DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



February 2010

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

Notes from the Band Director

High gear isn't even fast enough to keep up with the DHS band happenings in February!

First and foremost, Naomi Egel has some great Pep Band functions for our students. She will announce them as they occur.

The Jazz Band, however, has the majority of the work this month. First there will be 2 performances at the **DHS Jazz Choir Cabaret** on February 13 and 14. These won't be full performances – just a couple of songs to show our support for their great program. The very next day, Monday, February 15, the Jazz Band will be one of the main attractions at a **concert sponsored by the DHS Blue and White Foundation** (the people renovating the football field) featuring DHS band alumnus and trumpeter, Mark Inouye.

Inouye grew up in Davis, and began his musical training in an afterschool band program taught by yours truly. At his second lesson he was able to play "When The Saints..." and by the third lesson he had learned the Cal Aggie Fight Song – BY MEMORY. He was a fantastic student and I taught him everything I knew. By his 5th lesson... (;-) He came to DHS in 1986 (the same year I came to DHS!), and played in the Jazz Band, Symphonic Band, and Orchestra. He graduated from Julliard (where he was great friends with Winton Marsalis) and has since gone on to become the principal trumpet in the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra.

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This event is NOT a band-sponsored event – that is, we are just participants. Hence, those who generously contributed to our band program cannot get free admission to this concert. Tickets are on sale through the Blue and White Foundation website and are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.



Three days later on Thursday, February 18, the Jazz Band will return to the IPAB for a **Concert Performance of the Jazz Choir Cabaret**. If you can't make it to the Cabaret, come to this performance and see the kind of work that can be done when members of our fantastic Music Department collaborate on a project.

Next (Oh Boy, Oh Boy) we have our super band event – THE COCONUT GROVE.

On Saturday, February 27, parents and students turn our lowly MPR into a ritzy night club and host young jazz performers from all the junior high schools, Celia Cottle's great groups, and the DHS Jazz Choir, into an evening of super music, appetizers and desserts. The performances are capped off by a performance by our own Jazz Band.

However, THIS IS NOT JUST AN EVENT FOR THE JAZZ BAND. **This fundraiser requires the participation of students in ALL of the bands**. Although the Jazz Band is the only group performing from DHS bands, the Concert and Symphonic Band students play key roles (decorating, food prep, serving, clean-up, etc.) and EVERYONE who works receives an equal portion of the profits. (Yes, if your student works 2 hours decorating, he/she receives the same amount as the individual members of the Jazz Band who play music for 2 hours).

You see, there is a lot for everyone to do this month and plenty of opportunities for parents to enjoy the remarkable work of their students.

Fredrick Lange, Director of Bands



Message from the Band Booster President

Dear DHS Band Booster Parents.

Well, here I am sitting in front of our TV watching the Grammy awards. Here are some of our very best professional musicians sitting in a very large performance hall honoring the best of the best. And not only are there musicians, there are incredible song writers and sound technicians and lighting technicians. I wonder how Beyonce got started in her very successful music career?

She was born in Houston, Texas on September 4, 1981. She learned ballet and jazz while she was attending St. Mary's Elementary School. She began winning dance competitions and was a distinguished soloist with her local church choir. When she was a teenager she attended Alief Elsik High School and also studied at Houston's High School for the Performing and Visual Arts. She teamed up with 3 other vocalists and formed a group called Girl's Tyme. They were somewhat successful but never became nationally known. The group then changed their name several times and eventually settled on Destiny's Child. The group sang "Killing Time" which ended up in the 1997 soundtrack of Men in Black. They then produced "No, No, No, part 2" which became the Billboard Hot 100 number one single in 1998, which launched Beyonce's career.

I wonder if any of our current DHS students will ever become a Beyonce, or a jazz player in the Mingus Band, or a song writer for a famous group? Our students are definitely talented and we have a lot of students interested in music. Wait a minute! That person in the Dave Matthews Band looks really familiar.

Mike Choy, DHS Band Booster President



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Newsworthy ...

