DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



November 2011

Supporting the Davis High School Concert, Symphonic, Jazz & Pep Bands www.DHSBandBoosters.com

Band Director Fred Lange's Message

DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL BANDS...

HAVE FUN...

MAKE FRIENDS...

BE AMAZED!

November marks the end of the football season. Our Pep Band was fantastic at the home games. Congratulations to Jenny Horn for a job well done, and to Mr. Quick for his super leadership. There will be more Pep Band for the basketball season and Jenny will have a list of games for us soon.

November also marks the beginning of the concert season, and we have two really great events for November. **On November 14 our Symphonic Band presents "Lest We Forget"** -- a tribute to (Continued on page 2)

Davis Jazz & Beat Festival



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the men and women of the armed forces who face dangers every day to protect our freedom. This concert explores the emotions that are raised when our finest young people are asked to sacrifice all for our safety.

The concert will feature selections that incorporate the service songs and hymns of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines, as well as a tribute to "The Greatest Generation" – those who served in World War II. I guarantee you will be moved by this performance. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in our own IPAB Theater. A suggested donation of \$8.00 for General, \$6.00 for Students & Seniors, or \$20.00 per family will be asked at the door. However, anyone arriving in a military uniform (or part of a uniform) will be admitted for free with our gratitude!

Our second major performance will be our annual "Jazz Extravaganza" held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, November 18 in the IPAB. This is the 26th year for this concert and we have an amazing guest artist for your enjoyment. Ms Mary Fettig, saxophonist and educator from the Bay Area, will grace our stage. Mary has been a fixture at numerous jazz festivals, both as a performer and an adjudicator, and she has the distinction of being the first woman to play in the Stan Kenton Band (they had had female singers in the past, but Mary was the first "horn" player). Again, a donation will be asked for at the door. Please bring your whole family and lots of friends!

December will bring more amazing performances, but more about that next month.

WE WANT YOU!

Dust off that old instrument and join our Combined Band for the December "Winter Rhapsody" concert on December 15.

Get in shape, then send me an email (flange@djusd.net) and I will send you the music. PRACTICE! Then join us for rehearsals on November 29, December 12, and December 14. This would also be a great time for any DHS Band alumni to renew friendships and play with the Band. I REALLY HOPE to have lots of folks join us for this, my final Winter Concert.

Jazz Band parents, please note... The DHS Jazz Band will be performing at the Delta Jazz Festival in Stockton on December 3. I have requested a performance time for the late afternoon. We will NOT be participating in the Sac State Festival.

I have also decided to sign up for the Folsom High School Jazz Festival to be held on Saturday, January 28. Please mark the date and put it on your calendar.



Personal regards, <u>Mr. Fredrick Lange, Band Director</u>



Band Director Clyde Quick's Message

Thank You to Mr. Lange, the Band Booster Board, and all the parents and students for such a warm welcome to the High School! It is exciting to be included in a program with such a fantastic history of musical learning and exceptional performances.

Now that the Concert Band is settling into our classroom routine and the football season is winding down, we are looking forward to basketball season and our upcoming "Winter Rhapsody" Concert. Parents, I'm very impressed with your students and the focus they are bringing to our rehearsals to prepare for this concert, as well as the enthusiasm that they are bringing to the Pep Band events. With the many and diverse interests of today's teenagers, it is refreshing to see them take their commitment to the Band so seriously, and to pursue it with such zeal. Thank you to all of you for providing the physical, financial, and at-home support needed to keep your students involved with the amazing tradition of music here at Davis High School .

Mr. Clyde Quick, Band Director

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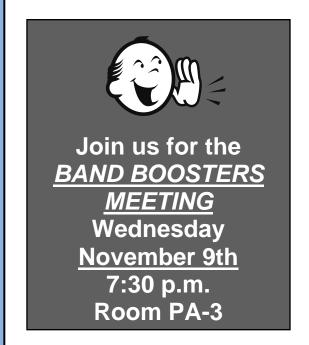
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MANY THANKS to all of our early donors who have given generously to support the DHS Band program.

If you wish to contribute to the Direct Donation campaign of 2011-12, we look forward to hearing from you. Please send your donations to the DHS Band Boosters, P O Box 73522, Davis, CA 95617

With Gratitude, Your Direct Donation Campaign Committee



MUSIC NOTES



Mondavi H.S. Jazz All-Stars



plays Jazz Guitar in the Jazz Band. He was selected for the Mondavi High School Jazz All-Stars. This group of eight high school musicians—6 from Rio Americano High School, one from Folsom High School, and Noah—all went through a pre-screening recorded audition submitted in August, and then a live audition in September. They will work with professional musicians for six months, including rehearsals and workshops. The group will then open for the SF Jazz Collective at a Mondavi Center concert on Thursday, March 29, 2012.

