



KMA NEWSLETTER

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Welcome!

The Kings Music Association monthly newsletter is a valuable tool for keeping up-to-date with all that is going on in the KHS instrumental music world. Information pertaining to all the KHS music department ensembles including not only marching band but symphonic and concert band, jazz band, pep band, indoor drumline, and winterguard.

Many of your questions can be answered by reading this newsletter: however, it is only published once a month. Attending the monthly KMA meetings held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the high school band or choir room is a great way of learning about the music program and getting a "heads up" on what's happening. It also provides an opportunity for sharing ideas and meeting other people who care about your kids. Another source of information is mass e-mail. If you are not in the habit of checking your e-mail daily, please do so! Sometimes there is a last minute change that will affect your child and you don't want to be left in the dark.

This issue of the newsletter contains much information you and your student will need to know for pre-camp, band camp and band in general. Please make sure you share information in this newsletter with your child. There is so much happening... please be sure to read all the information contained in this and every newsletter. If you still have a question about band camp, or band in general, please feel free to contact any KMA Board or staff member. They will be happy to talk with you (phone numbers and e-mail addresses are on page 9).

For New Members...

Just a few reminders for Pre- Camp ~ July 17-21:

Be sure to send plenty of water, sunscreen and a hat to pre-camp.



Regarding lunch, students are welcome to bring their lunch or go to lunch with a parent. Some kids walk to McDonald's, etc., and others will drive to area restaurants. Many upperclassmen offer rides to underclassmen. Please talk over these options with your son/daughter and **BE SURE THEY KNOW WHAT IS PERMITTED TO DO FOR LUNCH!**

Also, please make sure they are at the band room in time to begin rehearsal at 9 a.m. That often means arriving 10-15 minutes early to set up equipment, instrument, find their sections, etc.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, New Member Liaison:

Barb Garich, 677-5510, mbvon@cinci.rr.com

Mandatory Camp Meeting for Students & Parents

Sunday, July 23, 12:30 pm

All students should report to the KJH band room at 12:30 for a meeting with staff before departing for camp. All parents should report to the KJH gym at the same time for a meeting concerning camp week and this year's activities, including specific travel information and the Kings Invitational.

There will be tables set up outside the auditorium with important information for the upcoming year before the meeting starting at **11:45 am**. Treasurer Bill Nicolai will be there to collect any band fees, which must be paid before band camp. Board members will be present for questions.

Don't worry – everything will be concluded before the kids board the buses in time for taking pictures and that obligatory parental "be good" warning along with hugs & kisses!!!

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Notes from the Conductors Podium

Welcome to all band families in the Kings Instrumental Music Department to an exciting new year of musical activities! It is hard to believe that as I write this brief message that our two weeks of camp are only five days away. The staff has been working hard to provide an exciting, entertaining 2006 contest program for the award winning Kings Marching Band.

Please make sure you read this newsletter carefully, for it will provide a great amount of important information pertaining to the 2006 marching band season. Take special note of the section pertaining to the next month of activities. Thanks to Sherri Holzman who is doing a great job of handling communication within our band family!

The two weeks of band camp in July are vital to our success and we thank all students and families for their time and money commitment over these important two weeks. The staff feels that we are well prepared to come out of the camp segments well ahead of schedule.

Mr. Hickey, Mr. Markworth, Mr. Maegly and I have worked very hard on the musical portion of this year's "Baseball" theme. I believe it will be a very rewarding program and a great deal of fun for students, parents, staff and audiences. Mr. Fairbanks is doing a super job of constructing our visual package. Please check out the animated movement and music presentation available on line if you have not done so! The color guard will definitely have a huge visual load to carry this year and they are definitely up to the challenge. Our excellent percussion section will also have added responsibilities during the third production.

Once again, please read this newsletter thoroughly and feel free to contact Mr. Mills if you have any questions or concerns during this busy time of year!

Thanks for supporting the Arts in Kings Local Schools, and students, "I cannot wait to see you all next week as we begin our journey towards BOA Grand Nats!"

