

DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



May
2011

Supporting the Davis High School Concert, Symphonic, Jazz & Pep Bands
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♪ Band Director's Message ♪

Well, we've nearly made it!! The end of the year, that is!!!

May is the time for fun, good weather, the end of school (nearly), and unfortunately, for goodbyes. It is with a great deal of thanks and a touch of sadness that we must say farewell to the band officers and committee chairs that are seeing their students graduate. **Thank you all!** You have given our students a super experience, allowing them to reach higher, to do more, and to be the best DHS has to offer. (You have also made it difficult for the next group of leaders!). At this time we also welcome other parents who will be stepping up to assume those critical roles. I know you will help us to continue achieving even more in future years.

Our annual **"Secondary Concert"** took place on Tuesday, April 19th. This was another fine evening of band music by the Advanced Bands of the three junior high schools and also by our own Symphonic Band. I hope you got the chance to hear the 40 drummers with their "Irish tap presentation" from *Riverdance*.

On May 3th, both the Concert and Symphonic Bands presented our **"Senior Concert."** This performance has become a nostalgic evening - thanking the seniors for their efforts, finding out their plans for next year, and "passing the torch" to the next group of leaders. This is also the last formal concert for seniors.

(OK, Lange, enough of this rehash, but what's coming next?)

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Picnic Day Parade



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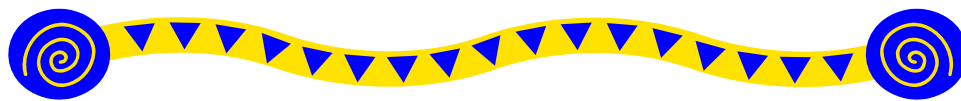
Well, the first thing is our fantastic **trip to Victoria, B.C., Canada**. The trip committee has worked overtime to prepare a GREAT trip for your students, which will include quite a few learning opportunities. Your students will be busy from morning until late at night, so expect some TIRED folks when they return.

But don't let them rest yet... the day after we return we have our annual **"Picnic and Pops in the Park"** at the Farmer's Market. This performance will be from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and will include music we will play in Canada. Bring your picnic dinner and help us to thank the Davis community for all of their support during the past year.

Our final performance of the year is **"Jazz On a Summer's Eve"**, on Friday, June 3rd, at 7:30 p.m. in the IPAB.

There is a lot for our students to do as part of our great band program!

Mr. Fred Lange, Director of Bands



♪ **Band Booster President's Message** ♪

Greetings Band Boosters,

Well, we are heading into the final stretch for the year... Star testing, AP tests, finals, and, of course, the Spring Band Trip are all upon us. With the academic stress our students are under, there needs to be a safe and fun release, and that is where the band comes in. In just a few weeks we'll be venturing to Victoria, Canada, for Victoria Day. Bands from hundreds of miles away have been traveling to Victoria for decades. It is a fun, safe, and relatively close destination, and although it is "international", for us it's just heading up to our northern neighbors to say "Happy Victoria Day-eh?!" For some, it will be the first time on an airplane, the first time out of the state, or the first time out of the country. It's exciting and special, and a nice way to introduce our students to international travel. But most of all, it is a great opportunity for the students to bond with others that they have been in classes with all year long, to create new friendships, and to foster existing ones. Taking a deep breath and letting go for a couple of days can do wonders for our kids (and for us, too)! I am looking forward to a great trip ~ a time to talk with the students (who are developing into some pretty neat people!), and to help instill the value of musical bonds and friendships for their lives moving forward. It becomes a nugget of life, which they can look back on and say, "I remember when...". My wife still talks about the time her high school band drove 24 hours up to Victoria by bus to participate in this "Western Right of Passage." So, amongst all the craziness of this time of year, don't forget to smell the roses, or in this case, the fresh northern air. Oh Canada, their home and native land.

Enjoy the last 6 weeks of the school year! :-)

Cheers, ~JAH

John Horn, Band Booster President

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Contact John Horn
if you are interested
in serving as
an Officer, Chair,
or Committee Member
in 2011/2012

Join the FUN!

