# DHS Band Boosters Newsletter



April 2012

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

#### Band Director Fred Lange's Message

"...in days of Auld Lang(e) Syne."

My impending retirement is fast approaching, and there will be much to say that probably won't get said. However, I cannot leave without a special "thank you" to all of the people who helped our students achieve the many lofty things they have.

The first key, and probably the most important, to **the success we have had has come from the Band Boosters**. There was an organization of Boosters present when I first came to DHS in 1986, and they told me that one of the keys to a successful year would be to take the kids on a trip. I had no idea how to do this, but we got it done and from then on it has been a highlight of our band year.

Now we have a "well-oiled" Booster machine. The trips are fantastic, and are probably the thing the students will remember the most about their band experience.

Equipment and materials? When I came to DHS we had NOTHING. Everything we owned was in

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Coconut Grove



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disrepair, and there was no money to replace it. I had to BEG for a new snare drum (that we still use, by the way). Since then the Boosters have helped to purchase 3 baritone saxes, a piccolo, an oboe, 2 soprano saxophones, 3 tenor saxophones, 3 bass clarinets, 4 tubas, a sousaphone, a complete set of Pep Band drums, a xylophone, a marimba, 2 baritone horns, a bass trombone, 3 drum sets, a glockenspiel, a vibraphone, 4 kettle drums, a bass drum, 3 bassoons, 2 electric basses, 5 amplifiers, a keyboard, and thousands of dollars' worth of music.

#### The Students -- Aim high and you CAN achieve.

Every year I have asked the students to aim high. I have tried to challenge them with material that made them think, explore, and learn. I have asked them – no, expected them – to reach higher than they thought they could. They have NEVER let me down. I quickly learned that my challenge to them became a challenge to me, to work harder and explore things that they would enjoy and do their best. Our Festivity of Bands with the local universities is a lasting record of how much the students have achieved. Their performances have been equal to, if not better than, the older groups.

Last, **success has come from the Booster leadership**. The first was Richard Leonflycht, followed by Katie Woodward, Dave Hart, Dave Maul, Tim Demming, Tom Hagler, Artie Lawyer, Doreen Conte, Steve Williams, Mike Choy, and John Horn. (I hope I didn't forget anyone!) Each year they have come to me and asked me how they could help to make the coming year better than the last. I like to think we did.

#### Fred Lange, Band Director

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4/1 Sun	Jazz Band ~ Concert with "Capital Jazz Project Trio"	7:30 p.m.	IPAB
4/4 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting & Parent Discussion with DHS Administrators (re: Band Director Transition)	7:30 p.m.	DHS PA-3
4/10-4/15 Tues-Sun	Jazz Band ~ New Orleans / French Quarter Festival Trip	TBA	New Orleans
4/18 Weds	All Bands ~ Rehearsal for San Diego Trip	6:00-7:30 p.m.	DHS PA-3
4/21 Sat	Pep Band ~ UCD Picnic Day Parade & Parking	TBA	UC Davis
4/22 Sun	Jazz Band / Jazz Combo Concert	7:30 p.m.	IPAB
4/24 Tues	All Bands ~ Rehearsal for San Diego Trip	7:30-9:00 p.m.	DHS PA-3
4/26-4/30	All Bands ~ San Diego Trip	TBA	San Diego

Thurs-Mon

#### **DHS Band Calendar**

#### May '12

5/2 Weds	Band Boosters Meeting	7:30 p.m.	DHS PA-3
5/7 Mon	Symphonic & Concert Bands ~ "Senior Concert", and	7:30 p.m.	IPAB
	Reception Honoring Mr. Lange & 2012 Seniors	9:30-10:30 p.m.	Vet's Mem Center
5/30 Weds	"Picnic & Pops in the Park" Concert	6:00 p.m.	Central Park

#### **June '12**

6/1 Fri 6/8 Fri	Jazz Band ~ "Jazz on a Summer's Eve XXII" Concert	7:30 p.m.	IPAB
6/8 Fri	All Bands ~ DHS Graduation	5:45 p.m.	TBA

