

# DHS Band Boosters Newsletter

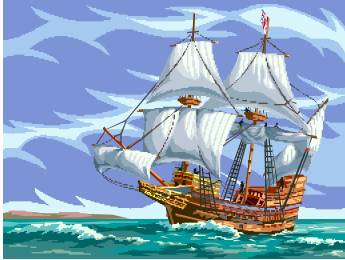
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**February 2009**

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

## Notes from the Director



It was a dark and stormy night. Suddenly a pirate ship appeared on the horizon.

(bet I have your attention.)

Meanwhile, in Davis, California, the high school band was holding their annual Playathon.

(I know I have your attention now!)

The annual **Playathon**, actually the 22nd Annual Playathon, will take place on the weekend of January 24-25 in the MPR of at DHS. This event has become a favorite of our students as they play and party their way through 12 hours of fun.

And why do they do this??? Well the students amassed pledges for their work, this year totaling well over \$5,000 for their individual accounts. Oh, and incidentally, they had a huge amount of fun, food and friendship all night long. Kudos (and Butterfingers, and Snickers) to the events' organizers, Susan Hulsizer and Sandra Weisker. Even more praise goes to the 2 main conductors for the evening, Chris Weisker and our own John Cargile.

Earlier that same day in a little town in Kansas.

No, not Kansas, Folsom! The Jazz Band and Jazz Combo participated in the **Folsom jazz Festival**. Both groups performed in stellar fashion and both groups won their divisions of the contest! Special commendation went to Jon Hatamiya and Neil Heaton, from the Combo and Kevin Choy, Colin McDaniel and Jon Hatamiya (again) for the Big Band.

Other things on the horizon (other than that pirate ship) .

The **Festivity of Bands** on Wednesday, February 18 in our own IPAB Theater with UCD Concert band and the CSUS Wind Ensemble. This evening is a chance to compare our work with that of the 2 university ensembles. I think you will be pleasantly surprised by the quality of all 3 groups.

The **Coconut Grove** takes place on February 28.

The **Pep Band** will support both the boys and girls basketball teams throughout February.

**Honor Band** results:

The following students were chosen to represent DHS at the annual meeting of the Northern California band Directors in Arcata, CA on February 5-7: Jane Seo, Christine Chu, Jung-Eun Shin, Flute; Liliana Moore, Trumpet; Elise Peauroi, Horn; John Hatamiya, Trombone.

Also Jon Hatamiya and Jane Seo were chosen to participate in the All-State Honor Band.

Congratulations to all!

Fredrick Lange

All DSHS Bands Fundraiser

# An Evening at the Coconut Grove

Saturday, February 28th, 2009

at the Davis Sr High M.P.R.

7:00 pm to 10:00 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm)



Don't miss this year's family friendly **Evening at the Coconut Grove** featuring an assortment of delectable appetizers, desserts, exotic mocktails, and a silent auction. Great entertainment by Davis Junior High Jazz Bands, Celia Cottle's Jazz Cats and the DSHS Jazz Band with special guest: the DSHS Jazz Choir. This fundraiser benefits the entire band program and the money raised helps to defray the cost of this year's band trip to San Diego for your band student.

You can support this event:

- ✓ **Donate** an item for the auction. Contact Michael Coleman at coleman@cal.net for info.
- ✓ **Volunteer** to make an appetizer, dessert (We'll supply the recipe for you!) and/or help at the event. Contact Randy Chinn at 750-5054 or rachinn@gmail.com
- ✓ Become a family or business **sponsor** of the event. As a contributor, your name will be listed in the event's program. Complete and mail this form.

<b>RESERVATIONS</b> This event sells out. Send in your reservation soon!			
Paid by			
February 1st	Adults \$20 _____	Students \$10 _____	Total \$ _____
	(Performers and Children under 5 are free.)		
Paid after			
February 1st	Adults \$25 _____	Students \$10 _____	Total \$ _____
You will receive a confirmation by email.			

## SPONSORSHIPS (Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowable by the IRS.)

Family Sponsor:     \$50             \$100             \$250             Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Business Sponsor:  \$100             \$250             \$500             \$1,000         Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Please make your check to **DHS Band Boosters** and send this completed form and check to :  
**DHS Band Boosters c/o Helen Kado-Fong**  
**900 Eucalyptus St**  
**Davis CA 95618**

Any questions about reservations? Please contact Helen at 757-2253 or samstro@pacbell.net

## DHS Bands Calendar 2008-2009

### February

Wed 2/11	Band Boosters Mtg	7:30	PA3
<b>Wed 2/18</b>	<b>Festivity of Bands</b> Symphonic Band with UCD, CSUS	<b>7:30</b>	<b>IPAB</b>
<b>Sat 2/28</b>	<b>Coconut Grove</b>		<b>MPR</b>

