

# February 2011

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## MBPA News & Notes



## **Future Meeting Dates**

**March 23, 2011**

**April 27, 2011**

**May 25, 2011**

**June 22, 2011**

**July 27, 2011**

Feb 23	Practice 5:30 – 7:30
Feb 23	Scrip Order Pick up
Feb 24	Market Day Orders Due
	Uniform Fitting for Freshman & Sophomore
March 2	Market Day Pick-Up
March 3	Practice 5:30 -7:30
March 7	Practice 5:30 – 7:30
March 8	Practice 5:30-7:30 – Pack for Chicago
March 9-13	Chicago Trip
March 14	Hoagie Orders Due
March 22	Hoagie Pick Up
May 22	Freshman Welcome Picnic – Fairhaven Park
Sept 24	Band Festival

## **Marching Band Information**

The calendar of all events for the Marching Band will now be the calendar on the Charms Office assistance website.

## **Email Address Changes**

Be sure to send an email to [mbpapres@comcast.net](mailto:mbpapres@comcast.net) if you did not get this newsletter via email or if your email address changes so that you can continue to get email notices from MBPA.

**Montour Band Parents Meeting  
Agenda  
February 23, 2011**

**Call to Order:** - Kathy Cain

**Reminder to Please Sign In**

**50/50 Sales** - Linda Sowinski

**Vice-President's Report** – Karen Marko

**Recording Secretary's Report:** - Linda Barth

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** -Tammy  
Cybator

**Treasurer's Report:** - Roy Cross

**Band Director's Report:** - Cyndi Mancini

**Committee Reports:**

- Band Festival                 Becky Hanni
- Band Banquet                 Sue Hern
- Spring Trip                    Cyndi Mancini
- Pasta Dinner                 Jodi Potts
- Chaperones                  Carole Knight
- Scrip Report                 Lisa Ligouri
- Hoagie Sale                  Sue Siak
- Market Day                  Bernadette Ferry
- Truck Lottery                Craig Cannella
- Sarris Candy                 Linda Sowinski
- Andies Candy                Kathleen Cannella
- 50/50 Drawing               Linda Sowinski
- By-Laws                     Nancy Maslakowski
- Applelicious                 Tina Harper

**Chaperone Clearances**

All chaperones are requested to turn their clearances into Carole Knight as soon as you receive them.

Carole Knight- Chair [cjandmaxtoo@aol.com](mailto:cjandmaxtoo@aol.com)  
Elisa Condelucci – [mopchopper@verizion.net](mailto:mopchopper@verizion.net)

**Chaperones are always needed please sign up.**

**HOAGIES:**

Joanne Swantek (412-859-3521)  
Sue Siak (412-375-7341).

**There was not a Hoagie Sale in February**

Here are the dates of the future hoagie sales:

All orders are due on a Monday by 9pm to Sue or Joanne

<b>Order Due</b>	<b>Pick up date</b>
<b>3/14/2011</b>	<b>3/22/2011</b>
<b>5/2/2011</b>	<b>5/10/2011</b>
<b>6/6/2011</b>	<b>06/14/2011</b>

Although the order sheets have the wrong dates when printed from the MBPA Website, please continue to use the order sheets. It's easier for Sue and Joanne.

**For Future Orders**

**Please drop off your order Forms at:**

**Joanne Swantek  
1304 Silver Lane  
Coraopolis PA 15108  
412-859-3521**

**Sue Siak  
404 Fairbrough Court  
Coraopolis Pa 15108  
412-375-7341**

**The price of the hoagies are \$5.50  
\$1.65 going to Student account.**

**.50 goes to the General Fund.  
DO NOT PLACE YOUR HOAGIE ORDERS IN  
THE BAND BOX. PLEASE DROP THEM OFF  
TO JOANNE SWANTEK OR SUE SIAK'S HOME  
OR MAIL THEM TO THEIR ADDRESS. No  
Cash Checks only made out to MBPA.**

**Need to add Funds to your student account.  
Why not sell Hoagies!**

### **Band Camp Chairman Assistant:**

This is a training position. The first year all you do is help the co-chairman and observe what is happening. The next summer you are the band camp chairman. Band camp cannot take place without these people. Much help is always available to help out at band camp, but we need a leader. Please volunteer to fill this important position by contacting Craig Cannella.

### **Committee Chairpersons**

Many thanks to the generous people who have signed up to be chairman of committees so far. Note that there are a few positions still needed to be filled. Thanks to all of you who have volunteered your valuable time.

