



# Musical Notes

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Mt. Vernon Music Boosters

July 2018

## Calendar

- July 16th-20th July Camp Week #1
- July 23rd-27th July Camp Week #2
- July 21st Motorcycles for Marauders
- July 31st-August 14th Profitable Solutions Fund-raiser

## 2018-2019 Sip and See

Come and enjoy an evening of fun with the Band of Marauders. The last day of the July Band Camp Week #2 we'll have a presentation of the show as has been prepared to that point.

## Chuck Wagon Help Needed

Help and products are needed again this year for the "Chuck Wagon". We provide snacks, food, drinks and other times to our participants following their performances at the competitions we attend. Any help is appreciated. Time, food, money or whatever you can provide is much appreciated.

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## New season kicks off with a new director at the helm!

2018 has seen some big changes in the Mt Vernon High School Band program. With Derek Ellinger resigning to pursue opportunities nearer to his new family we now have a new Director. Taking the reigns this year is Jackie Nason. Jackie comes to us most recently from the New Castle High School where she served as the Associate Director from 2015-2018. Before that she was the Associate Director of Bands for Snider High School from 2013-2015.

Ms. Nason is a graduate of Merrillville High School in northern Indiana and has a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne which is now Purdue Fort Wayne. She spent 4 years with a marching band in Fort Wayne and in 2011 they qualified for ISSMA State Finals for the first time in the school history. She also successfully secured a grant to purchase a new drum line for while she was at New Castle High School.

She is the 2015 Con-Selmer Institute Hall of Fame Recipient and in 2017 was chosen Top Ten Teacher by students in the top ten graduating class.

Jackie loves traveling and especially beach locations. She especially treasures spending time with her nieces and nephew.

Her goals for the Band of Marauders is to continue building on the traditions of success already alive and well in our band and guard program.



**Jackie Nason-Director of Bands  
Mt Vernon High School**



## A New Guard Director Also Joins the Ranks!

Also joining our team is Taneya Jeffries. Ms. Jeffries comes to us from Mooresville High School. She's served several different school systems in several different positions. One of which was working with the Whiteland and Colts Drum Corp.

Taneya is a graduate of Northview High School in Brazil, IN and attended Indiana State University in Terre Haute, IN. She's been awarded 2 silver medals from WGI and says that her greatest accomplishment is working with struggling students and seeing the light sparkle in their eyes when they learn a new skill. She says that just feels right.

Her goals for our guard program is help lead the squad while they continue to grow and learn new skills and achieve new heights in the upcoming opportunities.



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## 2018 Drum Major Institute

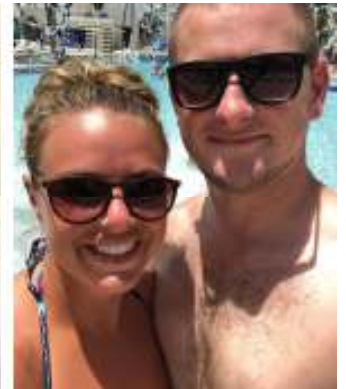


**TJ Bass & Madelyn Lowell**  
2018 Drum Major Camp

Click the link below to see what they did at camp!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CIM61o583wl&feature=youtu.be>

## Derek, Abby & Ava start their lives together!



### Upcoming Events

**Motorcycles for Marauders**  
July 21st - Indy Harley Davidson  
to Mt Vernon High School.

**School Begins**  
July 31st

**Profitable Solutions**  
July 31st - August 14th

**After School Practices Begin**  
July 31st & Aug 2nd(Tue & Thur)

**Papa Johns Trailer**  
Aug 7th - 3:30pm - High School

**DCI Finals Weekend**  
Aug 9th - 11th

**Genesis Yard Sale & Blood Drive**  
Aug 18th - 8am

**Papa Johns Trailer**  
Aug 21st - 3:30pm - High School

**1st Home Football Game**  
Aug 24th - 3:30pm - High School