The calendar is also conveniently located at www.DHSBandBoosters.com

#### Band Booster President's Message

Greetings Everyone,

We are getting into a busy part of the year. Two exciting April band trips are quickly approaching and both should be a BLAST! We just had a GREAT Adjudication Concert with both the Concert and Symphonic Bands playing wonderfully. I have had multiple people ask me if we taped this one, which unfortunately we did not. I was told that there was someone taping some of the concert, so if you know who it is, please let me know. We have the Capital Jazz Project Trio and DHS Jazz Band putting on the Jazz Showcase Concert on April 1st, a not-to-be-missed event. Then on **May 7th we have our Senior Concert**, a special evening where **we honor the Seniors**. This year we are **also recognizing Mr. Lange** with a reception following the concert at the Veteran's Memorial Center, just across the parking lot. Please make sure that you join us for that historic event!

This is also the time of year when we try to line up many of our volunteers for next year. There are quite a few positions that need to be filled. **We are still looking for a good candidate (or candidates) for next year's Band Booster President.** I will be around to help, but we need some people to help run it next year, while I have one more year before my son gets to DHS. Please let me know if you are interested. Our elections will be held at our June Band Booster meeting. There are also many committee positions that will be highlighted in a separate email, so that you can reply to me directly if you are interested. And as Mr. Lange is retiring, we (the District) are going through the process of figuring out who our Band Director is going to be next year. It is going to be even more critical to have good support from the Band Boosters during this time of Director transition. So please, let me know if you can help.

"If I were not a physicist, I would probably be a musician. I often think in music. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music." - Albert Einstein

May you all live your lives in music! Cheers, ~JAH

<u>John Horn, Band Booster President</u>

#### Call to Action...

Currently we are firming up plans to meet and talk with DHS Principal Dr. Jacqui Moore and Vice Principal Tom McHale **at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 4th**, following the Band Booster meeting to **discuss the upcoming Band Director transition**. Dr. Moore requested the time to talk with parents to listen to your concerns around the transition in our music education leadership. Please join us in the Band Room, PA-3, next Wednesday evening.

Thanks much, ~JAH

#### Pep Band Student Director's Message

Hello all,

Basketball season is over and Pep Band had a blast, but there are still more exciting events to look forward to! On Friday, **March 30th**, Pep Band will perform at the DHS **Lacrosse Team's "Break-the-Record" night**. And coming up next, we will be marching in the **UC Davis Picnic Day Parade** on Saturday, **April 21st**. Please also keep in mind that the Pep Band will have two performances on the San Diego band trip, so start thinking about what instruments you are going to bring.



Happy spring and happy fourth quarter!

Jenny Horn, Pep Band Student Director

#### **Band Boosters Meeting Agenda** Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 7:30 pm, Room PA-3

- Approval of March 2012 Minutes
- Music Director's Report
- III. Student's Report Pep Band
- IV. Treasurer's Report
  - A. Direct Donations
- V. Committee Reports
  - A. Pizza & Yogurt Fundraisers
  - Senior Concert Plans
  - Concerts. CD/DVD Sales
  - San Diego Spring Trip
  - New Orleans Jazz Band Trip
  - Capital Jazz Project Report Out
  - G. Scrip Update

- H. Others?
- VI. Old Business
  - A. 2012-13 Calendar
  - B. 2012-13 Officers & Committee Chairs
  - C. Other?
- VII. New Business
  - A. New Bass Case & Amp
  - B. Other?

Parent Discussion with DHS Administrators, 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. (see note on previous page)

