



BAND AND COLORGUARD BOOSTER NEWSLETTER

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2011

DIRECTOR

Happy New Year! I hope you had an enjoyable Winter Break and had time to spend with friends and family. As you all have heard, the Drumline and Color Guard spent the second week of break rehearsing for the 122nd Tournament of Roses Parade presented by Honda. Although being a part of the Rose Parade again this year was



a great experience, it was definitely a different experience than last years.

As part of the "Up With People", the DL and CG got to experience what it was like to be part of a production that included staging, choreography, singers, international flags carried by 50 people who have never marched before, floats, pyrotechnics, pre-recorded tracks, police motorcycles, Asimo the Robot and Grand Marshall Paula Deen, all of which had to be in place, to the second, during the production for the live feed to



televisions around the globe. The kids put in many extra hours of rehearsal at EDHS to make this happen.

On New Year's Eve, we traveled as a cast to Maranatha High School which is a block from the opening of the parade. We used MHS as our home base. At the stroke of midnight, we had a brief celebration with the EDHS students and UWP cast. We finally had some downtime but we were back up at 1:30am, dressed up in our coats and beanies, and headed up to Orange Grove for a 2am-5am rehearsal with the production staff where we worked out the timing of everything and television crews figured out camera angles.



Once we were done, we headed back to MHS for breakfast and more downtime. Many kids found this time to sleep... but not for long!

At 7:00am we were up as a cast, we created a big circle with the UWP cast and warmed up our bodies and minds with some creative games they do before a show. Then we showed them the EDHS 8-clap and they joined in the excitement of that! At 7:15a we headed back up

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BOOSTER PRESIDENT

Happy New Year! And what a New Year it was – hey, New York may have its ball drop in Times Square, but California opens the New Year with El Dorado leading off the Rose Parade! Speaking as non-drumline, non-colorguard parents, it was great to see El Dorado in the parade the way the rest of the world sees them, from the comfort of the family room couch! And you'll have to ask Mr. Samson how he synchronized the B-2 bomber into the drum cadence; that was awesome!

And let's not forget about the great holiday concert prior to the break. Lots of great holiday music with many fun holiday gift baskets. Thanks to Kelli Llewellyn and her crew for making the night extra fun.

Well we may all be taking a breather here in January, but things will start picking up again as our winter and spring ensembles are getting going. Soon you will be hearing about our concert groups, winterguard, winter drumline, and jazz band. And not to forget -- Hawaii is just around the corner! Remaining payment dates are posted on the website, and we will shortly be providing more details about the trip. Our next booster meeting is Tuesday, February 8th; see you there!

Go Hawks!

John & Sara Sperling

to the staging area at Orange Grove. At this time, people were already flocking to the parade area. This created excitement in all of us. With about 30 minutes to go before the opening, the drumline warmed themselves up by playing their cadences for the grandstands. Needless to say, they "hammed it up" and warmed up the crowd.

Once we completed the opening, we made the turn onto Colorado Blvd. and performed for thousands of people along the grandstands and sidewalks. The Color Guard lined up right behind the drumline, performed their choreography and danced the whole way down the parade route. There was even a point in one of the songs where the drumline broke formation to run out to the sidewalk to high-five spectators and wished them a Happy New Year! Once we completed the parade, we all enjoyed our In-n-Out lunch, loaded the busses and headed for home.

It was a great event and each performer carried themselves with pride and class. Not one student complained throughout this experience and I received many compliments on how talented, well-behaved and appreciative they all were. We should all be proud of how they represented El Dorado HS and our community. Thanks again to all those who helped to make this happen. Although it was a long haul, I'm glad we did it.

Now we have many things to look forward to: Concert Band Season, Winter Guard, Jazz Festivals, Winter Drumline and of course, Hawaii! I am looking forward to everyone's hard work during this next semester.

Sincerely,

Eric Samson, Director



**NEXT BOOSTER MEETING:
TUESDAY, FEB 8, 2010 7:30 P.M
IN THE BAND ROOM.**

UNIFORMS AND GROOMING COMMITTEE

Thank you all for your time and commitment to the uniform committee this season. You have been wonderful to work with and your dedication has been unwavering! Between the Monday night hat cleanings, Thursday uniform sorting, button cleaning, spat cleaning and Saturday grooming all of us have had a full plate and we could not have had the season we had without all your help.