Greg Mills
KHS Director of Instrumental Music

Band Nurse Notes:

MEDICATION All medicine needed for camp must be in a sealed plastic bag in its original container. A completed Medication/ Procedure Request form (available on KMA Website) signed by your physician must accompany any medication. Mark your child's name clearly on the bag and bring it the parent meeting on July 23.

Special thanks to the nurses who've volunteered to help our kids...

Lori Copeland—will be at camp on Mon., Tues. & Wed. Call or email her if you have any concerns—677-3125 / lcopeland@cinci.rr.com.

Margot Daugherty—will be at camp on Thurs. & Fri.—KMA Alumnus!

Cathy McMakin—organizer of forms and nurse on future trips.

From the Presidents

Welcome to all new instrumental music students and their parents who are now members of KMA. We are glad to have you join our booster group as we prepare for another busy, fun marching band season and all the band activities ahead in the new school year. It's also nice to see the familiar faces of kids and parents returning to the band program, like seeing old friends again.

There are many ways to mark the beginning of a new year. The start of a new band season is one way we measure the passage of time at our house. If you have a chance this summer, stop by band practice to experience my favorite sounds of summer – Dr. Beat, the snap of flags and rifles and of course, the terrific band music.


Staff and students are hard at work on an exciting band show. Our parent group is here to help in any way we can. Thanks to the many parents who have been working hard to ensure a smooth start to the new season. Please note the dates of important events listed in this newsletter and mark your calendars so you don't miss a thing! Please call if there's something you're wondering about that is not addressed here.

We look forward to meeting all of you soon and working together this year. "Baseball" – what a great idea for a marching band show. The music is fun and we can't wait to see what the baseball props will look like. Best of luck to students and staff as they prepare for another memorable season.

See you soon. In the spirit of Marty and Joe – rounding third and heading for home,

Pat and Mike Cope

Just for fun, Mr. Mills, our resident Krispy Kreme donut lover, and the whole band will be celebrating a fun pre-camp week on the night of Weds., July 19. Following the evening practice, band members will be treated to donuts fresh from the Krispy Kreme bakery in Dayton and everybody gets a hat! Do you have to wear the hat to get the donut?



Packing List for Camp

1. ALL equipment: instrument/sticks/reeds/music/flags/poles/rifles/etc.
2. Pencils/highlighters for your drill coordinates
3. Pillow and one set of sheets & blanket or sleeping bag. The camp gets cold at night.
4. Towels (beach & bath) and wash cloth
5. Deodorant (please!), soap, shampoo, toothbrush & toothpaste, other personal articles
6. Plenty of t-shirts (so you can change often), comfortable shorts, swimsuit, sweatshirt, underwear, jacket, long pants, etc.
7. Appropriate footwear: 2 pairs of gym shoes (an old pair for morning practices in the dew), flip-flops for the shower
8. Bring LOTS of ATHLETIC socks (enough to change into when they get wet). Athletic socks must be worn to prevent blisters. Bring enough to change often to keep your feet cool and clean. Veterans suggest twice as many as you think you'll need!
9. Band-Aids for those who do not wear proper socks or do not have comfortable shoes.
10. Bag for dirty clothes
11. Hat(s) to block sun exposure (wind players especially should wear one to avoid sunburned lips which will affect your playing)
12. Sunglasses and sunscreen
13. Insect repellent (definitely needed for night rehearsals). Don't forget the anti-itch lotion.
14. Gold Bond for guys (ask Mr. Mills)
15. Water bottle/canteen for on-field practices
16. Games (cards, board games) for indoor free time and small pool toys.
17. Cabins can be hot. There are electrical outlets if you would like to bring a small fan. It might be a good idea to bring an extension cord too!



Snacks: You can bring your own cooler and ice is available in the kitchen. Individual plastic bottles of juice drinks are very refreshing. Any food items should be sent in re-seal able plastic containers or Ziploc bags. Remember you are camping in cabins surrounded by woods filled with all of nature's critters, not to mention hungry band directors who like to scavenge for food from home.

