

DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



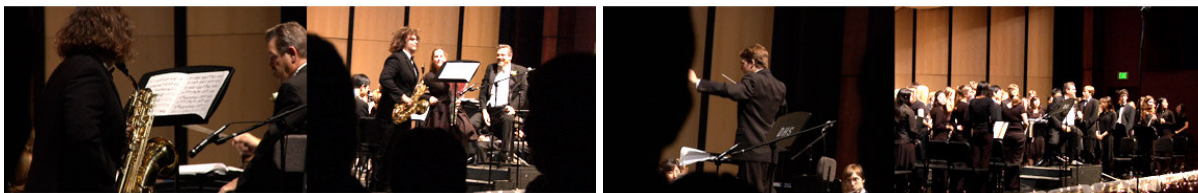
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Supporting the Davis High School Concert, Symphonic, Jazz and Pep Bands

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**Next Band Boosters Meeting is
January 11th at 7:30 p.m.**



The **Winter Rhapsody Concert** featured seniors Andrew Barnhart on baritone saxophone and Chris Weisker as guest conductor with the symphonic and concert bands.

Play-A-Thon!



The DHS MPR will be "rockin'" all night on Saturday, January 27, 2007 for our annual Play-a-thon. This fundraiser is voluntary but strongly encouraged for those who like to play music, stay up all night and have fun. **Your students will bring home packets of information, a permission slip and pledge sheets.** (The pledge sheet was also printed in the December newsletter, now at the boosters website, <http://www.dhsbandboosters.org/spages/SD1102042171>.) They may seek pledges from friends, family and neighbors to spur them on to stay awake playing and listening to band performances all night long.

The evening begins with a Combined Bands Concert at 7:30 p.m. that is open to parents and the public. Adults who have made special pledges of \$25 or more may participate with the Band in the next mini-concert either playing their instruments or conducting the Band. At the end of the evening, the Jazz Band performs. The doors close to the public

at midnight. For the rest of the night, subgroups of band students perform every hour. When not performing, students enjoy the many snacks, pizza, bagels or treats provided by volunteers or catch a few winks in M-1. Parents may return at 7 a.m. on Sunday for the Final Concert, after which we all clean up and go home. All pledges earned go directly into each student's account for the Spring trip to Disneyland. This is a terrific, fun and lucrative fundraiser for our Band Students. Thanks for your support in their efforts to help pay for their trips, play some terrific music and have a great night. If you would like to volunteer to help or have questions, please contact Nora Brazil at norakb@aol.com or 792-0942. Remember to look for the packets of information!

-Nora Brazil, Play-a-thon Chairperson



IMPORTANT MESSAGE from Our Treasurer

As band students volunteer with fundraisers, they earn credit for the band trip. The more they work, the more they earn. Band Booster account balance statements were sent by E-mail recently to the parents of all band students with valid e-mail addresses on file. A response is required for all students by **January 15, 2007**. If you did not receive a statement please call the Treasurer, Dennis Edgerley at 758-9113 as soon as possible. The trip comes early this year so don't delay. We must have your response and first payment by the due date so that reservations can be finalized. The second and last payment will be due on March 1, 2007 with the total trip cost estimated at \$450. Updated statements will be sent periodically via e-mail as additional earnings from fundraisers are credited to student accounts. Please send all payments to DSHS Band Boosters, P.O. Box 73522, Davis, CA 95617. This is sure to be a great trip so don't miss the chance to participate.

Note; from the Director, Mr. Lange

Normally this is the time when I do a rehash of our **Winter Concert** -- extolling the talents of our students and generally patting ourselves on the back. It actually was a wonderful performance by some really great students. Who can forget the smooth cohesive sound of our Concert Band?...the electricity of the first notes of the Symphonic Band's "Variants On An Ancient Air?" ... the mastery of Andrew Barnhart's performance, and the warm feelings of our Combined Bands -- first by the fantastic sound of over 150 band students playing the traditional Holiday songs and concluding with the moving performance of "Auld Lang Syne." This part of our performance brings a lump to my throat. Did it have the same effect on you? Hope so!

