



Mustang Band Fanfare

June 1, 2010

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CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- All Band students for an incredible year;
- The Directors who dedicate their time and effort to the students they direct;
- Booster Members for contributing their time and talent to another successful year supporting the Band Program;
- Parents of Seniors who have been a part of the Band Family for four years; and
- All Parent Volunteers who make the time in their busy schedules to help out – it is very much appreciated.

LOOKING FORWARD TO:

- Parent Social scheduled for June 10, 2010 – a great night of conversation and information;
- Parades, Marching Band Rehearsals, Mini-Camps, Band Camp; and
- Summer and warm weather.

THANKS GOES TO:

- Outgoing Board Members who have taken the time to support the Band Booster Organization;
- The incoming Board Members who have made the commitment to serve on the Board.
- Everyone for supporting me – I truly appreciate it.

Enjoy your summer. See you on the practice field!

Cathy

Catherine A. Jama
President - DGS Mustang Band Boosters

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Director's Letter

2010 Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to the following students for their achievement and recognition as 2010 scholarship winners.

Clarence Shoemaker Scholarship....Christian Siki, NIU Jazz Camp
Cami Williams – Smith Walbridge Drum Major Camp at EIU
Josiah Williams – Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp

Michael David Samel Spirit of Music Award and Scholarship
Callie Sorce – Smith Walbridge Drum Major Camp at EIU & ISYM.....Elliot Bild – Blue Lake Fine Arts

Marching Mustang Season Scholarships.....Jessica Colip, Zach Plata, Marjorie Fera, Christian Seki, Samantha Kotlicky, Annie White

Mustang Band Booster Summer Camp Scholarship.....Caitlin Olewinski – Smith Walbridge Drum Major Camp at EIU

Downer Grove Music Club Summer Camp Scholarships.....Elliot Bild
Sherilyn Munoz
Lexi Osborn

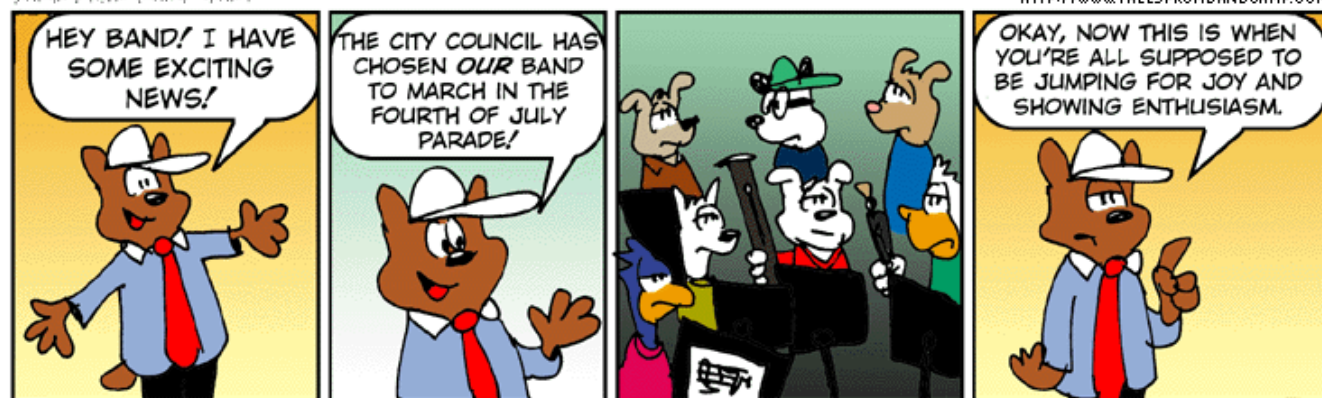
Downers Grove Women's Club.....Carly Charles

Friends of Fine Arts (FOFA) Summer Study Grants.....Alex Bahaveolos
Paige Miller
Billy Moroney
Michael Ruth
Callie Sorce



Mr. Roselieb

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2010 Marching Mustangs

- The show music has been completed!
- We have a great group of students that are excited and busy working on it already!!
- Memorial Day is our first 2010 performance and information about that has already been e-mailed out to families. Good Luck Marching Mustang!!!
- The June rehearsals begin on Tuesday, June 8 from 6 – 10 pm. There are “new” student nights scheduled for Wednesday, June 9 and June 16 from 6 – 9 pm. If some of you are still busy graduating, just come as soon as you can.
- One of the other most important June events is our parent social and student activity code meeting on Thursday, June 10, 2010. The rehearsal begins for students at 6 pm, parents are invited to the social at 7:30 pm, and all will move into the auditorium at 8:30 pm for the code meeting which is mandatory for all students and at least one parent. Don’t forget, band camp is not far away!
- Mark your calendars for August 15 – 20 at Lakeview Junior High. Let’s have a fun and productive summer!!!
- The updated final version of the 2010 calendar is now posted on all the websites. Please print a copy for your refrigerator so you do not miss out on any rehearsals, performances, or important dates pertaining to our season.