How to Have A Safe & Happy Camp

- ◆ Please limit the use of hair dryers, curling irons, radio/CD players, etc. and shut off when not in use. To avoid blown circuits/fuses.
- ◆ No refrigerators, TV's, or large stereo systems permitted.
- ◆ No rollerblading or skateboarding due to camp insurance liability.
- ◆ Carefully check the suggested packing list from the staff .
- ◆ Label EVERYTHING that you bring to camp.
- ◆ We are limited by space for transporting students, instruments, equipment, etc via buses and our trucks. Each student is guaranteed transportation of 1 suitcase, a sleeping bag/bed linens, their instrument, a carry on bag (that means you carry it on with you on the bus), and fans. Other items will be loaded if space is available. Anything else must be transported by parents.
- ◆ If you have questions about bringing something to camp that is not covered in this newsletter, you must check with Mr. Mills prior to camp for approval.

All property is brought to the camp at your own risk. The camp, KMA and staff assume no liability for lost, damaged, or missing items. Therefore, it is recommended that if you don't absolutely have to have it, don't bring it!

If you have any changes to your phone numbers or address (home or e-mail), please contact Sherri Holzman at 683-6347 or holzee@cinci.rr.com

Daily Schedule

6:15am	Reveille
7:00-8:30 am	On-field practice
8:30-9:15 am	Breakfast
9:15-noon	On-field practice
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00-2:00 pm	Sectionals
2:00-3:30 pm	Full Band Practice
3:30-5:00 pm	FREE TIME!
5:00-6:00 pm	Dinner
6:00-9:00 pm	On-field practice
9:00-11:00 pm	FREE TIME!
11:15 pm	In cabins ~ Staff will check cabins, beg for any left-treats and say good-night!
11:30 pm	Lights Out



During FREE TIME students have many options available: swim in the pool (lifeguard is present at all swim times), catch up on their sleep, play frisbee, cornhole, softball, football, basketball or sand volleyball; sleep; hang out with old friends and get to know new ones!

Parent chaperones patrol the area from lights out until reveille to give the staff a much needed break and a good night's rest. If there are any problems, the student(s) involved will be taken to Mr. Mills. At his discretion, you may be called to pick up your son/daughter, if necessary. While we want them to have fun, safety and respecting others has to be the number one priority. Each year, the behavior of our students has been highly complemented ~ we would like to continue our reputation at this year's new band camp. Please discuss with your son / daughter the importance of safety and respecting camp property as well as the belongings of others.

As Camp Week comes to an End

The culmination to band camp week is the "show and tell" for families. The band will perform the music and drill they have learned at camp. It's amazing to see how much they have accomplished in such a short time. Feel free to bring a cool drink, a lounge chair, blanket and your video camera.

Plan to arrive early. Show starts at 6:30 pm.

Afterwards, everyone is invited to enjoy dessert (bring a favorite to share) where you can meet your child's new friends, the staff, and get acquainted with other parents.



What Do You Mean ... You're Coming To Camp???

Contrary to what your child may tell you – you are welcome to camp for a visit. Please check the daily schedule and plan accordingly to watch a rehearsal or meet your child's friends and get a tour of the camp during their free time. You certainly don't have to come up, but you are welcome!

The campground's address is:

Church of God Campground
2429 Moore Saur Rd.
Morrow, OH 45152
899-3087/3088

Directions:

I-71 North to Route 123

At exit go Right, head
East toward Morrow



After about 2.5 miles there will be a sharp
turn to the right

You will then turn Left on Gilmour

Turn Left on Moore Saur (first road on the
left)

Go straight about 1 mile to the entrance of
the camp

Park anywhere on the gravel.

Look for Kings signs along the way!

Reminder:

**Transportation is NOT
provided home, so you
must pick up your child
or make arrangements
for another parent to
bring them and their
belongings home!**

This 'n That

~ **Tag Day** on August 26 is mandatory for all band members. Regina Smith has done an excellent job coordinating this for several years. She'd love to work with a co-chair this year and pass the torch next year.