The sign up sheets will be out on the tables so that you can assist with any committees. The descriptions of the committees are also on the band website.

Remember that help is available for The committee chairs in the form of people that have done those committees before and through written directions. The committee chairs are the people who really make all the functions of the Band Parents successful. Please show off your talents by leading or helping out on the committee's.

Nominating	- Amy West
Audit	- Nancy Maslakowski
Band Banquet	- Sue Hern
Freshman Class	- Lynne Shine
Band Boutique	-Helen Stamatakis
Junior Class	-Karen Marko
Market Day	-Bernadette Ferry
Pasta Dinner	-Jodi Potts

### **Public Relations**

Scholarship  
Andies Candy  
Band Festival  
Festival Program

Chaperones

Half Time Snacks  
Hoagies

Instrumental Uniforms  
Lottery  
Sarris Candy  
Sophomore Class  
Spring Trip  
Squad Girls Uniforms

Truck Crew

### **Video Highlight Editor**

### **Videographer**

50/50 Drawing  
Welcome Freshman  
Picnic  
By-laws  
Applelicious

### **-NEEDED**

-Sarah Schmidt  
- Kathleen Cannella  
-Becky Hanni  
- Motria Hodowanec &  
Jackie Mantini  
- Carole Knight  
- Elisa Condelucci  
- Linda Sowinski  
- Joanne Swantek  
- Sue Siak  
- Elisa Condelucci  
-Kim Froehlich  
- Linda Sowinski  
- Jackie Mantini  
-Cyndi Mancini  
- Patty Celich  
- Linda Barth  
- Al Marko  
**- Needed**  
**-Needed**  
-Linda Sowinski  
-Sophomore Class  
(Jackie Mantini)  
-Nancy Maslakowski  
- Tina Harper

### **SCRIP:**

The January SCRIP campaign resulted in total sales of \$37,245 for a profit of \$1,906.65 with 100% of the profit going to the student accounts. Thanks to all who participated.

**For 2011, 100% of the profit will go into the student accounts through May.** The split will continue to be reviewed regularly and will be announced at the beginning of each new monthly campaign.

SCRIP is a good way to earn money for band camp, the spring trip, as well as other student expenses like the band banquet and the band highlight video while buying only the same items that you already do! Keep in mind that local items are available most of the time, so if you are going shopping anyway, call to make sure we are home and stop by on the way. Band events and other school functions are also a good time to connect and get Scrip.

Cards that are available throughout the month

include:

Shop 'n Save	\$25/\$50/\$100
Giant Eagle	\$25/\$50/\$100
Kohl's	\$10/\$25/\$50/\$100
Wal-Mart	\$25/\$100
Eat 'n Park	\$10/\$25

You can now order \$25 IHOP gift cards thru SCRIP. I did not have it on the March form that I e-mailed the other day. If you wish to order IHOP cards, just add it to your form without a code. I will set up a code for it next month.

Please remember to use new forms and merchant's lists each month because the information changes. They are sent out via e-mail each month and are on the MBPA web site. Mark your calendars with the dates below and thanks for supporting this program.

Order by:	Pick up on:
3/15	3/23
4/19	4/27
5/17	5/25

Please return orders directly to Lisa Ligouri's house (3007 Timbercreek Dr, McKees Rocks) by 5:00 P.M. on the order date. I can be reached at [lligouri@comcast.net](mailto:lligouri@comcast.net) or at 412-498-5110.

## Market Day

Please contact Bernadette Ferry if you have a need for more information. (412) 747-0792.

Remember you can order your Market Day items directly via the internet at [www.MarketDay.com](http://www.MarketDay.com)

Listed below are the rest of the dates for the Marketday school year.

<b>Delivery</b>		<b>Order Due</b>	
March	2, 2011	February	24,
March	30, 2011	March	24,
May	5, 2011	April	28,
June	1, 2011	May	26,

Remember you can order your Market Day items directly via the internet at [www.MarketDay.com](http://www.MarketDay.com)

Remember 10 percent of your order amount is credited to your students account. If someone is ordering on your child's behalf, please notify Bernadette, so that she can credit your account correctly.

**Help is always needed to unload the truck, unpack the boxes and sort out the orders. Many hands will make this process go quickly, please volunteer.** The truck shows up around 3:30

## 2011 Try-Out Information

### DRUMLINE

Tryout Practice- May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM Band Room

Tryout- May 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 Band Room

### SQUAD GIRLS

Tryout Practices-

May 17, 19 and 25- 6:00 in the DEW Gym

Tryout- May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 PM in the DEW Gym

### DRUM MAJORS AND CAPTAINS

June 1, 2011 @ 5:30

All candidates will go through an interview and a try out.