Wind Ensemble Accolades

Congratulations to the all the student members of the 2009/2010 DGS Wind Ensemble for your outstanding success this spring. In addition to receiving a superior rating at the 2010 Midwest Music Festival at Lemont High School in February, the Wind Ensemble also received 1st place in class 6A at the ISU State Concert Band Festival in April. This award marks the first time the Wind Ensemble from South High as been able to achieve this status. As a result of their hard work this year on all three movements of the Symphony in Bb by Paul Hindemith, the group was also accepted to perform at the most prestigious event in the state, the University of Illinois Superstate Band Festival. As one of only 12 bands across the state to win this performance opportunity in class AAA (large high schools) through a recorded audition process, the wind ensemble performed their best version of the Symphony on May 8, 2010. Competing with bands from other high schools also performing top notch college level music, the band truly raised the bar for our school. This recording was submitted to the IMEA State office as part of an application to perform next year as a group at the IMEA 2011 All-State Festival. Notification of this acceptance will be mailed on July 1, 2010 so stay tuned, members of the 2010/2011 group. The students who have graduated before you have left an outstanding legacy.

2010-11 General Band Booster Registration

All band students and parents should watch out for an e-mail that will arrive during the week of May 24-28. In it contains an electronic version of the General Band and Band Booster registration materials that normally are mailed home. In an effort to save trees and postage, it is being done electronically this year. Families who do not receive this for whatever reason are encouraged to visit the band website at <http://iwr.csd99.org/south/music/band.htm> From there, click on the red “Registration” tab and follow the steps to complete your booster registration including the membership dues, and a variety of other necessary steps.



Chicago Outstanding Music Educator



Congratulations to DGS Fine Arts Department faculty member, **Craig Roselieb**, for being chosen as a winner of this year's Chicago Outstanding Music Educator Award. This special award recognizes excellence in the field of Music Education in the Chicagoland area. Mr. Roselieb was nominated by a professional peer, and selected by a selection committee which included previous winners and several university directors. A special awards presentation will take place at Quinlan & Fabish Music Company in Mt. Prospect on Tuesday, June 15th at 7:00pm. These awards have been presented annually since 1989. **Great job Mr. Roselieb!**

In addition, **Mr. Williams**, received his National Board Certification, an advanced teaching credential. It complements, but does not replace, a state's teacher license. National Board Certification is achieved upon successful completion of a voluntary assessment program designed to recognize effective and accomplished teachers who meet high standards based on what teachers should know and be able to do. National Board Certification is available nationwide for most preK–12 teachers. As part of the certification process, candidates complete 10 assessments that are reviewed by trained teachers in their certificate areas. The assessments include four portfolio entries that feature teaching practice and six constructed response exercises that assess content knowledge. **Great job Mr. Williams!**



**Congratulation Seniors on a job well done
and best wishes for your future!**

We'll miss you!



Traveling with the Bands by Glenn Williams

Our District 99 Orchestra and several students from the DGS Bands are preparing to travel to Germany and Spain during June of 2010. Seeing these students prepare for this trip has brought back amazing memories for me personally. When I traveled with the D99 Honor Band in June of 2008, it was my first time to Europe. I am still reeling (in a positive way) from the experience.

During the trip I had the opportunity to “blog” about my travel experiences. I share these with you so that you can see what your students (maybe) have in their not too distant future, and, to see what our few band students and orchestra students will experience in less than 3 weeks. Enjoy.....



Thursday, June 18, 2008



There are many things I absolutely adore about Europe. I have mentioned the food in a previous blog. The people are amazing. The food. The historical sights are breathtaking. Did I mention that the food is really, really good? The German way to say this (and I am not making this up) is *lecker, lecker*. This is pronounced “licka, likca.” Again, I am not making this up.