Anyway, I'm glad I won't need to rehash this --- Oops, I think just did!

I hope this was a special time for you and your family.

But, 'nough said -- time to look at what's coming in 2007!

First we have the **Folsom Jazz Festival** (January 27) for our great jazz musicians. We don't have any information on this yet, so Jazz Band parents be on the lookout for the particulars (When I get 'em, I'll send them to all of you). That same weekend we have the **Playathon** (January 27-28) -- the band's all-night party and play session. Encourage your student to get lots of pledges in order to make this event profitable as well as fun. This year we have the added twist of having conductors from UOP in Stockton to stay the evening with the students.

The **Festivity of Bands** is scheduled for February 14 with UCD and CSUS -- this year we get the opportunity to play in the wonderful Mondavi Center. Par-

ents, there will be a charge for you to see this event, however the UCD Music Department USUALLY provides us with one complementary ticket per student. Again when I know for certain I will send the information on to you.

The **Coconut Grove** (February 24) -- our signature event with a Mardi Gras twist this year. Lots of great sounds from some great students!

Oh yeah -- lots on **Pep Band** at the Basketball games. Jack promises to have a list for us of games at which we will perform. Look for this SOON.

You'd think we could relax soon, wouldn't you? Well we don't!!!

March kicks things up a notch (BAM!) with our very own **Golden Empire Festival** on Thursday, March 15th. This will be a unique event held in our IPAF, with an adjudicator joining us for the whole day, working with our students during the day and both Concert and Symphonic Bands performing in the evening and actually continuing their judging right in front of the audience.

As if that weren't enough -- March is also the month of the band tour to Southern California and our performances at **Disneyland**.

I'm not going to get into April and May right now -- I'm tired just thinking about all we have planned for January, February and March. I hope you will try to attend all (or most) of these events.

(Boy, am I glad I didn't need to rehash the Winter Concert!)

Happy New Year to you all!

—Fred Lange



Pep Band To Ignite the Davis HS Basketball Fans

Attention boys and girls! It's that time of year again. Football season was a blast, but now it's time for basketball! We will be playing at both men's and women's Friday basketball games this year, and this promises to be an exciting time for all. I'll be announcing themes in class as the dates become closer. Oh, and who could forget the dates: **January 5, 12, 19, 26 and February 2**. That's every Friday in a row for the next couple weeks. Try to attend as many games as you can. Plus, don't forget that points are involved. The more games you go to, the more points you get, the higher your grade. It's that simple! Also, if you have any questions, comments or ideas, please feel free to e-mail me. See you all in the stands!

—Jack Brazil, Pep Band Director

DHS BAND CALENDAR

January

- 11 ... [Band Boosters meeting \(7:30 pm, PA-3\)](#)
- 13 ... Auction items due for Coconut Grove
- 15 ... School Holiday, MLK Day
First payment on band trip due
- 17 ... Pizza Night Fundraiser at Lamppost
- 22-26 ... Finals Week
- 27 ... **Jazz Band @ Folsom Jazz Festival**
Last day for \$25 Coconut Grove tickets
- 27-28 ... **Play-a-thon 7 pm to 7 am , with concerts at 7:30 pm on Saturday, 7:00 am Sunday**
- 29 ... School Holiday, teacher work day
- 30 ... Newsletter Deadline
- 31 ... Patwin/Chavez Band Concert

February

- 8 ... [Band Boosters meeting \(7:30 pm, PA-3\)](#)
- 12 ... School Holiday, Presidents' Day
- 14 ... Festivity of Bands
- 16 ... Last day for \$30 Coconut Grove tickets
- 19 ... School Holiday
- 24 ... **Coconut Grove 5:30-9:00 pm, MPR**
- 26 ... Newsletter Deadline