The group we had helping were: Mona Crispen, Desi Domino, Kathy Bidler, Terri Hipwell, Diane Seitz, Elizabeth Cable, Rose Campbell, Sue McQueen, Denise Johnson, Debbie Cellini, Teresa Eckart, Kathy McKinnell, Kathy Ukes, Debbie Wycoff, Jennifer Cattelino, Judi Lathrop, Debbie Leyel, Josephine Owens, Kathy DeRose, Lorinda Dorff, Leslie Chylinski, Sharon Kasai, and Vickie Leonard... WOW!!! Amazing how much help we had!!! Thank you!!!

I would like to say a very special "Thank You" to Rose Campbell and Kathy Ukes for organizing all the bus chaperones and keeping peace on all the buses and to Desi Domino for organizing all the cleaner runs, toting all the uniforms back and forth and being the go between for all cleaner issues and for being my backup. Thank you to Mona Crispen for guiding me through this year with uniforms and all of our senior Mom's... YOU WILL BE MISSED and are always welcome to come back and help us out!! :)



Uniform tidbits....

Concert season is here. Please make sure that your student has the proper attire for the concert.

Girls:

Concert dress
Sheer black nylons
Low heel black close toe shoes

Boys:

White dress shirt
Black Tie
Black dress pants
Black dress socks
Black shoes

Trisha Michaud
Uniform Moms ♥ Band.

BOOSTER BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

President	John and Sara Sperling	990-3990
Vice President	Mike Kent	572-2557
Vice President- Ways and Means	Kelli Llewellyn	854-9935
Treasurer	Jim Lamon	529-0739
Secretary	Daisy Bennett	993-5788
Newsletter	Kathy and Lyle Bidler	528-6270
Transportation (MIB)	Mike Kent	572-2557
Student food	Karen Dodson	993-1906
Uniforms and Grooming	Trisha Michaud	986-9382
Phone tree/Email/Webmaster	John & Sara Sperling	990-3990
Yearbook	Karen and Lee Dodson	993-1906

R E M I N D E R

The final two **HAWAII** payments are due as follows:

February 1st 2011 \$350.00 per person

February 15th 2011 Final Payment*



*Amounts will vary per person,
based on occupancy for traveling
family members and any
individual student fundraising efforts.

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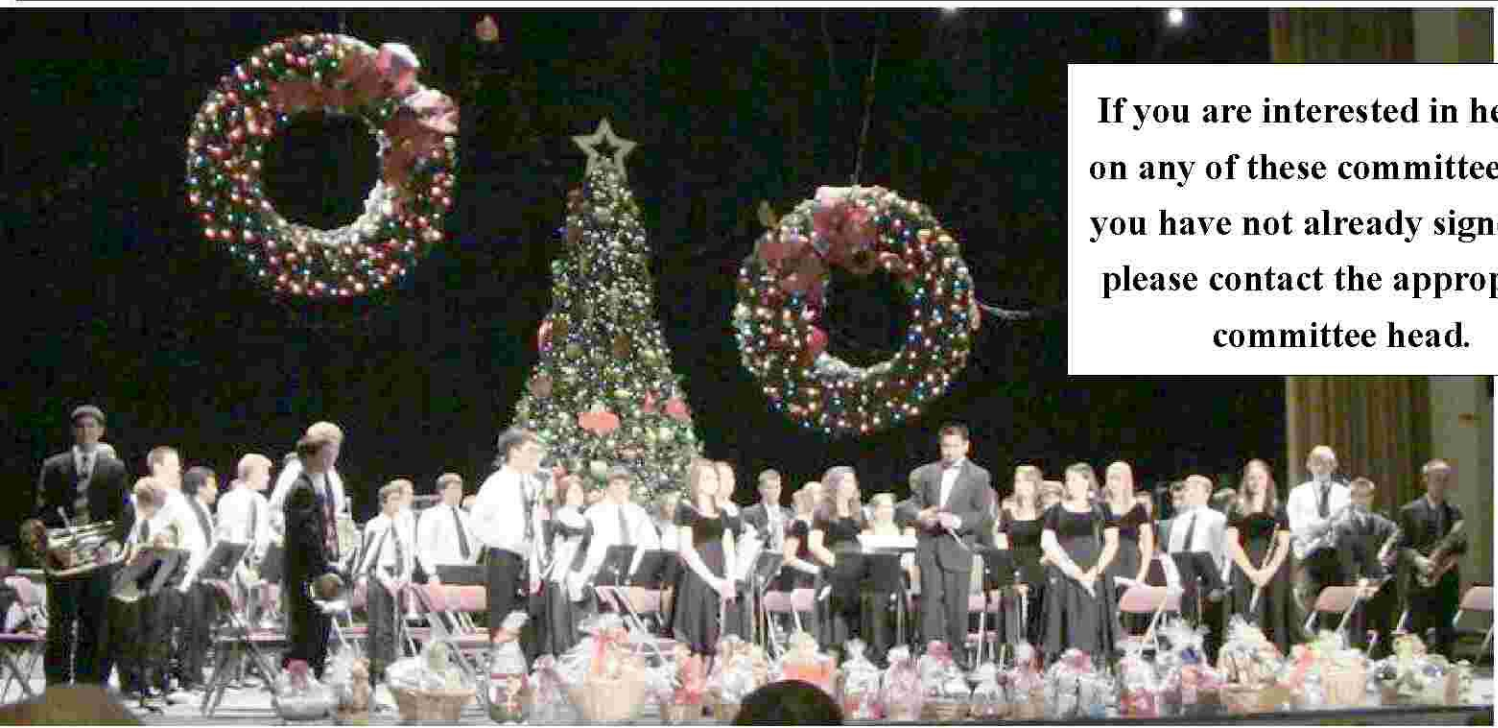
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FUNDRAISER CONTINUES THROUGH JANUARY 31ST

