

A Newsletter of Henry Clay Band News

April 2011

Blue Devil Band Dates

April

- 16-HCHS Prom
- 18-7p **HC Area Band Concert**
- 19-4-6p Wind Ensemble
- 19-7p **New Member Orientation**
- 20-3:45-5:30p Steel Band
- 21-4-6p Concert Band
- 25-5-7p Colorguard Training
- 25-5:30-7:30p Drumline Training
- 26-4-6p Wind Ensemble
- 27-3:45-5:30p Steel Band
- 27-4:30-6p Drum Major Training
- 28-4-6p Concert Band
- 30 **HS District 7 Band Festival**

May

- 2-5-7p Color Guard Training
- 2-5:30-7:30p Drumline Training
- 4-3:45-5:30p Steel Band
- 4-4:30-6p Drum Major Training
- 9-5-7p Color Guard Training
- 9-5:30-7:30p Drumline Training
- 10-11:30a UKJE at HCHS
- 10-4-6p Wind Ensemble
- 11-3:45-5:30p Steel Band
- 11-4:30-6p Drum Major Training
- 12-4-6p Concert Band
- 14-**Golf/Dinner/Entertainment Fundraiser**
- 16-5-7p Color Guard Training
- 16-5:30-7:30p Drumline Training
- 16-7p **Booster Meeting**
- 17-**No School**
- 18-3:45-5:30p Steel Band
- 18-4:30-6p Drum Major Auditions
- 19-4-6p Wind Ensemble
- 23-6p **HC Band Banquet**
- 24-4-6p Grad Band Rehearsal
- 25-3:45-5:30p Steel Band
- 25-4p Leadership Interviews
- 26-4-6p Concert Band
- 27-6p **Pops Concert**
- 28-TBA **Senior Cookout**

Director's Desk...Bill Kite

Dear Students and Families,

I hope you had a restful and enjoyable Spring Break! We are back to work now on a very busy concert season!

As always, please keep carefully updated of HC Band events by checking the website calendar/posts, emails and the Facebook Page!

We will have a full and fun remainder of the concert season if all students come to class, rehearsals and concerts practiced and ready to perform at high standards.

*Please make every effort to attend our annual **Area Concert** to support local middle school bands as well as our HC Band. The concert is a past tradition we have restored to encourage the relationship of local middle and high school music programs and help middle school students make the transition to high school band easier. Our current band family is vital to help incoming and future middle students and families look forward to being a HC Blue Devils Band member!*

*In addition, please attend the **New Member Orientation** to help potential incoming students and families see an energetic and excited band family and program. We will be speaking to the students and parents about the HC Band program, have our students meet incoming students and families and answer questions. This is also a wonderful opportunity to acquaint parents with the HC Band Booster organization.*

*The calendar is full of wonderful HC Band events that are briefly described on **page 9 of this newsletter**. Also we need great participation for the **Golf Scramble/Dinner Entertainment fundraiser!** We look forward to the remainder of the concert season and the celebration of our seniors as we honor them in the April and May newsletters and at the **HC Band Banquet on Monday, May 23, 6P at Immanuel Baptist Church.***

As always, thank you for your time and efforts! Please call or email me for any questions.

Sincerely,

Bill Kite, Director of Bands, HCHS

william.kite@fayette.kyschools.us or 381-3441

President's Pen...HC Band Booster Co-Presidents

Dear Band Family,

We are very excited to announce that we have a full board of booster officers who were elected at the April meeting. Thank you so very much to the following people: **John Alcorn and Dan Rardin, co-vice presidents; Stephanie Baldwin, recording secretary; Stacey Hunt, corresponding secretary; Donna Cox, treasurer; Claudia Neal, co-treasurer; Mary Olmsted, associate treasurer. Russell and Kathy will again serve as co-presidents for the next year.** Thank you to everyone involved in the booster organization. We are proud of the way the group strives to support the band program and to help the directors provide the best experience possible for the students.

There are many events scheduled in these last weeks of the school year. Please contact us if there is an event with which you would like to help. It is always a pleasure to have someone volunteer his or her help before we have a chance to ask!