Noah is grateful for his musical experiences at Holmes Jr. High and at Davis Senior High School. He is particularly thankful for his music instructors, Fred Lange and Clyde Quick, as well as his private guitar teacher, Steve Homan.

Congratulations Noah!

Scrip

Many, many thanks to all who are participating in our Scrip programs!

If you haven't had an opportunity to pick up a card or sign up online, please take a few minutes to do this. I will be at the upcoming concerts with Nugget and Save Mart cards, as well as instructions for how to sign up for eScrip and a few other Internet-shopping Scrip programs. Please do contact me with any questions. I'm happy to mail out cards and instructions to anyone who'd prefer to have them home-delivered. I can be reached at 753-4301 or lynnerumery@gmail.com. Thank you very much!

Lynne Rumery, Scrip Coordinator



Every purchase helps to support our Band program!

In Memory of Clint Neagley

The DHS Band Boosters have received several donations made in memory of Clint Neagley, Sr. Clint Neagley was an accomplished musician of the Big Band Swing era and the last surviving member of the Benny Goodman Orchestra. An article chronicling Mr. Neagley's storied career is included here. Mr. Neagley's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Eleanor Neagley, teaches English at Davis High School, and his son, Clint Jr., resides in Davis as well. The officers of the DHS Band Boosters send our deepest sympathies to the Neagley family members and our thanks for their generous gifts.

Joyce Hamaguchi, Treasurer

Final Notes

The officers and members of Local 47 extend our sincere sympathies to the families and friends of our departed members.

Clint Neagley (1916 - 2011)

'The End of a Swingin' Era'

BY BLAINE NEAGLEY, SON

On June 22, alto sax man Clint Neagley of Lake San Marcos, CA peacefully left this planet at age 94, while regaling his doctor with a funny story with him, arguably, went the Big and Ella Fitzgerald. Band Swing Era. Neagley was the last surviving member of the Benny Goodman Orchestra, the epitome of a time when ballroom dancing was the cat's meow. Mastery of the alto sax was the young Neagley's ticket to his dream as he left his Bucks County, Pennsylvania home at age 17 to follow stardust and join the Big Bands — he never looked back.

Through the years his career included playing lead alto with Gene Krupa alongside jazz trumpet great Roy Eldridge and vocalist Anita O'Day, and a stint with Les Brown and his Band of Renown where the vocalist was Doris Day. These bands broke

WWII he was a sought-after studio man, working with top

was considered to be Benny's finest of all time, and Clint played alongside "Big Sid" Catlett on drums, Cootie Williams on trumpet, Peggy Lee, vocalist, and later, with a and would be his roommate -Louie Bellson. Seventy years and a day later, Clint was gone, relegating the Swing Era to a romantic echo of the past for historians to ponder.

ground not only musically, but family as "Daddio," Clint and also socially as they were racial- his wife Irma raised three sons ly mixed - something that did in the Hollywood area. Comnot happen before 1936. After mitted to his new family, he turned his talents in the '50s and '60s from road trips to ballroom musicians of the day, including and studio work in L.A. Van Alexander, Herb Jeffries Through the years he was a Trial Board member at Local 47 His proudest moment was as well as a musical mentor for when he was invited by countless young budding musitelegram to join the Goodman cians. Upon retiring he and band in Dayton, Ohio on June Irma moved to the San Diego 21, 1941 where he became lead area to enjoy quiet country livalto. The celebrated '41 band ing. He was a highly accomplished player of soprano, alto, tenor and baritone saxes, clarinet, bass clarinet, flutes, accordion and piccolo. In addition, as a singer he mastered the art of "scat" singing and jazz solfeggio kid who played a mean trap set and could roll off jazz riffs using friends and strangers and to the correct Italian syllables, i.e. "fi, fa, me, do." Along the way he sang with the Ray Conniff Singers, and also recorded his own album of clever original solfeggio songs called "Her-Affectionately known by his man's Pitchpipe Blues."



Besides his music, he was an avid gardener, sunbather, ice cream maker and beach bum. He loved German shepherds, homegrown tomatoes, undeveloped land and big convertibles. He was a determined physical fitness nut, taking up jogging in the '60s before the word was even coined. Literally until the end, he was always eager to take the time to reminisce with share his amazing stories of the good ol' Swing Era days.

