

MCQUEEN BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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Mark Your Calendar

- July 3 Band room reorganization 9:00am
 - July 4 Graeagle 4th of July Parade call time 9:30am
 - July 5 McQ Band Night at Chili's
 - July 7 **BPA Meeting 7pm in band room**
 - July 10 **Car Wash at Walgreen's**
 - Aug. 2-4 Band Camp—percussion & Guard 9am-4pm
 - Aug. 4 **BPA Meeting 7pm in band room**
 - Aug. 5,6 Band Camp-entire band 9am-4pm
 - Aug.9-11 Band Camp-entire band 9am-4pm
 - Aug.16-20 Band Camp-entire band 2pm-9pm (20th, 2-7pm)
 - Aug.23, 24 Band Camp-entire band 3pm-9pm
 - Aug. 25 **Band Bash and BBQ-performance for parents**
 - Aug. 30 Rehearsals begin every Mon. and Wed.
From 5:45pm-8:45pm
- Please Note: Schedule subject to change.



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From the Band Director's Desk

Dear Parents and Students,

Congratulations to all the students for a great job at minicamp. In only five days the students came together to perform in the Reno Rodeo Parade. Good job band.

After the parade, the students and parents moved all the trophies and filing cabinets in the band room so the school district employees could paint our room. It now looks nice and clean.

--Saturday, July 3rd. We need students and parents to put the band room back together. We will meet at 9 am. Pizza will be provided.

--Sunday, July 4th. Graeagle Parade. Tubas, percussion and low brass, be at the band room at 9:15 am to load the truck. Everyone else should be at the band room by 9:30 am. The band will bus to Graeagle, CA. We will have food for you when we arrive. Following the parade, the Graeagle 4th of July committee will have a lunch for us. We will be back at McQueen between 5:30 & 6 pm.

--August rehearsals. Color guard and percussion begin on Monday, August 2nd. Check the website for to verify times. The entire band begins Thursday, August 5th, 9 am - 4 pm.

The Fiesta Bowl travel company requires a large deposit check soon. If you have not sent in your \$ 200 deposit please do so now. Individual accounts will soon be available by the McQueen HS bookkeeper. Until August. please send your checks to: Rick Moffit, c/o McQueen HS Band, 6055 Lancer St. Reno, NV 89523. The travel company and I communicate almost daily as we work on the itinerary. It is going to be a special experience for all our band members.



Two fund raising opportunities --

1. Discounted tickets are still available for the Aces games. These are general admission tickets that can be upgraded if you wish. We are selling this \$ 7 tickets for \$ 5. All the money goes to the band. Get them on July 3rd, 4th, or at the parents meeting.

2. Purchase a ticket to the Reno Tahoe Open Golf Tournament. If you have never been to this event, it is a lot of fun. Tickets are \$ 15 from the band. All the money will go to the band. Get tickets from me or any BPA officer.

You may also sell the tickets with the money going to the individual student's account. One student has already earned several hundred dollars. Their Fiesta Bowl trip is almost completely paid with just this one fund raiser.

Some of you may know of a student or parent of a student, that was hesitant about joining band. It is not too late. Parents, please help me by talking with other parents and encouraging their student to join the band in August. The more students we have in band, the better it is for everyone.

Rick Moffit

Director of Bands

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Band Parents to Band Parents

June was a great month for the McQueen High School Marching Band! The band had their first rehearsals (mini band camp) and their first performance (Reno Rodeo Parade) as a new group. The experience of the sophomores, juniors, and seniors along with the enthusiasm of our new freshmen combined for a great presentation at the parade. Following the parade, many of the students and parents helped Mr. Moffitt prepare the band room for its new paint job. The room is now painted and everyone is welcome to come back on July third to put it all back together. June also brought some exciting announcements at the June parent meeting. Mr. Moffitt previewed the Fiesta Bowl trip and the BPA announced some great fundraising opportunities. Our fundraising goals this year are to let parents and students raise money to offset their band fees and participate in fundraisers that bring outside money into the band (instead of selling to ourselves).

In July, the band will be going to Graeagle for the parade. There are few other group events in July, but we will still be working on our several different fundraisers. This summer, we will be communicating through this newsletter, email, and now through the section leaders. The leadership of the band has agreed to take an active part in communication and fundraising, so we are going to use them to network especially in July. I hope to see you all at Graeagle on the fourth, Chili's on the fifth, and at the car wash on the 10th.

Darrell Clifton

BPA President

This is a link to the Graeagle e July 4th weekend events. <http://www.graeagle.com/events/mvid/2010/index.html>

I hope you were able to attend the new parent meeting on June 16, if not it was a great introduction to the McQueen Band during the mini band camp week. I am new this year to the band, and I am proud to be a part of this organization and team.

I am still looking for help in chairing other events or fundraising opportunities. If you have an idea, feel free to contact me and offer to chair an event.

I would like to thank Trisha Watson for being the chairperson of the Reno Rodeo booths. Without the final numbers, we netted close to \$1500 for the BPA. On top of that, many parents were able to earn funds for their students accounts reducing their out of pocket expenses. There will be several more opportunities to earn funds, so keep an eye out for future emails for Hot August Nights and the Rib Cook Off.

We have two more car washes to go this summer. July 10 and August 14 If you have not worked one, or your student missed their date, please contact me to work one of the remaining dates. I don't think any of the band members considered it work, everyone had a good time.