Please note that the dinner and entertainment event the evening of the golf tournament is for everyone to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Russell and Kathy Edwards

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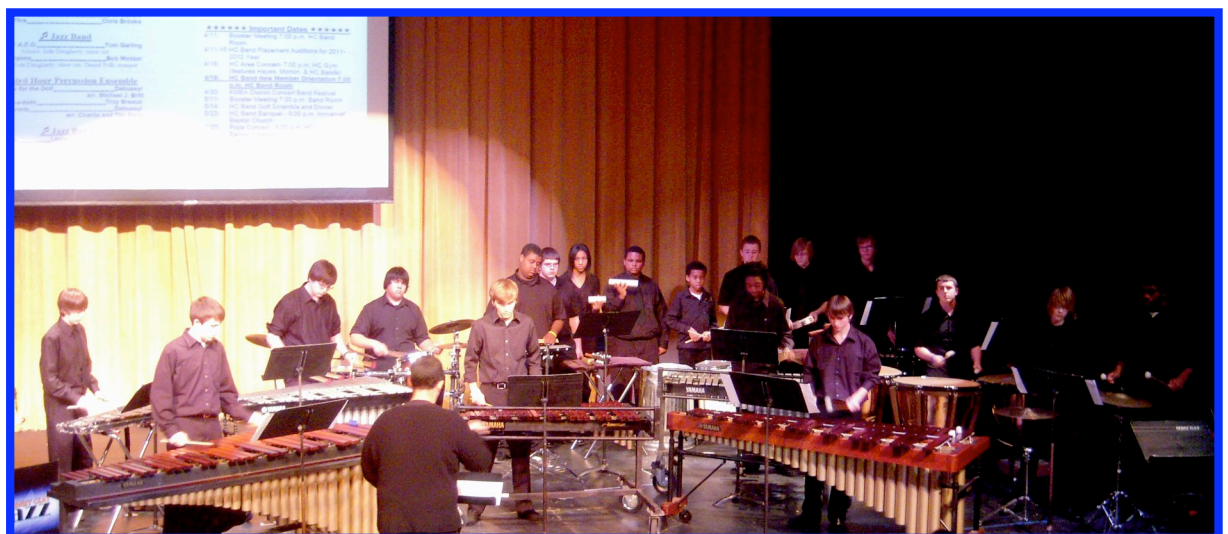
HCJE at UK
Instrumental
Music
Seminar Class
3/31/11

(Mr. Kite was
invited to
teach UK
music
students re:
jazz classes)



Percussion/
Jazz
Extravaganza

3/29/11



Jackpot Bingo Fundraiser



Hi, everybody. If you haven't worked bingo recently -- or ever -- here's a little basic information.

(1) Bingo is played at Jackpot Bingo, located at 1230 Eastland Drive, in the bottom level of the Eastland Shopping Center at Winchester Rd./New Circle Rd. (It's situated more or less underneath the former Big Lots location.) If you are heading west on New Circle, turn left at the light after Winchester Rd. (at Mi Mexico) onto Eastland Drive. On the left, shortly before the water tower and the stop sign at Industry Rd., you'll see a parking lot entrance in front of a building with a big "BINGO" sign. That's us. Come on in.

(2) Please arrive by 5:30, as we usually start selling pulltabs around 5:45. The actual bingo games end about 10:00 -- volunteers generally are ready to leave by about 10:10 or 10:15, after they finish selling any remaining pulltabs, picking up bingo computers, etc. Adults who can stay around for a few minutes to help us count (and double-count) the money for the bank deposit are GREATLY appreciated

(3) WEAR COMFORTABLE SHOES, as pulltab sellers spend several hours walking on the bingo hall's concrete floors.

(4) Because the hard work of our volunteers is being reflected in bingo program success, we again are able to purchase dinner from the concession stand for volunteers who arrive early enough to order/eat before pulltab sales start. Since we often start selling pulltabs around 5:45, please arrive between 5:15 and 5:30 if you would like to eat. (If you arrive later, be aware that it's likely you won't be able to eat while your food is hot!) :-)

(5) Please be ready to work when you arrive! We have some great customers who like to interact with/purchase pulltabs from friendly, energetic volunteers. As with all fundraising, positive interactions with customers directly translate into greater sales and more fundraising profits for the band!

6) Last but not least -- we STILL desperately need at least two adults to take over the Week 1 (i.e., first weekend of the month) paper bingo counter from Lukwambe's mom and grandmother, as Lukwambe will be graduating in a few weeks -- WE HAVE NO ONE TO RUN THAT COUNTER STARTING JUNE 4 -- WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO HAVE A BINGO PROGRAM, MAKING AS MUCH AS THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER WEEK FOR THE BAND, UNLESS AT LEAST TWO OF YOU STEP UP TO MAKE THIS COMMITMENT!!!