### 2011-12 Band Booster Officers & Chairs

#### **OFFICER POSITION**

President

Co-Vice President

Co-Vice President

Secretary

Co-Treasurer

Co-Treasurer

#### **COMMITTEE / CHAIR POSITION**

Website & Listserv Coordinator

**Publicity Coordinator** 

**Facebook Coordinator** 

SignUp Genius Administrator

**Scrip Coordinator** 

Photographer

**Newsletter Editor** 

**Concert Coordinator** 

**Concert Refreshment Coordinator** 

Concert CD / DVD Orders

Concert Program Developer

**Direct Donation Drive Coordinator** 

**Direct Donation Drive Assistant** 

**Rent-A-Band Coordinator** 

Pep Band Coordinator

Play-A-Thon Coordinator

Coconut Grove Co-Coordinator

Coconut Grove Co-Coordinator

Coconut Grove Asst Coordinator

**Online Auction Coordinator** 

Spring Trip Co-Coordinator

Spring Trip Co-Coordinator

Jazz Combo / Choir Liaison

Jazz Band Trip Coordinator

Jazz Band Liaison

Jazz Band Coordinator

#### **OTHER POSITIONS**

Pep Band Co-Coordinator

Picnic Day Parking Coordinator

Pizza & Yogurt Fundraisers Coconut Grove Asst Coordinator

#### NAME

John Horn

Julie Hochman

Wes Young

Kathryn Shickman

Joyce Hamaguchi

John Ebeler

#### NAME

Wes Young

Jeanette Natzle Vance

Sheila Allen

Beth Stein

Lynne Rumery

**Howard Chew** 

Joyce Boulanger Peggy Bernardy

Julie Hochman

Michael George

Richard Reed

Jody Lusebrink

Kathryn Shickman

Maki Kuper

Katie Horn

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Many of these positions need volunteers for next year. Please contact John Horn if you are interested in helping out!

# MUSIC NOTES

## Celebratel

~ Monday, May 7, 2012 ~

**Senior Concert, 7:30 p.m.**Brunelle Performing Arts Theater

Reception for Mr. Lange, 9:30-10:30 p.m.

Veteran's Memorial Center

Our outstanding Band Director of 26 years, Mr. Fredrick Lange, is retiring at the end of this school year. Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of the Senior Class of 2012 and Fred Lange's legacy of excellence as Director of Bands at the May 7th Senior Concert. Enjoy the music of the Concert Band under Director Clyde Quick, and the renowned Symphonic Band directed - for the last time - by Fredrick Lange.

All are welcome to the reception immediately following the concert at the Veteran's Memorial Center. Wine, coffee, tea, soft drinks, appetizers and desserts will be served at the reception, and photos and memorabilia collected over the last 26 years will be on display. Help us spread the word about this concert and reception – phone, post, tweet, email, tie notes to carrier pigeons, whatever it takes! Invite the people you know in the DHS Bands' community of supporters, alumni, friends, and families to this event. Admission is free.

Joyce Hamaguchi, Treasurer & Event Coordinator

## **Scrip**



Participation in the Nugget Scrip program has dramatically increased this year, so many, many thanks to all of you committed Band Boosters families!! Please make sure you sign up for Nugget, Safeway (e-scrip) or SaveMart if you haven't already done so. I am always happy to send you cards or information, so please contact me at lynnerumery@gmail.com or (530) 753-4301 and be on the lookout for my table at the upcoming concerts. If we had 100% involvement with Band Booster families, this would be a significant source of perpetual funds for our organization. Please make sure you continue your Scrip participation after your student graduates, too. What a wonderful legacy to leave at DHS ~ the gift of continued support for our amazing band programs!

> With many thanks as always, Lynne Rumery, Scrip Coordinator

## **Capital Jazz Project Trio**



Save **Sunday, April 1, 7:30 p.m., at the Brunelle Performing Arts Theater (IPAB)** for a great jazz concert featuring the Capital Jazz Project Trio and the DHS Jazz Band under the direction of Fred Lange!

Capital Jazz Project was formed in 1997 by several Sacramento area professional jazz musicians (www.capitaljazzproject.com). In addition to producing their own performances and recordings, one of their goals is mentoring young jazz musicians in the area. This concert will feature the Capital Jazz Project Trio (Kerry Kashiwagi - bass; Mike McMullen - saxophone; Henry Robinett - guitar) along with the award-winning Davis Senior High Jazz Band. Each group will perform some numbers on their own, and join forces for some tunes. The audience will be treated to some classic jazz tunes and some originals. \$12 general admission, \$8 students/seniors, \$5 children 14 and under.

Jeanette Natzle, Publicity Coordinator

## Available for purchase: The Lange Legacy DVD collections - Memorable Performances by the DHS Bands 1991 - 2011

As Band Director of the DHS Bands since 1986, Fredrick Lange has scoured the literature to acquire musical scores that enriched the educational experiences of DHS students. He has led thousands of students through hundreds of pieces of advanced repertoire and prepared the young band members to perform at levels of excellence rarely reached by high school musicians.

