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Muncy's Message!

Greetings Broncos! I hope everyone is doing well during this cold, wet and snowy winter. They say, "It's good to get a kid into something before the kid gets into something." That goes without saying this semester. Things around DHS are active and energetic. Spring is full of various activities and students are pulled in many different directions. Academics, athletics and second semester activities are a constant source for participation and involvement.

Your students have been going through the course selection process for the upcoming 2010/2011 school year. You should have a verification sheet coming your way soon so please be on the lookout for it. If you are interested in graduation requirements please check out the DISD website under House Bill 3. Although changes have been made regarding "requirements" our elective courses are dictated by our highly qualified status of teaching credentials. Alternative courses will be critical this year so please make sure your student makes his/her selections. Once certain courses are filled, the alternatives become the default choice.

TAKS testing is just around the corner with English Language Arts/Reading taking place on March 3, 2010. All freshmen, sophomores and juniors will be in testing that day. The TAKS test is an untimed test and should be taken seriously by all students. If a student does not do well on any portion of the TAKS test he/she will most likely be placed in a TAKS prep class the following school year replacing an elective credit and helping solidify the student's academic foundation. Please encourage your student to do his/her best and be proud of their effort. If your student needs help preparing for any portion of the TAKS test, every Saturday we have tutorials on campus from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Sections are split between math, science and ELA (pick two). Each section is 90 minutes long and lunch is served at noon. Help us *Conquer TAKS!*

Thank you for your continued support and we always appreciate your help in making DHS a great place. The history and legacy of Bronco Spirit lives on and we are thankful to be a part of it. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to work with your student.
See you soon,
Darrell

DHS Teacher of the Year David Mairs



Darrell Muncy, Principal, (l) awards David Mairs (r) with the DHS Teacher of the Year award in January.

DAVID MAIRS was presented the 2009/2010 DHS Teacher of the Year award on January 4, 2010, during a staff breakfast in the cafeteria. Mairs, Denton High School's orchestra director, has more than 30 years of teaching experience, with the past four years being in the DHS Fine Arts Department.

Mairs' professional development includes writing music and assisting in the production of the DHS Veteran's Day celebration and the DHS graduation. He led a DISD Orchestra Directors' Workshop on using *Finale*, a music writing program and was chosen to lead the 2009 Texas All-State Symphony Orchestra Brass Section for the third consecutive year. He hosted and was actively involved in the Region 2 All-Region Orchestra Clinic and Concerts in 2007, 2008 and 2009, and led a DISD Orchestra Directors' Workshop on New Music for String Orchestra.

In 2005 he was recognized by the American Symphony Orchestra League for 10 years of leadership as music director of the Mid-Texas Symphony, and he was a 1999 recipient of the Ford Motor Company's Salute to Education Honoree In Arts Education.

Mairs sums up his teaching philosophy in five words, "It's all about the kids!" He believes that, "in music, working with precious, valuable, vulnerable individuals, young or old, the process is the product." He does not consider himself an "outstanding pedagogue," but a "good musician" and a good "encourager."

DHS Teacher of the Year Nominees

Teacher of the Year applications reflect the nominees' professional development, community service, awards and teaching philosophies. They are reviewed by academic leaders and DHS administration before submitting ballots that determine the winner. Nominated teachers must have taught in the Denton ISD at least three consecutive years and not have won for their campus in the last five years. DHS teachers nominated for 2009-2010 DHS Teacher of the Year include:



Foreign Languages: Jamie Covey — Covey's professional development and awards not only include DHS activities, but also the Junior ROTC, military activities and the American Sign Language Teachers Association. DHS awards include DHS Teacher of the Month, Most Inspiring Teacher, Most Spirited Teacher and she received Best Classroom recognition five consecutive years. Her military awards include the Army Accommodation Medal, Sailor of the Quarter Nominee and the United States Navy Rear-Admiral's Leadership Award. Covey was also listed in Who's Who Among American High School Teachers.



Deaf Education: Jennifer Frye—Ranging from 1977 to 2009, Frye's professional development includes many activities involving deaf education and English language arts. Her awards include DHS Teacher of the Month in 2001, and several appreciation awards for services relating to deaf ministries and

organizations.



Math Department: Stephanie Nicewarner — Included among Nicewarner's professional developments and awards is her service on the IB implementation group and the DHS Instructional Committee, and she was on the book selection committee and assisted in writing

the Scope and Sequence for Geometry for the district. In 2007 she was a reviewer for NASA's High School Aerospace Scholars Program, where she served as a counselor for three years. She received the NLU Presidential Scholarship, and completed her master's degree in 2008.



English Department: Chris Puente — Puente's professional development and awards include the Sid W. Richardson Scholarship for Journalism Educators, DHS Best Dressed Teacher and DHS Teacher of the Month.