Honor Groups Announced

Results for honor groups have been announced and DHS bands have earned an unprecedented number of participants! Accepted into the Honor Band sponsored by the Northern California Band Directors were: Jen Karolewski (flute), Christine Chu (flute), Margaux Filet (flute), Jeehyun Kim (flute), Jung-Eun Shin (flute), Becky Horn (clarinet), Evan Hamaguchi (clarinet), Kimia Nader (bassoon), and Alex Matlock (bass trombone). Accepted into the All-State Honor Band sponsored by the California Band Directors were: Christine Chu, Becky Horn, Margaux Filet, Evan Hamaguchi, Spencer Park (trumpet), and Alex Matlock. Accepted into the All-State Honor Orchestra was Spencer Park.

Congratulations to all!

More accolades for DHS trombonist, Jon Hatamiya. This student was chosen as the BEST trombonist from entrants across the NATION to participate in the Grammy Awards student band. As a result, he played with the Dave Matthews Band ON THE TELEVISED 2010 GRAMMY AWARDS SHOW on Sunday, January 31!!!!!. In addition he has been chosen to participate in the All-American High School Jazz Band in New York in March. Good going, Jon!

Fred Lange, Band Director



SAVEMART Scrip Cards

Please be on the lookout for the new Savemart Scrip Cards at Coconut Grove and the upcoming concerts! We have recently signed up to participate in this program at Savemart, and I have the cards to distribute to anyone who would like to have one. This is the EASIEST program of them all!! The cards have been pre-programmed by Savemart to benefit our Band Booster program whenever they are scanned at the checkout stand. All you have to do is present the card when you shop, and Band Boosters will receive 3% of the value of your purchases! You do not have to load or register them or do anything more than that! Please make sure you pick one up, so you can help us raise funds in this truly effortless way.

Feel free to contact me at 753-4301 or lynnerumery@gmail.com for any questions or requests. I'll be happy to send a card out to anyone who would like to receive one directly. Thank you very much!

Performance at Mondavi

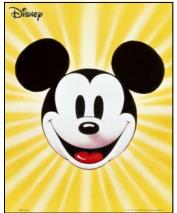
Parents, as you know, the Symphonic Band will be participating in the annual **Festivity of Bands** to be held at the Mondavi on **March 10**. This event is sponsored by the UCD Music Department, and thus, in order to attend, you must purchase tickets on your own. A performance at the Mondavi? ... this could be expensive.

There is good news, however... they have generously provided me with vouchers which will allow one parent for each student the opportunity to get a free ticket to the event (vouchers must be traded in for tickets at the Mondavi box office prior to the event). I will have the vouchers at the Band Booster meetings in February and March, and will give them to the students in the Symphonic Band afterwards. Keep in mind, if you make it to the Band Booster meeting, you can get your voucher early! Is this a sneaky ploy for me to get you to the meeting (?????) ... Maybe...!

Fred Lange, Band Director

Disneyland Trip!

Things are coming together for the Disneyland band trip! We will leave Davis on Friday, May 14th around lunchtime, and will return on Tuesday, May 18th in the evening. The Combined Band and the Jazz Band will each perform in Disneyland and will have a special Disney music workshop as well. It promises to be a memorable trip for all! Thanks to all of the parents who have offered to chaperone for the trip.



Here are some important dates to remember:

Feb. 15, 2010: 2nd payment due (\$150) April, 2010: Final payment due (date TBD)

Note, the amount of the final payment will be calculated individually for each student. It will be determined by the final trip cost, less any money the student has already raised or paid toward their individual band account.

COCONUT GROVE on February 27th

The Davis High Band Boosters presents the 2010 Coconut Grove on Saturday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m.! Get your tickets now for this annual evening of light appetizers, desserts, drinks, a silent auction, raffle, and fun featuring jazz bands from all three junior high schools, other local youth jazz bands, and our own DHS Jazz Band with special guest, the DHS Jazz Choir. The proceeds will help the Concert, Symphonic and Jazz bands pay for the band trip to Disneyland this May! This event has sold out the last two years, so be sure to reserve your tickets now. The reservation form is available on the DHS Band Booster Website: http://www.dhspta.org/dhsbandboosters/coconut-grove/

We still need parent volunteers to help put on the show, and we have a couple of specific needs:

- Make a dessert or two -- we even have the recipes -- or bring some fruit. Please contact Anula Danilowicz-Drown at a.drown@sbcglobal.net or 759-5899.
- 2) Spend a couple of hours to help decorate the multipurpose room in the late afternoon/early evening of Friday, February 26, or spend an hour or two helping to clean up right after the event. Please contact Randy Chinn at ranchinn@gmail.com or 750-5054.

