

WAUKEGAN HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB
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Hi Everyone,

CONGRATULATIONS

As the fall season is wrapping up, the entire Booster Club would like to congratulate all the fall athletes and coaches on a wonderful season. The athletes provided a great deal of skill and excitement that made fall sports thoroughly enjoyable. Cross Country had 7 runners qualify for sectionals this year. In Boys Golf, Rudy Angelos qualified for sectionals, which has not happened for Waukegan in at least a decade. Girls Volleyball will be hosting Regionals on October 29 and 31. There is no question people are sitting up and taking notice of the Waukegan teams. It was great to see so many Booster Club members out supporting the teams. They need us to pack the stands!!! If you haven't seen the action yet, get out and see the kids play. They are great! **Good Luck to all the athletes as they advance in regional and sectional play.**

Winter sports are getting ready for a big start. We should have some very competitive teams which will make for exciting times again this year. Please come see the kids play. You will have a great time cheering on both girls and boys basketball as well as wrestling, rifle, cheerleading and poms. Many of us can't wait to see the Dog Pound packed again this year, and to see what W Club has in store for us. We are anxious to see what Principal Hamlin has planned. If you missed his spontaneous acrobatics last year during the basketball play offs, make sure you see it this year.

HOMECOMING THANKS

Thank you to all who helped with homecoming by working on the Raffles and selling merchandise at the homecoming game. It was a blast. We have sold a lot of spirit wear through the bookstores as well as at the home football games including homecoming. Again, thanks to all the wonderful parents who helped out.

NEXT BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

Our next Booster Club Meeting is **Wednesday, November 4**, in the Brookside Library at 7:00 p.m. We promise to keep it under an hour. Please join us....the coffee and company will be warm and welcoming.

UPCOMING DATES

Winter Sports Mandatory Parent/Student Meeting – November 14, Saturday, 9:00 am in Main Gym at Washington Campus. This is also team picture day. The Booster Club will be selling merchandise as well as memberships. So don't forget your checkbooks.

Fall Sports Awards Night – November 18, Wednesday, 7:00 pm in the Trapp Auditorium at Brookside Campus.

BOOSTER CLUB PURCHASES

Booster Club is working hard to raise money to improve Waukegan's equipment and facilities. We recently have made some purchases that we are very excited about.

- Last year, Booster Club had funded the construction of a new varsity girls' softball field at McAree. It was such a tremendous success, the boys have asked for some upgrades of their own to the baseball diamond at Weiss. The boosters, together with the school district, will be rehabbing the grass infield, rebuilding the pitching mound and batters box and adding 50 tons of dirt. We will also be replacing the worn out windscreens for the dugout and adding windscreen to the backstop.
- As long as we were looking at windscreens, we decided to cover the west side of the tennis courts at Weiss to block out the distraction of the neighbors' backyards. Our plan is to complete the windscreens for the tennis courts next year.

If you add this list to the items we purchased or fixed last year, you can see that we have made a huge impact on Waukegan athletics, **but we need your help. Booster Club is trying to update many of our fields, courts and equipment. Please try and get other parents involved. We need everyone's help.**

AUCTION

Auction time will be coming soon – March 6, 2010, and we need more people to join us at the meetings. The Auction is our only fundraiser. If we don't raise the money, we will not be able to help the athletes. We are working with the coaches, as well, to try and increase parent involvement. I don't think parents know how critical our role is. PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

It is not too early to start collecting items for the Silent Auction. We are hoping this one will be the biggest and best ever. We are really trying to make some additional facility improvements this year, so it is critical to have a successful auction. Items for the Auction can be turned in at our monthly meetings, dropped off at the Athletic Office, or you can call one of our officers to pick them up. We will start discussing the auction at the meeting next week.

Go Bulldogs!

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BUSINESS PARTNERS

We would also like to thank our Business Partners for their continued support. Our current Business Partners are listed below. We have three new partners* joining us this year and thank you to our returning partners. We encourage you to stop in and say hi to our partners and patronize them whenever possible. They mean a great deal to our success.

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