We also need two more bingo callers, and a person to coordinate the schedules of the bingo counter workers. PARENTS, WE ARE DOWN TO THE WIRE -- PLEASE STEP UP TO DO YOUR FAIR SHARE!!!

If you have any questions, please contact Jean O'Daniel (Lauren Keach's mom) at jean.odaniel@insightbb.com, 271-2421(h), or 388-4286 (cell/text).



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HC BAND "CHARMS" ONLINE SYSTEM

Charms, our online email and record-keeping system, recently went through a systems upgrade, so it may appear a bit different if you haven't been on in awhile. All HC Band students and parents should utilize Charms frequently to check for calendar updates (also easily accessible on the website blog), download forms, update personal info, utilize the recording studio, etc.

To login, follow these easy steps:

1. Go to www.charmsoffice.com (or click on the link on the HCHS band website top banner) and click on "ENTER" at the top right drop-down menu
2. Click on "Parents/Students/Members" and enter **hclayhsband** for the "School Code".
3. Enter your student's 6-digit birthday (mmddyy) as the "Student Area Password (you may change the password once inside the program).
4. If you have difficulty accessing your student's information, please contact Mr. Bayerle at: jeffrey.bayerle@fayette.kyschools.us. Please include your student's birth date in your email message. Or you can call at 381-3423, ext. 3307.

Spring Flower Sale



Order forms for the Spring Flower Sale have currently been sent home with the students, and are also available on the band website. The flowers are high quality and beautiful. Order forms will be due on Monday, April 25, with flower delivery/pickup at the HC gym entrance on Wednesday, May 4. Sell! Sell! Sell!

APRIL HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



Kristin Darland
Annie Summers
Mary Mays
Emily McLendon
Kristin Pinkston

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

**TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 7PM
HC BAND ROOM**

Please be sure to invite anyone considering the HC Band program, including incoming and current students of Henry Clay High School and their parents/families!



2011 SENIOR PROFILES




Jessi Ray...has played the trombone in the HCMB since her freshman year and was a trombone soloist during her junior year. She played bass trombone in the HC Concert Band and Wind Ensemble as well as Pep Band. Jessi also played trombone in the HC Jazz Ensemble during her sophomore year. She is member of the HC Band Counsel. Jessi will major in Forensic Biology at ECU (Eastern Kentucky University) this fall and has received a Presidential Scholarship. She has enjoyed her time with the HCMB and has several memories she will take with her and never forget, like winning Grand Champion on her 18th birthday, DeSean's pants falling down during a rehearsal...and the speaker picking up a special rendition of "Happy Birthday" and Mr. White saying, "He mean's birthday cake!!"



Kwambe (Lukwambe) Felix...has been involved in the HCMB and Concert Band for the past four years. He was named "Most Improved Junior" at the HC Band Banquet last year and has held the Tuba Section Leader position during his senior year. Lukwambe will be the first of his siblings to go to college. He volunteers at the local BINGO hall in his community as a fundraiser for the HC Band Boosters...and it will be the thing he will miss least about high school☺ After graduation Kwambe will be a "Thorobred" at KSU (Kentucky State University), planning to major in Civil Engineering. He has greatly appreciated being a member of the band; it has taught him perseverance, loyalty and leadership.



Amanda Dixon...has been a member of the HC Wind Ensemble and Steel Band all four years. As a freshman, she had the fortune of playing in the MFA (Music For All) Festival in Indianapolis. Amanda was also selected to the KMEA All-District Band both her junior and senior years, and achieved Distinguished ratings at KMEA Solo and Ensembles. She has received the HC Band "Best Attitude Freshman" and "Best Attitude Sophomore" awards. In addition to playing the clarinet, Amanda was a four-year member of the HCHS Girl's JV soccer team as goalkeeper; elected as captain and MVP her junior and senior years. She was also inducted into the HCHS National Honor Society and is a member of The Academy. In the fall, she plans to "bleed blue" at UK (University of Kentucky).