Science Department: Rhana Ramos — Science workshops, IB workshops and coaches clinics comprise Ramos' professional development. She was also named Teacher of the Year at her previous school, Thomas Jefferson High School.



Health & PE: Ian Scott — Scott is a Texas Department of Health licensed athletic trainer who graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington with a bachelor of science degree in exercise science.



Social Studies: Reginald E. Seastrunk— Seastrunk served on the social studies committee that developed the new secondary scope and sequence. He also served as physical education coordinator for DISD middle schools staff development. In 2009 his family received the Greater Denton Family of the Year Award, and in 2004/05 he was named the TABC Middle School Coach of the Year.



CTE: Molly Swindle — Swindle represents DHS as a member of the International Baccalaureate Steering Committee at Calhoun Middle School and is also a member of the Denton High Instructional Committee.

She was named DHS Career and Technology Education teacher of the month, and also was a Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Region II Master advisor.

Denton ISD's elementary and secondary Teacher of the Year winners will be announced at a spring 2010 district board meeting.

~H. Janét McDaniel

DHS Annual Service Awards

Congratulations to our staff!

10 Year Recipients

Michelle Deangelo	Joe Faddis	Alfredo Paredes
Brian Redding	Leticia Sagaribay	Ian Scott
Julie Shank	Jo Thomas	Countressa Ware-Jones

Fifteen Year Recipients

Chuck Fultz	Donna Lawyer	Gary Roberson
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Janis Wohlgemuth

20 Year Recipient

Cristina Galindo



International Linguistics Olympiad

Thursday, February 4, 2010, a group of students from DHS competed in the North American Computational Linguistics

Olympiad, held at University of North Texas' Research Park. DHS students participating were **Yang Chen, Trevor Davila, Sylvia Li, Laura Niguidula, Skylar Padia, William Parker, Chris Peters, Alexis Prybutok, and Katie Webb**. These students were sponsored by DHS foreign language teachers Kala Hall and Sandra Dieckman.

NACLO is a contest for U.S. and Canadian high-school students in which contestants compete by solving compelling and creative puzzles using language and logic skills. Professionals in the computer and linguistics fields use dozens of languages to create engaging problems that represent cutting edge issues in their fields. The competition has attracted top students to study and work in those same fields. Results from the competition are expected in late February, 2010. Winners of this round of the NACLO will be invited to compete again in March. Those who win at that level advance to the International Linguistics Olympiad in July in Sweden.

~Kala Hall, Spanish & Sandra Dieckman, German



Denton High School Percussion Bash

DHS Auditorium - Friday, March 26th at 7pm

A unique show unlike anything you'll see this year! Featuring students of the Denton Percussion program - including the music of Michael Jackson, Fishbone, Santana, original music and even bicycles, tennis balls, trash cans and special effects! You won't want to miss it!

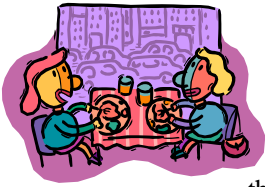
Tickets are \$3.00 at the door. Children under 5 are free.

~Robert Brannock, Band



Yang Chen

International Dinner Scheduled March 4



The annual **International Dinner** is scheduled for March 4, 2010. What an incredible opportunity it is for the students to taste the food from the many different cultures represented here at DHS. Being an IB school, this activity is a perfect way for the students to become engrossed in another culture, if only for a short time. World language students will bring a dish from their chosen country to gain admittance and enjoy the evening. Students of a world language often do not get authentic opportunities to live another culture, so come and enjoy the food, the company and the entertainment. Karaoke will abound this night, so world language students, come and join us.

Event: International Dinner
Date: Thursday, March 4, 2010
Time: 6-7:30 pm
Location: DHS cafeteria
Who: All world language students



PTSA Board Positions Open

The DHS Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) needs you! For the 2010-2011 year, we will have vacant board and committee positions and will need your help.

PTSA volunteering does not end after 5th grade. We welcome volunteers for school activities and PTSA-sponsored activities. The PTSA helps to raise money to provide grants for teachers, scholarships for seniors and the funding for this newsletter you are reading. Our biggest fundraiser is the Homecoming Dance which provides a fun social event for students.

The DHS PTSA respects and carries out the values of the national PTA organization.

- **COLLABORATION:** We work in partnership with a wide array of individuals and organizations to accomplish our agreed-upon goals.
- **COMMITMENT:** We are dedicated to promoting children's health, well-being, and educational success through strong parent, family, and community involvement.
- **ACCOUNTABILITY:** We acknowledge our obligations. We deliver on our promises.
- **RESPECT:** We value our colleagues and ourselves. We expect the same high quality of effort and thought from ourselves as we do from others.
- **INCLUSIVITY:** We invite the stranger and welcome the newcomer. We value and seek input from as wide a spectrum of viewpoints and experiences as possible.
- **INTEGRITY:** We act consistently with our beliefs. When we err, we acknowledge the mistake and seek to make amends.

