



# Mustang Band Fanfare

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## Downers Grove South Mustang Band Boosters

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## Letter from New Band Booster President

As we start a new Booster year, I would like to take a moment to recognize a few of the accomplishments of the 2007/2008 Mustang Band Booster Board. This past Board was instrumental in the purchase of 3 new French Horns and 3 new Tubas; the Bylaws were revised in order to clarify the Scholarship application process so that more students could benefit from scholarships; a collection of Marching Band competitions, Concert Band and Jazz Band concerts were captured on DVD's; many of the fundraising activities were very successful including Bike & Hike for Mike and the Music Bowl; the continued local newspaper coverage keeps us in the spotlight, we partnered with Downers Grove North and donated over 114 instruments for our "Build a Band" Program to help schools in New Orleans so the students there can enjoy music again; and, the Band Boosters are working more closely with Friends of Fine Arts ("FOFA") and the Choir Booster Board in order to align all three organizations to enhance the support of Fine Arts here at DGS.

None of these things would have been possible if it was not for of all of the planning and hard work of this Board along with the support of our students, parents, volunteers and Directors. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the "graduating" Board members and those who are assuming different roles. I especially want to thank Marla Hoffmeyer for her commitment and dedication to the Booster organization as well as the overall band program. Her tenure as President these past two years has made the Boosters stronger than ever.

As we head into June, we transition from the existing Board to the new Board and I am very excited to be leading this dedicated group of people. If you haven't done so already, I encourage you to sign up for e-mail communications so that you don't miss a thing. The website is also a wealth of information with up-to-date announcements, late breaking news, and other important items that you will want to know.

I ask for your patience as I navigate around and learn more about the Boosters in my new role. However, if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please feel free to send me an e-mail and we'll figure it out together. I am very excited about this upcoming year and looking forward to working with all of you.

Warm Regards,  
*Cathy*

Catherine A. Jama  
President, Mustang Band Boosters

## Director's Letter

Glen Williams closed our Awards Ceremony at the Spring Band Banquet held in April with some inspiring thoughts. In case you missed it, here is summary of what he said:

This year, I want to close with all of us thinking about a word. I want you to think about how this word applies to you in your current situation and in your future situation. Don Owens, composer/conductor/musician/mentor, is creating one of these things for our Wind Ensemble to premiere with the A Cappella Choir on May 22 this month.

The word I'd like to bear in mind for the next few moments is the word **COMMISSION**.

For all of you parents, I charge you to behave like a **COMMISSION**. In other words, a special group of people officially authorized to perform certain duties or functions. Your certain duties and functions are to fully support the students in this band program through positive interactions focused on enhancing the music making process here at DGS. In other words, with a positive, student-centered and cooperative attitude, do the things necessary to continue to make this band program great.

All you non-senior students – here is your **Commission**. I hereby authorize you to perpetuate the amazing examples of leadership and musicianship that have been set forth by the class of 2008. Further, I expect each of you to continue to raise the bar of excellence established by these seniors in every aspect of how you operate as a member of the Mustang Bands. The best way you can pay tribute to the legacy of these departing seniors whom you all hold so dearly is to continue to take our program to higher levels in leadership and music. So, you non-senior types, what is your **Commission?** To perpetuate and exceed the leadership and musical examples established by the class of 2008.

For you departing seniors, I am going to give you a specific task or charge. I hereby authorize and empower each of you to pursue music, as a musician, with a lifelong fervor. Remember, being a musician extends far beyond playing your instrument. You can compose and be a musician; you can listen and be a musician. 15-20 years from now, you can take your children to KINDERMUSIK and impart your love for music to continued generations. So seniors – what is your **COMMISSION?** Pursue music, as a musician, with great fervor for the rest of your lives.

Class of 2008, you leave us with high standards to embrace and perpetuate. We thank you for your excellence, and we treasure the memories you've given us during your time here at DGS.

Have an awesome summer – we'll see you all on the field this fall!



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glen Williams". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined.



## JAZZ REPORT HORVATH KUDOS

Thanks to Jeff and Jennifer Horvath for doing such excellent work as our Jazz Co-Chairs this year. Not only were we able to produce some fantastic events (including an inaugural December Jazz Concert,) but we were able to work collaboratively with DGN and send 114 instruments to New Orleans for students who are musically under-resourced because of Hurricane Katrina.



## AUDITIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

Our auditions for next year will take place during the first week of school. Here is the WHEN, WHERE and WHAT that you and your student need to know:

**WHEN:** Auditions take place during the first week of school. Here is a breakdown of the rehearsal/audition plan:

**Monday, August 25, 2008** – All players rehearse audition material

**Tuesday, August 26, 2008** – Saxophone Auditions

**Wednesday, August 27, 2008** – Trombone Auditions

**Thursday, August 28, 2007** – Trumpet Auditions

PLEASE NOTE: Rhythm section players come every day – your audition will be based on how you play with the various sections and individuals.

**WHERE:** DGS Band Room – Room B128

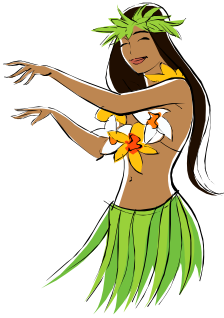
**WHAT:**

- IMEA Audition Tune *Thaditude* by Steve Weist
- 2 choruses of a Blues in F
- Sight Reading

Each player will prepare your part to the entire tune *Thaditude*. A recording is available on the Doug BeachKendor Music web site. You will be asked to play only part of the piece for your audition, but you must be able to play the entire piece. You will also be asked to improvise two choruses of F blues, and two choruses of the tune *Thaditude*.

## Director's Corner

### Hawaii Update



Plans for our 2009 Hawaii Trip have been developed. The trip has been approved for Casimir Pulaski weekend, 2009, from February 26 through March 3. A letter will be in the mail shortly with the details, intent to participate form, and a request for a \$100 refundable deposit. An informational meeting will be scheduled in September with more details and forms for everyone interested at that time. Start practicing your hula dancing!

### Final Concerts

We have enjoyed preparing for our final concerts, Tuesday May 20 for the Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, and Concert Band, and the Wind Ensemble/A Cappella Choir Concert on Thursday, May 22. The May 22 concert features the premier of a new music commission by composer Don Owens entitled, "Music, My Life, My Gift" in honor of the Michael David Samel Spirit of Music Foundation. Thanks to all students and families of all of our 2007-08 bands for some great work this year. The success of the groups has been truly amazing, and is a credit to the dedication our students have for the program.

### Marching Band Update

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**Marching  
Band  
welcomes 35  
new freshmen**

Rehearsals in March, April and May have been going very well. It is great to welcome over 35 new freshmen to marching band. Our numbers are currently at about 120 students in total. We have been enjoying the help of new staff member Mike Madonia, who is working to develop our marching technique, and the preparations for Memorial Day are also going well. See article about upcoming performances for Memorial Day and July 4<sup>th</sup>. Reminder to all members that June 1<sup>st</sup> is the due date for the 4<sup>th</sup> and final fee payment, and June 6 is the cut off date for refunds of membership fees. Please help make the job of collecting these fees easier for our booster volunteers by making your payments on time.

### Memorial Day Info

Drumline – Please report to the band room by 7:45 am, on Monday, May 26. We will load the trailer, and get dressed in uniform as we leave for the Woodridge parade at 8:20 am. That parade begins at 9:00 at the Woodridge Dr. and 75<sup>th</sup> St. fire station, and proceeds to the memorial at Janes and Woodridge Drive. At the completion of that parade, we will load up and travel to Fishel Park where we will walk over to the start of the DG parade.



Hornline and Color Guard – Please report to the band room by 9:00 am to dress and load busses to depart for Fishel Park by 10:00 am. Group will also help set up band shell with stands and chairs prior to the parade for the service. The parade steps off at 10:45 am and the service begins at 11:00 am.

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## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

There are two rehearsals planned for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parades in Downers Grove and Darien. All students of the marching mustangs are requested to participate in these parades, as well as any other interested band students who would like to give marching band a try. There are two scheduled rehearsals from 6:30 – 8:30 pm, on Wednesday, June 25 @ Downers Grove North High School, and Wednesday, July 2 @ South High.

Required dress for the parades this year has changed: Students must wear khaki short pants with white(as much white as you currently own) tennis shoes and white socks. Wear your own white t-shirt as well, and you will be given a new District 99 Bands polo shirt (green) to wear over it for the parades.