Clint is survived by his wife of 65 years and constant companion Irma, by his sons Clint, Blaine and David, six grandchildren and three great-grandkids.

In Memoriam

Stella Chaloupka Buscemi (aka Stella Chaloupka) Life Member, Harp 10/31/1925 - 6/30/2011 Survived by children

Edward Casem Life Member. Clarinet 4/8/1932 - 7/2/2011 Survived by spouse & family

Kevin B. Clark Guitar 1/11/1957 - 7/28/2011 Survived by spouse

Benny H. Davis Life Member. Clarinet 5/18/1920 - 7/20/2011 Survived by spouse

Gll Bernal Life Member. Saxophone 2/2/1931 - 7/17/2011 Survived by spouse & daughter

George E. Graham Life Member, Trumpet 2/13/1937 - 7/26/2011 Survived by spouse & family

Thomas E. Handforth Life Member. Organ 1/13/1915 - 8/3/2011 Survived by daughter

Hyman Markowitz Life Member. Horn 7/5/1915 - 7/28/2011 Survived by spouse

Band Trip to San Diego

We are ON for San Diego! We have the District's approval, and reservations for the hotel and transportation have already been set. We are still firming up activities and specific performances. Look for an information letter to be coming home soon with all of the details. Trip dates are April 26th - April 30th, 2012. Trip planning meetings are held once per month. Anyone wishing to help plan a great trip for the kids, please consider joining us. Contact me at JazzyHorns@aol.com.

Katie Horn, Band Trip Coordinator









Photos by Howard Chew & Joyce Hamaguchi











JAZZ BAND @ Davis Jazz & Beat Festival Oct. 22, 2011

DHS Bands 2011-2012 (Partial) Calendar

November '11

11/4 Fri	Pep Band @ Football	6:15pm	DHS PA-3
11/6 Sun	Symphonic Band ~ "Sister City Band Concert" w/UCD	TBA	Vet's Theater
11/8 Tues	Rent-A Band Rehearsal	3:30pm	DHS
11/9 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
11/10 Thurs	Rent-A Band Rehearsal	3:30pm	DHS
11/10 Thurs	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	7:30pm	DHS
11/13 Sun	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	7:00pm	IPAB
11/14 Mon	Symphonic Band ~ "Lest We Forget" Concert	7:30pm	IPAB
11/16 Weds	Jazz Band Rehearsal	7:30pm- 9:30pm	IPAB
11/17 Thurs	Rent-A Band Rehearsal	3:30pm	DHS
11/18 Fri	Jazz Band ~ "Jazz Extravaganza Concert"	7:30pm	IPAB
11/29 Tues	Combined Band Rehearsal	7:30pm	IPAB

January '12

1/4 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
1/28 Mon	Jazz Band ~ "Folsom High School Jazz Festival"	TBA	TBA
1/21 Sat	Band Booster End-of- Semester Fundraising Event	TBA	TBA

February '12

2/1 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
2/2-2/4 Thurs-Sat	NorCal Honor Band (selected by audition tapes)	TBA	Chico
2/11 Sat	Jazz Choir Cabaret	6:00pm	Emerson
2/12 Sun	Jazz Choir Cabaret	5:00pm	Emerson
2/16 Thurs	Jazz Choir Cabaret ~ Concert Version	7:00pm	IPAB
	All State Honor Band (selected by audition tapes)	TBA	Fresno
2/29 Weds	Symphonic Band ~ "Festivity of Bands" w/UCD & CSUS	TBA	Mondavi Center

December '11

12/3 Sat	Jazz Band ~ "Delta College Jazz Festival"	All Day	Stockton
12/7 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
12/12 Mon	Combined Band Rehearsal	7:30pm	IPAB
12/14 Weds	Combined Band Rehearsal	2:30pm	IPAB
12/15 Thurs	Combined Bands ~ "Winter Rhapsody Concert"	7:30pm	IPAB

March '12

3/7 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
3/10 Sat	Coconut Grove	TBA	TBA
3/22 Thurs	Concert & Symphonic Bands ~ "Adjudication Concert"	7:30pm	IPAB

Remaining months will be posted in future newsletters.
The full calendar is also conveniently located at
www.DHSBandBoosters.com



Band Booster Minutes ~ October 5, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> – The August minutes as published in the October Band Boosters newsletter were unanimously approved.