The DHS Band Boosters have had many of these fine performances recorded over the years, and as we prepare to bid a fond farewell to Fred Lange, we thought it fitting to create compilations of memorable performances from available archives recorded from 1991 through 2011.

You are invited to purchase copies of these musical anthologies that chronicle the growth and development of the band program at Davis High School under the guidance of Fred Lange's baton. **Each collection is a two disk set.**Collection One features the work of Concert and Symphonic Bands. Collection Two contains performances of the DHS Jazz Band. Both collections will contain performances from most of the 26 years of Fred's illustrious career as Director.

We ask that you submit your order in advance. DVDs ordered by April 30<sup>th</sup> will be distributed on May 7, 2012, at the Senior Concert or held for you until June 1 for the Jazz on a Summer's Eve Concert. You may elect to have your DVDs mailed to you for an additional fee.

Mail your check with the order form below to:
DHS Band Boosters - DVDs
P.O. Box 73522
Davis, CA 95617

Contact Joyce Hamaguchi at dhsbbtreasurer@gmail.com or (530) 757-6336 if you have any questions.

#### **Submit this ORDER FORM to purchase DVD COLLECTIONS**

# The Lange Legacy Memorable Performances by the Davis High School Bands Fredrick Lange, Director, 1986-2012 Selected recordings from the archives of 1991-2011

DVD Collection 1: Concert and	d Symphonic Bands	# x \$25 each =
DVD Collection 2: Jazz Band F	Performances	#x \$25 each =
		Subtotal \$
Add \$4 per collec	ction to have your DV	/Ds mailed to you +\$
		Total paid \$
Name:  Address:  City, State Zip		
Email: Telephone:		

\*DVDs ordered by April 30th will be available for distribution on May 7th at the Senior Concert \*DVDs ordered May 1-25 will be available for distribution on June  $1^{\rm st}$  at the Jazz Band Concert

## San Diego Trip

Our Spring Band Trip to San Diego is less than 1 month away! We leave at lunchtime on Thursday, April 26th, and will return in the evening on Monday, April 30th. Trip forms are due now, so please make sure you have filled those out and returned them to the "forms" box in the band room if you haven't already done so. The kids have now signed up for bus groups and roommates, and the itinerary is firmed up. Our current itinerary is listed below, but as always, things could change in the month left before we leave.



Note: There will be BOTH Combined Band and Pep Band performances on this trip, so students will need to bring the instruments they play in each of those groups, as well as their Pep Band music for this trip.

#### ~ CURRENT ITINERARY ~

Thursday, April 26th	
Bring a bag lunch Purchase dinner at bus stop	Bring luggage to school (IPAB) in the morning Report to the IPAB at lunch for check-in Depart for San Diego at lunchtime Study on bus en route Arrive at Embassy Suites San Diego Bay Hotel
Friday, April 27th	
All meals provided this day	Full hot breakfast at hotel SeaWorld Subway Sandwiches provided en route to UCSD UCSD Music Clinic Possible music exchange with UCSD Pep Band Dinner in the UCSD Dining Hall Return to hotel to study, swim, or relax
Saturday, April 28th	
All meals provided this day	Full hot breakfast at hotel Morning time to study or relax Pep Band performance at Seaport Village Lunch vouchers provided for area restaurants Afternoon Combined Band performance on USS Midway Tour USS Midway Band BBQ at beach park Return to hotel to study, swim, or relax
Sunday, April 29th	
Purchase lunch today at Zoo	Full hot breakfast at hotel San Diego Zoo Combined Band performance at Seaport Village Hotel Farewell Dinner Celebration Free time at hotel to study, swim, and PACK!
Monday, April 30th	
Purchase lunch & dinner while traveling home	Full hot breakfast at hotel Depart hotel Stop in Hollywood for lunch Study on bus en route to Davis Return to Davis by 9:00 p.m.

PARENTS... If you can help on departure day, please email Lynne Rumery, our Departure Coordinator, at lynnerumery@gmail.com.