If you would like to be involved with your student's school, please contact Grace Chalon (email: gchalon@verizon.net). Thank you.

Battle of the Babes

The annual Battle of the Babes **Powder Duff** game between the senior and junior girls will be **Wednesday, March 24 at 7 p.m. at Bronco Field**. Our DHS guys will be serving as coaches and cheerleaders. Participant practices will be Saturdays – February 13, 20, and 27 and March 6 from 10:30 a.m. until noon. There will be another practice the week of the game. This fundraiser is for both the senior and junior classes. We REALLY need concession donations, such as bottled water, canned sodas, nacho chips, chips, hot dogs and hot dog buns, and candy. We could also use parent help with concessions and ticket booth sales. Any senior or junior parent who would like to either donate to the cause or work at the event would be greatly appreciated. Please email Janis Wohlgemuth: jwohlgemuth@dentonisd.org if you can help.
 ~Janis Wohlgemuth



Academic Decathlon

On January 29th and 30th the Denton High Academic Decathlon team traveled to Keller Central High for our regional meet. Congratulations for outstanding results!



7th place overall, 1st place Team- Super Quiz
 Overall Top Score: Patrick Burke- Honors- 4th Place.
 Natalia Palamino- Varsity- 4th Place. Super Quiz:
 Chris Burke- Honors- Gold, Philip King- Scholastic- Gold
 Natalia Palamino-Varsity- Gold, Charles Shelton- Scholastic-
 Bronze. Essay: Natalia Palamino- Varsity- Gold
 Interview: Patrick Burke- Honors- Gold, Joshua DeAngelo-
 Varsity- Silver. Speech: William Hayes- Scholastic- Silver
 Mathematics: Joshua DeAngelo- Varsity- Bronze
 Ryan Turney- Varsity- Bronze. Language & Literature:
 Natalia Palamino- Varsity- Bronze. Team Highest Points:
 Patrick Burke- Honors- Gold. Philip King- Scholastic- Gold
 Natalia Palamino- Varsity- Gold
 Team Members: Honors: Chris Burke, Patrick Burke,
 Olivia Knight. Scholastic: Philip King, William Hayes
 Charles Shelton, Varsity: Joshua DeAngelo, Natalia Palamino
 Ryan Turney.

~Jennifer Phillips, Academic Decathlon Coach



Yearbooks Still On Sale for \$65

The students have done a wonderful job with the 2010 book. They have covered the major activities, events and issues of the 2009-2010 school year in a trendy and colorful design. You can save \$5.00 if you print the coupon on M. Stevens' faculty website and attach it to the sales flyer, also on the website. The last day to order a Denton High School yearbook is April 1. You'll want to get this one to remember your child's year at DHS.

~Marilyn Stevens, Journalism and Yearbook

Library Hours

The library is now open until 6 p.m. on Monday and Thursday evenings for computer work, research, homework or checking out books.

~Carolyn Bason, Print Librarian



Grad Night 2010

We are in the planning stages of DHS Grad Night 2010. Grad Night has been a successful project for many years at Denton High School thanks to the generous support of the Denton community. It is planned and provided primarily by the parents of the graduating seniors.

Grad Night will cost about \$17,000 to provide our children with an event as successful as those held in previous years. The Grad Night committee must raise all funds used to pay for this event. So far, we have received some donations from previous Grad Nights, the Denton Public School Foundation and Denton High PTSA. Hopefully, we will receive additional support from businesses, families and individuals in our community.

The idea of Grad Night is to provide a safe, alcohol and drug-free graduation event for only DHS graduating seniors after the graduation ceremony on June 4, 2010. The event will include activities that will keep the grads busy all night: dancing, sports, games, auctions, drawings and food. Grads will have multiple opportunities to win Bronco Bucks that can be used to bid on prizes. Prizes in years past have included items that the students can use in their dorm rooms or apartments. They range from TV's, computers, telephones and mini refrigerators to gift certificates, cash prizes and much more.

Grad Night will be held at the Solana Spa in Westlake, which is an indoor-outdoor facility. Because of the distance and liability, all students must ride school buses to and from the event. Mr. Darrell Muncy has committed to provide the buses for this event.

The DHS Grad Night Committee will recognize each contributor in the Denton Record-Chronicle and in a letter to the graduate's family. Recognition is based on the level of giving: Bronco - \$500 & above, Purple - \$250 - \$499, Gold \$100 - \$249, White - less than \$100.