Band Boosters Meeting AGENDA Wednesday, MAY 11, 2011 7:30 pm, Room PA-3

- I. Approval of Minutes
 - A. April 2011
- II. Music Director's Report
- III. Student Report
 - A. General Information
 - B. Pep Band
- IV. Treasurer's Report
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. Any open items or key updates
 - B. Victoria Spring Trip
- VI. Old / New Business

8:00 p.m. ~ Victoria Trip Chaperones Meeting: 60-90 minutes, to prepare for the trip

DHS Bands 2011 Calendar

May '11

5/9 Mon	Rehearsal for Canada Trip ~ Combined Band	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
5/11 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
5/15 Sun	Rehearsal for Canada Trip ~ Combined Band	7:30pm	DHS PA-3
5/19 - 5/24	All Bands ~ Trip to Canada	TBA	Victoria, Canada
5/25 Weds	Picnic and Pops in the Park Concert	6:00pm	Central Park

June '11

6/3 Fri	Jazz on a Summer's Eve Concert	7:30pm	IPAB
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**SENIOR
CONCERT
May 3, 2011**



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Howard Chew**



MUSIC NOTES



Join the Local Community Band

Parents: When you listen to your child playing great music in band do you wish you were still playing your instrument also?

Students: Does the thought of graduating from DHS and leaving band behind make you sad?

In last month's newsletter, John Horn reminded everyone that the music doesn't need to stop when you graduate from school. If you want to dust off that instrument in the closet, have some fun with fellow musicians, and play some great music again, **consider joining the local Woodland Community Band**. The band includes members from all over Yolo County (Davis, Woodland, Winters, Esparto, etc.), and encompasses ages from current high school students to UCD students to retired folks. I found out about it and joined last year after not playing in an organized group for 30+ years! We play 5 to 8 concerts a year and are planning a "tour" for summer of 2012 to do concerts with some other Northern California community bands. We meet weekly on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Pioneer High School in Woodland. Bobby Rogers, Pioneer High School's Band Director, is also conductor of the Woodland Community Band. Contact me if you have questions (dhsbbpublicity@gmail.com or 758-2956) or visit the band website at <http://woodlandcommunityband.com/>.

Make some music again!

Jeanette Natzle Vance,
Publicity Chair



Scrip

Many thanks to those of you who have been participating in our Scrip programs this year! The list of participants has been increasing - meaning more funds are being raised! - so we are very grateful to each and every one of you who is contributing in this way. **Please don't forget to help your friends and family members get involved, too.** The Nugget, Safeway, and SaveMart Scrip cards can be used at ALL stores (regardless of location) to benefit our band program. SaveMart cards have been pre-scanned to benefit the DHS bands, and the Safeway and Nugget programs require a very simple online registration. Please pick up the cards and registration information in the lobby at any of the upcoming concerts, or feel free to contact me directly to request that cards and info be sent (lynnerumery@gmail.com or 530-753-4301).
THANK YOU A MILLION!

Lynne Rumery,
Scrip Coordinator



DHS Bands Spring Tour to Victoria B.C. May 19-24, 2011

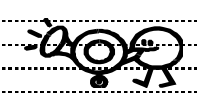


Wednesday May 18	
4:00 - 7:00 PM	All students check in: Bring instruments to school as these will be loaded on the truck. Also bring any excess or oversized luggage, or suit bags. <i>Trip Tee Shirts delivered at this time.</i>
Evening	Truck leaves for Victoria

