

# DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



**November  
2009**

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

## Outreach Concert



Photo by Howard Chew

### ♪ Notes from the Band Director ♪

#### DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL BANDS...

**HAVE FUN...**

**MAKE FRIENDS...**

**BE AMAZED!**

November marks the beginning of our concert season with the DHS bands, and we have a pair of them for you this month.

On Monday, November 16, the DHS Symphonic Band will present "From The Other Side Of The World," a themed-concert dealing with music about or from other lands. France, Russia, Belgium, Japan, and even the Arab world will be represented. But I'm not going to tell you everything. Just remember I told you that you won't believe your ears or eyes in this exciting presentation.

Five days later, on November 20, our DHS Jazz Band will present their annual "Jazz Extravaganza." This concert has been an annual pre-Thanksgiving treat for 24 years. The group has been working hard this year and is now ready for their first major performance.

As an added attraction, we will have a special guest artist join our band for this performance. Tom Peron, professional Trumpeter, has been a fixture in our town for many years. Not only does he perform regularly, but he is a local trumpet teacher steering many of our students in the right direction on the "King of Instruments."

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“But, Mr. Lange, I don’t like jazz...” Well, come anyway! I can promise you that once you attend one of these performances, we will change your mind. The energy that these students put out for their audience is tremendous.

Both of these concerts will be held in the DHS IPAB Theater. The starting time is 7:30 p.m. and the suggested donation is \$7.00 General; \$6.00 for Students and Seniors.

...and not too far away...

On Thursday, December 17, we will present our annual “Winter Rhapsody” concert featuring the Concert Band in its first major performance, the Symphonic Band with student soloist, Becky Horn, and a few selections by the combined forces of the Concert and Symphonic Bands (note: any Jazz Band members who wish to participate may do so). Outside of regular class meetings, rehearsals for this concert are:

Monday, November 30, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Monday, December 14, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 16, 2:30-4:00ish p.m.

## STOP THE PRESSES!!!

**PARENTS!!! Have you ever thought you would like the opportunity to play in the DHS Bands?**

**Well, YOU CAN!!!**

I welcome any parent who still plays their traditional band instrument and can participate in the 2 evening rehearsals (on November 30 and December 14) to join us for the “Winter Rhapsody” concert. Just **let me know by Thursday, November 12**, that you want to play and what instrument you play and I will get the music to you. I can’t think of a better way to enjoy the holiday season than through music. Last year we had 3 parents participate and I know they so enjoyed this experience.

**DON’T BE LEFT OUT!! DUST OFF THAT INSTRUMENT AND LET’S HAVE A GREAT TIME!!**

As October ends, so does football season. This year we have had a tremendous time with our DHS Pep Band thanks to the leadership of Naomi Egel. But this isn’t the last of the Pep Band – we have Basketball season approaching. Naomi has promised to provide a list of dates for us so we can support our team at home. Look for it here next month!



### Calendar Update:

I am including a list of performances and extra rehearsals outside of class time for the approaching concerts. Please take a moment to put them on your calendar.

Thursday, November 12, 7:30 p.m.	Symphonic Band only
Sunday, November 15, 7:00 p.m.	Symphonic Band only
Monday, November 16, 7:30 p.m.	“From The Other Side Of The World”
Tuesday, November 17, 3:30 p.m.	Rent-A-Band rehearsal
Wednesday, November 18, 2:30 p.m.	Rent-A-Band rehearsal
Thursday, November 19, 2:30 p.m.	Rent-A-Band rehearsal
Friday, November 20, 7:30 p.m.	Jazz Extravaganza

**Monday, November 30, 7:30 p.m. Combined Symphonic and Concert Bands**

(Note: this date has changed from the published calendar)

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Saturday, December 5, TBA

Monday, December 14, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 16, 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 17, 7:30 p.m.

Delta Jazz Festival in Stockton

Combined Symphonic and Concert Bands

Combined Symphonic and Concert Bands

“Winter Rhapsody” Concert



***Fredrick Lange, Director of Bands***

## **CD & DVD SALES**

The Symphonic Band Concert on November 16 and the Jazz Extravaganza Concert on November 20 will be **professionally recorded** by Tom Estes. To place orders, don't forget to bring cash or a check on performance night. **CDs are \$15 each and DVDs are \$20 each.**