May we count on your support for this year's DHS senior class? You can help by providing either cash donations or items that the kids can use in college, vocational training or on their first jobs. Your contribution and pledge will help us immensely with the planning and success of Grad Night 2010. Thank you for your consideration of this worthwhile project. If you like to know more about this project or need additional information, please contact Terri Vogds, terri@terrivogds.com or 940/383-0678.



Commemorative Brick Sales

If you have been in the lobby of the Denton High School auditorium, you may have noticed the **Bronco Wall of Pride**. The Grad Night committee is selling commemorative bricks that will be installed into this wall as a fundraiser.

This is a wonderful way to honor your senior, any other future DHS seniors you may have, a past graduate of DHS, a DHS team or organization, a favorite teacher, or any other DHS staff member you wish to honor.

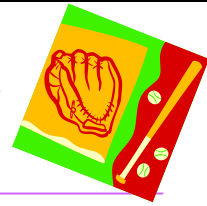
Bricks measure 4" x 8" and will be a light red in color. Each brick will display one logo representing student activities and up to 3 lines of text. Cost is \$30 each. Contact Terri Vogds at terri@terrivogds.com or 940/383-0678 if you have questions.

Web link:

http://www.dentonisd.org/dentonhs/lib/dentonhs/Grad_Night_Newsletter-Feb.pdf

Come Support DHS Baseball!

All schedules for Varsity, JV Purple and JV Gold are on the DHS Athletics-Baseball website: <http://www.dentonisd.org/dentonhs>



DHS Fillies News!



Libby Schleinat

Miss Libby Schleinat is the Texas Dance Educators Association All-State Dancer for DHS this year. She is the current Captain of the Fillies. She attended numerous dance workshops and performed an extraordinary choreography piece for all directors, council

members and administration. This took place in Houston, TX in early January.

Amazing job Libby, congratulations!

CURRENT - Fillies Follies Emcee's Auditions are taking place NOW! See Mrs. Burgess today for that great opportunity to entertain on stage! Must be a senior!

3/6 - Fillies will be hosting the annual Danceline USA dance/drill team competition at Denton High School. Come out and watch some amazing talent in the world of dance compete for honors and scholarships.

4/10 - JR. FILLIES CLINIC!!!! Saturday - April 10th -9am-12pm. All Jr. Fillies get the opportunity to perform in the Fillies Follies Show! Grades 3-8th welcome. Email: kburgess@dentonisd.org or call 940-369-2124 for more information on registration.

~Contact: Kerri Burgess, Fillies Director

FILLIES FOLLIES HAPPILY EVER AFTER

4/16 - Friday - 7pm show

4/17 - Saturday - 2pm show

**4/24 - Fillies Perform at the Arts/Jazz Festival
Festival Stage, Saturday - 11am-11:30am**



Class Officer Elections!

Class officer applications are now available outside room 151 for the 2010-2011 class officers. Current 9-11th graders are encouraged to apply for one of the six positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and 2 At-Large Representatives. Applications are due by noon on March 24th. Up to six campaign posters may go up on March 29th for each candidate. Election speeches will be during 2A on Monday, April 5th, with elections following during all four lunches. Students need their ID to vote. Questions about class officer elections can be directed to Beth Hughes in room 151 or at x2062.

The Texas Association of Student Council's President William Hayes will preside over the 74th annual state convention on April 8th to 10th at the Arlington Convention Center. The weekend's activities bring to a close Denton High School's reign as the president school. William represented us proudly at a variety of state events this year including advanced leadership workshops, the National Student Council Convention in Denver, and in speaking engagements throughout the state.

~Beth Hughes, Student Council



Students of the Month for January

Grade Level	Student Name
9th Female	Kallie Smith
9th Male	Josh Harden
10th Female	Paige Pippin
10th Male	Daniel Clark
11th Female	Mina Specht
11th Male	Will Marsh
12th Female	Alyssa Thompson
12th Male	Daniel Sabz

Staff of the Month- Leslie Lehman

Leslie was applauded by a myriad of her peers, ranging from office staff to the language teachers. Cristina Galindo praised Leslie for all of her hard work on the new language labs saying, "Everything Leslie has ever done for this department has always been done quickly, efficiently and well. She is incredible when it comes to keeping us informed about the labs. The process has been long, arduous and often frustrating. Having Leslie to do, and clarify, the technological aspect for us has been so incredibly helpful that I could go on forever about her work for us." These sentiments of efficiency and expedited response are shared by any teacher who has ever called on Leslie for help. Thanks Leslie!

