

# DHS CHORAL DEPARTMENT

## Director's Report

10/4/16

### Activities:

Fall Choral Concert - coming up Thursday Oct 13<sup>th</sup> at both 1:45 PM and 7:00 PM. Students will be able to sit in on the matinee performance as part of our choral curriculum. Parents, family and friends are also welcome to attend a much less crowded performance with better access to seating and parking. Call for students that evening is 6:30PM, dressed and ready. There is a \$2 donation at the door.

Senior Night @ the Football Game: All Chorus Seniors will be singing the National Anthem on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> at the game. Come on out and support them and the band at the last home game.

Youth In Harmony: "T.B.A." will travel to Bloomington October 27<sup>th</sup> to participate in the Youth In Harmony Barbershop Festival. The boys will get to work with professionals in the field and practice/perform with 200+ other singers "barbershop" style. The Concert is at the Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts at 6:30PM. Tickets are \$5.

Nestle-Beich candy bars - are still being sold. \$4984 worth have been ordered and delivered so far. The next order will be placed in mid-October. Please send in new orders soon.

Flower Power - Is wrapping up. Forms were due yesterday to Ms. Reece, though online orders are still being accepted for the next week or so. This is a 50% profit sale.

Bergners Coupons - 49 students are currently selling Bergner's Coupons. Profit is 100%!!! (\$5 per booklet sold). So far \$200 has been raised!! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Fant, Mrs. Middleton, or Mrs. Hallman. Keep going, sale continues until Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>!!!

ILMEA Results- (All State) auditions were held at Geneseo on Oct 1<sup>st</sup>. We are very excited to have 19 students in the Senior Chorus and 15 students in the Junior Chorus. The festival is on November 12<sup>th</sup> at Augustana College.

### Correspondence:

Due to a complication with the date of performance, Madrigals & Court Singers are no longer able to sing for Northwoods Community Church "Seniors Connection" in Dec. ☹️ We will try to get there next year.

Lee Fosburgh informed us that a copy write snag has prevented "T.B.A." from participating in the documentary for the Caterpillar Mixed Chorus 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

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. 9<sup>th</sup> 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. 20<sup>th</sup>. 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 20<sup>th</sup> \$200, & April 20<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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 is around \$625 for double room rate instead of the quad rate.

## Thank you's!!!!:

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

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

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.

Mrs. Lewis who is still working on a number of uniform repairs and has provided meals for the kids in Theater and Madrigals on their double duty nights. Shout out to "Mama Lew"!!!!

## Miscellaneous Info:

uniform bags have been sent home. Ladies were each issued a black formal dress. Gentlemen are assigned a tux coat, tux pants, tux shirt, black vest, and black tie. Outfits will be worn to

all performances unless otherwise communicated. Please check to make sure everything sent home fits and is in good repair. Let Ms. Reece now IMMEDIATELY if there is an issue.

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. (not boots or "toms", please) 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 Savannah and other projects supported by the Boosters.

## New Business:

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

Requested that the Music Boosters would again agree to buy lunch for the ILMEA students at the Music and Jazz Festivals on November 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at the \$8 per student rate. There are 23 chorus, 7 band, (tbd) string students attending festivals this year.

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

Bagging Groceries/Car Wash? - We have done these things in the past. Anyone have contacts and/or interested in spearheading?

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

Bergner's fundraiser - Easy money!!! Sell coupon books worth over \$10 in savings for only \$5 each. Student profit is 100%. We are selling booklets at our Fall Concert Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> and at Bergner's on Oct 15, 22, & 29. Please contact Mrs. Fant if you would like to help sell at a table. We've made \$170 already!!!

Cheesecake Fundraiser - Starts Oct. 12-24. The company will send samples to share at the October Booster meeting to get everybody excited. Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> delivery in time for holidays.

Yankee Candle Fundraiser - Not set up yet, but this was a great seller for the last trip. Prices are similar to the stores and kids get 40% profit. Wonderful for gift giving!

Greens fundraiser - Chorus student profit into their individual accounts this year! Let's sell!

**Questions or comments?**

**Please contact Ms. Reece via email**

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