Captain Candidates should prepare a performance to their song of choice and also be prepared to march

Drum Major candidates should be prepared to conduct, give commands and march. If anyone wants assistance in preparing for conducting, please see Ms. Mancini. **OPEN TO JUNIORS AND SENIORS.** (As in, will be a junior or senior in the 2011-2012 school year)

## SPECIAL THANK YOU'S

We would like to recognize and thank the following senior parents for chairing a committee for the past year or more.

Denny Boyle - Truck Crew  
Craig Cannella - Band Camp and Truck Fund  
Lisa Liguori - Script  
Helen Majewski - Nominating  
Nancy Maslakowski - Hoagie sales and Audit  
Pam Pajack - Squad Girl Uniforms  
Karrie Schott - Hoagie sales  
Jane Tallon - Public Relations

Let's not forget "Team Majewski" for all their hard work and dedication to MBPA. Hank and Helen, thank you from the bottom of our hearts! We will miss you!

We would also like to thank ALL senior parents for all the help they gave in any capacity to this organization. With everyone's help a lot of good things were accomplished. We want to take this time also, to wish you all the best of luck in the next adventure of your child's life.

## **SPRING TRIP INFORMATION**

*Thursday 2/24*

**PRACTICE IS CANCELED**  
6:30- Sophomore and Freshman uniform fittings  
High School Weight Room

*Thursday 3/3*

Practice 5:30-7:30

*Monday 3/7*

Practice 5:30-7:30

*Tuesday 3/8*

Practice 5:30-7:30

Please bring everything that belongs in your garment bag to this practice! You must have it all in there before you can load the buses.

### **Instrumentalists**

Band Shoes  
Black Socks  
Band T-shirt

### **Squad Girls**

Boots  
Jazz Shoes  
Black Socks  
Tights  
Black Shirt  
Ankle Cuffs  
Headbands

*Wednesday 3/9*

Luggage must be at the school by 3:00

Buses arrive at 3:00

### **Depart at 3:30**

Students and Parents can drop off luggage anytime during the day in the auditorium

### **Students are permitted the following:**

- o **One piece of luggage**
- o **One Carry on**
- o **Pillow and a blanket if desired**

*Sunday 3/13*

Band arrives back at DEW at approximately 7:00

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## General Membership Meeting January 26, 2011

**Officers Present:** Kathy Cain (President), Karen Marko (Vice President), Roy Cross (Treasurer), Tammy Cybator (Corresponding Secretary and Linda Barth (Recording Secretary).

**Others Present:** Cyndi Mancini

**Call to order:** The meeting was held in the David E. Williams cafeteria.. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:10 PM. Approximately 76 members were in attendance.

### **PRESIDENT: Kathy Cain**

- Welcomed everyone, introduced herself as the new President and asked members to sign-in.

### **VICE PRESIDENT: Karen Marko**

- Reminded everyone that the band by-laws need to be reviewed every other year and this is coming up in March of this year. The by-laws are available on the band website. Asking members to please read over and make any proposals for changes. The forms for proposals are available at tonight's meeting or can be emailed to members. The proposals are needed by the February meeting so that they can be voted on.
- Anyone interested in working on the band website should contact a board member.

### **TREASURER: Roy Cross**

- There is \$18,213.78 in the General Account.
- Reviewed monies in account. See Roy with any questions.
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Ed Kantz, seconded by Craig Cannella. The motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Tammy Cybator.**

- Tammy will be taking over the responsibilities of the band newsletter and would like members to contact her with any information to be included in it each month

### **RECORDING SECRETARY: Linda Barth**

- Minutes of the November 23, 2010 General Membership meeting are available for review with the newsletter. There were no minutes for December because there was not a meeting. Helen Majewski made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 23, 2010 General Membership meeting. Karen Lavrich seconded the motion. The motion to accept the minutes was unanimously approved.

<b>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</b>
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### **50/50 Raffle – Linda Sowinski**

- Linda collected \$73.00 for the 50/50 drawing.
- \$73.00 went to the winner, Steve Cain.