Teacher of the Month- Dena Puente



Dena is a very quiet member of our staff, but her dedication to her courses and her students speaks loudly to many of her colleagues and her students. Taking the reins of Ms. Davis' AP classes was no problem for Dena, who has worked quickly to prepare herself and her students for their upcoming AP exams. In essence, Dena familiarized herself with a somewhat foreign course, midway through the year and is already up to speed. In addition to her course shift, Dena has helped to welcome our visiting Korean teachers, inviting DHS teachers and students to attend a meet and greet this month. She is attentive and incredibly hardworking, "I rarely see her leave the building before 5 pm," said a neighbor in her hallway. Thanks for all of your hard work Dena!

Flower Mound UIL Competition

Congratulations to the following DHS students who participated in January:
 Computer Science - Trevor Davila 2nd Place, Team 2nd place:
 Trevor Davila, Tim DeReuse, Sylvia Li. Social Studies -
 Patrick Burke 5th place
 ~Michelle DeAngelo

Teachers and PTSA Enjoy Soup Day!



Thanks to the PTSA, the DHS staff enjoyed a soup luncheon in January! Thank you for the great luncheon PTSA!
 (L-R) Emily Seiple, Heidi Klein, and Janell Trachta

Choir Update!

DHS has six Texas All State Choir students, which is the most DHS has ever had. They are as follows:

- Alto 1:** Casey Bachus, Joanna Ceja, and Julia Di Fiore
- Alto 2:** Hannah Lane
- Tenor 1:** Jed Sappington
- Bass 1:** Michael Schafer



A couple of side notes about these young people. Michael Schafer was first chair in the entire area. Joanna Ceja is the first Denton High student that I am aware of to make All State in two different arts classifications. Last year she was an All State Percussionist and this year an All State Choir member. Hannah Lane is the first female from Denton High to make All State all four years of her high school experience.

Congratulations to these young people for all of their efforts. This has been a process that started for them back in May and this is the result. They will be attending the Texas Music Educators Association Convention in February and performing in the All State Choir concert.

~Mark L. Baker, Choir Director

Junior Classical League

Denton High School's Junior Classical League vied with 30+ other North Texas schools in the Junior Classical League's Area C Latin competition on Saturday, February 6th which was held at Austin College up in Sherman. Contests ranged from art to mythology, from grammar and vocab to running and swimming. Congratulations to Kris Carmona, who tied for 4th place in Mythology Level 3 and placed 2nd in Greek Life and Lit Level 3, to William Cole for winning 9th place in Roman History Level 1, and to James King for placing 10th in Mythology Level 1.

~Sarah Hustwit

District Play Begins for DHS Soccer

DHS is in the middle of District Play and has the following events planned:
 Senior Night Boys, 03/05/10, DHS v Lake Dallas.
 Senior Night Girls, 03/12/10, DHS v Birdville.
 End of season banquet plans are under construction as well; the banquet date is 04/30/10 at the ATC Building, more information to follow as the date draws near.

~Debby Kennedy, DHS Booster Club President
 940.391.9102

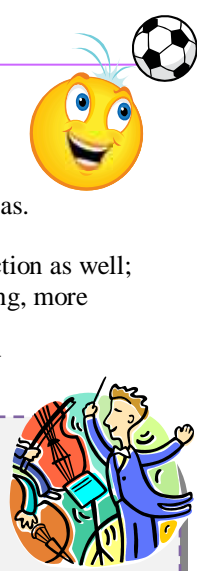
The following DHS Orchestra Musicians received Superior Ratings

At the UIL Solo and Ensemble Competition Held on January 30th at Ryan HS

- Christine Ryu, Eric Willis, Jennifer Liroy, Clarissa Root, Taryn Schuessler, Alex Martin, Julian Chalon, Nathan Place, Fran Cacal, Julia Moen, Julia Di Fiore, Stephen Place, Tyler Burggren, Nathan Schafer, Kris Carmona, Amelia Clark, Beckah Maxwell-LeRoy

Please congratulate these great human beings and celebrate their accomplishment with them.

~David Mairs



Orchestra Update

Final payment for Spring Trip to NYC due, March 2
 Turn in Red Wheel orders, March 8
 UIL Concert and Sight-reading contest, March 10
 Pick up Red Wheel orders, April 1
 Spring Trip to NYC, departure April 8, returning April 11
 String Fling!, April 22
 ~Ivy Doak, *Orchestra Booster Club*



Financial Aid and Scholarships

Denton County A&M Club - 2010 Scholarship Award

The Denton County A&M Club is pleased to announce that they will again be offering a scholarship this school year in the amount of **\$5200**. We are pleased to offer this award to a deserving student who will be enrolled as an incoming freshman in the 2010 Fall Semester at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas. Contact: Doretha Hudspeth, Lead Counselor, 940.369.2000

The Stacey Condit Campbell Scholarship Award

This award, sponsored by Greater Lewisville Cares (GLC), seeks to reward a student committed to service within his/her community.