Report time for the Darien parade is 8:30 am at the Hinsdale South High School parking lot, and the parade steps off at 9:30 am.

Report time for the Downers Grove parade is 12:15 pm at the Tivoli Theatre, and the parade steps off at 1:00 pm.

## Graduation Band

Graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 30. The Wind Ensemble and Wind Symphony (minus the seniors of course) will be working on the music for this performance during the last week of school, and exam time. On Friday, May 30, all members are expected to report to the band room by 2:30 pm for a combined rehearsal. We will move to the stadium (gym if bad weather) at 4:00 to begin our pre-ceremony music by 4:20 pm. The event will conclude by 6:15 pm. Student may wish to park on Springside for an easier exit afterwards. Members of Concert Band and Symphonic Band are also invited to perform with the group.



## 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Social

Join us for the **Seventh Annual Marching Mustang Social and Information Night**. This is our casual get together for parents to help answer any questions you may have, meet with other parents, have some refreshments and desserts and enjoy a summer evening with some of the friendliest people at DGS. The Mustang Band Staff, Mustang Band Booster Board Members and Music Bowl Committee members will be present to answer your questions. Find out about Band Camp, competitions, fundraising and, last but definitely not least, the **Mustang Music Bowl!** Discover why 300 volunteers, including band parents, students, alumni, alumni parents and just friends volunteer each year for our premier event—which one judge described as one of the best marching band competitions in Illinois—and have any unforgettable experience with new friends. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to the family. Following the social is a mandatory meeting for students and parents to hear about the Marching Mustangs Student Activity Code. So – come at 7:00 p.m. and you'll be set for the evening.

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**Meet other  
band parents!**

**Tuesday, June 24  
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.  
Outdoor Patio**

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## Marching Mustang Fees

The Marching Band fee for the 2008 season is \$350 per student. The first \$50 payment was due on March 1<sup>st</sup>, and then there are three \$100 payments due beginning April 1<sup>st</sup> and ending June 1<sup>st</sup>. Refund requests must be submitted in writing or by email to a director or the VP of Membership, and no refunds will be granted after June 6, 2008. This Marching Band fee covers costs for dinners during band camp, overnight competitions, 2 pairs of gloves, uniform cleaning, band T-shirts, and group meals as needed. Marching shoes and color guard shoes and accessories are extra.

**Final payment/Fundraising Expectation:** In order to create a budget for the Marching Mustang program that will include equipment, extra staff member salaries, a custom drill package and musical arrangements, etc. Each member will be expected to raise an additional \$100 through fund raising activities (or a 5<sup>th</sup> payment of \$100). Fund raising activities are available throughout the year and include opportunities such as Market Day, Plant Sale, candy bar sale, etc. This must be completed by October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008, and will be deducted from student accounts. Payment may be substituted in lieu of fund raising.

Thanks to everyone who has completed all of their Marching Band paperwork for the upcoming season! It is mandatory for us to have a Marching Mustang Intent form, Contract, and Medical Information Form on file for each one of our students. If you have not completed these forms and turned in, please do so immediately. **All students must have fees paid and all forms turned in before Band Camp.** All forms and payments can be placed in the band mailbox or mailed to:

Craig Roselieb, Band Director  
Downers Grove South High School  
1436 Norfolk  
Downers Grove, IL 60516-2600

## Marching Mustang Music Bowl

You might be asking yourself how you can help make this wonderful event happen....Here's how. Help up find sponsors to defray the cost of our annual extravaganza. If you work for a large, medium or small business, you can approach whoever makes charitable donations in you company to become a sponsor for our Music Bowl and help music students and their education. It's not hard. Just think about your student and what it takes to put our award-winning marching band on the field for football games and competitions. It takes a lot of your student's effort as well as a lot of your hard-earned money.

Here's a way to make it a little easier for everybody. For each sponsorship that we receive, 10% of the money is designated to the student account for the student responsible for bringing in the sponsorship. So, just think of who you know at your company or friends you have working in larger corporations who might be interested in helping support music education. We can provide materials to support our arguments that music improves student test scores and helps to improve their lives. Just ask Lynn, this year's Music Bowl Chair, at 630-964-6377 or [Exec-Bowl@MustangBandBoosters.com](mailto:Exec-Bowl@MustangBandBoosters.com)  
(And don't miss the articles in this issue of Fanfare on Music Bowl Volunteers and Program Ads!)