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Lauren Keach...has participated as a member of the HCMB all four years. She played clarinet in the HC Concert Band her freshman year, and in the HC Wind Ensemble her remaining three years. Lauren has also played baritone saxophone in the HCJE (Jazz Ensemble). During her senior year, Lauren was Woodwind Marching Captain. Lauren was selected to the KMEA All-District Honors Band during her junior and senior years, and participated in numerous other musical events during high school. Outside of band, she enjoys riding horses and playing Ultimate Frisbee. Lauren will attend either Centre College or UK (University of Kentucky) in the fall.



Allen Moore...has been a member of the HC Band for four years and has participated in the HC Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Steel Band, Percussion Ensemble and Marching Band. He has been selected to the KMEA All-District Band and has had many Distinguished performances at KMEA Solo and Ensembles. Over the years Allen has enjoyed his experiences with "The Pit" the most and looks forward to watching them grow as players and an ensemble. In addition to playing in most of the HC Band's ensembles, Allen played HC varsity football. After graduation he plans to attend UK (University of Kentucky), majoring in Mechanical Engineering and minoring in German. To continue his interests in music, Allen hopes to participate in the Tates Creek Indoor Ensemble.



Will Hjorth...plays trombone, baritone and piano. He has participated in the HCMB all four years (the first year kicking and screaming, the next three smiling!). Will has also been in the HC Concert Band, Wind Ensemble and jazz bands (HCLB & HCJE), in some cases as First Chair. This year he was selected to the KMEA All-District Band and was the section leader during the marching season. Will has loved his time in the HC Band, making lifelong friendships and getting an incredible music education. He was also a member of the HC Lacrosse team for about ten seconds, is a Life Scout and is currently a member of the National Honor Society. In the fall, Will is heading to Brigham Young University in Idaho where he plans to major in Exercise Physiology and possibly minor in music. He has become very interested in composition and hopes to pursue it further. In the fall of 2012 he will leave to serve a two-year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



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Merrick Coleman...has participated in the HCMB, Concert Band and Wind Ensemble for four years. Coming in as a freshman, there were a lot of trumpets, so Merrick was asked to switch to French horn, and although it was totally foreign to Merrick, he took on the challenge. He has enjoyed all the HC Band experiences, and though he would hate to admit it, even band camp! Each year Merrick would look forward to the new show, and loved the teamwork and struggles. The leadership skills Mr. Kite and Mr. Bayerle have taught him are life-changing. The family atmosphere of the HC Band has really impacted Merrick the most. He looks forward to the band growing and wishes them the best. Merrick will be attending ECU (Eastern Kentucky University) in the fall and plans on a career in safety and justice.



Anna Kraemer...Anna Kraemer plays B \flat and E \flat clarinet in the HC Wind Ensemble. She has been in HCMB all four years, and has earned Distinguished ratings each year in the annual Solo and Ensemble event. Anna was selected for the KMEA All-District and All-State Honor Bands the past two years. She has been accepted to attend UK (University of Kentucky) in the fall, as a pre-nursing major. She would like to thank her friends, family, and directors for a one-of-a-kind enjoyable experience!



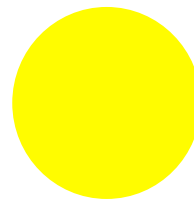
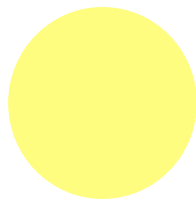
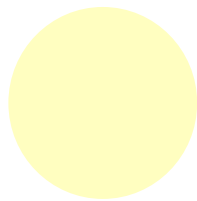
Jade Daugherty...has participated as a clarinet and tenor saxophone player in the HC Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, and HCMB. She was selected to play in the KMEA All-State Band, All-District Band, Central Kentucky Youth Orchestra Jazz Orchestra (CKYOJO), and UK Honors Band. She was also the Drum Major for the HCMB this past year. She has loved being a part of the HC Band program and believes that it has helped prepare her for life in many ways. Outside of band Jade is a mentor in the EAP program, a member of the NHS (National Honor Society), and the co-captain of the HC Quidditch team (which she co-founded). She plans to attend UK (University of Kentucky) where she will pursue a career as a pharmacist and receive a minor in music.



