

**Riders on
the March**

RHS BAND

February 2008

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Events Calendar

February

- Feb 4 (7:00 - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal
- Feb 5 District Solo & Ensemble Competition @ Augustana College
- Feb 7 (7:00pm) Required Orlando Trip Meeting (all students and at least one parent must be present for this meeting)
- Feb 7 (7:00pm) Band Parents Meeting
- Feb 13 - 17 Orlando Band Trip
- Feb 25 (7:00 - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal
- Feb 29 (6:00 - 9:00pm) Marching Band Percussion Camp (required for all percussionists in 2008 Marching Band)

March

- Mar 1 (9:00am - 4:00pm) Marching Band Percussion Camp (required for all percussionists in 2008 Marching Band)
- Mar 3 (Evening) Augustana Jazz Festival
- Mar 3 (7:00 - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal
- Mar 4 (morning) Augustana Jazz Festival
- Mar 10 (7:00 - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal
- Mar 14 (7:00pm) From the 50yd Line Movie (RHS Auditorium)
- Mar 15 (7:00pm) From the 50yd Line Movie (RHS Auditorium)
- Mar 17 (7:00pm) Band Concert -all bands
- Mar 18 (7:00 - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal
- Mar 25 (7:00pm - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal
- Mar 27-29 (all day) All State Band - Selected performers, Concert Saturday
- Mar 31 (7:00 - 8:30pm) Percussion Ensemble Rehearsal

All Events Will Be Thoroughly Explained at the Parent Meetings

Younkers Fundrasier

On Saturday, March 1st, Younkers is having a Community Day Fundraiser. We need each Marching Band student to sell 5 coupon books at \$5.00 each. Included in the book is a \$10.00 coupon to use on any item \$10.00 or higher plus some 20% off coupons to use that day on items in the store. The general band account will get 100% of the money earned from selling the coupons and this will enable us to begin preparing for next year's show. We will have the coupon books available for you to pick up on Feb. 7 at the Band Meeting. We want you to pay for the books at the time you pick them up on Feb. 7, so please remember to bring your money. We will also have extras for individual purchase that evening, so we encourage all to support the fundraiser. This is a great way to earn money and show support for our band program, a program we are very proud of. As you know, the marching shows cost money and with us being short this year on funds, we need cooperation/participation from every student/family to sell their 5 books. We were told by Younkers that this fall when they had Community Days, Washington H.S. Marching Band raised over \$12,000 for their band program by selling coupon books, so we challenge our students to make the effort to raise as much as them.

Orlando Band Trip

Feb. 7th @ 7:00pm in the RHS auditorium. This is the final & required meeting for all students going on the trip along with at least one parent from each student going. We will discuss trip requirements, itinerary, and other trip information. The trip is coming up on Feb. 13.

HyVee Cards Dates

February 11 February 25

The cutoff time for the HyVee Card orders is Monday noon on the order date. The cards will be ready to be picked up after 6:00pm at Cindy Ensz's home (2617 S Theodore Ave), the Tuesday after the order date.

Please call Cindy @ 361-6958 if you have any questions.

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Percussion Camps

All students interested in participating in the RHS marching percussion program for 2008 need to attend mini-camps on :

Feb. 29 - March 1

April 4 - 5

May 2 - 3

Camp is scheduled from 6:00 - 9:00pm on Friday and 9:00am - 4:00pm on Saturday. RHS percussion staff will be working with everyone to set the sections in preparation for our 2008 season and doing exercises to build skill levels.

East vs. West Pizza Eat-Off

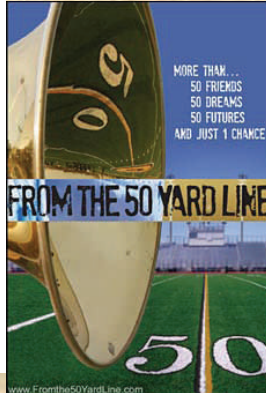
Pizza eat off! Monday, February 18th is RHS day at Boston's (on east 10th St.). Come in and eat any time during the day. Get your co-workers, family, friends to all eat at Boston's on February 18th. Five percent of the total sales of the day will be donated to the Roosevelt Band program!!! Washington will also be involved in the day at 5% and the Children's Miracle Network will also be receiving 5% for the day.

