



**Riders on
the March**

Events Calendar

NOVEMBER

- Nov 3 TBA Possible football playoff game - play in stands
- Nov 8 TBA Possible football playoff game - play in stands
- Nov 14 Augie Band Festival - selected students
- Nov 15 Augie Band Festival - selected students
- Nov 17 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble - participating percussionists
- Nov 18 7-8:00 Band Parent Meeting
- Nov 20 6:30 Desert Show - Jazz Bands
- Nov 24 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble - participating percussionists

DECEMBER

- Dec 1 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Dec 8 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Dec 8 - All day - East Central Honor Band - Selected Students
- Dec 9 - 8-3:45 District Ensemble Tour - Jazz I Only
- Dec 15 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble

JANUARY

- Jan 5 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Jan 9 - 6-8:30 Symphonic Band Camp
- Jan 10 - 9-4 Full Band Camp (Freshman, Varsity, Concert, & Symphony Band)
- Jan 12 - 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Jan 15 - 7:00 **BAND CONCERT:** Symphony, Concert, Varsity & Freshman
- Jan 17 - TBA All-State Band Auditions Alternate Date @ O'Gorman HS
- Jan 19 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Jan 26 6pm Solo & Ensembl Recital Night
- Jan 26 7-8:30 Percussion Ensemble
- Jan 29 TBA Northern State Jazz, Jazz I & II
- Jan 31 TBA All-State Band Auditions—Main Date @ O'Gorman HS

All Events Will Be Thoroughly

RHS BAND

NOVEMBER 2008 www.rooseveltband.org

THANK YOU

We want to offer a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who donated treats to the students during Band Camp and the evening rehearsals. The students really appreciated it.

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:

Nov 18th	March 19th
Jan 13th	April 23rd
Feb 19th	May 14th

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

Member Contributions

Thank you those who have paid your member contribution. For those who have not, they are due. The member contribution is \$75 per band student and \$5 for parent. Since color guard members have incurred greater expense with their uniforms this year, we are encouraging at least a contribution of \$37.50. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at Keri Weems: 7308 W. Lancaster St or may be placed in the silver HyVee box in the band room. Checks are to be made out to RHS Band. Please indicate member contribution in the memo line along with the students name.

HyVee Cards

Nov 3rd	Dec 1st
Nov 17th	Dec 15th

Order your HyVee gift cards by **noon** on each of these 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.

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HyVee Card –Cindy Ensz 361-6958

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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

8th Grade Liaison - Marilee Pederson 362-0891

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www.rooseveltband.org

Message from the Presidents

Another successful Marching Band season is “in the books”. There are always questions at the end of the school. What will be the size of the band? Will the incoming freshmen be ready to perform at champion level? Will the upperclassmen step forward as leaders to mentor the freshmen and keep up the intensity necessary for winning competitions? Now we can answer all of these questions. There were 44 freshmen members added to Marching Band and an additional handful of upperclassmen performing for the first time, increasing the size from last year’s band. Our freshmen class of marchers, color guard and pit members were very talented, motivated and coachable. They have and will continue to improve. We had great section leaders sharing their experience and teaching leadership through their performance on the practice field and one on one with members of the band.

Silk Journeys experienced a transformation over the ten week season that is hard to fathom looking back. The progression from the performance at the first football game to the performance at the YIMIS was unbelievable! RHS Riders on the March competed against some of the country’s best bands and turned in spectacular performance after performance, placing in the top echelon at every competition. The “spectacle” that has come to define Mr. Macklin’s creative ability was once again on display. Silk Journeys was truly a “one of a kind” show.

RHS is fortunate to have a Band Director with the talent, patience and motivation that Mr. Macklin possesses. His hard work and leadership by example shows our student musicians that success through a consistent, focused, team effort is achievable. Mr. Firkus’ experience, discipline, leadership and keen eye for perfection has transformed our student musicians into top performers and high achievers.

Marching Band is a team effort. Our team includes the Band Parents who volunteer their time, talent and \$\$s to support the program. We “set the stage” for the success of our student musicians. Through our examples of service we show our children our love and teach them the true meaning of community. We are the support that carries the band forward year to year.

The “Silk Journeys” marching band season was one of possibilities and potential....realized!

RHS Presidents
Charles Jackson & Dave Beck

Yunker’s Fund raiser

On Nov 15th, Yunkers is having a Community Day Fundraiser. Last year this was a successful fundraiser for the band. All funds raised from this event will be used towards this year’s marching band expenses. We are asking ALL marching band parents to sell 5 coupon books at \$5.00 each. Included in the coupon book is a \$10.00 off coupon and 8– 20% off coupons. Pick up your coupons books at the next parent meeting from Jackie Wek. You can also get coupon books by calling Jackie at 361-1398 or Lana Vetter at 334-4772. This is a great fundraiser since we keep **100%** of the money raised!

Spirit Wear

It’s not too late to purchase RHS Band Spirit Wear. We still have hooded sweat-shirts, caps, hats, bags, window clings, etc. All items are available at the band parent meetings. Any profit goes back to support our marching band program. Bill & Pam Keller can be reached at 361-2658. with any questions you have.

RHS Band Website

www.rooseveltband.org

Wondering about the itinerary, map or directions to a competition? Find the answer on our web site. You can also view newsletters (both current & previous months), yearly calendar of events, pictures from current marching season as well as gallery of previous years along with links to popular band websites. Post questions/comments on the forum page. Thanks to Wade Chambers for all his assistance in this project.

Fund Raising

The music department is currently selling Butter Braids. This fundraiser will continue thru Nov 5th. Order forms are available in the Band Room. Place completed order forms in the HyVee box by Nov 5th. Delivery will be on Nov 19th from 3 - 3:30 in the band room. Contact Jarmilla Fucs with any fundraising questions at 361-7300.

Big Soo Coupon Books

Big Soo Coupon Books are now available! Check out all the great coupons from car care to golfing, restaurants, and much more! Big Soo Coupon Books are available to sell/purchase for \$35.00. The Marching Band program keeps \$10.00 for every book we sell. Earn a **FREE** book by selling 10. Books are available from Paul Davidson at Parent Meetings or by calling 361-9667. This is another great way to support our marching band program while saving money.

Festival of Bands

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for Festival of Bands. We had a great turnout and appreciate all your help. We couldn’t do it without you!