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Daniel Polk...is First Chair trumpet in the HC Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, and has participated in the HCMB and Concert Band. Daniel was selected to the KMEA All-State and All-District Bands for the past three years. He has also been involved with CKYOJO (Central Kentucky Youth Orchestra Jazz Orchestra), UK Honors Band, Stephen Foster Music Camp, KMEA Solo & Ensembles, as well as private performances with churches and with his dad's local classic rock/variety band. Daniel is the co-captain of the HC Quidditch team (which he co-founded.) Last spring, Daniel auditioned for GSA (Governor's School for the Arts) in Architecture and Music (giving Architecture as his first choice), and was selected to attend the three-week camp in Architecture, where he confirmed his college major, and has been accepted to the UK (University of Kentucky) College of Design in Architecture for this fall. Daniel will also continue to pursue his love of music and the trumpet by being a selected member of the UK Trumpet Studio.



HC Band seniors, thank you for your years of service and dedication to the HC Band program...we honor you with these newsletter profiles. For the remaining HC Band seniors, please don't miss out on our opportunity to honor you in the May newsletter edition! Please send your profile information to: amypolk@insightbb.com, or give it to the directors ASAP!

*****SCHEDULE/EVENT NEWS*****

Area Concert featuring Morton MS Band, Hayes MS Band and HC Bands: Monday, April 18, at 7P in the HC gym. This concert will restore an old tradition of featuring surrounding middle school bands along with HC bands so families in the community can hear and see what these concert bands have to offer and how students progress musically as they continue through high school. Itinerary was emailed and is on the band website. Please make every effort to attend!

HC Band New Member Orientation: Tuesday, April 19, at 7P in the HC band room. This is an informational meeting for ALL incoming new band members and their parents. All areas of the program are covered and explained along with a Q & A session. Please make every effort to attend!

KMEA Large-Ensemble Concert Band Festival: Saturday, April 30, at Scott County HS. This is the most important event for the HC Concert Band and Wind Ensemble as they perform for evaluators and get constructive feedback on needed areas of improvement. Each band receives a rating, comment sheet, and comment tape recording. Itinerary coming soon.

HC Band Annual Charity Golf Outing and Entertainment Dinner: Saturday, May 14, at 8:30A & 5:30P. Please see more details on page 10 and on the HC Band website blog!

HC Band Boosters Meeting: Monday, May 16, 7P. The HCBB organization is the primary fundraising organization of the HC Band. Due to very limited funding for high school music programs from local school boards, the HCBB exists to help each and every HC Band student enjoy all possible benefits of a musical education and experience. We need a large, thriving organization of parents and supporters to help the band directors maintain a successful program of musical opportunities. Please make every effort to attend each and every Booster meeting!

HC Band Banquet: Monday, May 23, at 6P at Immanuel Baptist Church. The "closing ceremonies" for the 2010-2011 band year...a chance to recognize our seniors, reward band students' achievements and wrap up the year with a potluck as a band family. See page 11.

Leadership Interviews: Wednesday, May 25, at 4P. Mr. Bayerle and Mr. Kite will be interviewing any interested students for positions of leadership for next school year.

Pops Concert: Friday, May 27, at 6P in the HC gym. Make plans to join us for this fun HC Band event! Please see the website blog and emails for Silent Auction donation information, etc.

HC Band Senior Cookout: Saturday, May 28, Time TBA. Mr. Kite & family are hosting the seniors for an afternoon cookout. More information to come.

Graduation Ceremony: Saturday, June 4, at 11A at Rupp Arena. The HC Band performs annually at the ceremonies. Itinerary will be distributed closer to the date.

Welcome (Back) Picnic & Meeting: Sunday, July 17, 6P at HC. This is a welcome to and welcome back picnic and informational meeting for ALL aspects of the HC Band program.

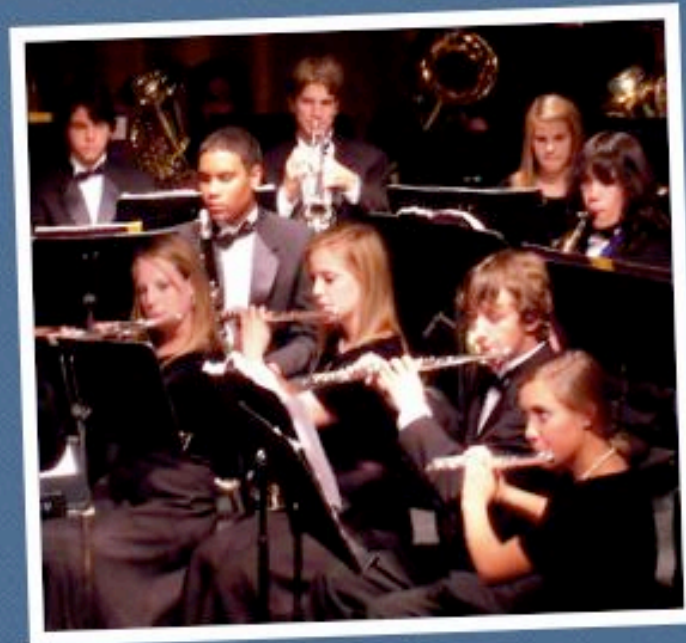
HCMB 2011 Band Camp: Week 1-July 18-22: Percussion/Guard (8A-9P); New Marcher Training (9A-12P); Full Band Music (1-3:30P); **Week 2-July 25-29:** Full Band Camp (8A-6P); **Week 3-August 1-5:** Full Band Camp (8A-6P).