At 7 p.m. there will be a pizza eating contest between the Washington band and the Roosevelt Band! We'll be looking for the biggest eaters in all classes- A boy and a girl from each class (Freshman through Senior) plus one director (Firkus vs. Rygg) from each school to make our team of 9. Training starts now! Come out and support our band and kids throughout the day on Monday, February 18th. Spread the word- anyone that walks in that day will be supporting the bands and the Children's Miracle Network!

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Planning is underway for a pancake breakfast fundraiser, tentatively scheduled for late March, to raise funds for rebuilding the RHS Band website and finish the 2007-2008 band year financially strong. Volunteers will be needed to help prepare and serve the breakfast. We are asking that each band member sell at least 10 ticket for the breakfast. We will have more information about it coming to you soon.

From the 50 Yard Line Movie



March 14-15, 2008
7:00pm @ Sioux Falls Roosevelt High School Auditorium.
This documentary allows audiences to see just how emotionally gratifying, even life-changing, marching band can be for high school students. The film tells

the memorable story of music education, complete with the never-before seen emotional aspects of the experience. The students at the schools are wonderful subjects and their personal stories genuine and compelling. Nowhere else do you see hundreds of teenagers working together in such unison and commitment for one common goal. The film is part music video, part reality show, part drama, and full-on entertainment. Popcorn and bottled water will be sold at the movie. Tickets will be available mid February.

RHS Band Rummage Sale

It won't be long before spring will be here and once again we will be having our annual rummage to raise money for our band program's general fund. The Wek family will once again host the sale April 23-April 25 during the Kingswood Rummage. The rummage will be selling miscellaneous items (furniture knick knacks, toys, books, linens, tools, etc.) No Clothing (except RHS Spirit Wear). Be thinking about what items you can donate to the band. In order to make the rummage a success we need everyone to participate. Last year we raised over \$2000 to help our program. Our goal this year is to surpass last year's total. More information will follow next month.

Volunteers Needed No Experience Required

The 2007-2008 Band year is coming to a close soon. Before it ends, new officers and coordinators are needed to keep the program running next year. We need a co-President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Chicken Dinner Coordinator, and help with planning and execution of several other programs and functions to help the RHS Band program one of the best in the midwest. More info at the Parents meetings.

DCI Sioux Empire Spectacular

June 24th, 2008 is the date for the Annual DCI drum and bugle corps show at Howard Wood Field. Performing corps in 2008:

Phantom Regiment, Rockford, IL

Blue Knights, Denver, CO

Colts, Dubuque, IA

Blue Stars, Indianapolis, IN

Revolution, Atlanta, GA

Pre-public tickets will be available through the RHS band departments (best seats available) for \$15 in early March. General ticket sales will begin April 1st. This is one of our largest fundraisers every year. We will need volunteers to help host this event. Please attend band parents meetings or call Mr. Macklin at 362-2871 to find out how you can help.

Summer Band Camps

Marching Band Camps this year.
May 27 - 30 Mini-camp for new members, color guard, percussion, section leaders and Drum Majors 1:00 - 5:00pm (Pot Luck Dinner and Parent presentation on the 30th 5:00 - 7:30pm)
July 30th - August 1 FULL BAND CAMP
On these dates: 1:00pm - 9:00pm
August 4 - 8 FULL BAND CAMP
On these dates: 9:00am - 5:00pm
August 11- 15 FULL BAND CAMP
On these dates: 9:00am - 5:00pm (Pot Luck Dinner and Show Preview 5:00 - 8:00pm)
Band Members are encouraged to attend the Sioux Empire Spectacular on June 24th

Sponsors Needed

The Band Roadies need an additional trailer to take our growing Marching Band Show on the road. How can you help? Ask your employer or business owner you know if they would be a RHS "Riders on the March" sponsor by contributing toward our trailer purchase. They will receive acknowledgement as a sponsor via a logo sticker or a painted logo on the trailer side.