*Gail Cooluris  
CD & DVD Sales Coordinator*

**CAR WASH**  
**November 7th**  
**9:00a.m.-1:00p.m.**  
**NUGGET MARKET on**  
**COVELL BLVD.**



Wow, can you believe that the season has changed to Fall, with shorter days that will soon be getting darker earlier and... ***we still are having a car wash!!!*** Our very last car wash is on November 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. at the Nugget Market on Covell. In order for this to be a success and for our kids to earn money, they really need cars to wash! Unfortunately there were not very many cars to wash at the October 24th car wash, and we are hoping for a better turnout at this last one. We need parents, teachers, students, and friends to bring in their cars. Pass the word that the students do a great job, and they need you! **SO PLEASE BRING IN YOUR CARS!** While your car is being pampered, you can go shopping, have lunch, get your hair cut, or do many other things. Let's give our students a way of paying a portion of their own expenditures to Disneyland, which will make them feel good about contributing to the cost. Whether you are helping out at the car wash, or bringing your car in to be washed, the main thing is to "be a part"! **The band is a family** and we all need each other to make it succeed and grow stronger. Parents, if you would like to volunteer, please send me an email. And note, in case of rain, the car wash will be cancelled.

Thank you for your support!  
*Theresa Lucas, Car Wash Coordinator*  
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## 🎵 Message from the Band Booster President 🎵

Dear Band Booster Parents,

We are now well into our Band activities – Pep band, concerts, fundraisers, etc. For those of you who have already started helping out, we thank you! We have many activities to enrich the DHS Bands, and we are successful because of all our volunteers. Remember, if you have not yet signed up for anything, please consider joining one of the Band Booster teams. I think you will find working with the other parents and students very enjoyable and a valuable experience.

For those of you who are new to DHS BB, we want you to know we organize all the big Band trips. This year we are heading to Disneyland to perform, to go behind the Disneyland scenes, and of course, to have a great time! If you ask any DHS graduate or parent who went on a previous Band trip, I am sure you will find these Band trips are one of the great memories of Davis High School. Your student is highly encouraged to go, but the trip is not required and your son/daughter's grade is not affected by his/her participation. We do not want financial hardships to be the reason for your son/daughter not going, so DHS BB reserves some money for financial assistance. You will hear how to apply for financial assistance in upcoming notices.

Finally, we have been a little disappointed in the attendance of the DHS BB meetings last year and at our October BB meeting this year. We need your input and value your opinion, so please set aside the time to attend the meetings this year. We encourage you to be part of the decision making process!

See you at the meeting,  
Mike Choy, DHS Band Booster President



**October 10, 2009**

*~ Photos by Howard Chew ~*

**DAVIS JAZZ  
ARTISTS  
FESTIVAL**



# DHS Bands 2009-2010 (Partial) Calendar

## November

11/01 Sun	UCD Causeway Band Festival Rehearsal	TBA	TBA
11/04 Weds	<b>Band Boosters Meeting</b>	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
11/05 Thurs	UCD Causeway Band Festival Rehearsal	TBA	Mondavi
11/06 Fri	Pep Band @ Football	6:15pm	DHS
11/07 Sat	Car Wash	9am-1pm	Covell Nugget
11/08 Sun	UCD Causeway Band Festival Rehearsal & Concert	TBA	Mondavi
11/12 Thurs	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
11/15 Sun	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	7:00pm	IPAB
11/16 Mon	Symphonic Band Concert for Davis Jr. High Schools	1:30pm	IPAB
11/16 Monday	Symphonic Band Concert "From the Other Side of the World"	7:30pm	IPAB
11/17 Tues	<i>LampPost Pizza Fundraiser</i>	4-9pm	LampPost
11/17 Tues	Rent-A-Band Rehearsal	3:30pm	DHS
11/18 Weds	Rent-A-Band Rehearsal	2:30pm	DHS
11/18 Weds	Jazz Band Rehearsal	7:30-9:30pm	IPAB
11/19 Thurs	Rent-A-Band Rehearsal	2:30pm	DHS
11/20 Friday	"Jazz Extravaganza" Concert	7:30pm	IPAB
11/30 Mon	Combined Bands Rehearsal	7:30-9pm	IPAB

## December

12/02 Weds	<b>Band Boosters Meeting</b>	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
12/05 Sat	Delta Jazz Festival	TBA	Stockton
12/12 Sat	CSUS Jazz Festival	TBA	Sacramento
12/14 Mon	Combined Bands Rehearsal	7:30-9pm	IPAB
12/16 Weds	Combined Bands Rehearsal	2:30-4ish pm	IPAB
12/17 Thursday	"Winter Rhapsody" Combined Bands Concert	7:30pm	IPAB

## January

1/13 Weds	<b>Band Boosters Meeting</b>	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
1/23 Sat	Play-A-Thon Begins	7:00pm	DHS MPR
1/24 Sun	Play-A-Thon Final Concert	7:00am	DHS MPR
1/27 Weds	<i>Habit Burger Fundraiser</i>	4pm-closing	Habit Burger
1/30 Sat	Folsom Jazz Festival	TBA	Folsom

