you would like to volunteer to help sell tickets at events please call Jennifer Goble at 697-8727 (evenings). For each raffle ticket sold \$1.00 goes into your child's band account. Remember that each student is accountable for the tickets he/she has been assigned. You must turn in the stubs with the names/etc. filled out along with one check made out to LCHS Band Boosters. All unsold tickets must be returned. We have 800 books of tickets to sell. If we sold all of them we would make around \$13,000! Let's try to do it!



The band earns money by recycling  
ink cartridges, cell phones and  
aluminum cans. Bring cartridges and  
cell phones to the band room.  
Deposit cans in the trailer by the  
sidewalk that leads to the band room.

## Thank you!

We all survived Band Camp week and are ready for the season to officially begin! We want to thank the students for showing us what hard work looks like. They are a terrific group of kids, and the show looks great so far! We also need to thank all the parents who were able to donate their time getting drinks and snacks ready for breaks and making sure the sun screen was used.

Thanks also to all the parents who donated cereal, breakfast bars, snacks, fruit, and sun screen. These supplies are vital and we thank you for your generosity. Thank you to the parents who donated soda and water for the pizza party. Not only do we have a great group of kids but we also have truly dedicated parents. It has been wonderful to see so many parents getting involved. We hope to see you all at the practices, football games, and competitions!

—Angie Becker & Adriana Bryan

## Parents' Guide to Competitions

As soon as the competition gives us the performance schedule, Mr. Empey will tell the students, and the itinerary will be posted on the website ([limestonebands.com](http://limestonebands.com), click the Schedule tab and scroll down to Itinerary). If you are not riding the bus as a chaperone, you will have to transport yourself to wherever we are traveling. Parking varies, some schools have lots and sometimes there is only street/neighborhood parking available (Morton, for example). When coming back to LCHS to pick up your student, please do not park by the sidewalk along the school—that is where the buses pull up.

Students wanting to ride home with parents (preferably after the awards ceremony), must give Mr. Empey a letter written by a parent at least one week before the competition, and need to see Mr. Empey before leaving.

Be prepared to pay an admission price (usually about \$5 at the high schools, \$10 or so for the university competitions and more for BOA) and pay separately for a program. Sandwiches & soda are available at the concession stands. Competition etiquette is to remain seated during a performance; you may enter and leave the bleachers between performances. We cheer and applaud for everyone because all those kids from all the schools have worked hard.

Bleachers can be hot, cold, hard, or wet—for your comfort you might consider bringing towels, blankets or stadium seats. The weather can change also, especially after sunset, and the wind can be brisk. Be prepared and have fun! —Barb Richmond

### Field Competition Volunteer needs:

Concessions - prepare and sell food items

Selling program books

Baked goods - bring *individually-wrapped* goodies to sell

Potluck-style food for judges and visiting band directors

Parking lot attendants

Grounds keeping

Setup (Friday night & Saturday morning)

Teardown (Saturday night)

Ticket sales

Bus greeters - meet the busses and stamp students' hands

Band guides - lead one band from the busses through warm-up and performance

### Disney Payment Schedule

9/1 1st payment due

12/1 2nd payment due

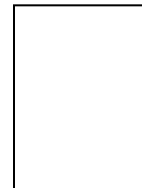
2/1 3rd payment due

3/1 Final payment due



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The Band Boosters organization exists to support the band program at all performances, as well as to provide manpower and financial support through fundraisers and events.

Band Boosters membership includes:

- Current and former parents of band and color guard students
- Former band and color guard students
- Relatives of band and color guard students
- Community members who support the performing arts

Band Booster meetings are held the third Monday of each month (except during the summer) at 7:00pm in the LCHS cafeteria.

Please join us! Become involved in your child's education and be part of a great organization!

March. Sweat. Play. Drill.  
 Marching Band. Music.  
 Work. Practice. Love It!