When the students complete their routes they will return to KHS for lunch and an afternoon of fun at the Beach Waterpark. Special discount tickets are available — prices are \$13.50 for students and adults and \$7.50 for youth under 48" tall. Checks should be made payable to KMA and placed in the mailbox in the bandroom. Transportation to The Beach will be provided by KMA, but parents are responsible for picking up their students at the end of the day. A few parent chaperones are needed as well, please contact Dave Thompson 677-0140 if you can help.



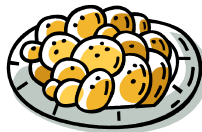
~ Our **"casual" band uniform**, supplied by KMA, is black dress shorts and a red KHS Band polo shirt. Students will need a black belt (yes, shirts will be tucked in), white athletic ankle socks and white tennis shoes.



~ Thanks to all who helped make our first Car Wash a success. Mark your calendars, our next **Car Wash** will be Saturday, August 5 at CVS !

~ Eileen Powell, co-chair of **Student Hospitality**, is looking for volunteers to provide Freezer Pops or Popsicles to the students during pre-camp. These can be long, hot days and a little treat like makes all the difference for our kids.

She also needs cookies for band camp. She's looking for volunteers to donate 2 dozen cookies. They can be brought to the pre-camp parent meeting. Please contact Eileen at 683-8588 if you can help!



~ Mark your calendars... KMA's got two great **Restaurant Events** coming up that guarantee fun times for all and a nice profit for KMA!



Gather your family, friends and neighbors and join us at The Porch of All Sorts on August 2 and The 20 Mile House on August 14. Both restaurants will donate a portion of your entire bill to KMA—all you have to do is give them a coupon (available on the KMA Web site and fliers the kids will be bringing home) that identifies you as a supporter of Kings Music Association. The offer is available during lunch and dinner. Thanks to both of these fine restaurants and Kris Gentry for organizing these fun and profitable events!



From the Treasurer

Band Fees

Just a short reminder regarding the payment of fees...

Through July 1, 2006, a total of \$550 should have been paid. We hope that everyone will be current by band camp day. Hopefully, you have received a status of your child's account via email. If you have any questions or need to make any special arrangements, please feel free to call or contact me via email.

As a reminder, the total fee for the 2006-2007 season is \$825. If you are current thru July 1st, \$100 is due August and September 1, with a final payment of \$75 is due September 21st. **Please also remember KMA now takes credit cards (but not AMX) if you want to arrange your payments via this method.**

I will be at the parent's band meeting on July 23 to collect any fees or answer any questions.

Best regards,

Bill Nicolai
KMA Treasurer
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or 459-5468



Take Me Out
To The Ball Game...

Kings Invitational and MSBA Class A/Open Championships Update

For those new to the marching band program, KMA hosts marching band competitions each year. We need EVERYONE's support to make these successful events (not only for the participating bands, but for our treasury). This year the Kings Invitational will be held on Saturday, September 9th. It is TENTATIVELY scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. The MSBA (Mid States Band Association) Class A and Open Class Championships will be held on Saturday, November 4th. We do not have a tentative start time yet, as bands will continue to enter over the next few months. However, this event will run throughout the day into the evening.

At the Pre-Camp KMA meeting, there will be sign up sheets outside the KJH gym for these two events. Areas where you may work during these events are as follows: Parking, Check-In, Tickets/Programs, Concessions, Band Movement, Crowd Control (ropers), and Water Table. Please mark your calendars with these dates and be sure to sign up at this meeting.

TROPHY SPONSORSHIPS will also have a sign up sheet for both events. For those of you who are not familiar with trophy sponsorships, we ask families and businesses to sponsor the cost of a specific trophy (i.e. 1st place Class A, Best Auxiliary – Class AAA, etc.) for these events. If you or a business sponsors a trophy you may have someone (i.e. your child) present that specific trophy during the awards ceremonies at these competitions. Please look for the trophy sponsorship sign up sheets outside the auditorium.