The amount of this one-time scholarship award is \$500, intended to assist the recipient with tuition, books and/or living expenses related to their higher education.

Eligibility:

All graduating high-school seniors may apply for the one-time scholarship. Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to their community through their volunteerism.

Qualified candidates should meet the following requirements:

- ✓ Graduating High School seniors who are in good standing
- ✓ Attending a US 2 or 4 year academic, vocational, or technical college during the upcoming academic year
- ✓ Resident of Denton County, Texas OR active member of GLC for minimum of one (1) calendar year prior to application period
- ✓ Be of good character and a contributing citizen to the community-at-large, with a significant number of volunteer hours in community service within the last 18 months.
- ✓ Demonstrate compassion and dedication through their acts of kindness and volunteerism

Timetable:

Applications Accepted: March 1-31, 2010

Review Process and Selection: April 1-19, 2010

Award Announcement: April 20, 2010

~DHS Contact: Doretha Hudspeth, 940.369.2000

FIELD & MARY SCOVELL SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION



ACCEPTING

APPLICATIONS FOR 2010 GRANTS

ARLINGTON, The Field & Mary Scovell Scholarship Foundation announced that 15 individual \$3,000 grants will be awarded this spring to North Texas students with leadership abilities, high moral character, demonstrated financial need, and a connection to sports.

Applications for 2010 Scovell Scholarship Foundation grants are now available online at www.scovellscholarship.com. Applications can also be accessed via the Scovell Foundation link on the AT&T Cotton Bowl website (www.attcottonbowl.com).

Ten of the 15 scholarships will be awarded to North Texas graduating high school seniors who continue their higher education in the state of Texas or at a Big 12 Conference or Southeastern Conference university -- the two conferences associated with the AT&T Cotton Bowl Classic.

The five remaining scholarships will be reserved for previous Scovell Scholarship winners currently enrolled in college. These scholarships are the E.E. "Buddy" Fogelson

Attention DHS Volunteers

Please remember to submit your volunteer hours as you accumulate them by going to:

<http://www.dentonisd.org/dentonhs/site/default.asp>. Click on NEW PTSA Volunteer Database and enter the number of hours you have volunteered. Remember to give yourself credit for your travel time, all of the hours you spend with overnight trips, and any time you have volunteered for DHS. Also, if you have not submitted your hours for previous months, it is not too late.

If you are interested in being nominated for DHS Volunteer Coordinator for 2010/2011, please email KathyBelcher68@yahoo.ca, or contact one of the PTSA board members. GO BRONCO Volunteers!!!

~Kathy Belcher, *PTSA Volunteer Coordinator*



PTSA Fundraising Updates

ONECAUSE.COM

Planning a get-away for spring break? Don't forget to go through onecause.com to book your flight, hotel reservations, even car rentals. Just by making reservations on the onecause.com site, without spending one penny more, donations of 1% to 2.5% of your purchases will be given to Denton High School. Just follow the prompts to set up your account. When asked for the school or charity you wish your percentage to be credited to, choose Denton High School. From that point on, any credit from purchases you make through One Cause, for anything, will go to Denton High School. You just have to log on!

I did all my Christmas shopping through One Cause, was able to search for the best bargains, and my purchases generated \$120.00 in donations to DHS!!! It didn't cost me anything more, and yet it will really benefit our school!



Need a DHS Spirit Wear Update?

By now, the spirit wear you purchased at the beginning of the school year, should be showing the usual wear and tear. Be sure to visit shopdentonbroncos.com to update your wardrobe with the latest in spirit wear styles! All profits go directly to benefit the students and staff of Denton High School, through your PTSA.

Be sure you are using your Albertson Cares card and your Kroger and Target cards when shopping at any of these stores. The credits they give for your purchases add up and make a difference in what the PTSA can do for your student. Any questions? Contact Loyce Wilson, DHS PTSA Fundraising Chairman, lkwilson@charter.net, 940-367-3302.

Scholarship, the Catfish Montgomery Scholarship, the Ben E. Keith Company Scholarship, the Hunt Consolidated/Hunt Oil Company Scholarship and the Mary Dupree Scovell Scholarship.

Completed applications will be accepted through **March 22, 2010**. All applications should be sent via mail to the Scovell Scholarship Foundation at One Legends Way, Arlington, TX 76011. Recipients will be notified in April and will be honored at a reception at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in May.

In addition to the \$3,000 scholarship, each recipient will receive invitations to AT&T Cotton Bowl events and will have the opportunity to work during AT&T Cotton Bowl Week. For more information on the Scovell Scholarship Foundation, contact Jack B. Prince at 972-757-7030.