March

- 8 ... [Band Boosters meeting \(7:30 pm, PA-3\)](#)
- 15 ... Concert Band Adjudication (1:00-2:30 pm)
- 15 ... [Concert \(Concert and Symphonic Bands\) \(7:30 pm\)](#)
- 21-25 ... [Band Tour to Anaheim](#)
- 26 ... Newsletter Deadline

April

- 2-6 ... Ninth grader Band Auditions
- 5 ... [Band Boosters meeting \(7:30 pm, PA-3\)](#)
- 9-13 ... School Holiday
- 18 ... Open House
- 24 ... [Secondary Concert \(Symphonic with Junior Highs\) \(7:30 pm\)](#)
- 20 ... **Capital Jazz Project/Jazz Band Concert**
- 30 ... Newsletter Deadline

May

- 1 ... [Senior Concert \(Symphonic and Concert\) \(7:30 pm\)](#)
- 10 ... [Band Boosters meeting \(7:30 pm, PA-3\)](#)
- 28 ... School Holiday
- 29 ... Newsletter Deadline
- 30 ... [Picnic and Pops \(Combined Bands\) \(6:00 pm, Central Park\)](#)

June

- 2 ... [Combo Jazz Concert \(7:30 pm\)](#)
- 7 ... [Band Boosters meeting \(7:30 pm, PA-3\)](#)



Rent-a-Band members arriving for a home performance, raising holiday spirits and trip funds.

What's for dinner?

It's Pizza Night!



Lamppost Pizza Fundraiser Night is Wednesday **January 17th** between the hours of 5 to 9pm.

Mention DHS Band Boosters when you place your take-out or dining-in order and the band will receive 33% of the sales. This is an easy way to help support the band!



For your viewing pleasure, **A Year with DHS Bands, 2005-2006**, a photo essay by Bernadette Swanson. Click on the link below.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/davishighschoolbands/sets/72157594339032773/>

The newsletter is produced monthly as a service by the DHS Band Boosters. If you are happy with the electronic version available by e-mail and website, please e-mail Simone Kultz at simone.keultz@sbcglobal.net, give us your student's name and asked to be removed from the postal mailing list. This saves band booster money for the band. Thank you.

A Message from the Band Boosters' President

On behalf of Steve Williams, Laura Fagan and all the volunteers who make Band Boosters so successful in supporting the DHS Band Program, I would like to wish everyone the very best for 2007.

The Holidays received a jump-start with the wonderful **Winter Rhapsody concert** on December 14th, featuring a fabulous (make that jaw-dropping) baritone saxophone solo performance by Andrew Barnhart of variations on Carnival of Venice.

In addition, numerous Holiday parties were brightened with live music from the **Rent-a-Band** program. Thanks to Lisa Sawyer and all her volunteers for coordinating this event.

The Jazz Band and Combo attended the Sacramento State **Winter Jazz Festival** on December 2. The Combo earned a second place rating for their extraordinary solos, tight playing and smooth transitions. Despite a great performance, the Big Band did not place in the top four awards (missing by 1% of the total points awarded)—perhaps in synchronicity with the many upsets of the last college football season!

This newsletter's calendar summarizes upcoming dates to mark on your personal calendars. That being said, be sure to respond by January 15 if your student will be going on the **Disneyland trip** (see Dennis Edgerley's email regarding the status of your student's individual account), make your reservations for **Coconut Grove** early (be creative for an item to donate to the silent auction!) and note that the DHS Jazz Band and **Capital Jazz Project** will be performing a joint concert on April 20.

Finally, at the start of this New Year it's worth reflecting on an important point made by Steve Williams at the Winter Rhapsody concert. Steve mentioned that Mr. Lange's program receives just \$900 in support from the school. Every person reading this newsletter is aware of the cost of a single musical instrument, and how miniscule \$900 is compared to the cost of supporting an extensive and successful music program comprising four separate bands—and involving one in twelve DHS students.