KMA has an exceptional reputation for hosting these competitions and the main reason is we have GREAT parents who make this all possible. I just want to take this opportunity now, to thank each and every one of you for your help in these events.

Jill Hamer

Thank You!

GATE WORKERS

Thank you to those who answered our call and helped KMA earn \$750 by working the gate at two June events held in our stadium. We had the opportunity to welcome many first time visitors to Kings, and catch up with some old friends at the same time.

Women's Lacrosse Championship workers were:

Fred Compton, Debbie and Scott Clark, Barb Garich, Frank and Kathy Harl, Mike Cope, Lillian Chappell, Muriel Cooper, Paul Manderfield, Jeroen and Laura Winterink, Ken and Rita Weber

East/West All-Star Football Game workers were:

Jerin McIntosh, Tori Craig, Sonya Perales, Arielle Allen; Bill Nicoli, Paul, Denise, and David Manderfield, Sherri Holzman, Mike Cope, Pat Cope, Kris Gentry, and Dave Thompson

MAIL CALL!

When the band moved to its summer headquarters in the Junior High, we realized we had no black mailbox there. Where were kids going to put all those important forms (*and checks*)? Thanks to Len Cornett and Mike Cope for coming to our rescue and installing a new black mailbox in the Junior High bandroom!

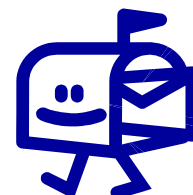


June:

12—Jonathan Garich
12—Michael Steel
18—Erica Medina
19—Brennan Stafford
19—Mary Harl
19—Melissa Partin
20—Brandon Schick
26—Tori Craig
27—Nathan Fischer

July:

4—Ryan Hoffman
9—Ian Quinn
14—Heath Saunders
15—Ashley Smith
16—Vanessa Coulter
27—Grant Joslin
28—Reid Rice
30—Amanda Walker



2006 Marching Band Volunteer Committee Placements

The success of any program is directly tied to the dedication of those involved in the program. The Kings Music Association has a legacy of success and quality thanks to the tireless efforts of our members. This year we are extremely pleased with the response we received to our volunteer request. Each family was placed on three of the committees they indicated an interest in on their volunteer commitment form.

Please review the list below to confirm your placements. Every committee is vital in ensuring our students get the best possible band experience. Please contact Beth Lang, Volunteer Coordinator, at 398-6683 in the event that your circumstances have changed and you cannot fulfill your commitment, or if you did not turn in your volunteer form and would like to be placed on any of the committees listed below.

Chaperones – Leslie Schick, Chairperson

C. Allen, Beeson, Blumer, Chappell, Clark, Compton, Cooper, Cope, Cox, Craig, Hamer, Holzman, Jaynes, Kelly, Leeson, Manderfield, Mayton, Moon, Partin, Quinn, Schick, Schmidt, Spiekerman, Thompson, Vetter, Weber, Winterink, & Young

Tag Day – Regina Smith, Chairperson

C. Allen, Copeland, Cornett, Coulter, Duwe, Fischer, Gentry, Harl, Holt, Joslin, Mayton, Nicolai, Partin, Perales, Rice, Saunders, Schmidt, Schriever, Smith, Steel, Taylor, Thompson, and Vetter.

Communications – Sherri Holzman and Tammy Monjaras.

Hospitality – Eileen Powell & Lisa Whittenburg-Lang, Co-Chairs

Acus, Blumer, Copeland, Duwe, Jaynes, Kelly, Lalli, Mayton, McIntosh, McMahan, Perales, Powell, Rice, Saunders, Schriever, Smith, Spiekerman, A & A Walker, Weber, and Whittenburg.

Sew Flags –

Cooper, Eades, Hoffman, Kelly, Manderfield, McIntosh, McMakin, Partin, Thompson, Waugh, Wiita and Young.