HCMB Parent Preview Show & Picnic: Friday, August 5, 6:30P at HC. This will be a fun "end of band camp" potluck picnic and the "first look" at the 2011 HCMB show!

*****Please see HC Band calendar for further dates*****



HENRY CLAY HS BAND BOOSTERS



GOLF TOURNAMENT AND DINNER Saturday, May 14, 2011

GOLF Package - \$75/person - Includes Dinner & Entertainment
The Bull at Boone's Trace Golf Club, Richmond – 8:30A Shotgun start

DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT Only - \$15/person (Children under 6 free)
Crossroads Christian Church, Lexington – 5:30P

featuring HC JAZZ ENSEMBLE & "TRACK 3 & FRIENDS" BAND

Information and tickets: <http://henryclayband.org/golfscramble/>

Instrumental in our Lives!



The Henry Clay Band

requests the honor of your presence at the

2010-2011 Band Banquet

Monday, May 23, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

Immanuel Baptist Church - Fellowship Hall (back of church)
3100 Tates Creek Road

This is a potluck dinner! Each family will need to bring a meat dish and a side dish large enough to feed their family. Additionally, consider bringing your favorite dessert to share! Please estimate a little high when deciding how much to bring... Bandies are BIG eaters! However it does NOT have to be homemade. You are welcome to bring a bucket of chicken or a pizza for your meat dish! Whatever you have time or want to do will be appreciated. Potlucks are always a hit with the students and have been a great place to find a couple of NEW favorite dishes!

A reservation list will be posted in the Band Room. Please ask your student to sign up for the number attending from your family (including the band member), so we will know how many to plan for.

Sign up by May 13th

Dressy Attire

Booster Board and Committees

President	Kathy & Russell Edwards	494-1009	Chaperone	Jean O'Daniel	388-4286
Vice Pres.		open		Rita Neat	273-6449
Secretary	Stephanie Baldwin	263-0820	Coffee Fundraiser	Dana Silver	494-1009
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Assoc. Treasurer		open	Email	Beth Kraemer	396-5247
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'11 Rep	Jean O'Daniel	271-2421	Fleeces/Shirts	Leigh Grossman	271-6088
'12 Rep	Rita Neat	273-6449	Flower Sales	Grossmans	271-6088
'12 Rep	Lorri Ransom	421-1152	Guard	Ruth Lundborg	263-1964
'12 Rep	Stephanie Baldwin	263-0820	Hospitality	Diane Bradley	948-1654
'12 Rep	Lisa Bush	421-0345	Kroger Cards	Geni Osborn	523-2759
'13 Rep	Dana Silver	269-6139	Mar. Uniforms	Kathy Edwards	494-1009
'13 Rep	Heather Clark	948-1151		Heather Clark	266-2112
'13 Rep	Alan & Claudia Neal	263-2206	Newsletter	Amy Polk	227-1094
'14 Rep	Debbie Varble	420-1032	Publicity		open
'14 Rep	Mary Olmstead	806-6521	Phone Tree	Lynne Daviet	523-9467
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Alumni Rep	Tom Bensberg	421-9791	Spirit	Lorri Ransom	245-2373
	Steve Worrell	293-7477	Stadium Seating	Edwards	494-1009
	Rhonda & Arnold Riddle	321-4380	Tuxedos	Kathy Edwards	494-1009
Bingo Chair	Lee Kemp	338-8033	Value Cards	Geni Osborn	312-2006
Bingo Scheduler	Diane Bradley	948-1654	Ways & Means		open
	Jean O'Daniel	388-4286	Webmaster	Beth Kraemer	396-5247
Bingo Inventory		open			



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