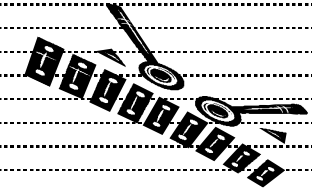
Thursday May 19	
	You will carry your suitcase onto the plane. This is one of your 2 allowed carry on items. If you chose to send your luggage on the truck, be sure to bring an overnight bag/backpack to carry on to plane. You will use only these items until we meet the truck tomorrow night in Victoria at the Hotel! <i>NOTE: Bring bag dinner that can make it through security, or purchase quick dinner at airport to eat on flight or before take off.</i>
1:30 - 1:45 PM	Group 1 meets at DHS for departure check in procedures
2:15 PM	Group 1 departs for airport
2:45 PM	Group 1 checks in at airport
4:45 PM	Group 1 Flight departs for Portland
6:24 PM	Arrive Portland, make connection
7:00 PM	Depart Portland for Seattle
7:47 PM	Group 1 arrives Seattle
3:00 - 3:15 PM	Groups 2 AND 3 meet at DHS for departure check in procedures
3:45 PM	Groups 2 and 3 depart for airport
4:15 PM	Groups 2 and 3 check in at airport
6:10 PM	Groups 2 and 3 Flight depart for Seattle
7:58 PM	Groups 2 and 3 arrive Seattle
8:30 PM	Busses depart for University of Puget Sound (UPS)
9:30 PM	Arrive at University of Puget Sound
11:30 PM	Check in to rooms for the night



Friday May 20	Wear TRIP TEE SHIRT today
7:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast provided in Dorms
8:30 AM	Optional UPS Campus Tour
9:00 AM	Optional Music Conservatory Information Session
10:00 AM	Load Busses
10:15 AM	Depart UPS campus
11:30 AM	Visit Experience Music Project Museum in Seattle Buy lunch on your own at EMP
2:00 PM	Depart EMP for 3.5 hr. ride to Vancouver <i>Recommend turning OFF cell phones before we leave the country to avoid excess charges</i> Clear Vancouver Border Patrol as a group, en route to ferry <i>Dinner provided: Subway Sandwich Meal will be provided and can be carried onto the ship or eaten while we wait to board.</i>
6:00 PM	Arrive at Ferry Terminal, Vancouver, Canada. Unload busses, walk on to ferry
7:00 PM	Depart on Ferry to Victoria B. C. Students are free to walk around ferry. Snacks are available for purchase onboard.
8:30 PM	Arrive in Victoria, load new busses for transfer to Hotel
9:15 PM	Arrive at Harbour Towers and Suites Hotel, Victoria Canada
11:30 PM	Check in to rooms for the night



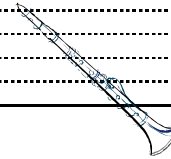
Saturday May 21	<i>NOTE: Today we will walk to our performances, and use school bus transportation to get to the pool party at night</i>
Morning	Breakfast provided at Hotel Morning free to explore Victoria or study at the Hotel <i>Lunch on your own. Plan for eating prior to noon or after 2 p.m.</i>
12 noon	Return to Hotel and change into CASUAL BLACKS
12:25 PM	Walk to Parliament Building prepared to perform Jazz Band to bring jazz shirt and tie to change into after performance
12:30 PM	Road Crew set up with assistance from all of Combined Band members
1:00 - 2:00 PM	PERFORMANCE by COMBINED BAND - Parliament Building Steps <i>Light snacks and water to be offered after performance before departing</i>
2:30 PM	Jazz Band to meet at Lower Causeway and set up for performance
3:00 - 4:00 PM	PERFORMANCE by JAZZ BAND - Lower Causeway, near Milestone's Restaurant Combined Band - free time
4:30 - 6:30 PM	Optional Study period at Hotel
4:30 - 6:30 PM	OR Free time in Victoria
6:30 PM	Return to Hotel by this time at the latest and collect items for Crystal Pool
6:45 PM	2/3 of group to board busses for Crystal Pool
7:00 PM	1/3 of group to board bus for Crystal Pool
7:00 - 8:00 PM	Group pizza dinner at the Crystal Pool
8:00 - 10:00 PM	Swimming at Crystal Pool <i>NOTE: Students not swimming may bring study materials and work at the tables in the lounge, use the work out room, or socialize during this time.</i>
10:15 PM	Return to Hotel via busses
11:30 PM	Check in to rooms for the night



