

DHS CHORAL DEPARTMENT

Director's Report

9/18/12

Activities:

Tee It Up For The Troops - DHS once again provided a National Anthem Singer for the local fundraiser on Aug 27th benefiting the troops returning from service. Megan Koch did a beautiful job representing the Choral Department!

Nestle-Beich candy bars - are currently being sold. \$5500 worth were ordered and delivered on Aug 30th. Due to large order and the promise of steady orders during the rest of the year, Jay Presley (candy man) offered the choir 50% profit instead.

Football Game Concessions - Thank you to the huge turnout for running the football concession stand at the first home game on Sept 31st!!! We had 33 students profit their trip accounts due to their hard work and our fabulous parents who volunteered to help. We even made over \$100 in tips!!! The athletic booster parents thanked us for being so organized and willing to work hard. Said we were the best group ever to help out! GO TEAM!!!

Football National Anthem Singers - (in order) Makenzie King Aug 31st, Andrew Jensen Sept 7th, All State Quintet Sept 21st, and the Senior Choir Oct. 5th. As in past years, individual students selected to sing were IMEA competitors from last fall; either selectees to the festival, alternates or sophomores passed over.

AIDA!!! - 26 students, accompanied by Mrs. Iadipaulo, traveled to Eastlight Theater to see Tim Rice & Elton John's "AIDA". DHS was well represented on stage as well! David Brown '11, Eric Motyl '11, Farris Abou-Hanna '12, Taylor Hoerr, Sarah Neuhaus, Rebecca Andrews, Remi Hoerr, and Lance Heffner-Taylor (former DVMS) all did a fabulous job and we were so proud of them! Alex Heffner Taylor '12, Robin Hunt and Ms. Reece were also on production staff for the show.

TJ's PIZZA sale - Orders forms were distributed last week and are due back to Ms. Reece no later than 3rd hour on September 20th. Incomplete (missing money) and late orders will not be processed as the order will be faxed in on Thursday afternoon. All checks should be made payable to DHS Music Boosters. Profit is 40% per pie sold **IF** we sell 100 pizzas minimum.

Sell Sell Sell!!!

IMEA Practice at Bradley University - The annual sing with Dr. Jost will be September 18th. Students will rehearse and receive audition tips on procedure and requirements from District #2 personnel. Bus leaves at 5:15pm and should return around 9:30. Students need to bring a water bottle and all their music.

Anthem at the Soccer Game - Required Performance for all Choirs, September 25th afterschool. We will be wearing "Dunlap Wear"; anything that says Dunlap or is maroon/gold. Students off campus competing in a fall sport are excused, students practicing in fall sport are expected to perform and then return to their practice.

IMEA - (All State) auditions will be held at Geneseo on Oct 6th. Music has already been delivered. CD's and extra rehearsals will be available afterschool til 5; Junior Chorus Mon & Fri, Senior Chorus Tues & Thurs.

Correspondence:

Proctor Hospital Auxiliary Luncheon requested Madrigals to sing on Dec 13th - accepted

Rick Moll from WMBD has invited the Madrigals to sing on Nov 30th during the program "Living Well" and "Sounds of the Holiday Season" - accepted

Jill Potts requested the Madrigals/Court Singers to sing on Dec 1st for the Crittenton Center "Festival of Trees" - waiting for details

"CAN YOU TAKE ME HIGHER!!!" Colorado Tour 2013:

Purchased vinyl sign to hang at fundraisers with left over Chorus Activity Account \$.

Payment of \$200 is due Sept 20th. Invoices are available to those who are not selling pizzas. Those selling may wait to subtract their pizza profit before turning in their check or may apply it to the next payment in November. Future payment dates are Nov. 20th \$200, Feb 20th \$200, & April 20th remaining balance. **All payments are payable to DHS Music Boosters.**

100 singers are signed up to go to Colorado. We still have a few new students deciding but the cut off will be this week on Friday. Anyone wishing to go on the trip needs to have \$350 in their account on Friday. Cost is still between \$900-\$950. 14 chaperones (beginning at the top of the request list) will be secured within the next month. Cost for a chaperone after booster pays half is around \$550 as they are at the double room rate instead of quad rate. After all student/chaperone seats are sold, extra seats will be sold to any parents and children who would like to travel with us, meals and tickets to all activities that the choir attends would be included. Price varies due to hotel occupancy.

Thank you's!!!!:

All who have volunteered to chaperone the Colorado trip. You may still send me an email if you would like to be added to the list.

The DHS Music Boosters who tirelessly work for the success of our musicians.

Janeen Masih for agreeing to host the 8th Annual Madrigal Volleyball.

Krista Hoerr, who manages the Chorus individual trip accounts AND is also volunteering on the Booster Executive Board.

Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Koch, Mrs. Christensen, Mrs. Brattin, Mrs. Byrne, and Mrs. Anderson for helping out the first week of classes with uniforms.

Miscellaneous Info:

uniform bags were ordered and have been sent home with your singer along with a Chorus uniform. Only 3 dresses had to be ordered. Ladies were each issued a black formal dress. Gentlemen a tux coat, tux pants, tux shirt, black vest, and black tie. Outfits will be worn to all performances unless otherwise communicated.

Men in Chorus need BLACK DRESS SHOES (not black tennis shoes) and black socks for performances. Men in Show Choir will need black dance shoes as well.

Women in Chorus need CLOSED TOED BLACK DRESS SHOES. Women in Show Choir will need black character shoes as well.

Concert donations - \$2 donations will be collected before every concert at DHS. Profits from concerts range between \$400-\$800+ and help support the Music Boosters efforts to raise chaperone money for Colorado.

New Business:

NEEDED: Chorus parents to chair and help organize fundraisers. The more help we have, the more opportunity our kids have to earn \$. Mrs. Young and Mrs. Byrne are the only two I have heard from so far willing to help out.

Bergner's fundraiser - Is anyone willing to look into this? Easy money!!! Sell coupon books worth over \$10 for \$5 each. Student profit is 100%.

Cheesecake Fundraiser - Need some parents to volunteer to head this fundraiser. The company will come and do a tasting for us, could do it at the next Booster Meeting? Then we could sell in time for pre-Thanksgiving delivery. I have contact info.

Greens fundraiser - Chorus student profits their individual accounts this year.

Restaurant Fundraisers - Watch for the next opportunity to support the music department!

Questions or comments?

Please contact Ms. Reece via email

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