There are also many things about Europe that confuse me. First, the whole bathroom experience here is quite new and unusual. You have to pay for public toilets. Sometimes, there is a machine to take your money, sometimes there is a person to take your money. At the truck stops, you get a bathroom rebate coupon for money off your food purchase. Sort of a “poopon coupon” if you will. Very nice. The lights are on the outside of the bathroom door. Several times during this trip I have entered the bathroom, shut the door, and began to look for the light. No matter how hard I look, the light switch is not there. To illuminate your business, you must first open the door and probe the outer wall with your hand. Fascinating experience, to say the least. Europeans also generally only flush after #2, an environmental notion of which I am really in favor. The flushing mechanisms are different, usually a very, very, very large button on the wall above the toilet. Again, confusing at first, but now I am beginning to “see the light.”

Computer keyboards are a unique experience. While this is being created from an American keyboard, I have sent my children several e-mails that looked like a font titled “caveman.” I have spent at least 45 minutes during the past week searching for the “y” key and for the “@” key. These 45 minutes have been nothing short of pure bliss.....

Currently, the EURO CUP is occurring. Games are broadcast every night. Entire cities are stopping to watch TV or listen to the radio to keep track of their national team. People singing songs, loudly and in what resembles a unison pitch, that promote the athletic fervor. This is almost like the Super Bowl happening every other night – it is really pretty cool!

Finally, the money here is really confusing. I have decided that it is all just play money, and that I’ll reconcile with my bank when I return to Downers Grove. In the Czech Republic, the currency is the Cronin. About 1,245.327 Cronins equal one dollar. In Germany, the currency is the Euro. About 2.75 Euros equal one dollar. Don’t even try to get me to go from Cronin to Euro – sort of like transposing alto sax to French horn for me. There have been several times on this trip I have just held out a handful of change and asked the person at the counter to take the proper money. I am on my third wallet since being here, but people seem quite happy when I leave places. Anyway, I have to go to the bathroom right now, so this blog must end. I am looking for my .30 Euros to help meet my needs. In any case, I’ll wash my hand when I am done. I am planning on proposing a new band fund raiser upon our return – with nearly 5,500 kids at in District 99, that is a lot of bathroom money each day.....

Monday, June 16, 2008.....[THE REAL INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE](#)



The following post does not represent the thoughts or beliefs of every student, director or chaperone on the District 99 European Tour.

I am, and always have been, an omnivore. I don't just like any food, I like all food. Even as a musician, I wonder to what level does food connect us all. It is truly the real international language.

The above photograph shows what is available for a breakfast choice at our deluxe accommodations in Praga. I am truly in my happy

place - little mini-hot dogs and various types of cheeses are legal food for breakfast. I love this place!!!!!!!

Friday, June 6, 2008.....[CHAPERONING BAG-O-FUN](#)



Greetings:

I am rife with anticipation for a myriad of reasons. This is my first time to Europe EVER!!! First, being on the precipice of experiencing architectural art history in person is an amazing feeling. I have longed to see the things I've seen in books in person for years - now that yearning is about to become a reality. Second, this tour is going to be musically amazing. When I first read the term HONOR BAND, I must admit I was slightly skeptical. After hearing the sonic emanations during the course of this rehearsal week, my suppositions

were proven wrong - both ensembles are truly HONORS BANDS. Parents - be proud of how your kids are sounding this week. Finally, I am truly excited to be a chaperone (as demonstrated by the photo of the BAG-O-FUN that is about to travel with us.) As a director, I've been insulated from chaperoning duties for years. Now that this charge is a major part of my purpose on this trip, I look forward to embracing it to the best of my ability. My first time in Europe, with a bag-o-fun, making great music. The next two weeks are indeed going to produce a lifetime of memories for many reasons.

Tchus,

Mr. Williams (aka G-dub)



Grab Your Golf Bag

And join us in our 1st Adult Only Fundraiser

What: a 9 hole Golf Outing with
Buffet dinner at Gatto's in Downtown Downers Grove

When: Sunday August 1st

Where: Twin Lakes Golf Course, Westmont



This is the first of its kind fundraiser for the band program, so we are hoping to have the opportunity to get together as adults and have some fun. Even if you cannot, or do not golf- you can join us for dinner!!!

The prices are still being worked on, but be sure they will be very reasonable, so that as many people that want – can join in!!!!