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

**Saturday, October  
18, 2008**

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

## Music Bowl Volunteers

In case you're one of those people who have to fill your calendar for the year, look no further! Our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Music Bowl will take place on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and, of course, we need VOLUNTEERS! Please look over the following list and think about what area look like a fit for you! Contact Kathy Gabric or Lynn Strantz at [bowl-volunteers@mustangbandboosters.com](mailto:bowl-volunteers@mustangbandboosters.com) with any questions or to sign up for a position. Visit us at the Parent Social on Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and we will gladly give you more information.



Parking	Ticket Booth	Concessions
Stadium	Unit Movement	Hospitality
RN/Paramedic	Video and Photography	

## Music Bowl Program Book

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 18<sup>th</sup>. 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 Cheri Kirkpatrick at [Bowl-Program@MustangBandBoosters.com](mailto:Bowl-Program@MustangBandBoosters.com) or 630-964-8242 if you have any questions.

**Thank you in advance for your support!**

## Market Day June 14<sup>th</sup>

**Order Cut Off Date:** Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> by noon

**Pick Up** June 14<sup>th</sup> 9:30 – 10:30am in the DGS Cafetorium

Purchasing Market Day is an easy and tasty way to add money to your band student's account. When you purchase Market Day items in the months of June – September, November-December and February and April you can direct 10% of your purchases to your band student's account by including your band student's name with your order. Ordering is easy! Go to [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) to place your order. The deadline for placing an online order is noon on the Wednesday before pick-up. Subscribe to either the "Alumni and Friends" or "Everyone" mailing list on the Mustang Band Booster web site to receive reminders regarding Market Day dates, and pick up times.

Students looking for band service points by helping the day of the sale please email us at [Gen-MarketDay@MustangBandBoosters.com](mailto:Gen-MarketDay@MustangBandBoosters.com).

### June Specials

Pie is sweeter than ever when it's FREE. Customers that purchase any 3 items on the front of the June order guide will receive a FREE Deep Dish Apple Pie!

Get grillin' with these great grilling specials:

1121 Flat Iron Steaks

1208 Teriyaki Steak Kabobs

3148 Italian-Style Chicken Kabobs

1226 Bacon Wrapped Ranch Tournedos

1661 1/3 lb steak patties

1117 Filet of Sirloin

1204 Bacon Wrapped Ranch Steaks

1090 Deli-Style Kosher Hot Dogs

New in June – Broccoli & Cheese Side Dish #8182

Visit [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) to see the great selection of Market Day foods!

Laura Feste & Genelle Williams

Market Day Co-Chairs

## PLANT SALE

A BIG thank you to everyone who came out early on Saturday May 3rd to help: unload the truck, organize the plants, pull orders, help load plants into cars, and be available as needed. Also, thanks to everyone for your patience and understanding as we hunted down your order! According to the latest calculations, this fundraiser brought in about \$8,000 profit.

This year we also opened the sale to any choir or orchestra member. Student participation was as follows: 12 choir students earned about \$210 and choir boosters made about \$160; 8 orchestra students earned about \$290 and FOFA made about \$165; and 70 band students earned over \$4,000 - as did the Boosters.

Thanks again for everyone's patience and understanding with the late truck delivery. Each year we try to improve on the prior year and learn lessons from what happened. At this rate - next year's sale should be AMAZING!!

Karen Rooney & Mike Klimczak

[Gen-Plants@MustangBandBoosters.com](mailto:Gen-Plants@MustangBandBoosters.com)

***“Mustang Volunteers work so their kids may play.”***

This year for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade DGS is responsible for distributing water to the Band at the end of the Darien parade and is responsible for the collection of the District band shirts at the conclusion of the Downers Grove parade. We will need volunteers to distribute water at the end of the Darien parade, be water spritzers during both parades (a great way for new parents to begin their volunteer activities) and we need people to collect and wash a load of band shirts after the Downers Grove parade. This is a couple of months away, but if you think you may be able to volunteer please mark July 4<sup>th</sup> on your calendar.

August will be here before you know it and -- of course August means band camp. Band camp will begin on August 10, 2008 and run through August 15, 2008. Please keep a look out for communications for volunteer opportunities during our annual week of camp. Keep us in mind—we need you to make camp run smoothly and efficiently.