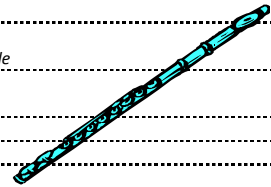
Sunday May 22	
8:00 - 9:00 AM	Breakfast at Hotel
	Free time to explore Victoria, swim or study
11:15 AM	Meet in lobby with instrument, stand, change of clothes if desired, and WEAR CASUAL BLACKS
11:30 AM	Depart for Butchart Gardens
	Light snacks provided on bus. You may bring your own lunch with you or buy food at the Gardens later in the day as well.
Noon	Arrive Gardens - set up for performance
1:00 - 1:45/2 PM	Combined Band Performance at the Gardens
2:00 - 2:30 PM	Take down / change clothes in bus if desired
2:30 - 4:15 PM	Tour the Gardens
4:30 PM	Busses depart for Hotel
5:00 PM	Arrive at Hotel
Evening	Dinner on own, free time in Victoria, or swim at Hotel
8:30 - 10:00 PM	Optional study period at Hotel
10:00 PM	Return to Hotel by this time if not sooner
10:00 PM	Pool closes. Swimming available at Hotel before this time
11:30 PM	Check into room for the night



Monday May 23	
NOTE: We will walk to all performances on this day. BE SURE ANY ITEMS YOU WANT TO SEND ON THE TRUCK ARE READY TO GO BEFORE OUR PERFORMANCE (except instruments of course!).	
Morning	Breakfast provided at Hotel
9:00 AM - noon	Victoria Day Parade - parade should reach our end of town by 9:30 or so
	Lunch on your own
2:00 PM	Return to Hotel to change into CASUAL BLACKS. Jazz Band change into JAZZ uniform, but bring Casual Blacks, too.
2:30 PM	Meet at Parliament Building to set up for performance
	Road Crew set up with assistance from all of Combined Band members
3:00 - 4:00 PM	PERFORMANCE by JAZZ BAND - Parliament Building Steps
	Everyone hang out at the Parliament Lawn and watch Jazz Band. Be ready to make a quick switch in bands after their set is done.
4:00 - 5:00 PM	PERFORMANCE by COMBINED BAND - Parliament Building Steps
6:00 PM	Return to Hotel immediately after performance. All items going on the truck must be downstairs to load on truck for it's departure home. Suit Bags, Instruments, and any excess luggage on truck. You won't be reunited with anything you put on the truck until WEDS. afterschool. Pack necessary items in a separate carry on backpack or small bag. REMEMBER there is a concert WEDS. in Davis for which you need Casual Blacks. Be sure you have something accessible for that concert!
6:30 PM	Truck is loaded and departs for home
7:00 PM	Farewell Dinner Party at Hotel
	Dance, Swim, Study, PACK...
10:00 PM	Pool closes
	ALL ITEMS MUST BE PACKED TONIGHT!!
11:30 PM	Check in to rooms for the night



Tuesday May 24	
Morning	Breakfast provided at Hotel
8:00 AM	Room prepared for room check by chaperone, then proceed downstairs to meet group
8:45 AM	Leave Hotel by foot and walk to ferry terminal
9:00 AM	Line up for border procedures at terminal
10:30 AM	Ferry to Port Angeles
	Buy food on Ferry if desired. Snacks will be provided on bus after this boat ride, but no restaurant till 3ish in Seattle
Noon	Arrive Port Angeles, load busses
	You may now turn ON your cell phones if you brought one!
12:20 PM	Drive to Seattle via Bainbridge Ferry
2:05 PM	Bainbridge Ferry sails to Seattle
2:40 PM	Arrive in Seattle
	Walk around harbor and/or Pike's Market.
	All groups may buy food for "dinner" here in Seattle or at airport
3:50 PM	GROUP 2 meets at Aquarium for Bus loading and transfer to Airport DO NOT BE LATE as busses may need to block traffic while we load
4:45 PM	Group 2 arrives at Sea Tac airport
6:40 PM	Group 2 departs for Sacramento on Southwest Airlines #1832
8:25 PM	Group 2 arrives in Sacramento
5:00 PM	Groups 1 and 3 meet at Aquarium for Bus loading and transfer to Airport DO NOT BE LATE as busses may need to block traffic while we load
6:00 PM	Groups 1 and 3 arrive at Sea Tac airport
7:55 PM	Groups 1 and 3 depart Seattle Alaska Airlines #372
9:35 PM	Groups 1 and 3 arrive in Sacramento
	Carpools to pick up students and drive them to DHS or home