We are also in need of “hole” sponsors, the cost would be \$100, and the sponsor, whether it be business, personal, corporate... will have the hole “marked” with the donors information.

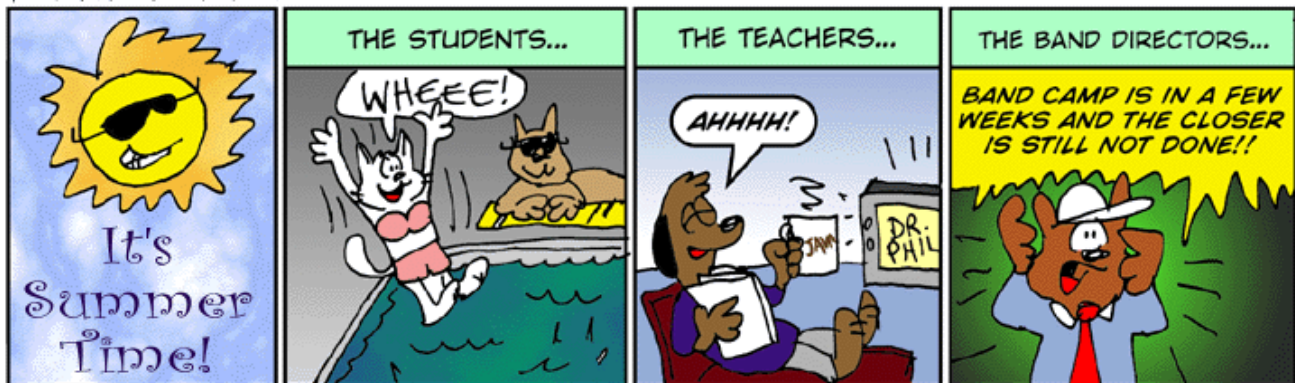
For example: you senior parents- can all chip in and “sponsor” a hole for the “Class of 2010” and your students name, Congrats...

Or Mr. Smith has a business, and sponsors a hole: Thank you to Smith's Car Wash in Downers Grove...

Please look for more information to be emailed to you regarding time and prices. Hope to see you on the course!!!

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9th Annual Music Bowl - Saturday, October 9, 2010



So far there are 9 local bands signed up and our need for 11 judges has also been filled. While the winter months bring somewhat of a “slower” period for Music Bowl- things are about to pick up!

We are fortunate to have had 2 wonderful volunteers step up to Co- Chair Music Bowl: Bonnie Peterson (freshman son Chris- Clarinet) and Terri Piekarski freshman son Scott-Trombone) with the intent of running Music Bowl 2011! I would like to offer many thanks to them both. We are also fortunate to have Bonny Moore (freshman son Brad-Trumpet) volunteer to help shadow Cheri Kirkpatrick doing Programs- as Cheri really needed a shadow- because she is a senior parent next year.

**Coming to your
Friendly Neighborhood
Stadium.....**

**Saturday, October 9,
2010**

**Don't miss it!
Mark your calendar
NOW.**

**In fact, better yet, be a
volunteer.**

The following areas are always in need of volunteers during Music Bowl:

**Parking
Stadium**

**Concessions
Unit Movement**

Ticket Booth

If you are able to help us in any of these positions while enjoying some great music, contact us at bowl-volunteers@mustangbandboosters.com, or visit us at the Parent Social on Thursday, June 10.

Thanks again for all you do, and look forward to another successful Music Bowl.
Cathy Olewinski, Chair 2010 Music Bowl

Music Bowl Program Books

The end of the school year also signals the start of planning for the Program Book that will be handed out at the Music Bowl on October 9th. The Program Book contains information on the schools performing, their shows and who the judges are. This information is provided by the Music Bowl chairpersons. The Program Book also contains ads from merchants.

In order for the Program Book to be a success, we need the help of you: our band families.

Every year at this time, we ask that band members make a list of merchants they think would be interested in placing an ad in our Program Book. Starting in June, we will provide the band members with more information on exactly what a Program Ad is, the pricing of the ads and the correct (and safe) way to go about asking merchants if they would like to support the Music Bowl. We will also hand out the Program Ad Forms and let band families know where additional copies can be found.

So, start thinking about who would like to support the Music Bowl - whether it's your favorite diner, your favorite Pampered Chef, Tupperware, Party Lite or other home business consultant or any other business that you know. Last year we had approximately 70 different merchants that supported the Music Bowl. (See the article in this Fanfare for the list of merchants.) Let's see if we can surpass that number this year!

