

DHS CHORAL DEPARTMENT

Director's Report

11/1/16

Activities:

Fall Choral Concert - Concert Donations add up quick as \$1016 was raised at the door. Much appreciation to our guest performers and parent volunteers at both concerts.

Senior Night @ the Football Game: The senior choir members sang the National Anthem on Oct. 21st at the game. They did a terrific job!

Youth In Harmony: "T.B.A." traveled to Bloomington October 27th to participate in the Youth In Harmony Barbershop Festival. The boys were definitely a favorite during their session. After a long day of a cappella, the boys sang at Kristy Kreme for a dozen free donuts!!

Nestle-Beich candy bars - are still being sold. \$6704 worth have been ordered (\$3352 profit) and delivered so far. The next order will be placed mid-November. Please send new orders soon.

Flower Power - Is a wrap. \$292 profit came off of the online sale and \$765.50 profit was earned in catalogue sales for a total off \$1057.5!!! Way to go gang!! Orders should be arriving in your mailbox this week and next. Happy planting!

Bergners Coupons - \$1030 has been profited so far with a few stragglng coupon booklets left to be turned in. A big thank you to Mrs. Fant, Mrs. Middleton, & Mrs. Hallman for manning the in store table and rallying the kids to sell. Remember to redeem your coupons next week!

Cheesecake Fundraiser - We sold 172 pies for \$1032 profit! Cheesecake will be delivered on Nov 4th at 1PM. Parents are needed to organize the orders/distribute to students as they leave school Friday. A reminder: all cheesecakes need to be put into a freezer as soon as possible.

Music Booster Greens Fundraiser - Sales totals are not available yet, but a challenge was issued to the choirs for top seller and choir with the most sales. More details to come! 😊

ISU Madrigal Festival - The Madrigals will attend the Illinois State University Madrigal Festival on Friday Nov. 11th. Students will perform for a clinician and receive feedback/suggestions, while also getting to hear other area Madrigal groups. Upon returning to Dunlap, all members of "Madrigal Knight" will move the castle from the storage unit on Allen back to DHS. Trailer drivers are needed.

ILMEA Results- 34 chorus students will be attending the festival on November 12th at Augustana College. Schedules and information are being sent home later this week.

Mid-Illini Madrigals – DHS hosts this year's Mid-Illini Madrigal Festival. Madrigal groups from Washington, Canton, Limestone, & Metamora will take the stage on Nov 21st at 7PM, performing a sampling of their music for upcoming Madrigal dinners. The concert is free and open to the public. Cookie reception will be held in commons following the performance.

Correspondence:

DHS Chorus will provide a National Anthem soloist for the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Schnuck's on Knoxville next week.

DHS Chorus Alum Kelsey Ernst "10 contacted the Madrigals/Court Singers about caroling during the Forest Park Nature Center's Shop & Stroll. The kids will be singing Friday Dec. 9th from 6-7. After a long day on the MAD/JAZZ Tour, performing at all 5 Dunlap elementary buildings, the District Office, Adam's Mordue Movers, and the Illinois Cancer Center, the parents will get together to feed the singers an evening meal before sending them back out for one more performance. 'Tis The Season!!

"GEORGIA ON MY MIND" Choir Tour 2017:

- Payment of \$200 is due Nov. 20th. Invoices will be sent home in early November. Those fundraising may wait to subtract their profits before turning in their check or may apply it to the next payment in February. Future payment dates are Feb 20th \$200, & April 20th remaining balance. **All payments are payable to DHS Music Boosters.**
- 90 singers, 12 chaperones, and 2 directors are committed to go to Georgia. Cost is \$1060 per student.
- An updated itinerary has been posted on www.eaglemusic.net. Plans have begun to secure performance venues and activities.
- 12 chaperones have been secured; 8 students per adult. Cost for a chaperone after Music Boosters pays half around \$625 for double room rate instead of the student quad rate.

Thank you's!!!!:

Sarah Seymour, Rebecca Crumrine, Steve Gokool, Aaron Jones, Jason Shea, Rosemary Ardner, and Justin Bainter for performing on our Fall Concert. We are so fortunate to have such gifted professionals to work with. Also many thanks to Adam Raso, Lydia Curry, Anya Porter, Brandon Jones, and Megan Troglío for lending their expertise to a successful performance.

"Madrigal Knight" Chairpersons who volunteered to serve and lead! Thank you so much!!!

The DHS Music Boosters who are providing lunch for the ILMEA kids at their festivals.

Mrs. Raso and her crew who jumped in to organize dinner for the Madrigals & Court Singers before the Forest Nature Park performance.

Mrs. Fant, Mrs. Middleton, Mrs. Hallman, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Wurtzbacher, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. McFadden, Mr. & Mrs. George, Mrs. Gross, and Mrs. Dugan who have stepped forward to work on fundraisers. We have the BEST parents!!!

All who have volunteered to chaperone the Georgia trip. We can't go without you!!!

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

Krista & Bruce Hoerr, who manage the Chorus individual trip accounts AND also volunteer on the Music Booster Executive Board.

Miscellaneous Info:

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 Savannah and other projects supported by the Boosters.

New Business:

Would Music Boosters support us with cookies, cocoa (?), napkins, and cups for the Mid-Illini Madrigal Festival? We would need volunteers to help set prepare and set up before the concert and then help tear down afterwards. APPROVED!! 😊

Update on the ILMEA students chosen to attend Music Festivals on November 12th and 19th. There are 46 total students going this year: 23 chorus, 7 band, and 16 string.

STILL NEEDED: Chorus parents to chair and help organize fundraisers. The more help we have, the more opportunity our kids have to earn \$.

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

TJ's Pizza Sale - Coming up soon. 40% profit if we sell 100 pies.

Yankee Candle Fundraiser - Coming soon! This was a great seller for the last trip. Prices are similar to the stores and kids get 40% profit. Wonderful for gift giving!

Driven Coffee & 31 Bags - Looking into a coffee sale and bag sale after Winter Break.

Questions or comments?

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