Wednesday May 25	
Afterschool	Truck returns to DHS. Come to school to pick up belongings that were on truck. We cannot store a bunch of suit bags or large suitcases in the band room all week!
	NOTE: Instruments can remain on truck and will be brought to Central Park for "Picnic & Pops in the Park" Concert this evening.
5:15 PM	Grand Finale of the tour - CONCERT TODAY!!! Wear Casual Blacks. BRING YOUR STAND (if it isn't coming on the instrument truck). Arrive at Central Park, Davis for our closing concert of the year! "Picnic & Pops in the Park" Concert at the Farmer's Market. Be there and tell all your friends and family to come too!
6:00 PM	"Picnic & Pops in the Park" Concert

🎵 Band Booster Minutes ~ April 11, 2011 🎵

- I. **Approval of Minutes** - The minutes from the March meeting as published in the April newsletter were approved.
- II. **Music Director's Report** - Mr. Lange reminded all of the upcoming concerts (see calendar for dates). The Jazz Band just returned from Monterey, which was a fun, successful experience for the Band to perform there. Kathryn will send the group photo contact info to Jazz Band families. Stefan Waterstraat's Dad offered to make CDs of the performance for all Jazz Band families. The rehearsal schedule for the upcoming tour has changed slightly. The rehearsal on the 19th moved to Sunday the 15th at 7:30pm. The new dates are on the calendar. Mr. Lange will send home a note that students need to attend 3 of 4 rehearsals, and if students are not going on the trip, they can practice the same amount of time at home to earn points. "Picnic and Pops in the Park" was changed to Wednesday May 25th. Fred will inquire whether it can be moved to a different date.
- III. **Student Report** - Pep Band will participate in Picnic Day on Saturday 4/18.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report** - Joyce H. suggests this organization needs to have open conversations on how money is spent. Currently emails are exchanged and decisions made. It would be best to have a budget established at the beginning of the year to determine how funds are allocated. For example, in the future have a cap on what amount we feel comfortable allocating towards financial assistance. The finances are in excellent condition. John has allocated \$3K in financial assistance for trip this year. We have about \$26K in the general fund, \$5K of which will go to music fund for purchases over the summer. We also have \$15K in savings. Mr. Lange wants to purchase a couple of instruments. If we have a lot of extra cash, Joyce would like to see trip cost for students come down even further. John was to ask what expenses Mr. Lange anticipates for the near future. Joyce recommends that if we want more involvement and transparency, we need to present a budget for review at our May meeting.
- V. **Committee Reports** -
 - A. **Direct Donations** - There were no additional donations this month.
 - B. **Coconut Grove** - Coordinators will be meeting to recap and will report at next meeting. Joyce H. reports we earned about \$7K, and the net was a bit less than usual as we needed to replace all decorations. Kids earned about \$11/hour. Student participation was great.
 - C. **Jazz Band Update** - The concert this Sunday evening by the Jazz Band & Combo is free.
 - D. **Victoria Spring Trip** - Kathryn is preparing student packets to distribute soon. Wes will post all forms on the website.
 - E. **Pizza & Yogurt Fundraisers** - No report.
 - F. **Scrip** - Lynne will have a table available at DHS open house. She is now encouraging people to pick up forms from Safeway, Nugget and SaveMart for friends and relatives. Lynne's work has increased the number of participants in Scrip program. She will remind people to renew eScrip.
- VI. **Old Business / New Business** -
 - A. **Picnic Day Parking** - No one has offered to "host" the District parking lot on Picnic Day. We didn't make much money last year. Kathryn will tell John we decided not to have parking. A suggestion was made to make a big sign that says "free parking compliments of DHS Band Boosters!"
 - B. **Concert Refreshments** - Julie Hochman will organize refreshments to be sold at the beginning and end of the concert on Tuesday.
- VII. **Announcements** -
 - A. **Wennburg Orchestra Festival** - Margaux Filet of Symphonic Band will be the featured flutist at Mondavi this weekend.
 - B. **Concert Announcer** - Julie Hochman will announce the bands at the upcoming concerts in John's absence.



The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Shickman, Band Boosters Secretary

