



Plant Sale is a Blooming Success!

The annual Mustang Band Boosters Plant Sale was a great success this year, topping last year's total sales by more than \$ 2000! One-half of the profits received went to the Boosters and the other half went towards your individual student accounts. Thank you to all who ordered in the depths of late winter when Spring seemed like months away, and to those who gave up an early Saturday morning to unload the truck, pull orders and unite the plants with their new owners. The quality of the plants and hanging baskets was just outstanding again this year. If you missed ordering this year, be sure to look for the order form next year – orders are due around Spring Break with pickup typically Mother's Day weekend. Enjoy those blooms all summer long!!



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Director's Letter

What were you looking for this year in Band? Was it a new instrument? A great piece of music performed to perfection? A connection with new friends? A chat in the office over a cup of Starbucks? I was looking to improve on my record as an enthusiastic band director and I have the members of the band program to thank for making that a reality. Time after time, I have experienced moments of deeper understanding and have felt a connection between the music and the students. Hearing the Jazz Ensemble at the Hinsdale Golf Club, and conducting the Wind Ensemble at ISU. Seeing the enthusiasm of Concert Band onstage before the curtain opens, and watching the indoor percussion ensemble clown around to rhythmic precision. These are but a few of the joys and triumphs of the year.

Parents, students and families of our band program, please accept my thanks for all you have done and will continue to do to support our program. Each student has benefited from the thoughtfulness of our many booster officers and volunteers, especially our outgoing Band Booster President, Betty Wakerly, and outgoing Music Bowl Chair, Barb Baxter. As I said at the spring banquet, I've been doing this 19 years now, and I feel blessed to be a part of each group of people that comes through the program. I cherish the connections each of you have made with our program, and I am reminded of these riches each time I see an alumni come back to visit, or a former band parent at the check-out line in Jewel. It is my hope for the students of the class of 2004 that you have learned from me at least a fraction of what I have learned from you over the past four years.

Looking ahead to the summer, I am extremely excited about the music for the upcoming marching band competition season. As a Cubs fan, I haven't been this enthusiastic about a marching band show concept since 1995 when we did a Star Trek show. I wish you all a restful summer of peaceful fun, a bit of practice on your instrument now and then, and when the Cubs and the White Sox make it to the World Series next fall, then we can truly talk about how much different the world could be. For now, thanks again for making music with us this year!



Thanks to our German Hosts

A big thank you to all the families who hosted a German band student this spring. Their visit was a great experience for all involved. The concert provided some glimpses into the band world on the other side of the globe, and we can feel better that after three tries, we finally tied the Germans in a soccer game. We will look forward to sending the District 99 Orchestra to Germany next summer.

~Craig Roselieb

A Note from the President...



Thank you for electing me. I am very excited about serving our band booster program as your new president and look forward to working with all our new board members and the many returning members. I really appreciate all of your time and talent.

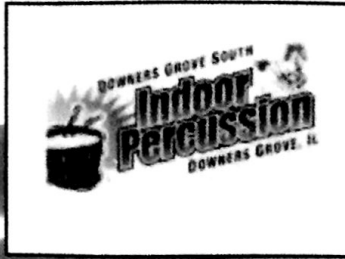
A big "Mustang Band Welcome" to all of our new families, I encourage you to become part of our "Mustang Band Family"; our program is truly a rewarding experience. You are personally invited to get to know us at our parent social, June 17th just outside the band room. Another great way to get to know us and have a lot of fun is to jump right in and volunteer your talents. We have so many opportunities; I hope you will browse our website at www.mustangbandboosters.com to get a glimpse of what we do. Please send me an email if you have any questions or see anything you would like to do. We especially need a "Water" chairperson - to distribute water bottles to marching mustangs after performances and a "Butter Braid" chairperson - it's a yummy job, but somebody's got to do it! Take a look at the fundraisers page of our website for this and other fundraiser descriptions.

While you're at our website, be sure to sign up for the various email lists so you'll receive information from the band directors and various board members regarding our marching band, concert bands, booster activities and various calendar updates. You must subscribe to receive these important emails; please look for this feature under the "About MBB" tab on our home page.

As the school year comes to a close, please remember to keep your band paperwork, email and payments up to date. We need all your registration forms and payments for the upcoming school year as soon as possible. This includes registration and fee payments for all the 2004-05 concert bands, student medical forms, the appropriate marching band fees, and scheduled London trip payments. All of these forms and information are available on the band website www.csd99.k12.il.us/south/music/, completed forms and payments can be deposited in the band room booster mailbox.