Look for more information in the next Fanfare and emails that will be sent to your home!

Please contact Bonny Moore at Bowl-Program@MustangBandBoosters.com or 630-963-7258 if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your support!

DEAR MARY

By Mary van Mustang

DEAR MARY,

After six years as a band booster, my youngest child is graduating from DGS. I am really going to miss all of my booster friends. What should I do to fill this hole in my life?



Sadly,
Lonely in Downers Grove

DEAR "LONELY IN DOWNERS GROVE",

I hear this problem from many parents. The answer is easy. Keep the music in your heart, volunteer for Music Bowl, and keep your Booster friends on speed dial.

DEAR MARY,

My eighth grader/incoming freshman is having second thoughts about marching band. All I hear now is whining about how much time it takes and that she wants out. What do you think?

Sincerely,
Sick and tired of whining

DEAR "SICK AND TIRED OF WHINING"

I feel your pain. I went through the exact same thing with my two children. Both wanted out of marching band bad the first couple of months. My concern was that they had no back up plans to join a sport or other major group. Being a high school teacher, I am very aware of how important it is for incoming freshmen to belong to a group that meets regularly and to a group that they become a part of in a big school.

Marching band is a group of 120 students that become like family. The band room becomes their home at school. Feeling at home in such a group takes a bit of time and work. I told my children that marching band would be done by November and they did not have to reenlist if they did not want to, but that I wanted them to start out at DGS by being involved. If they found something better, that was fine, but give band a chance.

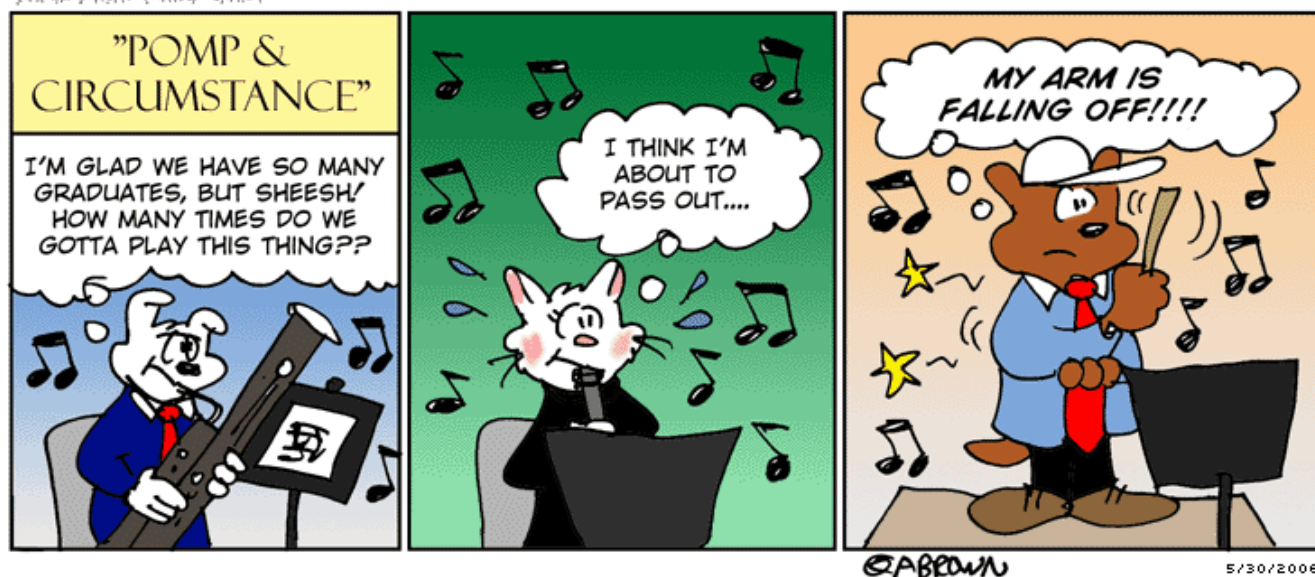
By the time band camp was over in August, both of my children told me that they were committed for the next 4 years. Like I said, time and a bit of hard work works wonders. Good luck!

Mary Mustang

Have a band question or problem? Contact Mary at Exec-Communication@MustangBandBoosters.com

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