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Contact: Danette Stephen dstephen1211@yahoo.com



If you are interested in helping
on any of these committees, and
you have not already signed up,
please contact the appropriate
committee head.

WAYS N MEANS

Well, we made it through the last two major fundraisers for the Band Boosters General fund, with the Holiday concert basket raffle making 3500 dollars (almost twice as much as expected, to help cover Cow Chip Bingo) and the Wal-Mart Wrap booth bringing in 4700 dollars (less than half of the usual amount of 10,000 dollars). The Wrap booth was hampered by the six day rain storm, giving up several nights to Brea's Band Boosters, and only being able to have the wrap station on one side of the store, but 4700 dollars is nothing to sneeze at. Since our fundraising needs were not completely covered by the three yearly events, we may need to plan a fourth one this year to make up the 4,000 dollars less made. More news to come in this area!

All of the band and colorguard families really pulled together for both of these fundraisers with their ticket sales, item/gift card donations, and volunteer hours at the wrap booth. A giant thanks to Lorinda Dorff for her hours of organizing and problem-solving cancellations at the wrap booth. I really appreciated Mike Kent for his daily help locking up the wrap booths in their trailer and moving the fully stocked and sparkling clean wrap booths back to the Corona warehouse. I would also like to thank Mona Crispen and Desi Domino for all of their creative assistance with the holiday gift baskets. And always, thank you to Jim Lamon for being the best money counter and budget master!

Since spirit wear also falls under my job duties, I am looking for some assistance in coming up with some new shirts, especially a new black women's V-Neck T. I would also really like to see some sort of knit hat and scarf set also for those chilly field show or football game nights. I would love to hear ideas and suggestions.any volunteers??????

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please contact Kelli Llewellyn kelli1rose@aol.com

I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday

MEN IN BLACK

season. There are many MIB who need to be thanked for donating their time and energy over the past two months. Our annual trip to Disneyland once again provided a wonderful day. Mark Martelle, Paul Petty, Ron Hipwell and Lyle Bidler assisted with loading, unloading, pulling the trailers and eating corn dogs.