### **New Fundraiser – Tina Harper**

- There is a new fundraiser available called Applelicious. They have a store in Carnegie so they are local. There are handouts available with pictures of the different products they offer. Some of the items are apples dipped in caramel, chocolate and nuts and candy pieces. These items prove to be very popular, especially around holidays. The students can sell for two weeks and then give the company two weeks to fill the orders. There will be a sign-up sheet coming around to see who is interested in this as a fundraiser. The Executive Board will determine the profit from sales to see if it is a viable fundraiser.

### **Chaperones and Uniforms– Elisa Condelucci**

- Chaperones need clearances if going on trip to Chicago. If going on the trip you need the additional FBI clearance.
- Any student who did not get fitted for a new uniform must do so before the trip to Chicago. We will let you know what dates we will be doing this. Hold on to your old uniforms until we can determine where they will be stored.

### **SCRIP – Lisa Liguori**

- Reviewed profit to student accounts. There was over \$9,000 for the months of November and December. The Executive Board determined to extend the 100% donation to student accounts through May 2011.
- Cards and order forms are available at tonight's meeting.
- The next order due date is February 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Incoming Freshman parent Diane Kuffner will be assuming position of Committee chair of SCRIP when the Fall school year begins

### **Hoagies – JoAnn Swantek**

- Easy way for students to make money for their accounts.

- Kathy Cain will email forms and will correct the order and delivery dates.

### **Sarris – Linda Sowinski**

- Orders are needed by March 10<sup>th</sup>. Pick-up will be April 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Checks need to be made out to Montour Band Parents Association and it must be spelled out, not abbreviated on form or the company cannot process.
- Anyone with questions, please call or see Linda.

### **Market Day – Roy Cross for Bernadette Ferry**

- Will update student accounts after obtaining information from Amy West. That way students will see how much money is available in account for trip.

### **Truck Lottery – Craig Cannella**

- Out of the 1,000 truck lottery tickets that were available, 686 were actually sold.
- A lot of band parents are winning on their tickets.

### **Andys Candy Fundraiser – Kathleen Cannella**

- There will probably be two more in the Fall of this year. These fundraisers are very profitable
- Forms are available at tonight's meeting.
- Please see Kathleen with questions.

### **Spring Pasta Dinner – Kathy Cain**

- Jodi Potts would like to chair a Spring pasta dinner. By a show of hands, please let us know if you are interested. We made in the neighborhood of \$7,000. We would like feedback on whether you liked having it at Rockefellers and if you would like to see any changes. The students will get a stipend from the pasta dinner for the Spring trip. If you have money in your student account you need to let Roy Cross know tonight if you are using it for trip.

### **Miscellaneous – Cyndi Mancini**

- There are 10 more practices before the spring trip. Students can only miss two practices and still go on the trip. If there is another activity they are involved in, they are expected to split their time between both. All music and routines should be memorized or the student can be pulled from trip because the performance is of the utmost importance.
- Sizing for the new uniforms will be done at the high school and students will be notified of the date. Squad girls should bring in their wind suits

tomorrow at practice and they will be redistributed. Please send an email if you don't have a raincoat.

- Use the CHARMS system to obtain any forms due for trip
- On February 23<sup>rd</sup> there will be a mandatory meeting for parents and students going on the Chicago trip.
- Everyone will get an invoice stating how much they owe for the trip.
- The time for trip departure has been pushed back to 3pm. Luggage can be brought to the auditorium by 2pm. Don't forget garment bag, carry-on, luggage, pillow, blanket and instrument.
- The Music Department needs the support of the parents. The School Board has decided that we cannot use Volkwein's as our vendor any longer. Everything has to go out for bid. This creates problems when new instruments need to be ordered or repaired. Please attend School Board meetings and support the department.

### **Band Trip – Roy Cross**

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> payments are due. If your 3<sup>rd</sup> payment is coming out of your student account, please see Roy at end of meeting.
- Can call or email Roy to settle account.

### **Band Banquet – Sue Hern**

- The date for banquet is Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at the Embassy Suites in Moon Township.
- Only the student can use money from their student account for banquet.
- Seniors attend free. Everyone else pays \$25.00.
- February 12<sup>th</sup> is the cutoff for accepting donations for the Chinese Auction.
- The parents need to let her know their senior students initials for luggage.
- Help is needed for banquet.

### **Old Business**

- There are still some committee chair positions that need to be filled. The most pressing is for the Band Festival. Becky Hanni has offered to chair this committee. Many senior parents are leaving which leaves openings that must be filled.

### **New Business**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Diane Fedorka made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Tina Harper seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:55pm.

**SUBMITTED BY 2011 RECORDING SECRETARY, Linda Barth**