#### Katie Horn, Band Trip Coordinator





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Coconut Grove
March 10, 2012

photos by Howard Chew







#### ■ Band Booster Minutes ~ March 7, 2012 ■

- Approval of Minutes The February 2012 minutes, as published in the March Band Boosters newsletter, were unanimously approved.
- II. Music Director's Report The bands are busy as usual. We just had a wonderful performance, the Festivity of Bands, at the Mondavi Center at UC Davis. Upcoming is the adjudicated concert with the Concert Band playing first, then the Symphonic Band playing a piece based on the San Francisco earthquake that should be a very moving experience. The adjudicator, Les Lehr from American River College, will be working with both the Symphonic and Concert bands in class before the performance.
- III. Student Report Pep Band will participate in the parade at Picnic Day. It was a great basketball season. Mr. Quick has talked with the athletic director about the band playing at future basketball games. Before basketball season starts next year we will confirm that they want band students to bring school spirit and provide music at games. Catherine Miller invited Pep Band to perform Friday night, March 30th, at a lacrosse game. Jenny will talk with Mr. Quick to see if there are enough students able to participate at this event.
- IV. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> We are starting to pay more of band trip expenses. The account balances are not much different than last time.
- V. Committee Reports
  - A. <u>Pizza & Yogurt Fundraisers</u> Cultive Yogurt has not returned Jill Theg's phone calls. They must not be interested in a fundraiser.
  - B. <u>Direct Donations</u> see notes above.
  - C. <u>Coconut Grove</u> We are all set for the event which is sold out at 217 seats. We could use more parent volunteers on Friday to help set-up. Desserts are needed. Dos Coyotes has been wonderful to work with.
  - D. <u>CD/DVD Sales</u> Peggy needs assistance staffing the donation table at concerts. She will handle flowers for the Senior Concert.
  - E. <u>San Diego Spring Trip</u> The trip is almost here. We have performance venues set, including a clinic at UCSD, Seaport Village, and the USS Midway. Trip forms will be distributed to students Friday. John will let students know about balance due as soon as hours for Coconut Grove are tallied. Trip is coming in at under \$500. No t-shirt designs turned in. If no shirt designs are presented then Katie and John will create a t-shirt.
  - F. New Orleans Jazz Band Trip John Horn reports there is lots happening. The exchange has been confirmed with a charter school. The band will tour Tulane, play with their Jazz Band and choirs, and then visit the French Quarter after that. A performance at Washington Artillery Park, a visit to the Jazz Museum, a ghost tour, master clinics at University of New Orleans, a swamp tour, and a dinner party are planned. Large equipment will be shipped ahead of time. Kathryn is preparing New Orleans trip forms to be distributed at the same time as San Diego trip forms later this week. Saturday, March 31st is the Jazz Band and Jazz Choir family potluck dinner at Stonegate.
  - G. <u>Capital Jazz Project Concert</u> Julie Hochman shares that even with some changes to CJP, the Jazz Band will perform with them on April 1st. We will have the CJP Jazz Trio working with the Jazz Band one day prior to the concert, and then perform with the Jazz Band at the concert. The start time will be confirmed.
  - H. Scrip The income from our Scrip is growing very nicely. Parents of alumni can participate in our Scrip program.
     Mr. Lange requested that Lynne confirm that the Nugget checks be sent to the Band Booster P.O. Box.
- VI. Old Business none
- VII. New Business -
  - A. Measure C The Measure passed by more than 72%.
  - B. Calendar The 2012-2013 Calendar has been set for the most part. Final details are being confirmed.
  - C. Officers/Committee Chairs John inquired who will be willing to return to their positions. President John Horn will not have a student in DHS bands next year, Treasurer Joyce Hamaguchi's son is graduating, and Secretary Kathryn Shickman will step aside after five years as Secretary. Vice Presidents Wes Young and Julie Hochman will be continuing with their positions, as will Treasurer John Ebeler. A new Secretary is needed and an Assistant Treasurer is needed to work with John Ebeler. John Horn is willing to help out, but he cannot be the President. We need someone to step up and take on the roll for one year. Continuity is important for the Boosters to most effectively support the band during this transition time. John will reach out to the junior high parents.

Respectfully submitted.

Kathryn Shickman, Band Boosters Secretary

