

**HAZLETON AREA HIGH SCHOOL  
BAND BOOSTERS  
1601 W. 23<sup>RD</sup> St. Hazleton, PA 18202**

**NEWSLETTER**

July 2006

We would like to welcome you, our new band parents, and those of you returning for another season, to the 2006-2007 Cougar Marching Band.

We encourage you to actively participate and support the organization to better benefit our talented, energetic youth. The best way to insure an enriching, enjoyable experience for your student is to become personally involved. Your volunteering for the Concession Stand; helping with fundraising activities; participating in the Phone Chain Contact list; Organizing Uniforms; chaperoning at Band Camp and Mixer (get acquainted dance), parades, trips, etc.; and many other experiences, will be most welcome and appreciated.

Enclosed are the Internet Communication notice, Medical form, Fundraising letter, Funfest Sweepstakes tickets (the band's first fundraiser), the Volunteer questionnaire, Information regarding Clearances, Order forms for shoes, Hat/shoe bag, Red band polo shirt, and Practice schedule. Please see enclosed instructions regarding the Funfest fundraiser. **Please complete the necessary forms and return them in the enclosed envelope as soon as possible** to Dianne Perkins.

Monies for the Family Membership Dues, new shoes, and new shoe/hat box are to be **paid no later than Wednesday, August 16, 2006, during Band Camp**. Please see the enclosed order form for details. The **\$25.00** dues is a "start-up" fund that is used to provide a required red polo band shirt for each paying member, supplies for the concession stand, conduct a "Get Acquainted Mixer", and purchase Cougar jackets for all juniors. Students who do not pay their Family Dues will not enjoy the benefit of having fund-raising earnings credited towards their spring trip, and will have to purchase their banquet ticket. Also, they will not be eligible for any other benefits or discounts provided by the Band Boosters. **All payments must be made in the form of check or money order made out to the HAHS Band Boosters with the students name clearly indicated.** A fee of \$20.00 will be charged on all returned checks. Please mail all payments to this year's recording secretary, Dianne Perkins, P.O.Box 272, Drums, PA 18222.

Please note: **PARTICIPATION IN FUNDRAISERS IS OPTIONAL; HOWEVER, FUNDRAISING IS USED TO DEFRAY THE COST OF THE STUDENT'S SPRING TRIP. (SEE ATTACHED FUNDRAISING LETTER).**

Additionally, an open invitation is extended to all to attend our monthly Band Booster meetings, which are held the first Monday of each month (excluding July), at 6:30 p.m. in the Band Room. Our first meeting, **which is mandatory for at least one parent**, will be held on Monday, August 7, 2006. We will be discussing important issues relating to the band/guard and upcoming events.

With sincere appreciation,

Mrs. Barbara Haraschak – President  
Mr. Phil Latella – Vice President  
Mrs. Diane Davies – Corresponding Secretary  
Mrs. Dianne Perkins - Recording Secretary  
Mr. Robert Steiner – Treasurer