We hope to see you on the 27th!

Coconut Grove Co-Chairs Randy Chinn & Michael Coleman







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DHS Bands Calendar ~ 2010

February

2/27 Sat	Coconut Grove	6:30pm	DHS MPR
2/25 Thurs	YoloBerry Yogurt Fundraiser	4-9pm	YoloBerry
2/18 Thurs	Jazz Band Cabaret Concert	7:00pm	IPAB
2/17 Weds	LampPost Pizza Fundraiser	4-9pm	LampPost
2/15 Mon	Jazz Band Performs with Mark Inouye	7:30pm	IPAB
2/14 Sun	Jazz Choir Cabaret	5:00pm	Emerson JHS
2/13 Sat	Jazz Choir Cabaret	6:00pm	Emerson JHS
2/10 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
2/3 Weds	Elementary Concert (DHS Band Students Needed)	TBA	IPAB

May

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5/4 Tues	Senior Concert Concert & Symphonic Bands	7:30pm	IPAB
5/6 Thurs	Combined Band Rehearsal for SoCal Trip (tentative)	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
5/9 Sun	Combined Band Rehearsal for SoCal Trip (tentative)	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
5/10 Mon	Combined Band Rehearsal for SoCal Trip (tentative)	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
5/12 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
5/14-5/18	Disneyland Trip!		SoCal
5/22 Sat	Jazz Combo Concert	7:30pm	IPAB
5/26 Weds	Picnic & Pops in the Park Concert	6:00pm	Central Park

March

3/3 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
3/10 Weds	Festivity of Bands Symphonic Band with UCD & CSUS	ТВА	Mondavi
3/16 Tues	LampPost Pizza Fundraiser	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

June

6/2 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
6/4 Fri	Jazz on a Summer's Eve Concert	7:30pm	IPAB
6/11 Fri	DHS Graduation (Bands play)	TBD	

April

4/5-4/9	Spring Break		
4/9-4/11	Monterey Jazz Festival (tentative)	TBD	Monterey
4/12-4/15	Auditions for Symphonic & Jazz Bands		
4/14 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-03
4/17 Sat	UCD Picnic Day, Pep Band Parade and Parking	TDB	UC Davis
4/20 Tues	Symphonic Band Concert	7:30pm	IPAB
4/23-4/24	Reno Jazz Festival (tentative)	TBD	Reno
4/27 Tues	Combined Band Rehearsal for SoCal Trip (tentative)	7:30pm	DHS PA-03



🗗 Band Booster Minutes ~ January 13, 2010 🦪

- I. The **December meeting minutes** as published in the January newsletter were unanimously approved. We extend our compliments to Joyce Boulanger for her excellent work on our newsletter publication.
- II. **Music Director's report** Mr. Lange shared that the Winter Rhapsody program was wonderful and it was great to have so many parents get out their instruments and join us in the band. Playathon preparations are continuing. The Jazz Band will be recording for their application to the Monterey Jazz Festival. The Pep Band will be playing at some basketball games: girls' basketball 1/15, 2/12, boys' 1/22, 1/29. On March 10th the Symphonic Band will participate in the Festivity of Bands at the Mondavi Center with the Concert Band from UCD and the Wind Ensemble from CSUS. One week later, on March 18th, both the Concert Band and Symphonic will participate in their annual Adjudication Concert in our IPAB
- III. **Treasurer's report** The BB officers will be meeting with a CPA who is helping us with our tax return and addressing some legal questions we have about student accounts. We will have something to report at our next meeting. Mr. Lange would like to purchase for the IPAB two more music stand racks for general use in the IPAB. Joyce moved and Tia seconded that we designate up to \$1,000 for the purchase of two music stand racks for the IPAB. It was unanimously approved. Mr. Lange will take care of purchasing these. We collected \$1660 from the Winter Rhapsody door donations.