Have a wonderful and safe summer,
Sandy Liedtke
E-President@mustangbandboosters.com





2004 Indoor Percussion

Indoor Percussion 2004 Winter Guard International Events

New Albany, IN Regional	Feb. 14, 2004	Score: 69.7
Goshen, IN Regional	March 6, 2004	71.5
Dayton, OH Regional	March 27-28, 2004	78.3

Congratulations to the 2004 Indoor Percussion for a fine season!

Financial Fees and Deadlines

Please be reminded to stay on top of your London Trip payments. Coupons can be found on the website, and payments should be mailed to Nancy Warmoth over the summer as indicated on the coupons. The final payment for our Marching Mustangs is due on June 7, and no refunds will be issued after June 11, 2004.

Music isn't just learning notes and playing them, you learn notes to play to the music of your soul.
 ~ Katie Greenwood

2004 MARCHING MUSTANG MUSIC BOWL

Mark your calendars, Saturday September 25th is the third annual Marching Mustang Music Bowl. We are looking forward to a full house of some of the top bands performing their show here at Downers Grove South. The highlight of the evening will be the guest performance of

The Illinois State's "Big Red Marching Machine".

We would also like to welcome ConAgra Foods as a sponsor. They will be supplying the majority of the food we will be selling in our concession stand this year. Thank you to Barbara Schmitt for arranging this for our band. If you or your company is interested in sponsoring the Music Bowl, please contact Constance Markham.

An event of this magnitude needs the support of our whole program. Terry Kopytko, our volunteer chair will be looking for help. Please get in touch with her if you are interested. She will be contacting many of our parents in the weeks before the event. "Working" the Bowl an enjoyable opportunity that you don't want to miss.

If you have any questions, or need to contact any of our chairs, please visit the Mustang web site. Our email links are under: About MBB, Purpose/Roster.... Scroll down, and there we are. We'll see you at the Bowl!

Music Bowl Ads

On the evening of September 25, 2004 our community will be filled with the sound of marching bands playing their best. There will be color and pageantry that is awesome to watch. Each spectator will be holding a program book filled with ads of merchants who show their support of our band. This doesn't happen alone or overnight. The bowl and its financial success depend on our students and their families to ask the places they shop, doctors they visit, companies where they work for their support of our program. Many of our merchants are happy to contribute, but they need to be asked. We are asking you to do that. Ad forms are available online and in the band room. The cost of the ad can be a little as \$40.00 for a 1/8th of page, to \$250.00 for a full-page ad. We also offer sponsorships that entitles merchants to "goodies."

As a special incentive to our students we will be having a weekly drawing of donated items. Each student that sells an ad, or brings in a sponsorship will be eligible for the drawing. The more ads, the more chances to win. In the end our band program will be the biggest winner.





Pre-Camp Dinners

On June 8 and 10 the Marching Mustangs will be having their pre-camp. The booster will be serving dinners on both days. I will be needing volunteers to help organize food and to serve at these dinners. You would probably need to be at school to serve and clean up between 4:30 and 6:00. Anyone who can lend a hand, please contact me at social@mustangbandboosters.com or by phone at 852-9135. Thank you! Nancy Poch, Social Activities Chair.

Uniform Notes

All members of the Marching Mustangs will need to remember that they must purchase their own black socks to wear with their band uniforms. Also, be sure to bring your marching shoes and socks for the Memorial Day parade. Thank you!

A special thanks to all of the volunteers who dedicated time helping with uniform fittings May 15, 18 and 20. We were pleased to have many parent helpers, including several new band parents, who all contributed to making fittings run quickly and smoothly



Memorial Day Parade in Downers Grove

The Marching Mustangs will be marching in the Downers Grove parade on Monday, May 31st.

Students should arrive at DGS at 8:30 am to change into uniform and will travel to the parade by bus at 9:15 am. The parade begins at 10:00 am, down Main Street and concludes at Fishel Park with a Memorial Day service. The students will be bussed back to DGS to change out of uniform and will be dismissed by 12 noon that day.

DRUMLINE must report to school at 7:45 to perform at the Woodridge Service before the DG Parade.

4th of July Parade Date Change

Due to the change in the calendar in Downers Grove, we will only be participating in the July 4th parade in Downers Grove on Sunday, July 4th. Our participation in the Darien parade on July 3rd has been cancelled.

Students should attend the two rehearsals: Wed. June 16 at DGN 6:30-9:00pm and Wed. June 30 at DGS 6:30-9:00pm. Dress for the parade is dark blue shorts (khaki style only!!), white socks and white gym shoes. Wear a white t-shirt or tank top, and students will be given a red polo District 99 shirt for the parade. Report time is 12:00 noon at the intersection of Main Street, just north of the tracks in front of the Tivoli theatre.