Winterfest

Nine DHS German students competed last Saturday against students from 22 North Texas schools at Winterfest, the North Texas regional German contest in Plano. The contest consists of over 50 different events which allow the students to showcase their abilities in art, music, culture, performance and academics—in German!!

The students distinguished themselves in their respective categories and those who placed in the top 5 for their events have earned the right to compete against the top 14 students in the state at the Texas State German Contest at UT in Austin on Saturday, February 27th.

WINTERFEST

North Texas regional German culture and academics contest

DHS German Club	5 th Cultural Sweepstakes
DHS German Club	3 rd Overall Sweepstakes
Elena Souris (9 th)	4 th Piano Solo
Hanna Hansen (9 th)	4 th JV Paß auf! 10 th Culture Test I
Brisa Peacock (12 th)	4 th Instrumental Solo 4 th JV Paß auf!
Chris Burke (11 th)	1 st Culture Test III 2 nd Varsity Paß auf!*6 th Listening Test III
*Zulejha Osmani (11 th)	1 st Cookies 2 nd Varsity Paß auf!*9 th Culture Test III
*Taryn Schuessler (11 th)	2 nd Varsity Paß auf!*2 nd Culture Test III*
Justin Tucker (11 th)	3 rd Culture Test II
*Natalia Palomino (12 th)	2 nd Varsity Paß auf!*4 th Sight Reading IV* 3 rd Culture Test IV*
*Sara Sullivan (12 th)	2 nd Varsity Paß auf!*2 nd Culture Test IV* 9 th Grammar Test IV

SPORTFEST

North Texas regional athletics contest

Haley Vaughn	5 th Girls Volksmarsch
Daniel Wilson	5 th Boys Volksmarsch
Justin Tucker	3 rd Boys Volksmarsch
Justin Tucker	1 st Pretzel Relay
Brianna Cunningham	1 st Pretzel Relay
Ricardo Ibarra	1 st Pretzel Relay
Daniel Wilson	1 st Pretzel Relay
Haley Vaughn	1 st Pretzel Relay
DHS German Club	2 nd Sportfest Sweepstakes

*Varsity Paß Auf! is a Jeopardy style competition that is played in a tournament format—with two teams playing head-to-head in each game. A game consists of 25 questions regarding German-speaking countries – with questions from each of the following categories: History and Politics, Arts and Letters, Odds and Ends, Grammar, and Erdkunde. (For Erdkunde the questions are asked in German and must be answered in German.)

~Sandra Dieckman, Foreign Language Department



PTSA Kathy Ewing Memorial Scholarships

Is your student a senior and a member of the DHS Parent Teacher Student Association? If so, he/she is qualified to apply for one of several PTSA scholarships available.

Applications will be available at the front desk starting **March 26th and will be due in April**, date to be determined. Please encourage your student to apply. Remember, they must be a paid member of the PTSA. Any questions?

Contact the Scholarship Committee Chair:
Loyce Wilson, lkwilson@charter.net or 940-382-2937



Book Donations & Volunteers Needed

The DHS PTSA is continuing to collect books until March 12th for BookCents, the annual used book sale sponsored by the Denton Council of PTAs & Denton Public School Foundation. Collection boxes are in the school library.

We are also in need of volunteers to help organize books the week of the sale and/or work the event. Please contact Janell Trachta at gjtrachta@aol.com if you can volunteer.

And, of course, join us for the BookCents Sale at the Denton Civic Center on: March 25 from 6 pm - 10 pm, \$5 Individual or \$10 Family Admission; March 26 from 10 am - 9 pm, *Free Admission; and March 27 from 9 am – 2 pm, *Free Admission.



Needed! iPods, Pen, Flash and Jump Drives!

Teachers need new or used working digital storage drives and Ipods for some upcoming computer projects. If you have any of these digital devices in good condition, please contact: *Hollye Knox, Curriculum Technology Specialist – 940.369.2036 or hknox@dentonisd.org.*



Spring Jazz Concert

The DHS jazz studies program is hosting their annual Spring jazz concert March 4, 2010. Special guests in the performance will be the 5:00 Lab Band from the University of North Texas and the Calhoun Middle School Jazz Ensemble. Also performing in the concert will be the Denton High School Lab Band One and the newly formed Lab Band Two. **The concert is free and will take place at 7:00pm in the Denton High School auditorium.**

We would love to see you there!

~Jesse Woolery

Associate Director of Band Activities

Nurse Notes

Frequently students are temporarily in need of crutches/wheelchairs at school. If your teen is in this situation, it is very important to notify me. I will need to visit with your child the morning of the 1st day they return to school as "temporarily handicapped." I can give them instructions that ensure their safety at school. If necessary I will notify teachers.