Kevin Aylworth

Vice President of Fundraising

BPA Membership

The McQueen Band Parents Association is an organization that is put together by parents of the band to provide support for the entire marching unit. We meet on the first Wednesday of every month in the band room. Our membership drive is in full swing - \$15 per household or \$10 per person. Your paid membership dues allow you to vote on all matters pertaining to the band. Your support is essential to your band student and the marching band's success. Listed below are some of the ways you can volunteer for the upcoming marching season: Fundraising Committee, Food Committee, Band Uniforms, Phone Committee, Band Equipment/Props, Water Wagon, Grant Writing, Website Maintenance, Finishing Touches, Historian. For more membership/volunteer info contact Debbie Lewis @746-3624 or membership.secretary@mcqueenband.org.

Hot August Night Fundraiser

Our next parent fund raising opportunity is Hot August Nights at the Nugget. We will be manning two booths selling beer and soda on Friday Aug. 6 and Sat. Aug. 7. The pay is \$9.00 an hour. \$6.50 will go to individual fees and \$2.50 plus all tips will go to the BPA. The shifts are Fri. 4:00-10:00; Sat. 2:00-6:00pm and 6:00-10:00pm. Each booth requires 5 people. For questions and to sign up for a shift, contact Kevin at Aylworth@sbcglobal.net

Costco Cash Card Raffle

**Win a Costco Cash Card for \$500, \$300, or \$100.
(good at Costco's nationwide)**

Tickets cost \$5 a piece of 5 for \$20.

Your opportunity to make money: First 5 tickets sold goes to the BPA. Every ticket sold after that goes to your band members individual account. The winning raffle tickets will be pulled at Extravaganza on October 2. Winners do not need to be present to win. Check out raffle tickets from Kevin Aylworth by contacting him at Aylworth@sbcglobal.net or pick them up at monthly BPA meetings. To use the Costco cash card, you must be a Costco member or to with someone who is a member. Ask your family, neighbors, co-workers, and friends to buy tickets.

McQueen Band Night at Chili's

Chili's night will continue on the first Monday night of the month. Tell all of your friends in the community to fill the place! Attached you will find coupons to use and to pass out to friends and family.

Want to earn money to go towards your band fees for next year?

Sell discount tickets to the Reno Tahoe Open which is July 12-18. Sell the tickets for \$15 a piece. It is \$20 at the door or online. First 5 tickets sold goes to the BPA, the rest goes towards individual band account.

Contact Kevin Aylworth at aylworth@sbcglobal.net for more information.

McQueen Band gear

Looking to for some new band shirts? I am receiving McQ Band Envy T-Shirts (McQueen Co-branded with Reno Envy Clothing) this week from vendor and will be available for sale \$10.00 each just email me with the sizes you request (trvlgirl1974@yahoo.com) Pick-up arrangements will be made via email.

Christine O'Malley, Merchandise Committee Chair

A Note from the Uniform Room: Sign-ups for helping with uniforms will be available at the Parent meetings. It is a great way to get involved with the band! I need help before and after McQueen home football games. Game #1 is on September 3, 2010; Game #2 is on September 10, 2010; #3 is September 24, 2010; #4 is on October 15, 2010. We may have play-offs which will be determined later.

During the August band camp, I will need 2-3 moms or dads who are willing to help fit all of the kids with uniforms. We re-fit the upper classmen and fit the freshmen for the first time. We will also need a few parents who have ironing boards and irons to press the uniform pants. Contact me with your name, e-mail, and phone number at mswoody@msn.com if you are interested in helping at this time. More info to follow!

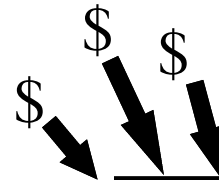
Diane Wood, Uniform Committee Chair

Pyramid Lake Triathlon Fundraiser **DATE CHANGE July 31** (possibly July 30, too). Come out to Pyramid Lake at 6am to noon and help direct race traffic. The first 20% of the funds raised goes to the BPA. The rest will be evenly divided between all participants and credited to band fees. Last year we made \$90 for each member that participated. If interested, please contact Monica at mcqbandinfo@sbcglobal.net. I include t-shirt sizes needed and who will be helping. We carpool to the Lake. Band Members can participate. Must be 14 years or older. More details later when available.

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Fundraising doesn't get any easier than this!!!

Please send the information for the following programs to Kevin Aylworth at aylworth@sbcglobal.net or call Kevin at 747-5944.

Escrip/ Safeway: Send your Safeway card number and phone number to Kevin and he will get you registered and provide you with a password. You can also register yourself at www.escrip.com. The McQueen Band group ID is 4505221. You can also register other debit and credit cards to earn funds from other local merchants. Once enrolled, you just need to enter your phone number at Safeway for funds to go to the band.

Scolari's Friendship Fund: Scolari's upgraded their data base so all members were deleted and need to register again. Send your Scolari's Club Card number to Kevin and he will take care of it for you. You must bring your card to the store to have funds go to the band.

Raley's Quality of Life Cards: Raley's ran out of cards so they are on back order, but provide your full name and phone number and Kevin will get a card to you. You must use the card for funds to go to the band. They also come with a handy key chain card which can be scanned as well.

ONECAUSE: Shop at over 360 top merchants on-line through www.mcqueenband.onecause.com. A percentage of all purchases made through this website benefit our Band.

RECYCLING



Bring your ink jet cartridges (HP, Dell, Canon, Lexmark, Sharp, Xerox, Apple, Brother and IBM are all worth money) and your tired CELL phones to the band room. They will get recycled.



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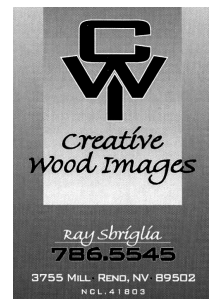
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