

**March 2015**

# BANDITS NEWSLETTER

## President's Report

Greetings to everyone one in our Bandit Family,

Since the close of last season, ending with our successful banquet in December, I would like to let you all know that while we are only in the month of March, the Bandits board is actively preparing for the upcoming season. Much planning and hard work goes on during the off season in order get ready for the 2015 season. We held our first registration on Super Bowl weekend and there was a great turnout of current and new Bandits. There is a lot of excitement as we head into the next registration on March 18th. Please tell all of your friends, family and neighbors to get their kids signed up as soon as possible as we are looking forward to another successful season. You can pre-print your forms and get them filled out ahead of time through our organization website BWFCA.COM

The Bandits organization has also already planned our free football and cheer camp in July at Fenton High School. We have secured our upcoming playing field dates through the Village of Bensenville at Redmond Park

Our league, Pop Warner Little Scholars, is growing and planning as well. The league has a vote coming up to add new towns which will make for a better playing schedule.

The Bandits are financially sound. The organization has ordered new equipment for the cheerleading squads and for the football teams. As a nonprofit organization all monies we receive through registration, fundraising, and donations are funneled directly back to the kids. The Bandits are always looking for donations from individuals and companies to enhance the experience for the kids. Please contact any board member with regards to donations.

Lastly, I want to thank all of our families for the commitment you have made to your children in allowing them to participate with the Bandits. The kids achieve a great sense of self pride when they have been part of the Bandits family. It has been told to me on many occasions by former Bandits, now adults, about their time with the Bandits. Primarily, their days as Bandits were some of their best childhood memories, and they will never forget them. These are some of the reasons your board and coaches strive to continue to make this the best and the most affordable youth football and cheer program in Chicagoland.

Thanks

Jason Sabala



### Important Dates

04/02 **Flag Football Sign-Up**  
Veteran's Park 6:30-7:30PM

04/16 **Flag Football Sign-Up**  
Veteran's Park 6:30-7:30PM

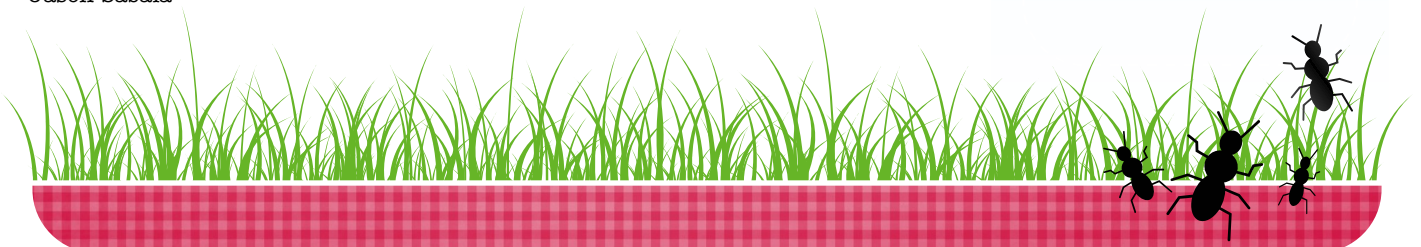
05/16 **Football & Cheer Registration** Veteran's Park  
12:00-3:00PM

### May&June

**Flag Dates** *Sundays* in  
May and June TBA

July 3-day Camp

8/1 Regular Season Begins





#### Make a donation

Bronze \$100-\$199: Name listed as sponsor in all monthly newsletters for current season and on our website

Silver \$200-\$399: Sponsor sign on display at all home games, Name and logo listed as sponsor in all monthly newsletters for current season and on our website. Name announced at all home games.