### March

Wed 3/11	Band Boosters Mtg	7:30	PA3
Thur 3/19	DHS Bands Adjudications	1:30	
<b>Thur 3/19</b>	<b>Golden Empire Festival Concert</b>	<b>7:30</b>	<b>IPAB</b>
Sat 3/21	Car Wash Fundraiser	8am-noon	DJUSD Lot
Sun 3/29	Jazz Concert with CJP		IPAB
3/30-4/1	Jazz Band Auditions		

### April

Wed 4/1	Band Booster Mtg	7:30	PA3
Thur 4/2	Symphonic Band Auditions		
4/6-4-10	Spring Break		
Tue 4/21	Secondary Concert Symph with Jr High	7:30	IPAB
23-25	Reno Jazz Festival		
Sat 4/25	Car Wash Fundraiser	8am-noon	DJUSD Lot

### May

<b>Tue 5/5</b>	<b>Senior Concert</b> (Concert + Symphonic Bands)	<b>7:30</b>	<b>IPAB</b>
Wed 5/13	Band Booster Mtg	7:30	PA3
5/16-5-19	Band Trip- San Diego		
<b>Wed 5/27</b>	<b>Picnic and Pops Concert</b>	<b>6:00</b>	Central Park
Sat 5/30	Jazz Combo Concert	7:30	IPAB

### June

Wed 6/3	Band Boosters Mtg	7:30	PA3
<b>Fri 6/5</b>	<b>Jazz on a Summer's Eve Concert</b>	<b>7:30</b>	<b>IPAB</b>

# Congratulations!

## All-State Honor Band

Jon Hatamiya  
and  
Jane Seo

## Northern California Honor Band

Jane Seo, Christine Chu, Jung-Eun Shin, Flute; Liliana Moore, Trumpet; Elise Peauroi, Horn; John Hatamiya, Trombone

**Your help is needed for Coconut Grove.** Can you bake a cake, donate a basket or set up tables? You're qualified! This is a fun fundraiser which raises money for all the bands. See the Coconut Grove flyer for contact information and how to reserve your spot for a great evening of music.

## Eat to Support the Bands!



**Wed, Feb 18th, 4-7pm Yogurt Shack**  
113 E St, 750-7777

**Thurs, Feb 19th Lamppost Pizza**  
(Eat in or Take Out) Mention Band Boosters when you order.  
1260 Lake Blvd, 758-1111



This newsletter is a monthly publication of the Davis High School Band Boosters. Band parents/guardians can request a mailed copy of the newsletters by emailing the editor, Susan Hulsizer at <susan.hulsizer@comcast.net> or at 753-2221. The deadline for the March newsletter is Wednesday, February 25th. We welcome your submissions and comments.

-Susan Hulsizer

## A Message from the Band Booster President



DHS BB Parents,

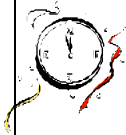
This has been a busy month. We are seeing the tail end of our Direct Donation Drive, which brought in more than \$9,000. The pizza drive, yogurt drive, Scrip, and Concerts continue to bring in money on an intermittent and steady basis. This month Susan Hulsizer and Sandra Weisker with the help of numerous parent volunteers organized Playathon. This fundraiser brought in another \$5,000 for the students. I know that a significant amount of the money we are raising is coming from your pockets and all the BB work is coming from your hands and your time. I appreciate each one of you and thank you for supporting your student and DHS BB. From what I can see, we are doing fine this year and I estimate that we will have enough money to enhance the DHS Bands at our usual level.

So how has your investment done? Well, I hope you had a chance to attend either the Playathon evening concerts or the Folsom Jazz Festival. Under Mr. Lange's direction each of the 3 bands was able to show its "stuff" and the music was outstanding. Now back to my original question – stock market or DHS BB?

Mike Choy, DHS BB President

**Join us for the next Band Boosters meeting:  
Wed, Feb 11th, 7:30 pm in the Band Room.  
Agenda on page 6**

### Playathon Sleep Deprivation Experiment a Great Success!



While you were probably sleeping on the night of January 24th, the band kids and parent helpers were having a great time raising money for the band trip by making music. The event was a rousing success, with 80 kids making it through the night with great attitudes and high energy. They were still dancing at the 6:30 am break, which is amazing. We had a lot of great volunteer help from parents and students. The music was all pre-sorted, the set up went smoothly with lots of help, check-in went extremely efficiently, the concert food was great, the evening pizza was (to our surprise) entirely consumed (25 pizzas!?), the break room had plenty of food, the chaperones kept the kids out of trouble, the breakfast was delicious, and we had plenty of help cleaning up. Thanks to the volunteers who pitched in at the last to cover the bases, calling parents, buying napkins, cups and water, and helping with clean up. Truly, we couldn't have done this without all of you helping out. The kids had a fun, memory-building event, which happened to raise about \$5000 for the trip.

Thanks to Mr. Lange, the evening concerts were entertaining and focused. We are so grateful to John Cargile and Chris Weisker for keeping the evening music flowing, alternating challenging pieces with fun pep band music. (I wish you all could have seen the enthusiastic crew singing along with the Broadway music.) We enjoyed having band alumni come and play with the band: Ana Ibrahim, Aviel Haberman, Michelle Rabowski, and Sarah Hoover, who all graduated last year, were welcomed back.