## February

2/03 Weds	Elementary Concert (DHS Band Students Needed)	TBA	IPAB
2/10 Weds	<b>Band Boosters Meeting</b>	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
2/13 Sat	Jazz Choir Cabaret	6:00pm	DHS
2/14 Sun	Jazz Choir Cabaret	5:00pm	DHS
2/17 Weds	<i>LampPost Pizza Fundraiser</i>	4-9pm	LampPost
2/27 Sat	Coconut Grove	TBA	DHS MPR

## March

3/03 Weds	<b>Band Boosters Meeting</b>	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
3/10 Weds	Festivity of Bands Symphonic Band with UCD & CSUS	TBA	Mondavi
3/16 Tues	<i>LampPost Pizza Fundraiser</i>	4-9pm	LampPost
3/18 Thurs	Adjudication Concert Symphonic & Concert Bands	7:30pm	IPAB
3/28 Sat	Capitol Jazz Project Concert with DHS Jazz Band	TBA	IPAB

*The months of April, May and June of 2010 will be posted in future newsletters.*

## Ho, Ho, Holiday Rent-A-Band is Coming!

Are you planning a party during the holidays? If so, why not hire a DHS Rent-A-Band group as entertainment?! You will be surprised at how much fun it is to delight your guests with live music. The Rent-A-Band fundraiser has been a fixture of the DHS bands for over 25 years! People throughout Davis have hired small groups of students to provide holiday entertainment at all sorts of gatherings. These student groups provide the musical “cheer” and reap financial rewards for their efforts.

All DHS band students who attend at least two rehearsals and return permission slips prior to their first gig are eligible to participate. Student rehearsals are scheduled for one and a half hours immediately after the last school period on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>. Only one permission slip is needed to participate in any or all Rent-A-Band performances.

As gigs are ordered by the public, Maki Kuper (Rent-A-Band parent coordinator) will post sign-up sheets with the date and time for each gig on the bulletin board in the band room. Students may sign up for as many gigs as they want. Their spot in a gig quartet is not guaranteed, however, until they receive a confirmation call from one of the student leaders and a driver has been identified for the gig. The student leaders choose musicians from the sign-ups to fill out all four parts of the music.

Students can earn up to \$15 for each 30 minute Rent-A-Band gig they play, which will be deposited into their own personal band trip account. If an individual student can provide at least one hour of piano music, they can earn up to \$40 for each hour for their account. Please note that pianists have to provide their own music, practice independently, and may have to transport their keyboard, if they have one.

Parents, if your student has signed up and been confirmed, please consider driving the group. It’s a great chance to see them perform and really gets you into the holiday spirit! Drivers will need to fill out the appropriate school district driver form showing proper insurance coverage. These need to be on file before you drive any students for Rent-A-Band performances. If you would like to volunteer to drive, or would like to order a performance, please email me at [maki.kuper@gmail.com](mailto:maki.kuper@gmail.com) with your name, address, home and cell phone numbers, and I will email you the form you need to fill out.

*Maki Kuper, Rent-A-Band Coordinator*



### **DHS Band Booster Officers and Chairs 2009-2010**

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## ♪ Message from the Pep Band Director ♪



Hello Band Boosters!

Pep Band has been going great! We played at our last football game at Aggie Stadium and moved into the DHS stadium for Homecoming! The players and fans really appreciate the music and the costumes. Our costume theme for Homecoming was the same as the overall Homecoming theme- "Nightmare on Oak Street/Monster Mayhem."

This year, instead of signing in on a sign-in sheet for points, Pep Band participants receive vouchers at the end of each game that they need to return in class in order to receive the points. It is very important that each student makes sure to get a voucher at the game and does not lose it, because there are rarely extras.

Our last football game will be Friday, November 6th and will again be at the DHS stadium. After that, we'll take a break from playing at games for a little while, but we'll start back up again with both men and women's basketball games during the winter.

See you at the game!

*Naomi Egel, Pep Band Director 2009-2010*

~ HOMECOMING PARADE ~  
OCTOBER 23, 2009



## 🎵 Band Booster Minutes ~ October 7, 2009 🎵

President Mike Choy called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.

I. The **minutes** from the September meeting were unanimously **approved**.

II. **Music Director's report** - Mr. Lange announced that this Saturday is the Davis Jazz Festival with Jazz Band playing at the Borders Commons at 4:45. The DHS Jazz Combos perform at 2:30 and 5:45. There are lots of jazz groups from around the region playing. It's free. Come listen to great music and buy raffle tickets. The Symphonic Band is preparing for a concert in November that will feature a guest artist. At the December's Winter Rhapsody concert, parents are invited to perform with the band.

III. **Student report** - Pep Band leader, Naomi Egel, said Pep Band played at the last football game held at UCD. Homecoming will be in the new stadium at DHS. The Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> starts at 1:30pm in Central Park and proceeds through downtown, ending back at DHS. The Pep Band will also play at the rally to kick off Homecoming week. Orders for a navy colored band sweatshirts are being collected this week. The cost will be about \$23.

