



# MCQUEEN BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION

# NEWSLETTER

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## Mark Your Calendar

- Sept. 2-7 Nugget Rib Cook Off fundraiser
- Sept. 9 Band Parent Meeting 7pm Band Room**
- Sept. 11 McQ Football Game
- Sept. 12 Saturday Rehearsal 9-3:30
- Sept. 15 Jimmy John's fundraiser
- Sept. 16 Extravaganza planning meeting 7 pm
- Sept. 18 McQ football game
- Sept. 19 Band Day 9am -12pm
- Sept. 26 Saturday Rehearsal 9-3:30
- Sept. 30 Extravaganza planning meeting 7pm
- Oct. 3 EXTRAVAGANZA!! All Day
- Oct. 7 Band Parent Meeting 7pm Band Room**
- Oct. 9 McQ football game
- Oct. 10 Oakmont contest call time TBA
- Oct. 16 McQ football game
- Oct. 17 practice/Galena contest—call time TBA
- Oct. 24-25 Clovis contest call time TBA
- Oct. 30 Nevada Day band rehearsal 9am to 1pm
- Oct. 31 USSBA contest/Carson City call time TBA
- Nov. 4 Band Parent Meeting 7pm Band Room**



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### From the Band Director's Desk

#### Dear Parents and Students,

Being sent out within the next week is the information regarding band fees and the band handbook.

The only financial way our band can be competitive and travel, is to have band fees. With the uncertain economy I am very concerned our band might lose a wonderful student due to the difficulty of paying band fees. Be sure to read the cover letter regarding how our wonderful Band Parent Association may offer assistance to students and parents who participate in fund raising activities.



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With the McQueen Marching Band being the "varsity" band, attendance at rehearsals and performances is very important. In fact, participation is a huge part of the overall grade earned by students. Please read the handbook and note the grading policy of the band.

There is one change to the fall schedule. Fresno State changed their football schedule, requiring the date of their marching contest to be moved to November 7th. We will attend a contest at Buchanan HS in Clovis, CA (next to Fresno) on October 24th, and will participate in the UNR contest on November 7th. The Clovis contest will be an overnight trip, due to the travel distance and the late completion of the contest.

*Rick Moffit*  
Director of Bands  
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Looking forward to a great season!!

## **Band Parents to Band Parents**

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers that have pitched in since our last newsletter..... We couldn't do it without YOU!! (I know the note from the beautiful VP of Fundraising...my wife, is thanking you too) Actually we have a great board of beautiful people that work hard and my personal thanks to you and your families.

So.....we have arrived at the beginning of school year.....2009-2010. Yikes, I remember all the tension around the turn of the millennium....Wow 10 years ago. Well enough of feeling old. We have a great year ahead of us and we have seen and heard the band and they sound fantastic!!!! We have the football games and competitions for the band. We have one overnight trip and some day trips to look forward to. We will be supporting our kids through the fall and into the holiday season. AND....we have Extravaganza on October 3rd., right in the middle of it all. This great event is the number one money maker in the entire year. We will need volunteers for the food and uniforms and all the things we do on the road except load the trailer. We are meeting 2 more times before that date and there is a great deal of background work to be done. Watch for meeting times and we will put anyone to work that is willing to show up. It's only 1 (one) month away. So Thank you, Thank you and Thank you again!!! for lending a hand. See you at the meetings.

*Pete Kull*  
**BPA President**

**Fundraising Committee:** Thank you parents that helped with Hot August Nights, the Car Wash, Pyramid Lake and our BBQ. What a lot of fun. Rib Cook Off is Sept 2nd through the 7th. Our Fund Raising Day is coming up on September 19th. We will need parents to drive 3 to 4 students around the neighborhood and the students go door to door asking for donations for the band. This is a big fundraiser for the band and this helps every band member. Look for the signup sheets coming around soon. If you have any fundraising ideas call or email me.

*Karla Hull*  
**VP Fundraising**

## **News from the Band Room**

A big "Thank You" to everyone who has completed the Emergency Medical Information Form. Each student needs one on file each year. This information is very important so our nurse, who travels with us on every trip, can give the best care possible to your student. No student will be able to travel without this form on file. If you have not turned it in, a copy is included in the Band Handbook packets that will be coming home. Please complete and return all the forms as soon as possible. Included in the packet is also fee information: band fees, uniforms fees, mallet fees and instrument rental fees. If you have questions about which fees pertain to your student don't hesitate to ask. All of the forms and fees can be placed in door to Mr. Moffit's office. There is a lock box behind the letter slot which is checked regularly.