This is the reason why your support and involvement in the Band Program and the Band Boosters is critical and so appreciated. It is only through the efforts of you and your student that the Band Program can continue to repair existing instruments, buy new ones, expand the music library and take our students to festivals and on trips that enhance their musical education and experience. **Thank you for all that you do!**

—Peter Matlock, co-President



DHS Band Boosters: 2006-2007 Officers and Coordinators

(Abbreviated list. See web site for complete list www.dhsbandboosters.org)

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Coconut Grove, Tami Rabowsky, 759-0460, Rabowsky@comcast.net

Coconut Grove, Dahlia Haberman, 297-6886, dhabermans@aol.com

Disneyland Trip coordinators, Laurel Fagan, 758-9056, fagan@davis.com

and Mary Kay Williams, 757-2223, MaryKWilliams@aol.com

Volunteer Needed: Coordinator for Concert CD/DVD Sales & Delivery

The Band Boosters is seeking a Coordinator for Concert CD/DVD Sales & Delivery for the final two concerts of the year (May 1 & June 8). There are currently 14 volunteers in the group who take care of the sales at the concerts. The tasks of the coordinator include, pickup of orders from Tom Estes (at the university) and organization of CDs/DVDs based on orders, delivery to Mr. Lange's classroom, and giving any delivery orders in Davis to volunteers.

If interested, please contact Bernadette Swanson, bmswanson@ucdavis.edu, or 792-1824

Band Boosters Summary Minutes

December 7, 2006



The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Steve Williams.

Approval of Summary Minutes: Motion passed to approve the Summary Minutes for the November 9, 2006 meeting as published in the December newsletter.

Newsletter: The newsletter this month was great. It was filled with a lot of information and thanks were given to everyone for their timely entries. The next newsletter deadline will be 1/2/07 but submissions can be sent earlier. We currently have 55 Band families receiving the newsletter electronically.

Listserve: The Listserve software cannot accommodate the ability to "only reply to sender" when using the listserve. All users of the listserve are asked to place their name, email and phone number in bold in the body of the text.

Treasurer's Report: Dennis Edgerly reported on the following. November Information: Income = \$9,008, Fundraising = \$5,306, Expenses = \$5,990. Current balances: Music Program = \$9,169, Facility Account = \$409, Student Accounts = \$4,620, Band Boosters = \$21,274. The student accounts will be updated in mid-December and statements will be mailed to families. The first trip payment will be due mid/late January. Fred Lange thanked all the Band Boosters for the ability to start spending money. He has purchased a new drum set and wanted to thank Watermelon Music for providing a huge discount on the new drum set. He purchased a new speaker cabinet for the Jazz Band amplifiers. There are 2 bassoons in for repair and a saxophone has been fixed. Fred thanked the Band Boosters for the ability to purchase the above items and stated there is a lot more to purchase.

Director's Report: Fred stated the last 2 concerts were great; the students sounded wonderful and the guest artists were great. The Winter Rhapsody concert is coming up on 12/14 and the students are ready, they sound great. The symphonic band will have a guest artist and the combined band will play with a jazz guest. The Jazz festival in December went very well, with the combo group (Tyler, Michelle, Bennie, Alex) taking second place. The big band also did very well, placing 5th overall -- 2 points below 4th and 3 points below 3rd. Fred listened to the audio tape and feels the judging was accurate, everything the judges noted could be heard on the tape. He said this is the closest group he has ever had and they have a great chemistry. The Folsom Jazz Festival is scheduled for 1/27. Fred has asked for an early performance so the students can get back early for the Play-a-thon. If there is a conflict with the UCLA auditions, he may need to cancel.

Website: Still need a couple of volunteers. If available, please contact Bernadette. A video of the jazz big band will be going on the website. The DVDs and CDs are in, deliveries will be coming in the next week.