Please remind students to use the elevators. No elevator pass is required at DHS.

In the event of any evacuation, elevators cannot be used. Students who are told they may put some weight on the affected lower extremity, can have someone else carry their crutches down the stairs while the student holds on to the rail – once down they get the crutches back in order to exit the building.

Students who cannot bear weight (crutches/wheelchairs) are to remain in the classroom with an adult staff member. If a true evacuation is necessary, the staff member would move the student to a safe location. "Evacuation in Place" is the Fire Dept.'s approved plan in these special situations. No one is permitted to go up/dn stairs at school with crutches (& esp. wheelchairs- YIKES) at any time.

It is also important that I know if your student will be carrying a prescription for medication of any kind, please let me know ASAP, so I can make a note of it on their Health record. I am no longer requiring a Med. Use form to be signed by the parent.

For the safety of your child and other students, our district Medication Policy requires: 1) The medication must be in the original prescription bottle. 2) Ordered by the doctor to be given during school hours: i.e. 4x's per day or more often, at lunch, &/or PRN- as needed. (3x's per day meds are not to be brought to school) High School students may carry only one day's dose of the prescription medication and can self-administer at the water fountain. Any carrying of medication not in the original bottle and/or sharing medication is subject to disciplinary action. Thank you.

~Cindy Yousko, BSN, RN

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IB Update

IB Middle Years Programme and IB Diploma Programme

The **ENROLLMENT process continues** for the next class of IB Diploma Candidates! Current sophomores expressed their interest in becoming involved in the next Diploma Programme class by turning in their IB Diploma Applications. These students are now attending IB Interviews and selecting IB Diploma Programme classes. Course selection presentations have been made to freshman classes and those students expressing interest in IB Diploma Programme may meet with Dr. Singletary and work on course selections that prepare them for entry and success in their future IB DP classes. If you have questions, please drop by and see Dr. Singletary, IB Coordinator, in the IB office.

IB Informational meetings for parents of current sophomores and future freshmen that may be interested in the IB Middle Years Programme and IB Diploma Programme have been conducted. The meeting dates were posted on the DHS website as well as telephone call outs were made to parents.

Current IB DP students and prospective IB SP sophomores and their parents attended an **IB College Night** in Hurst, Tx on **January 25, 2010**. While attending the IB College Night, students had the opportunity to meet and visit with other IB students throughout the metroplex and of course visit with college representatives and find out offerings for IB students.

Seniors have registered for the IB external exams which will be held during the month of May. Seniors are busy developing and completing IB Internal Assessments, which will be combined with IB external exam grades for a final score. Seniors will not receive their IB test results until July, 2010, when IB releases all IB test scores throughout the world.

Juniors have been busy in their IB classes as one would expect, but they have also been busy earning Creativity, Service, and Action (CAS) hours. Approximately 832 hours have been earned by the juniors during the fall semester. An electronic project has been completed called *IB in Three Words*. Almost all the juniors have contributed to the final project. The final version has been used during enrollment and will be available on the IB webpage in the spring semester.

~Lynn Singletary, IB Coordinator

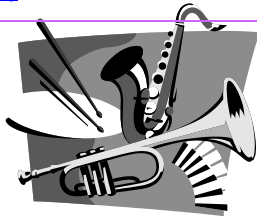


Band Update!

The DHS Band has just completed a whirlwind winter. The South Pacific performances were a smash hit. The Jazz Lab Band 1 performed at the Texas Music Educator's Association (TMEA) convention in San Antonio, TX with the DHS Show Choir. Dylan Stiles, senior trumpet player, performed with the All-State Concert Band at the convention as well. The Wind Ensemble and Jazz Lab Band 1 both performed at the DHS Fine Arts Gala at the UNT Murchison Center and the combined performance with the DHS Choir and the DHS Orchestra received rave reviews.

On March 4th, the Spring Jazz Concert will be held at the DHS Auditorium featuring the Calhoun MS Jazz Ensemble, both DHS Lab Bands and special guests the UNT 5 O'clock Lab Band. March 27th, the Jazz Lab Bands 1 and 2 will be performing at the Collin County Community College Jazz Festival in Plano, TX. In April both the Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble will be preparing for Region 2 UIL competitions which will be held on April 7th and 8th. The Jazz Lab Band 1 prepares for its Heartland Tour performing on the road in Kansas and Missouri from April 14th through the 18th.

~Brian Thurman, Band Booster Club



Parents of seniors....check out information about Grad Night on the DHS homepage!

http://www.dentonisd.org/dentonhs/lib/dentonhs/Grad_Night_Newsletter-Feb.pdf



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