Now that school has started I will be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am - 2pm or you can contact me by phone at 772-6247. Thanks for your cooperation in getting all this paperwork completed promptly.

*Cindra Maramdola*  
**Band Coordinator**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE [mcqueenband.org](http://mcqueenband.org) FOR THE LATEST INFO, PICTURES AND UPDATES**

## Vice President's Corner

We need parents to sponsor trophies for Extravaganza. The cost is \$35. Sponsorship will be notated in the program and you have the option of having your band member present at the award ceremony at the end of Extravaganza of the trophy you sponsor you if wish. Interested sponsors can contact me at [vp.bpa@mcqueenband.org](mailto:vp.bpa@mcqueenband.org) to find out what trophies are still available to sponsor. Sponsorships need to be paid in full by October

*Ann Mink*  
BPA Vice President

### McQueen Pit Crew Committee

McQueen band needs help getting the pit on and off the field during competitions and football games. Part of the judging is getting the pit instruments on and off the field. The pit band members know where everything goes, we just need bodies to move the instruments.

Contact Dan Green at 771-3170

Uniform: Thank you to all of the parents that helped fit the students in their new uniforms. Remember to come to the uniform room prior to football games to help hand out uniforms and shakos. Just come on in when you drop your child off - we will put you to work. Any questions call Trisha Watson, Diane Wood or Jean Zordell

Jimmy John's Fundraiser September 15<sup>th</sup> 5:30 to 7:00pm. We will sell coupons for \$3.00 off any combo meal at Jimmy John's that night. The coupon is only good on that date and time. The band keeps the \$3.00 and you get the savings on the combo meal. The band will play in the parking lot. This is an easy and fun fundraiser - invite your families, friends and coworkers!!

### Finishing Touches:

The next two 'home' football games are September 11th and September 18th. I'm looking for two parent helpers to assist in making sure band members are all ready, spiffed up and lookin' good in their uniforms. Just takes about 30 minutes, then go watch the game. For more info please call Finishing Touches chair, Debbie Lewis 746-3624.

### Grant Writing Committee

If anyone knows of a grant source, corporate giving program, or corporate matching funds program from their employer, please contact Tina Ford at 303-9530 (cell); 329-8310 (wk), or via email at [tjfsader@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tjfsader@sbcglobal.net)

Ink cartridge and toner recycling is a great way to help raise funds for the band. Collect them from your families, businesses, and friends. Bring them to the band room and they will be used to raise money for our kids. If you need boxes for collections, please let Kris Authier know at 787-9097.

A message from the food committee.....

This my last request for parent AND students to let me know if you have a food allergy, sensitivity and/or you are a vegetarian or vegan. Once we arrive at the shows there is little I can do to accommodate any of the above situations. SO....Please, if this applies to you, please let me know soon!

Extravaganza is fast approaching us, and this event has potential to make some BIG money for the band. Please email or call me if you would like to help me in the planning of the menu, shopping for the food, or working the concessions at the event. I can be reached at 775-233-6216 or email at [itsmemadge@yahoo.com](mailto:itsmemadge@yahoo.com)

Peggy Osborne  
Food Committee Chairperson

### New Band Parents

If you received a paper copy of this newsletter and you would like to help save paper and the BPA money, please email Monica Anderson at [mcqbandinfo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mcqbandinfo@sbcglobal.net) with your name, your band member's name, and the email address you wish the newsletter to be sent too. She will add you to the band email list and you will receive timely updates and the monthly newsletter electronically. If your email address changes, let her know that too via email.

110 out of 160 members are already on the band email.

Why aren't you?

### Phone Tree Committee

The phone tree committee is looking for a few new members. We had several members "graduate" and are looking to fill those positions. It is an easy and fun way to help the band and stay connected. The phone tree is utilized when general calls to band families are needed. Access to the internet is helpful. Contact Kris Authier at 787-9097 or email to [kauthier@charter.net](mailto:kauthier@charter.net) if you are interested in joining this committee.

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