Finally, I want to thank Alice Luetger for allowing me to help her over this past band season. Thank you, Alice, for all your wisdom and encouragement over the past year. I will try to maintain the standard you have set.

Please check our website at [www.mustangbandboosters.com](http://www.mustangbandboosters.com) for more information on these upcoming activities. Contact Michael Hutton with questions or to reserve your space at any of these events at [Exec-Volunteers@MustangBandBoosters.com](mailto:Exec-Volunteers@MustangBandBoosters.com).

*The breeze, the trees, the honey bees - All volunteers!*

*~Juliet Carinreap.*

Mike Hutton

**SEVEN BLOSSOM RUSH ~ SHOW SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST**

This contest is entering its 4th year, and is open to any student, group of students, or student and parent combination affiliated with the 2008-2009 Marching Mustangs. The design will be printed on both a Season Show Shirt (included in Marching Band fees) for the students and a Special Edition Parent Season/Music Bowl T-shirt. The back of the shirt will have the season calendar and a header logo in Mustang blues. Other variations on this theme may also be submitted

More details will be listed on the entry form, which your student should be receiving during the June mini camp rehearsals. Also, information will be available on the booster website ~ [www.mustangbandboosters.com](http://www.mustangbandboosters.com). The deadline for submitting designs to the band mailbox is Thursday July 3rd. Any questions, please contact Kristen Meek at [Gen-Merchandise@MustangBandBoosters.com](mailto:Gen-Merchandise@MustangBandBoosters.com).

## Thank You to Our 2007 Music Bowl Supporters!

Each year we are so fortunate to have businesses that believe in the value of music education and are willing to support the Music Bowl by becoming Sponsors, making In-Kind Donations or purchasing Music Bowl Program Ads. The next time you visit one of these establishments, please take a moment to thank them for their support of the Marching Mustangs and the Music Bowl. We hope that by showing our gratitude and support of their business, they will continue to consider us for their donations.

All Star Printing of Wheaton	Michael David Samel Spirit of Music Fund
American Band Camp	Midas
Anthony Bartolomucci DDS	Midwest Optometric Services PC.
Barone's	Monaghan Insurance, Inc
Barry Booth DDS MS	O'Flaherty & Wascher DDS
Beautiful Music	Ouska's Carpet Cleaning
Bernie Reusz, DDS	Pamela Johnson DDS MS
Bob Rogers Travel	Papa's Pizza Place
Brookhaven Plaza Merchants Assc.	Printsmart
Brookhaven Travel Ctr. Inc.	Pump Supply Inc.
Burr Ridge Veterinary Clinic	Quinlan & Fabish Music Co.
CDR Printing Inc	Richard F. Callahan DDS, LTD
Celebrity Dance Studios, Inc.	Robert F. Girgis DDS
Christine Hughes	Rooftech Systems Inc.
Classy Tickets	Roundhead's
Comprehensive Home Maintenance	Salon Aria
Continental Motors Group	Sam Ash
Cozzi Corner Hot Dogs & Beef	Selden Fox, LTD
Curves	Select Cut Steakhouse
D.G. Conservatory of Music	Signs by Tomorrow
District 66 Bands	Skuddlebutt's
Doggie Diner	Sound Check D.J.
Douglas Main Pharmacy	Sports Specialities
Dr. Stephen T. Jagielo	St. John Lutheran Church
Edible Arrangements of Darien	St. John Lutheran Early Learning Center
Every Day's a Sundae	Starbucks Coffee
Family Image	State Farm Ins. - Ruth Mayer
FOFA	Steven's Family Restaurant
Freeborn & Peters LLP	Super Cuts on 75 <sup>th</sup>
Grove Travel	Tai San Chef
Hinsbrook Bank & Trust	Teddy's Red Hots
Holy Cow Sports	The Band Mans Company
Indian Boundary YMCA	The Cavaliers
Italia Allegra	The Clay Studio
Jama Contemporary Paintings	The Fireplace Inn
Joe Pepitone Realtors	Top Deck Cards
Lang's Auto Service	Tower Dental Associates, PC
Lord of the Fly	Unforgettable Smiles, LTD
mb financial	VanGuard Tours, Inc.
Meadowbrook Barber Shop	Village of Bolingbrook
Mendoza Family	Village of Downers Grove Community Grants