Gold \$400 +: Sponsor sign on display at all home games, Sponsor Ad with logo in all monthly newsletters for current season and on our website. Name announced at all home games and a link to your website on our website. 2015 Organization Plaque

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For more information

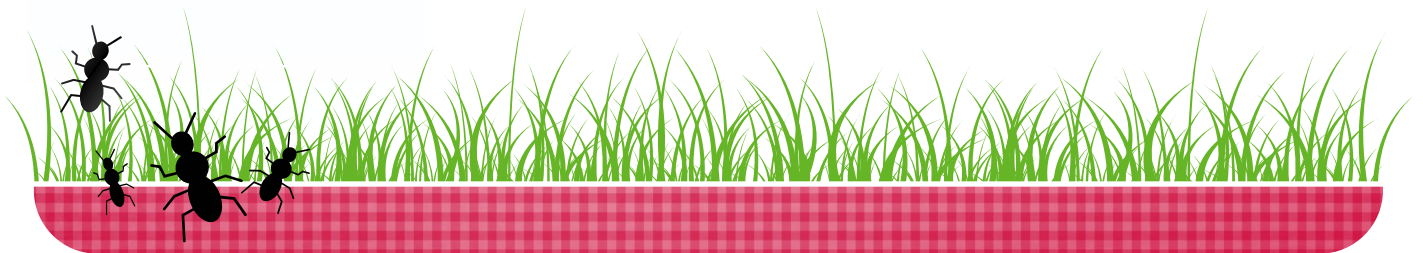


# Football News

**The football season is fast approaching and we have some exciting news. We have completed our inventory and the 2015 football budget has been approved. We plan on adding a few helmets and some shoulder pads for the smaller kids in the program. Because of sound planning by the board we are not in need of too many things but we will still purchase some clothe items as we always want to keep our inventory levels up and fresh.**

**This year besides our normal camp in July we will be offering flag football & football skills camp as a precursor to the fall season. More information regarding all these exciting programs will be out soon.**

**If you have any questions or suggestions regarding any football related items please feel free to contact Jason Sabala @ [fbcoach1969@gmail.com](mailto:fbcoach1969@gmail.com).**



# Head Team Moms

Hello Bandit Families,

We would like to take a moment to introduce ourselves as the new Head Team Parent Duo. Annette Adkins and myself, Christy Flint, are excited to be taking on this role for the 2015 season. We look forward to collaborating with all of you and creating a strong network behind the scenes. Some things we would like to work on this year include improving communication throughout the organization, being accessible and resourceful, and bridging the gap between football and cheer. All of this is in an effort to provide the highest quality experience for all of our young athletes and you, as parents.

A few helpful suggestions for the upcoming season that will alleviate stress come August 1st :

\* If you have a primary doctor, call now to schedule a summer physical. We all know how busy they can get when everyone is trying to get appointments at the same time. Participants without a physical dated 2015 will not be allowed to practice.

\* The school year will be over in a few short months, remember to save your child's final report card. Or better yet, scan it and save it on your computer for easy access.

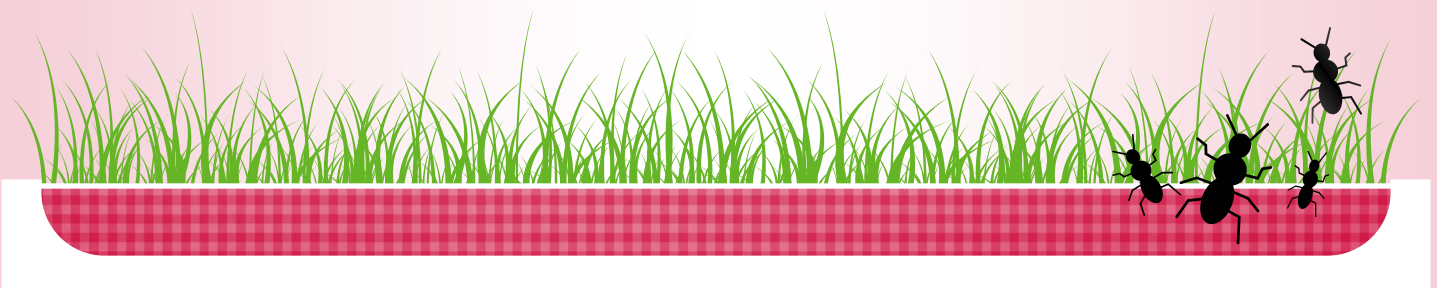
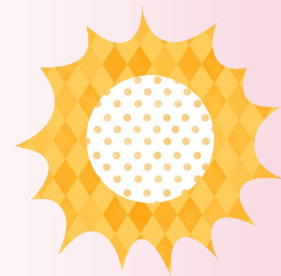
Looking forward, we will schedule a few meetings prior to the season for all individual Team Parent volunteers, for both cheer and football.