Kings Island/Music in the Parks – Pam & Lou Waugh, Co-Chairs

Blumer, Carroll, Clark, Compton, Duwe, Fischer, Goepper, Howard, Lang, Magary, Steel, A & A Walker, and Waugh.

Poinsettia – Kris Gentry & Beth Steel, Co-Chairs

Carroll, Cox, Gentry, Goepper, Harl, Holt, Leeson, McClure, Medina, Nicolai, Powell, Steel, Taylor, and A & A Walker.

Spring Flower Sale – Patty Vetter, Chairperson

Beeson, Eades, Holt, Howard, Lalli, Magary, McClure, Overturf, Powell, Rice, Taylor, and Vetter.

Event Coordinators:

Apparel Sale – Barb Garich & Maureen Moon

Mike's Car Wash – Jennifer Lalli and Julie Walker

Restaurant Night – Kris Gentry and Julie Walker

Sponsorships – Dianne Wade

Uniforms – Maureen Moon & Barb Garich, Co-Chairs

Carroll, Chappell, Cox, Craig, Eades, Garich, Jaynes, Leeson, McIntosh, McMahan, McMakin, Medina, Moon, Overturf and Young.

Car Washes – Holly Saunders, Chairperson

Cope, Coulter, Joslin, Lang, Lewis-Davis, Medina, Perales, A & H Saunders, Stafford, C. Walker, and Wiita.

Set/Prop Construction/Pit Crew – Jeroen Winterink, Chairperson

Acus, Cope, Cornett, Holzman, Lewis-Davis, Manderfield, Monjaras, Moon, Overturf, Quinn, Stafford, Waugh, & Winterink.

Water for Performances – John Quinn, Chairperson

Chappell, Hoffman, Lang, Quinn and Schriever.

Football Gate Workers –

Clark, Compton, Copeland, Craig, Fischer, Goepper, Hamer, Harl, Hoffman, Howard, Joslin, Lewis-Davis, Magary, McClure, Nicolai, Smith, Stafford, and Weber.

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The 2006 Kings Drumline is off and drumming! This is my 19th year with the drumline here at Kings. Every year seems to find us rebuilding some aspects of our group, but that is why I make the big bucks. We have 22 members in our drumline this season with 8 of those playing in the front ensemble and 14 in the battery. We are very pleased to welcome 8 Freshmen members to our ensemble: Scott Clark, Brandon Lalli, Tim Hamer, Nathan Fischer, Sam Cox, Laura Winterink, Justin Holt and Patrick Overturf.



Our summer drumline staff is Mike Folz, Joe Davis, Phil Grosvenor, Marty Weir and Kelsey Behl. Samantha Cope will be joining us when she returns from tour with the Bluecoats. We are so fortunate to have such a fine staff and I am very grateful to KMA for supporting us.

Pre camp is next week! We are camping at the JUNIOR HIGH. The drumline will go 9-12 and 1-5 on Monday. (Mike Folz and I are going to BW3 after rehearsal and any and all drumline members are invited.) Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday are scheduled to be 9-12, 1-4 and 6-9. Friday's schedule will be 9-12 and 1-5. Students are reminded to bring sunscreen, a water jug, a hat, and proper shoes and socks. I also suggest wearing light colored t-shirts.

Please be sure to check the packing list in this newsletter for band camp. Don't forget to pack treats for the staff.

Many thanks to all who worked Home-a-rama. I was out of town the entire time, so I hope someone took some pictures of the place.

Many thanks also to those who helped (and/or purchased) with the Got Salt part two sale. I was again out of town and it sounds like all went well. Stayed tuned to hear about Got Salt III this winter.

A late word of thanks to all those who helped with our technique camp at CES. I think things went very well and we all ate well on Friday night. Special thanks to our "Chefs" as well as to Jen for setting up for us.

One last word of thanks to my Truck Driving Dads. We aren't making any trips to CES this week, so take some time off.

See you at the Camp performance!

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**Please forward this newsletter to your son/daughter.
The information contained in each newsletter is for BOTH parents and stu-**