



Panther Pride Weekly

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OYTF General Information

3rd Week of Games – Good Luck everyone!

General OYTF Questions

Jennifer Jones Sinnott – (630) 636-6531 email: jennifers@oytf.org

There are still open volunteer positions for this weeks games so parents make sure that you sign up for your volunteer time this year. Please see your Parent Rep or a Board member to sign up.

Practice Information

Please remember that there will be **NO Practices on Fridays and Mondays starting September 1st**.

PARKING: Please park in designated parking spots ONLY. There is NO parking in any of the grass areas, roadways, turn area, or along curbs and sidewalks. You WILL BE TICKETED!!!

Open Board Positions

- Orange Parent Rep
- Treasurer (end of 2008 Season, training/transition to begin ASAP)

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Spiritwear

New Products have Arrived!

Spiritwear Questions

Michele Stradal

Please stop by the Spiritwear trailer between 5:30 and 6:15 daily to check out the new products. If you are interested in helping to sell spiritwear at home games or at practice please contact Michele Stradal or talk with your parent rep.

From the Food Shack

Food Shack Questions

Elizabeth Gindt– (630) 801-4186 email: fc@oytf.org

Parents, you need to fill in for at least 4 volunteer slots in order to retain their returning member status AND to get your \$40 back. A great place to volunteer is the FOOD SHACK. 1 1/2 hour shifts throughout each game day. Parents can volunteer before or after their kid's games - so they don't miss out on their own child playing/cheering. If they have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Gindt, Food Coordinator at 630-801-4186.

From the Equipment Trailer

Spiritwear Questions

Greg Stradal – email: em@oytf.org

All equipment adjustments must be made by the end of practice. Please try to get to the trailer early for any adjustments and/or changes prior to the end of Friday's practice.

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From the Parent Reps

2008 Season Rolling Along

Blue Parent Rep

Andri Noesges – (630) 880-6973 email: bpr@oytf.org

Hello, I am the new Blue Parent Rep, Andri Noesges. If you need to contact me please do so by e-mail at bpr@oytf.org or my cell phone of 630 880-6973.

What a week to begin as the parent rep. Outstanding games this week. It's so fun to watch the kids working so hard to learn all their new plays and cheers and watch the progress they have made in just a short amount of time.

I can't thank the parent volunteers enough for their time at the games last week. We couldn't run our organization without your help. If you have not signed up for your four volunteering slots, please see me either at practices or games. During practices I'm usually by the SLW boys or LW cheer. Hopefully each family will fulfill their required volunteer slots and earn their family refund! I know that we still have some key volunteer slots available for each of the remaining games!

This week, Blue plays Frankfort Blue. The super light game begins at 3pm. Please check with your specific coaches about your children's team's arrival times.

A few processes are now set in place for home and away games for signing in the children. For blue football home games, please sign your children in at the Food Shack. They must be signed in by half-time of the previous game in order to play. SLW must be signed in an hour before game time. For blue football away games, please see me on the sidelines to sign in the players. Same time frame policy applies for away games. If the players are not signed in before the beginning (including 5th quarter) of their game, they will not play. Blue cheerleaders, as always, please sign in with Diana Wolf.

Next week begins our first week of just Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday only practices.

I'm happy to report that all Blue Football has returned all of their yellow release forms. Thank you for the promptness.

As a reminder, please please clean up your belongings and trash after our games. The field cleanup volunteer crew has the least amount of volunteers and is a very time consuming process with just the few people we currently have helping. If you would like to stay to help clean up, please come see me. We are also looking for high school students that can help us with the clean up process. Might be some nice rewards in it for them!!!

If you have any questions or should need anything, please let me know at the field or Email: bpr@oytf.org and Go PANTHERS!!!

White Parent Rep

Wanda Deaton – email: wanda@oytf.org

Hope every one had a great few days of school. We play @ Joliet Sunday. Games start at 10:30 am. Fifth quarter will start at 10:00. Remember to show your spirit and wear your jersey or cheer uniform on Friday. Parents please remember to sign in for your volunteer slots the player sign in shows the number that I have recorded, for your user fee, make sure you vounteer to insure you receive your user fee and returning player status for next year. There will be no Monday or Friday practices from now on.

All players and cheerleaders did a fantastic job at the Romeoville game, keep up the good work.

Remember to park in the designated parking spots at the practice field.

Check out the spirit wear trailer for the latest and greatest in OYTF apparel.

You must sign your child in before home and away games. They will not be allowed to play if a parent is not present. No exceptions.

Thank you, to all parents that helped out at the game without all of your support our organization would not be what it is today. It is all for the children to ensure that they have a great experience at OYTF. Thanks again.

Good luck to BLUE and ORANGE this weekend.

If you have any question please find me on the field or Email Wanda@oytf.org. Go Panthers.❖

Cheerleader Chatter!

Squads in Mid Season Form

Congratulations to the following Spirit Stick Winners from Game One:

Blue Superlights, Orange Superlights and White Superlights.

You are AWESOME! We are very proud of you and all your hard work!

Practices:

Just a reminder: please do not send food to practice with your child- eating during practice is a choking hazard and a serious distraction.

Girls- please remember to pull your hair back.

Parents: We will only be practicing on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after Labor Day, so attendance is VERY IMPORTANT. If your child cannot attend, please be considerate and call her coach- thank you. Please watch for the announcement board posted by the parking lot for changes in practice times for the **girls**. As it starts to get dark earlier, we will begin to shorten practice. Also, any time a coach calls you about a change in practice (due to weather, for example)- it is for the **girls only**. Football does not always have the same changes to practice.

Games:

A **PARENT must be in attendance** for your child to be eligible to perform. If you need to send your child with a grandparent, friend, etc. you **must see a cheer commissioner before game day** to receive the power of attorney form. NO EXCEPTIONS.

The girls have been working very hard on game day and we are very proud of them. We are still in need of parent volunteers for some positions- please see your parent rep to sign up.

Exhibition:

Our 2nd Annual Cheer Exhibition will be held on Saturday, November 1. Time and location will be announced at a later date. Girls will be wearing their navy pants and cheer clinic tshirt. Uniform turn in will also take place on this day. This is a mandatory event- please plan ahead.

A special note from the commissioners: Thank you so very much to all of our fabulous coaches and junior coaches! The season is going extremely well and we are very proud of you! Extra kudos to Coach Ronning and Coach Sperekas- you ladies have really stepped up when we needed you the most and have done an AWESOME job!

Keep up the good work girls and good luck at your games this weekend- GO PANTHERS!

The Cheer Commissioners

Lynn Cullick (Orange) - 551-4811

Sharon Snyder (White) - 554-7343

Diana Wolff (Blue) – 554-9431

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions! ■

CHEER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2ND ANNUAL CHEER EXHIBITION

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

Time and location to be determined and announced at a later date.

This Week's Game Schedule

Week 3

Date	Time	Visitor		Home
Aug 30, 2008	3:00 PM	 Frankfort Blue	@	 Oswego Blue
Aug 31, 2008	10:30 AM	 Oswego White	@	 Joliet
Aug 31, 2008	11:00 AM	 Frankfort Black	@	 Oswego Orange