Music Director's Report – Mr. Lange reports that both his classes are working very hard. The Jazz Band has their first performance at the Davis Jazz & Beat Festival on October 22nd. The Symphonic Band is preparing for three concerts including the Sister City concert with UC Davis that will have a Japanese presentation on November 6th. The band will need someone with a truck to help move instruments to the concert venue. The following week the Symphonic Band will be thanking those who have served in the military in a concert called "Lest We Forget." Jazz Band member, Noah Wolfe, was selected to perform with the Mondavi High School Jazz All-Stars Band next spring. Mr. Quick says the Concert Band is making great progress. The Pep Band is enthusiastic and things are going well.

<u>Voting of Officer Slate</u> – There was a unanimous vote to have John Ebeler serve as Co-Treasurer to work with Joyce Hamaguchi. John Ebeler will be added to the Officers slate: John Horn – President; Wes Young and Julie Hochman – Co-Vice Presidents; Joyce Hamaguchi and John Ebeler – Co-Treasurers; Kathryn Shickman – Secretary.

<u>Student Report</u> – Pep Band Director, Jenny Horn, said Pep Band is going really well. They will be inviting the 9th graders to join Pep Band at a football game. DHS students will rehearse with freshmen earlier at 5:15pm. The theme for the next game is pirates vs. ninjas. The last games and parade went well. They even tried marching and playing at the same time. On October 21st, the Pep Band is inviting DHS staff and band family members to come out and play with the band.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – A report will be prepared for next month. Donations of \$1,350 have already come in. Some parents of students who graduated donated their student credits to the general fund, and some donations have been made in memory of Clint Neagley, DHS English teacher's father-in-law and last surviving member (first alto sax) of the Benny Goodman Orchestra.

Committee Reports -

- A. <u>Car Wash</u> A car wash at the District lot at 5th & C Streets from 9am-1pm is scheduled for October 29th. John will be sending out another reminder.
- B. <u>Davis Jazz & Beat Festival</u> There are brochures available for all to distribute around town. Raffle tickets will be available to students to sell. Prizes will include an electronics item, like a tablet or ultra book PC, and a stay at a Tahoe cabin. If anyone has suggestions for raffle items please contact John Horn. We will decide the week before whether to sell water at the event.
- C. Pizza & Yogurt Fundraisers no report.
- D. <u>Direct Donations</u> The letter has been generated. Thanks to Jeanette Vance, Joyce Hamaguchi, and Julie Hochman for writing a beautiful letter that will be sent out soon. Donations are to be collected by November 18th.
- E. Rent-a-Band no report.
- F. <u>January Fundraiser</u> We brainstormed ideas for a fundraiser. Catherine Miller offered to co-chair an event planning committee along with Sheila Allen. John encouraged Catherine to send out an announcement to the listserve recruiting help. Ideas include a morning pancake breakfast with a concert by a local band in the evening.
- G. Coconut Grove Sue Ebeler says an email will go out within the next week announcing the first planning meeting.
- H. <u>Concerts, CD/DVD Sales</u> Tom Estes will be recording the concerts this year. He has been given the dates we want him to record. Mr. Lange would like a CD/DVD of the last Jazz Band concert, "Jazz on a Summer's Eve" 2011.
- I. San Diego Spring Trip We submitted the field trip form and Mr. Quick will be sending it to the correct people at the District.
- J. New Orleans Jazz Band Trip John Horn says everything is lining up for the trip. There is a small organizing committee that is communicating with the Jazz Choir. John is working on reserving airline tickets. John is looking for a good venue for an additional performance.
- K. <u>Scrip</u> Lynne says thank you to all who took cards. Hopefully all will be using them. We will see what the return is. Lynne will inquire whether Target can give directly to DHS BB

Old Business -

A. BB positions that need to be filled – see Signup Genius

New Business -

A. Jazz Band parents were reminded to send in their money for the new shirt and tie to Sue Miille.

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- B. Hiram Jackson DSOMA past President, reported that community members have created a campaign committee for Measure Q & W which raised \$6.5 million and funded the elementary music program. If you are willing to volunteer to advocate for the value of the elementary music program, please attend a meeting on Monday, Oct 10th in the back room at Sudwerks. Volunteers are needed for phone banking, tabling at Farmers Market, and posting signs around town. There are more students enrolled in the music program than ever before. 53% of all elementary students are in band. There are 400 students for one strings teacher.
- C. John Horn has been researching the option of having casual band shirts for all band members to wear at casual venues, Pep Band, Homecoming, DHS spirit days, or other such events. A thought is that the Band Boosters would supply the first shirt. Students can purchase another if outgrown or lost. He will poll the students on their interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Shickman, Band Boosters Secretary

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