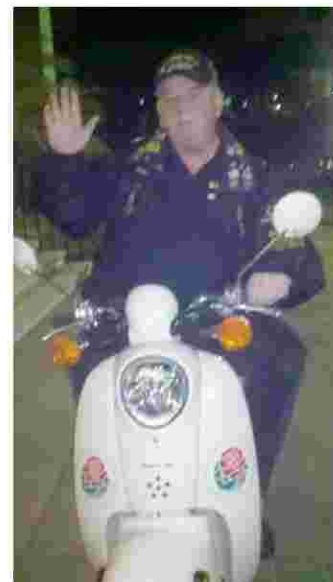
Then it was on to the wrap booth. Mark Martelle made multiple trips to the warehouse in Corona and assisted with changing the 24 casters on the wrap booth and installed new ribbon holders. Paul Petty also made time to ride out to the warehouse to consult on the movement of the wrap booth sections, helped replace the casters, helped install the new ribbon holders, provided the locks for the trailer during its stay in the Wal-Mart parking lot, helped with the wrap booth set up on the first day and with damage the trailer received while in the parking lot. Dennis Cable stopped by to supervise Paul, Mark and myself while changing the casters and was available as a back up for any wrap booth issues that might have needed attention. Ken Briggs showed up at night to help with the closing duties. Jim Lamon closed the wrap booth most nights along with safely collecting each day's funds. Ray Llewellyn assisted with organizing, cleaning and stocking the wrap booth for next year.

Next we have the Holiday Concert. Dennis Cable stepped up again and pulled the 20' trailer, moved instruments and music stands and unloaded back at school. Lyle Bidler, along with others, helped with the unloading.

Our final event of the year was the participation of our Color Guard and Drumline in the 2011 Rose Parade. Paul Petty, Ken Briggs and Ron Hipwell helped with traffic direction and parking of the Rose Parade officials, media and Up With People host families during their visit to the campus. Paul Raya assisted with loading the trailer on New Year's Eve along with Paul Petty who also pitched in to unload the trailer when it returned to school the following day. Kelly Steven also helped unload the trailer on New Year's Day.

To all those MIB mentioned above, along with any others who helped along the way,
THANK YOU!

Mike Kent, MIB



Jazz Ensembles

WE ARE GETTING VERY CLOSE TO FESTIVAL SEASON WITH PERFORMANCES AT ALL THE MAJOR JAZZ FESTIVALS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND RENO NEVADA. HERE ARE THE PERFORMANCES:

JANUARY 29TH = JAZZ I AT E.V. FREE CHURCH FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS.

MARCH 5TH = JAZZ I, JAZZ II AND COMBO AT UPLAND H.S. WESTERN STATES JAZZ FESTIVAL

JAZZ I ENSEMBLE AT STEAMERS JAZZ CLUB FROM 4 TO 5:45 P.M.

MARCH 19TH = JAZZ I, JAZZ II AND COMBO AT IRVINE JAZZ FESTIVAL

APRIL 2ND = JAZZ I, JAZZ II AND COMBO AT FULLERTON COLLEGE JAZZ FESTIVAL

APRIL 7TH = DEPART FOR RENO NEVADA BY BUS AT 7:00 A.M. ALL GROUPS PLAY ON SAT. RETURN ON SUN.

MAY 27TH = BIG JAZZ CONCERT AT 7 P.M.

I WON'T KNOW TIMES UNTIL A WEEK PRIOR TO EVENTS. I'M STILL WORKING ON SCHEDULING A GORDON GOODWIN BIG PHAT BAND CONCERT AND A BIG BAND DANCE NIGHT. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THESE GREAT EVENTS.

RICH WATSON

MARCH NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 23
NEWSLETTER@ELDORADOBAND.COM

TENTATIVE EDHS WINTERGUARD 2011 PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY FEB 19TH - ORANGE COUNTY INVITATIONAL AT MARINA HS

SATURDAY MARCH 5TH - VALENCIA HS IN PLACENTIA

SATURDAY MARCH 19TH - LOS ANGELES/VENTURA INVITATIONAL AT GLENDORA HS

TUESDAY MARCH 22ND - EXHIBITION SHOW AT EL DORADO HS

SATURDAY MARCH 26TH - WOODBRIDGE HS IN IRVINE

FRIDAY APRIL 8TH - ROWLAND HS IN WALNUT

SATURDAY APRIL 16TH - 22ND - HAWAII

MONDAY MAY 9TH - 13TH - EDHS 2011/12 COLORGUARD AUDITIONS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 1ST - COLORGUARD SPRING SHOW

FRIDAY JUNE 10TH - BAND & COLORGUARD BANQUET

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