Spring Tour: All the information on the trip is on the web, the application has been submitted to Fullerton. Fred suggested that maybe the trip pizza party be held a week after the return to keep the momentum going. The students could have pizza and watch the videos of the trip, possible locations include Lamppost. Due to space needs, it may be necessary to hold the party at the MPR. We will have more discussion on this topic at the next meeting. The total trip cost is still estimated at \$450 per student, statements will be mailed out in December and the first payment will be due mid/late January.

Fundraisers: Direct donations raised \$8,300 minus \$1,400 in expenses. All the information along with suggestions has been put into a binder for the coordinator next year. Fifty-five (55) families participated this year. Rent-a-Band is going great, in need of drivers, please consider driving if your child is participating. There are 2 student leaders and 40 participants, they have had 10 gigs and 9 more are scheduled. Play-a-thon folders are being stuffed by a parent and he is drafting a sorority to put them back together, all plans are going forward. A phone call to Ace hardware was made and it looks like they may not need us since the inventory is going all-electronic. We will not participate unless they need 15 students. If any parents know of businesses that need help with inventory, please call Nora. Coconut Grove silent auction items are being solicited, Mia and Kristen have agreed to be emcee's. We will have participants from Holmes, Harper, DHS and Celia's band will be playing. Need help on 2/24 and 25 for set-up, there are photos available to illustrate how the room should be set-up. If you have a service or item for the silent auction, please call Sue McKinney. We are not planning on having as many individual items this year, as they will be batched in larger packages to sell. The Nano will be raffled off at Coconut Grove. Co-Op scrip will be electronic within a year.

Miscellaneous: We will be having a capitol jazz project concert fundraiser. Dates have been discussed and it looks like it will be April. There will be a Festivities of Band at Mondavi with Sac State and UCD bands. Board Boosters officers & coordinators need to start thinking about succession with sophomore and junior parents. Job shadowing this year is a great way to ease new parents in.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.



Make your plans now for Coconut Grove

Now's the time to get started on Coconut Grove. Early tickets are discounted, and your auction contribution is due January 13th. Can you help with baking or decorating? The next Coconut Grove organizational meeting will be Wednesday January 10th at 7:30, at Tami Rabowski's house, 2116 St. Elias Pl. Please use this reservation form or the website form, as the December newsletter form had errors in the mailing address.

Last Call for Coconut Grove Silent Auction Contributions

The annual Coconut Grove on February 24th is coming up soon. Again this year, an auction and a limited raffle will be a part of this event and all proceeds will go towards the Spring Trip. The Coconut Grove Planning Committee invites you to contribute auction and raffle items and is calling on all of you who are crafty, want to share your favorite wine, enjoy making candies and jams, provide a service, or have other hand-crafted or homemade goods that you want to donate. The following are examples of items that are still needed:

- Handcrafted blankets, quilts, baby items, hats, scarves, socks
- Embroidered doilies, tablecloths, pillowcases
- Bottles of special wines
- Baskets or hatboxes filled with goods (choose a theme!)
- CDs and DVDs
- Handmade ceramics or glassware
- Homemade truffles, candies
- Services: pet-sitting, lawn mowing, music combo at a private party, baby-sitting, private instrument lesson; house-cleaning, car washing
- Gently used books
- Other homemade or hand-crafted products

Please contact Sue McKinney, Coconut Grove Auction/Raffle Coordinator, with any questions via email, Nuwie1@aol.com, or call 753-9353. Send Sue via email a description of your auction/raffle item(s), contact name, and telephone number by January 13, 2007. Instructions will follow later for all contributions to be dropped off or collected by February 3, 2007. (Note: Sue's email address was incorrectly printed in the December newsletter.)