IV. Committee reports —

- A. **Fundraisers** Pizza 2/17 at Lamppost, Yogurt 2/25 at Yoloberry 4-9pm, Burgers 1/27 at Habit Burger. Mr. Lange asked if we could arrange for an ice cream or yogurt fundraiser after 2/3 concert. Katie will look in to this.
- B. **Direct Donations** We have collected nearly \$12,000 for our music program.
- C. **Rent-a-Band** Students raised a total of \$949 participating in Rent-a-Band. This year 22 students participated in 13 gigs. Students earned from \$10-\$85 depending on how often they played. There were several more students who came to the rehearsals than actually signed up to participate in a gig. It was difficult for the student directors to get enough musicians for some gigs. It would be good to have a back-up plan for those events that are outside if it's raining or too cold. We will ask Maki to solicit feedback from those who hired groups and from students who participated.
- D. **Playathon** Sandra Weisker said permission slips for the event were sent out and are due 1/19. Students can bring them the night of the event. Pledges and donations are due the night of the event. All the music is organized, and the students have been assigned to bring snacks and beverages. Local pizza places are donating up to 20 pizzas. Noah's is donating bagels. Common Grounds has been asked to donate coffee. Glow-in-the-Dark sweatpants orders can be given to the Egels. They will be distributed at the event.
- E. **Coconut Grove** 2/27/10 Planning continues. The major volunteer jobs are filled. We continue to have need for parent volunteers for simpler tasks. All three junior high bands, and Celia Cottle's band and the Jazz Band are performing. Parent volunteers are needed to help with set-up and take down and with donations of silent auction items. Parents will be asked to prepare appetizers and desserts. Publicity will be going out this week. This event usually sells out.
- F. **Concerts, CD/DVD sales** Gail Cooluris is doing a great job of coordinating CD/DVD sales. This year we have offered to give free DVDs to those who donate \$250 or more to the music program. This is a service we provide, not a profit maker. CDs and DVDs for the Winter Rhapsody concert will be distributed to students when they arrive.

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- G. **Disneyland trip** Initial installment is due 1/15/10 to reserve a student's space on the trip. Within the next week John Horn will be sending out an account balance summary to each student. Trip plans are going strong. We are working on the itinerary.
- H. **Scrip** Lynne Rumery has SHARES scrip cards for SaveMart available. They are very easy to use. You just give them to the cashier to swipe at the checkout. No preloading necessary. Details of the scrip program can be found in this newsletter. The cards will be available at both Playathon and Coconut Grove.
- I. **Others** John Horn says DSOMA is looking for a doctor or physical therapist to come discuss with our students how to avoid repetitive stress injuries and treat them. We are updating our band website so that many band forms and permission slips will be available there.

V. Old Business —

A. Parent help needed — It has been a little bit difficult to get parent help this year. So share how rewarding it is to help with our Band Booster activities.

VI. New Business —

Possible DHS regulations on all Booster clubs — Band booster officers have met with DJUSD school officials and are continuing to work on this. There is not much to share at this point.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kathryn Shickman, Band Boosters Secretary



AGENDA for Band Boosters Meeting February 10, 2010 ~ 7:30 p.m. ~ Room PA-3

- I. Approval of minutes
 - A. January minutes
- II. Music Director's report
- III. Student report
 - A. General information
 - B. Pep Band
- IV. Treasurer's report
- V. Committee reports
 - A. Fundraisers: pizza, yogurt, burgers, ice cream
 - B. Direct Donations
 - C. Rent-A-Band follow-up
 - D. Playathon results
 - E. Coconut Grove

- F. Concerts, CD/DVD sales
- G. Scrip
- H. Disneyland trip
- I. Jazz Band trip
- J. Others?
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Coconut Grove is our last major fundraiser
- VII. New Business
 - A. BB general fund amount to support band trips
 - B. Possible DHS regulations on all booster clubs