Marching Mustang Social June 17th 8-10 p.m. at the Band Room, and Outdoor Patio

We would like to invite all Marching Mustang parents and their siblings to an informal social/information evening. This is your opportunity have a glass of lemonade, say hi to other parents you usually only see at football games, and to gather some information about the marching band program. We would especially like to welcome our "freshman" parents. Many of our chairs will be available to answer any questions you might have. There will be door prizes, and goodies served. Come and join us, we would love to say hi!

Market Day



There are lots of opportunities during the summer to get a head start on your fundraising goals! The June Market Day pickup takes place on Saturday, June 12th from 9-10 am. Volunteers may come as early as 7:30 am to unload the truck and pull orders. Online orders are due by noon on Wednesday June 9th at www.marketday.com. The July Market Day pickup takes place on Saturday July 17th from 9:30-10:30. Volunteers may come at 8:15 to help. Online orders are due by noon on July 14th at www.marketday.com. The August Market Day pickup takes place on Saturday August 14th from 9:30-10:30. Volunteers may come at 8:15 am to help.

Mom & Dad, We're out of that stuff from Christmas – think SCHOOLSHARE!

Sound like a familiar complaint? Whether it's that new "promise of youth" cream from Avon.com, wrapping paper from Hallmark.com or general stuff you just need from Target.com or Kohls.com – if you start your on-line shopping from SchoolShare (a Market Day partner) the Band Boosters receive an automatic rebate ranging, on average, from 3-8%. And these are just a few of the almost 150 on-line retailers available to you. Simple as that – nothing extra to buy, no gimmicks, no leaning on your neighbors and friends. Once you enter your Market day user name and password, it sends you right to the on-line retailer in one easy step. If you're not already a Market Day customer, just click on "New Customer." Try it, you'll like it!

Let's Make Noise, Mustang Bands Apparel New Offerings

If you missed placing your MAKE NOISE order for our new screen-printed merchandise, look for another opportunity again in August thru September. We have, back for an encore presentation, the very popular dark grey hoodies with the MAKE NOISE, Marching Mustangs logo. Additionally, there are logo-adorned light blue hoodies, and grey and blue tanks, and T's. Due to the screen-print, we must place a minimum order, but don't forget about our extensive line of embroidered logo apparel that can be ordered at any time all summer long. To check out both pictures and order forms, just go to <http://www.shop.mustangbandbooster.com/> and choose your favorites to enjoy all summer and fall.



Don't Miss this year's Fun-Filled Heritage Fest

This 3 day annual festival of food and fun, Friday to Sunday (June 25-27), in downtown Downers Grove is something you don't want to miss. Our local street fair is filled with food vendors, carnival rides, plenty of entertainment and a great opportunity for our **MARCHING MUSTANGS** to give back to the community. The Village of Downers Grove will make a nice donation to our **MARCHING MUSTANGS** for student volunteers in 3 hour shifts to monitor the vendor booths for compliance with Festival regulations.

Hand in hand with the students will be the **MUSTANG BANDS BOOTH** displaying audio and visual wonders from all the 2003-04 DGS performance groups while parent volunteers hawk ice cold soft drinks and water for the festival-goers.

A new feature this year will be the chance for each and every student and parent volunteer to be entered in our drawings to win a "Student Night Out" or a "Parent Night Out" package of gift certificates to local eateries and entertainment spots.

Another new feature this year will be the **MUSTANG BANDS Fortune Cookie Jar**. A donation to our **BANDS** will award each donor a fortune cookie with the possibility of winning 2 tickets to the 3rd Annual Music Bowl (September 25th) or a free beverage.

Student sign up sheets are posted in the Band Room. Parents are urged to contact Renata at 241-1784 or RJA1107@comcast.net with their availability.

Congratulations to the Barnas, Legels and Nancy Poch for stepping up and grabbing those primo spots right after April's mailing.

