

# The Colt Chronicle

*The Troy Colt Bands Information Source*

**October 2015**

Monday, October 5, 12, 19, 26	<b>TCMB Rehearsals, 2:30-5pm</b>
Friday, October 9	<b>TCMB Homecoming Parade and Home Game #4</b> Report in partial uniform by 4pm
Tuesday, October 13	<b>MSBOA Marching Band Festival Rehearsal, Mandatory, 7-9:30pm</b>
Wednesday, October 14	<b>MSBOA Marching Band Festival, THS, 6-9pm</b> Report in partial uniform by 7pm
Friday, October 16	<b>TCMB @ Troy Athens</b> Report in full uniform to Troy Athens HS—the John R. or east side of the building (no transportation provided) by 6pm
Wednesday, October 21	<b>MSBOA Marching Band Festival (rain date)</b>
Friday, October 23	<b>TCMB @ Home Game #5</b> Report in partial uniform by 4pm  <b>Orchestra Midnight Spooktacular</b> (Jazz Ensemble, special guests)
Monday, October 26	<b>Dress Rehearsal, Colt Spectacular, 2:30-5pm</b>
Tuesday, October 27	<b>Colt Spectacular, 7pm, THS Gymnasium</b> Report in partial uniform at 6pm
Friday, October 30	<b>TCMB End-of-Season Dance, 9-11:30pm,</b> Troy First United Methodist Church

## Key Notes

Dear Band Parents,

We've had a terrific start to this year and look forward to a productive, successful year. October is a busy month full of fun and entertainment--here's what's coming your way!

**HOMECOMING** is scheduled for Friday, October 9. Be sure to line up curbside on Northfield Parkway at 5:30 pm to view the Marching Band in the homecoming parade as it travels from Boulan Park Middle School to Troy High School. Then come to THS to see the Troy Colt football team in action, the crowning of the Homecoming Court, and our own Troy Colt Marching Band pre-game performance, homecoming court ceremony at half-time, and the post-game marching band performance of *Written in the Stars!*

**THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME--** Once again, Troy Colt Bands will host the **MSBOA Marching Band Festival** at THS on Wednesday, October 14 (rain date, October 21). Gates open at 6pm, when we roll out the red carpet for our musical guests and patrons of the arts! Be sure to invite your family and friends to a night of exceptional marching band entertainment. As you might imagine, many parent volunteers will be required to run this major event. Please show your support by volunteering to help with concessions, baking for the bake sale, assisting with parking, working at information desk, cleaning up, and more. [Sign Up](#) here. Password: THBB2015.

**CALLING ALL BAKERS!** It's time again to pull out your favorite recipes and baking sheets! We are in need of many bakers for the Homecoming and MSBOA Bake Sales! All proceeds go directly to the band! Please see this [flyer](#) for details and to sign up, or click on [Homecoming Bake Sale](#) or [MSBOA Bake Sale](#) to sign up, password THBB2015 for both links.

**GO COLTS, BEAT THE REDHAWKS!** On Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, members of the TCMB will dress in uniform for the annual cross-town friendly rivalry at Athens High School. Following the game, stay for the intense but good-natured "drum-off" between our two talented high school Drumlines.

**AN "OUT OF THIS WORLD" EXPERIENCE.** To celebrate the end of a stellar season, marching band students are invited to an evening of outlandish fun at ZapZone in Utica on Thursday, November 5th. The only charge to students is \$8. Please complete this [Laser Tag Flyer](#) and place it along with your payment in an envelope marked with your student's name and "ZapZone" in the black filing cabinet in the band room, by October 29th.

**THANK YOU** to all parent chaperones and volunteers who have given time and shared talents this fall, all for the betterment of the band. We appreciate your selfless contributions to our experience and success. Please log in to [SignUpGenius](#) (Password: THBB2015) for additional opportunities to assist. Thank you for volunteering!

**TROY HIGH 5K & FUN RUN FUNDRAISER:** The THS Orchestra and OATH (Orchestra Association of Troy High) is holding its annual 5K and Fun Run Fundraiser, and all Band families and friends are invited to join! The fun will take place on October 4 at 10am at Boulan Park. If you cannot participate in the 5K, donations to the cause are accepted. Please check the [OATH website](#) for registration details and a sponsorship form. If you have questions, please contact Maha Hasso or Rong Yao at [troyhighorchestra@gmail.com](mailto:troyhighorchestra@gmail.com).

**FALL FUNDRAISER PRODUCT PICK-UP** is scheduled for **Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the band room.** Some items may need refrigeration, so they must be picked-up on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you are not available to get your order on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, please make arrangements to have someone pick up it up for you. In order to pick up your order, you will need the full payment. For those of you who have not paid, Tina Battle will email you with the amount you owe. Please have your payment ready in cash or check payable to Troy High Band Boosters when you come to pick up your order. Thank you, very much, to everyone who participated in the fall fundraiser by either selling items or making a donation. We had a great turn-out, and really appreciate your hard work and support.

**LIGHT UP THE NIGHT!** To show our support and appreciation for the marching band, the band boosters will be selling glow stick star wands at the MSBOA event and the last home football game so that family and friends can light up the stands at the end of the performance. The glow stick wands are \$5 each. If you would like to get a jump on things and purchase some in advance, please contact Tina Battle at [thbb\\_fundraising@troycoltbands.org](mailto:thbb_fundraising@troycoltbands.org).

We still have **“WRITTEN IN THE STARS” T-SHIRTS** available in various sizes for purchase at \$15 each. If you would like to purchase a t-shirt(s), please contact Tina Battle at [thbb\\_fundraising@troycoltbands.org](mailto:thbb_fundraising@troycoltbands.org). For those of you who ordered a *Written in the Stars* fleece stadium blanket, we anticipate delivery on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**COURTESY REMINDER:** Parents, please remember that the auditorium circle drive is a **NO PARKING ZONE** anytime the band travels (marching, concerts, etc.). This is where the buses park, and we need to keep it clear. Thank you for your cooperation!

**PISTONS PERFORMERS!** We are happy to announce that on **Monday, February 8th** the Troy Colt Bands' Color Guard and Drumline will be performing during the pregame festivities at the Detroit Pistons v. Toronto Raptors basketball game at the Palace of Auburn Hills. This will be a great opportunity to showcase the amazing talents of the Color Guard and Drumline, and will also serve as a fundraiser since the Troy Colt Bands will receive \$5 back from every ticket purchased by our group. The Pistons will be reserving blocks of seats for us in the \$17 and \$37 price ranges for tickets. Whether or not your student is in Color Guard or Drumline, we hope that may Troy Colt Band families and friends will come to watch this exciting event. We will let you know more details as soon as they become available. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Battle at [thbb\\_fundraising@troycoltbands.org](mailto:thbb_fundraising@troycoltbands.org).

Please visit [www.troycoltbands.org](http://www.troycoltbands.org) for pertinent, up-to-date information on all band activities.

**TROY HIGH BAND BOOSTER MEETINGS** – Our next Band Booster meetings are scheduled for January 27 and April 13 (Board Elections meeting) at 7pm. You can stay informed between meetings via our electronic newsletters, mass emails, [band website](#), [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#). As always, if you have ideas, questions, concerns, or want to become involved, please feel free to contact Director [Brian Nutting](#), Band Booster President [Sue Balamucki](#), or any Band Booster officer. An officer listing is available on the website. The Executive Board will continue to meet monthly to assist in band operations.

### *Worthy of Note*

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| October 28-29 | Concert Uniform Distribution in Class |
| November 5    | MB Laser Tag                          |
| November 19   | Zumba FUNdraiser                      |