IV. **Treasurer's report** - There is not much activity to report in this first month of school. Financial information for the DHS Band Boosters is available by request to Treasurer, Joyce Hamaguchi.

### V. **Committee reports**

A. **Car wash** - Theresa Lucas reports there have been two successful car washes. Students earned \$9.62/hour at the first car wash and \$9.85/hour at the second car wash. We are trying to create a fair sign-up system. Students need to understand they have a responsibility to show up for their shift, or to contact Ms. Lucas if they cannot attend. We will account for a few extra slots at each shift for no-shows. If students do not contact Ms. Lucas and miss their shift, then they cannot sign up for next car wash. The next car wash dates are 10/24 at district parking lot and 11/7 at Covell Nugget.

B. **Natsoulas Jazz Festival** - Stephanie discussed the event planning. They have collected lots of certificates and several big items for our raffle. There will be over 50 prizes. The Jazz combos' sample performances were well received at the Farmer's Market. The event schedule is available at [davisjazz.com](http://davisjazz.com). Encourage friends and families to come to the event 10/10/09.

C. **Direct Donations** - We are still looking for a coordinator for this. Mike and Joyce will be modifying last year's letter. There is a large mailing list to work from. Once checks start coming in, we need a coordinator to manage the accounting and to send thank you letters. It has been a very successful fundraiser in the past.

D. **Rent-a-Band** - Maki Kuper has flyers available announcing the rent-a-band program which will run 11/20 - 12/19. Students must attend 2 of 3 rehearsals. Student leaders coordinate groups. Sign-up sheets will be available in the band rooms. Parents are needed to drive carpools. This is an opportunity for students to earn money towards trip account, and provide great outreach to the community. Flyers will be inserted in concert programs.

E. **Coconut Grove** - Mike Coleman said that the first organizing meeting will be scheduled in October. There are a few key positions that need to be filled. This is another great community outreach program.

F. **Pizza and Yogurt Fundraisers** - A date has not yet been set for a Yogurt Shack fundraising evening. Habit Burger will hold a fundraising evening for us. Mr. Lange suggests trying to coordinate a date with a concert evening. Lamppost will provide free pizza to the Pep Band members after basketball game performances. They will need a list of PepBand members. 11/17 is the first Lamppost Pizza fundraiser. Mike Coleman offered to help with publicity announcing these fundraisers in the Enterprise. Joyce Boulanger will include all dates in the BB Newsletter if people send her detailed information.

G. **Concerts, CD/DVD sales** - Mike will be contacting Tom Estes about his rates and requirements.

H. **Disneyland trip** - Katie Horn says the first trip planning meeting is Tuesday 10/13 at the Horn home. An initial letter with request for a trip deposit will be sent out in mid October.

I. **Jazz Band trip** - No final decisions have been made but we have many great options being considered.

J. **Scrip** - We need a Scrip coordinator. Last year we raised \$700 from Safeway and \$1200 from Nugget in this passive fundraiser. The coordinator would need to share with families how to sign up.

### VI. **Old Business**

A. **BB positions that need filling ASAP:** 1) Scrip; 2) Publicity - Stephanie Hunt and Mike Coleman have offered to help; 3) Jazz Band Trip Liaison.

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B. Many other positions requiring less time

VII. **New Business**

Band trip and volunteer form - Please send in your band trip and volunteer form to John Horn if you have not already done so.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 8:28pm.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Kathryn Shickman, Band Boosters Secretary*

**Please join us for the next DHS Band Boosters Meeting!  
November 4, 2009 ~ 7:30 p.m. ~ Room PA-3**

AGENDA for November 4, 2009

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| <p>I. Approval of Minutes<br/>    A. October Minutes</p> <p>II. Music Director's Report</p> <p>III. Student Report<br/>    A. General Information<br/>    B. Pep Band</p> <p>IV. Treasurer's Report</p> <p>V. Committee Reports<br/>    A. Car Wash<br/>    B. Davis Jazz Artists Festival<br/>    C. Pizza &amp; Yogurt Fundraisers<br/>    D. Direct Donations</p> | <p>E. Rent-A-Band</p> <p>F. Playathon</p> <p>G. Coconut Grove</p> <p>H. Concerts, CD / DVD Sales</p> <p>I. Disneyland Trip</p> <p>J. Jazz Band Trip</p> <p>K. SCRIP</p> <p>L. Others?</p> <p>VI. Old Business<br/>    A. BB Volunteers Still Needed</p> <p>VII. New Business<br/>    A. Possible DHS Regulations on all<br/>        Booster Clubs</p> |
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