Thank you,

And as always, feel free to call, text, or email us at anytime.

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## CHEER!!!

From the Cheer Corner.....

We wrapped it up this month with another exciting registration welcoming another group of new families and some returning from last season. We are so excited to see all the new faces joining the Bandit's. This month I was also part of a few knowledgeable Pop Warner meetings plus a Coaches meeting and looking forward to working with our new assigned Pop Warner Assistant Cheer director, we already have a few competition dates set so as more information comes my way I will definitely start posting it on Facebook and start contacting families via email. I am confident we will form strong competitive squads this season, I am also happy to have many of our returning coaches joining us again for another season, I am also still looking for head coaches as well as assistant coaches at all levels for our teams to be successful, so if you or anyone you know may be interested please contact me and I will go over any details, certification and information with you. Looking forward to a great 2015 season.....

Diana Staszal

Cheer Coordinator

## BUSINESS

Hope everyone is enjoying this nicer weather that we're finally getting!  
Thank you Mother Nature!!!

We now have a date for Music In The Park for this Summer! This is a great fundraiser that we split with the Bensenville Food Pantry. We sell our 50/50 raffle tickets at this event! So we will be looking for a few volunteers to help out! This will be July 29.

Please contact me for more information!

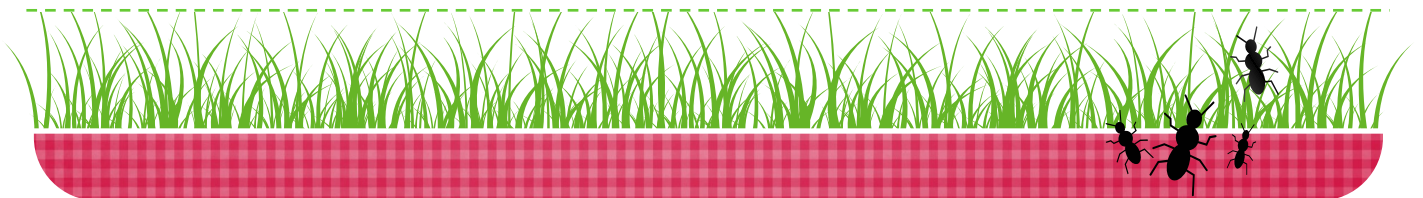
Michele Schafer

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### Board Meetings

Are held on the first Tuesday of every month. All meetings are open to members in good standing with the organization. Board meetings are held at the Wood Dale Park District building and start at 7:00 pm but during the season may start at 8:00 pm. So please check the website to see the starting time for the particular month. Meetings include financial information, reports by each committee, Pop Warner info, and general status of the program. Our by-laws can be found on the website.







## Contact Us....

We are certain that we missed a few... Please Contact Michele Schafer at: [bwbanditsmom@hotmail.com](mailto:bwbanditsmom@hotmail.com) to be added to next month's newsletter!!

*Happy Birthday to....*

CHLOE	CLINE	8-Mar
BRISETH	GONZALEZ	10-Mar
CHRISTIAN	GONZALEZ	11-Mar
DYLAN	SUROVY	15-Mar
ALEXANDER	MARCZUK	16-Mar
TRISTAN	HAUSEN	19-Mar
CHASE	GARTZKE-CARPENTER	20-Mar
TRISTA	GRECO	20-Mar
GIANNA	VARGAS	25-Mar



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