**Please help us thank our food donors:** Cenarios Pizza, Woodstocks, Steve's, Lamppost, Round Table, Papa Johns, Common Grounds Coffee and Noah's Bagels. And thanks again to the many parent volunteers who made the event possible.

-Susan Hulsizer and Sandra Weisker, co-chairs

The meeting was called to order at 7:36pm.

- I. The minutes from the December meeting were approved as published in the January newsletter.
- II. Music Director's report – Mr. Lange reviewed the schedule for the coming months including Play-a-thon, Folsom Jazz Festival, Coconut Grove, Pep Band at basketball games, and the Festivity of Bands (see calendar for details). Seven students were accepted to the NorCal Honor Band (Feb 5-7, CSU Humboldt) Jon Hatamiya, Trombone; Liliana Moore, Trumpet; Elise Peauroi, Horn; Christina Chew, Christine Chu, Jung-Eun Shin, Jane Seo, Flutes. Two students were accepted to the All State Honor band: Jon Hatamiya, Trombone (Feb 19-22 in Fresno); and Jane Seo, Flute (March 26-29 in Ontario). Congratulations to all!
- III. Treasurer's report - Jo Andrew Merges says all is going well with the band finances. Concert Receipts for Fall 2008: Symphonic Band, 11/16, \$1,092; Jazz Band, 11/21, \$1,089; Winter Rhapsody, 12/18, \$1312. There is \$8,500 in the Music Program fund, and \$7,700 in the General Fund. The Performing Arts fund has \$4500 and the BB savings account holds \$15,000. Student accounts have about \$7,000. It is extremely easy to identify what is in each student's account. Officers will meet to plan how to keep record of payments for the San Diego trip. Our income taxes are nearly ready.
- IV. Committee reports
  - A. Student report – No report as Sam was directing pep band.
  - B. Car wash – Dates for the Spring Car Wash events are March 21<sup>st</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup>. Parent volunteers are needed to assist with each. Student sign-up sheets will be posted in the Music Room.
  - C. Direct Donations – To date we have brought in \$8,886 from 77 donors.
  - D. Rent-a-Band – Lon Hatamiya shared that we had 22 gigs which raised \$1,100 for students' accounts. Many people were interested in reserving groups again for next year.
  - E. Playathon – Pledge sheets were distributed to students, and permission slips are to come out soon. T-shirts have been ordered. All coordination is going very well. We will request donations for food items for friends and family watching the concerts. Parents can make an extra \$25 donation for an opportunity to conduct.
  - F. Coconut Grove – There have been a number of planning meetings already. They could use volunteers for set-up and clean-up and baking dessert. There will be a raffle for a Wii. It was suggested to consider multiple prizes for the raffle. This year advertising for the event is being increased and will include The Enterprise, all DHS class listservers and Celia Cottle's groups. There are not as many business donations nor are they as generous as in the past. They are collecting donations for the silent auction. Families are encouraged to think of items they can donate to the auction (basket of interesting goodies, vacation destinations, and sports memorabilia). Appetizers and drinks will be served earlier in the evening, with desserts served later on. This is a very important function because it involves music groups from the community, including the junior high jazz bands and Celia's jazz groups. This event is a great community builder.
  - G. San Diego trip – All venues are being confirmed including the Festival and day at Sea World, Seaport Village or Old Town, Midway and band bbq at a park, the San Diego Zoo, Master's Classes at University of San Diego, and a pizza party at our hotel. We need a certified DJUSD employee to join us as a chaperone. First trip payments are due 1/16. Discussion about our insurance coverage took place. Jo Andrews will be looking into increasing our coverage.
  - H. Concerts, CD/DVD sales – DVD's from the last concert will be available the week of the 1/19 and will be distributed to students. If there is way to have a form for people to order DVD's after concerts. It was requested to create a way for individuals to order CD's or DVD's up to one week after each concert. Vice President, John Horn will contact Gail about this change.
  - I. Scrip - Nugget brought in \$152.47. The next Lamppost Pizza night is 2/19. The next Yogurt Shack date is 2/18 from 4-7pm before the Festivity of Bands evening. John will make an email announcement about this.
- V. Old Business
  - A. DHS BB ByLaws Proposal – The proposed revisions to the Bylaws are complete and were emailed to all. John Horn has requested input. He will incorporate all comments then submit them to all for another review. We will vote on the proposed changes at the February Band Booster meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm. The next Band Booster meeting is Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm room PA3.

## DHS Band Booster Officers and Chairs, 08-09

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### DHS Band Boosters Meeting Agenda February 11, 2009

- I. Approval of January Minutes
- II. Music Director's report
- III. Treasurer's report - detailed
- IV. Committee reports
  - A. Student report
  - B. Car wash - March 21<sup>st</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup>
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- K. Others?