-Sue McKinney, auction/raffle coordinator

Anaheim and Disneyland Trip News

Band Booster account statements have been sent out by email to parents of all band students. If you do not have an email address you should have received a statement by regular mail. The spring trip is early this year and room reservations need to be confirmed by the middle of February. **It is important that you respond with your students' intent to go along with their first payment by January 15, 2007.** If you did not receive a statement please call the Treasurer, Dennis Edgerley at 758-9113 as soon as possible. The total cost of the trip will be \$450. The second and last payment will be due on March 1, 2007. More information regarding the spring trip can be found on the website at: http://www.dhsbandboosters.org/sfiles/Trip_Overview.doc. We encourage all students to participate in this rewarding musical experience. Scholarships are available for students. Students can contact Mr. Lange if they need financial assistance. **The next planning committee meeting will be on January 18th at 7:30 p.m.** at the home of Mary Kay and Steve Williams, 2223 Bearden Street (phone: 757-2223).

-Laurel Fagan and Mary Kay Williams, Trip Coordinators



All-Band Fundraiser
COCONUT GROVE Goes MARDI GRAS

5:30-9 PM February 24th, 2007

DHS Multipurpose Room, decked out in Mardi Gras splendor



This year's **Coconut Grove** will once again have a **Mardi Gras** flavor. We will host a family friendly event with Cajun style food and delicious desserts. The evening's fun will include dancing, a 4GB iPod nano raffle and a silent auction. The event will feature the DHS Jazz Band and other local bands. This fundraiser benefits the entire band program and we need **YOUR** support. **The money raised goes to defray the cost of the Disneyland trip for your band student.**

Support your band program by **donating one item for the auction and/or becoming a family or business sponsor** for the event. All monetary donations are tax deductible. The sponsors' name will be listed in the program.

SEND IN RESERVATIONS SOON.
THIS SHOULD BE A "MUST ATTEND" EVENT BY ALL BAND PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Thank You!



Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

E-mail _____ Address: _____

SPONSORSHIPS

Family Sponsors; \$50__ \$100__ \$250__ Other__

Business Sponsors: \$100__ \$250__ \$500__ \$1000__

COCONUT GROVE RESERVATIONS (Note: Performers and Children under 5 free)

Reservations paid by
January 27th, 2007 Adults \$25_____ Students \$15_____ Total \$_____

Reservations paid by
February 16th, 2007 Adults \$30_____ Students \$15_____ Total \$_____

Reservations paid after
February 16th, 2007 Adults \$35_____ Students \$15_____ Total \$_____

At the door, there will be a limited number of tickets available at \$35 for adults, \$15 for students.

____ Check here if you want your reservation sent to you, otherwise it will be held at the door.

____ Check here if you will have vegetarians in your group. ____ How many?

Request for those you wish to sit with: _____

Send your check (made to DHS Band Boosters) and this form to:

DHS Band Boosters
c/o Jessica Brown
2003 Alta Loma St.
Davis, CA 95616

Any questions, please contact Jessica Brown at (530)400-5728 or e-mail jessicabrown@comcast.

Join us for the next DHS Band Boosters Meeting, Thursday, January 11th at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 11, 2007
Band Practice Room (PA-3) @ 7:30 p.m.

Welcome: Steve Williams

Band Council:

Band Booster Business

- Recording Secretary's Report: Gina Hardwood
VOTE: *approval of Summary Minutes for December 7, 2006*
- Treasurer's Report: Dennis Edgerley
- Newsletter: Susan Hulsizer/ Simone Kueltz
- Web site: Bernadette Swanson
- Listserv: Rhio Barnhart

Band Director's Report: Fred Lange

- Combined Bands: Winter Rhapsody concert (December 14)

- Folsom Jazz Festival (January 27, 2007)

Concert Committee: Pat Fyhrie

Band Trips

- Combined Bands Spring Tour: Laurel Fagan/ Mary Kay Williams

Fundraisers

- Rent-a-Band: Lisa Sawyer
- Play-a-thon: Nora Brazil
- Coconut Grove: Tami Rabowsky
- Scrip: Amelia Triest

Adjournment @ 8:30 pm

Next meeting: Thursday, February 8th @ 7:30 p.m.

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