2004 Award Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at the Band Banquet on April 30:

John Philip Sousa Band Award
Jackie Fischer

Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Award
Stephanie Hardwidge

Louis Armstrong Jazz Award
Ryan Bennett

**Alan D. Roselieb Outstanding
Band Student Award**
Jackie Fischer

**Downers Grove South
Jazz Soloist Award**
Jeff Starr

**Downers Grove South
Indoor Percussion Award**
**Emily Harrison and
James Hornor**

**Downers Grove South
Color Guard Award**
Molly Brese

Concert Band I
Most Valuable Player
Amy O'Dell

Concert Band II
Most Valuable Player
James Markham

Symphonic Band
Most Valuable Player
Chris Gregory

Wind Symphony
Most Valuable Player
Mark Russell

Wind Ensemble
Most Valuable Player
Krystina Sorwell

Jazz Lab Band
Most Valuable Player
Jim Klonowski

Jazz Band III
Most Valuable Player
Erin Novak

Jazz Ensemble
Most Valuable Player
Jordan Anderson

Marching Band
Most Valuable Player
Jeff Johnson

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The following students were named as \$100 scholarship winners for their solo performances at the DGS Solo and Ensemble Contest on March 20:

Concert Band I	Sam Barna
Concert Band II	Fredericke Bathe
Symphonic Band	Chris Gregory
Wind Symphony	Dan Mueller
Wind Ensemble	Casey Conger

**Congratulations to the following students
who were selected to the
2003-2004 IMEA District and All-State Ensembles**

District Jazz Bands

Smith Powell, Bass – Jazz Choir Combo
Jeff Picel, Piano – Jazz III
Brandon Bokowski, Trombone – Jazz IV
Mike Knepper, Alto Sax – Jazz II
Jeff Johnson, Alto Sax – Jazz II
Brian Saunders, Alto Sax – Jazz IV
John Shepard, Trombone – Jazz III
Jordan Anderson, Trumpet – Jazz I
Ryan Bennett, Trumpet – Jazz II
Casey Conger, Trumpet – Jazz IV
Adam Vollrath, Trombone – Jazz I

District Band

Krystina Sorwell, Flute
Julia Barna – Flute
Sarah Cermak, Flute
Sara Fruehe, Bassoon
Megan Bartlett, Alto Saxophone
Casey Conger, Trumpet
Jordan Anderson, Trumpet
Stephanie Hardwidge, French Horn
Sydney Kelly, Euphonium

District Orchestra

Jackie Fischer, Clarinet
Lauren Baker, Harp
Smith Powell, String Bass

All-State Honors Band

Krystina Sorwell, Flute 8th Chair
Sara Fruehe, Bassoon 3rd Chair
Stephanie Hardwidge, French Horn 3rd Chair
Jackie Fischer, Clarinet 17th Chair

Calendar at a Glance

JUNE

- 3 Madrigal Singers Graduation
Concert 7:30 pm, Auditorium
- 4 Graduation 5 pm WE & WS
- 7 Mustang Band Boosters Meeting
7:30 pm Room D180
- 7 4th Payment Due for Marching
Mustangs- \$100
- 7 Marching Mustangs Freshman
Only Rehearsal 6-9 pm
- 8 Marching Mustangs Pre-Camp
2-10 pm (dinner included)
- 9 Market Day orders due by Noon
Online at www.marketday.com
- 9 Marching Mustangs Freshman
only rehearsal 6-9 pm
- 10 Marching Mustangs Pre-Camp
2-10 pm (dinner included)
- 11 Marching Mustang Payments
NO refunds after this date
- 12 Band Market Day Pick Up
9:30-10:30 am; Help at 8:00 am
- 15 Musical Bowl Committee Meeting
7:30 pm—Faculty Café
- 15 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 16 July 4th Parade Rehearsal #1
6:30-9:00 pm at **DGN**
- 17 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 17 Marching Mustangs Parent Social
8:30-10:00pm,
DGS Music Courtyard
- 20-26 BOA Leadership Camp -
Mandatory for all section leaders
- 22 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 24 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 25-27 Heritage Fest -
Parent/Student Volunteers
- 29 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 30 July 4th Parade Rehearsal #2
6:30-9:00 pm at **DGS**

JULY

- 1 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 4 Downers Grove July 4th Parade
Report to Tivoli Theatre by
12:15 pm
- 13 Music Bowl Committee Meeting
7:30 pm—Faculty Café
- 14 Market Day orders due by Noon
online at www.marketday.com
- 17 Band Market Day Pick Up
9:30-10:30 am, Help at 8:15 am
- 27 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 29 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm

AUGUST

- 2 Mustang Band Boosters Meeting
7:30 pm, Room D180
- 3 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 5 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 10 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 10 Music Bowl Committee Meeting
7:30 pm—Faculty Café
- 11 Market Day orders due by Noon
online at www.marketday.com
- 12 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 14 Band Market Day Pick Up
9:30-10:30 am, help at 8:15 am
- 14 Band Breakfast at Max & Erma's
7:00 -10:00 am
- 15-20 Marching Mustangs Band Camp
Camp Manitoquoa, Frankfort, IL
- 24 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 25 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 26 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 30 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm
- 31 Marching Mustangs Rehearsal
6-10 pm