



**Riders on
the March**

Events Calendar

February

- Feb 3rd - District Solo & Ensemble @ Augustana
- Feb 10 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Feb 17 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Feb 23 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble

March

- March 2 - Augustana Jazz Festival - Jazz III (time TBA)
- March 3 - Augustana Jazz Festival - Jazz I & II (time TBA)
- March 9 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- March 13 - 6-9 - Marching Percussion camp for 2009 marching band
- March 14 - 9-4 - Marching Percussion camp for 2009 marching band
- March 16 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- March 17 - 7:00 **Band Concert** –Symphony, Concert, Varsity & Freshman Bands
- March 23 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- March 30 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- March 26-28 - ALL DAY All-State Band - Selected Participants, Rapid City

April

- April 3 - 7-8:30 Marching Percussion Camp for 2009 Marching Band
- April 4 - 9-4 pm Marching Percussion Camp for 2009 Marching Band
- April 6 - 6-8:30 Color Guard Clinic
- April 7 - TBA SDSU Jazz Festival - Jazz I & II
- April 8 - TBA Large Group Contest at Brandon Valley (Symphony, Concert, Varsity & Freshman Bands)
- April 14 6-8:30 Color Guard Clinic
- April 16 6-8:30 Color Guard Clinic
- April 20 6-8:30 Color Guard Auditions
- April 27 7:00 Band Concert - Showcase Concert, Symphony Band @ Washington Pavilion
- April 30 7:00 Band Concert & Awards - Symphony, Concert, Varsity & Freshman

All Events Will Be Thoroughly Explained at the Parent Meetings

RHS BAND

February 2009 www.rooseveltband.org

Band Parent Meetings

All parents are encouraged to join us at the Band Parent Meetings. They will be held in the RHS Band Room on the following dates:

Feb 19th April 23rd
March 19th May 14th

Attending these 1 hour meetings will keep you informed about the Band Program events.

HyVee Cards

**Feb 9th
Feb 23rd**

March 9th

We encourage everyone to be using HyVee Cards. Even if you shop for groceries elsewhere, even a small purchase provides you with a receipt to save \$.05 to \$.10 per gallon on Gasoline. You can use your HyVee card to purchase gasoline. Many of us spend over \$100 a month on gasoline, this means \$\$\$\$ in your student's account. Please consider using this great fundraiser. From Sept through December we had 42 students earn \$1765. Order your HyVee gift cards by **noon** on order days. Orders are to be placed in the silver HyVee box in the band room. The cards will be ready to be picked up after 6:00 pm at Cindy Ensz's home (2617 S Theodore Ave) the Tuesday the week orders are placed. Please call Cindy @ 361-6958 if you have any questions or e-mail her at cjensz@sio.midco.net.

Band Forms

Band forms for the 2009-2010 school year have been sent out. Everyone's signed signed yellow form should already be handed into their director. This is necessary to begin planning for the '09-'10 school year. Forms were due on January 30th.

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Indoor Marching Chicken Dinner-Nov Volunteer Needed

St. Louis Hotel & Bus Coordinator Julie Klinger 361-3990

Dessert Show –December Todd/Lana Vetter 334-4772

Awards Banquet - Volunteer Needed

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www.rooseveltband.org

Percussion Camps

All students interested in participating in the RHS marching percussion program for 2009 need to attend mini-camps on:

March 13th (6-9)	April 4th (9-4)
March 14th (9-4)	May 1 (6-9)
April 3rd (6-9)	May 2 (9-4)

RHS percussion staff will be working with everyone to set the sections in preparation for our 2009 season and doing exercises to build skill levels.

DCI Sioux Empire Spectacular

“Sioux Empire Spectacular” drum & bugle corps show will be held June 23rd @ Howard Wood. Participating corps include: Phantom Regiment, Blue Stars, Madison Scouts, Spirit of JSU, Pioneer Colt Cadets. We will be able to purchase tickets thru the music department. Watch for more details in March. Advance tickets are \$15 for prime & \$10 for regular seats.

Kingswood Rummage Sale

Start your Spring cleaning & get ready for the Kingswood Rummage Sale. The band will be participating in the Kingswood Rummage April 22-24. All proceeds will go to the band program. Last year we raised over \$2500. Thank you to Brian & Jackie Wek for opening their garage for the RHS Band. We will be asking for volunteers to help mark items, donate baked goods, and help the days of the sale. Watch for sign-up sheets as we get closer to the sale. Other years we have asked for donations of miscellaneous items {knick-knacks, linens, toys, household items, books, furniture, etc} for the sale. As for clothing, we have sold RHS spiritwear only. More details will follow in upcoming newsletters.

If you have question please contact the Weks at 361-1398 or e-mail them at bwek@sio.midco.net.

Lift Purchase

The RHS Football team presented us with a great opportunity. They needed a portable lift for football practice and found a slightly used lift at Keller Rents for approx. 1/8th the cost of a new lift. This is a towable lift that is mounted on a trailer frame. It raises a platform to 18ft. They asked us to pool our resources with them and we agreed. There are no conflicts in timing between football practice and band practices and the lift can be easily moved with the golf cart in the fieldhouse. Thus, we are now co-owners of a slightly used lift. The cost of the lift will be recovered in less than 2 ½ years based upon our current cost of rental. The lift will be serviced and repainted in the spring, ready for football spring training and will be stored in the fieldhouse. Stop by and give it a look!

Fundraising

With an annual budget between \$32,000 and \$35,000 to host the Marching Band program and Winter Band Camps, the executive committee and a fundraising task force has been looking for the most effective programs and events to reduce the number of fundraisers yet still reach our goals of covering our expenses and providing ways for parents and students to add \$\$\$ to their student accounts. This effort will take time. We are asking for feedback from all band parents with suggestions on changes in fees and how they would improve fundraising programs. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please contact Charles Jackson via e-mail. We will be surveying a random sampling of parents from each class as we have some specific plans to consider, and will be discussing different plans at the band parent meetings, beginning in February. If you receive a call asking for your opinion, please take a few minutes to listen and give your feedback.

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

We will be hosting a Pancake Fundraiser Feb 14th from 9:00-1:00 at RHS. Participation by all band members is necessary for this to be a success. A “Ticket Blitz” will be held on Feb 7th from 1-3. Bring the tickets you received in the mail and join your friends in selling tickets in the neighborhood. Turn all ticket & money in by Mon, Feb 9 from 6 - 7pm. Volunteers are also needed to help with setup, serving & clean-up on the day of the event.

Color Guard Training & Auditions

Anyone interested in being a member of the 2009 RHS Color Guard needs to attend the following training sessions which will be held from 6-8:30:

April 6th

April 16th

April 14th

Auditions are April 20th from 6 - 8:30

Band Officers

Election of Band Parent Officers will be held at the April meeting. We have vacancies for President & Vice President. We are also looking for someone to begin learning the Treasurer position from Keri Weems. Contact Charles Jackson for more info at 271-4161 or e-mail charlesjackson@sio.midco.net.

Save the Date

Please note the following 2009 Marching Band Season dates:

May 18-21 1-5 New Member camp
(new members, sect. leaders, all perc, color guard & drum majors)

May 23rd Annual Car Wash

July 28th-31st (1-9) Full Band Camp
(all marching band members)

Aug 3-6th (9-5) Full Band Camp
(all marching band members)

Aug 10-11 (9-5) Full Band Camp
(all marching band members)

Aug 11th Potluck & 2009 Debut Performance for parents & friends