



NEWSLETTER

JULY 2008



Boosters Corner

Message from our Board President

First of all, an introduction for those new members of our little family as well as for any of our returning members that I have never had the pleasure of meeting.

Chris here, "Mr. Applegate" to the kids, or maybe "That1Guy". I guess it kind of depends on how long you've known me. (Ok "Jerk" too)

This is my fifth year as a Band Booster member, my second year serving on the Executive Board. (2007-2008 Member at Large)

Enough about me, let's talk about you, more accurately, your kids. You know the ones...the ones lying around, soaking up the air conditioning. Ahhh Summer. Now is the time for us to all catch up with our family together time. Maybe a trip somewhere maybe not? No Parades or Field Shows tying up our weekends. No seemingly endless practice schedule. No food in the refrigerator, I swear I just went to the store on Monday, didn't I? Or was it... I don't know, I've lost track of what day of the week it is. *Enjoy the break!*

One thing I am sure of, as hot as it has been lately, my thoughts go out to our kids. Out there in the heat during band camp. Even though it's going to be hot, the days will be long and there will be a lot to learn. They will rise to the challenge, they will endure hardships, and they will be better for it. I've been the parent of a new member twice, and it can be a little overwhelming. I remember, and before you know it, your part of it.

I am really looking forward to getting to know all of you, and I encourage all of you to go out of your way to be involved. Come to the Booster meetings; get to know the other members. This program is what WE MAKE of it. So let's roll up our sleeves, and make this a year to remember.

Remember, we do all of this for them, yeah, that one asleep on the couch.

I'll be seeing you around.

Chris Applegate
2008-2009 Booster President



Musically Yours

Message from our Band Director

Summertime, and the feeling is easy, lyrics from a great song of the same name. I hope your summer is off to a refreshing start. We just finished incoming freshman band camp and the feeling was easy. The new students have great attitudes and combined with their talents those two items will go a long way toward a great 2008-9 school year.

We are looking for a few percussionists, low brass and low woodwind players. We have the biggest trumpet section ever (16) and for our band size a section of 10-12 would be better. A basketball analogy: everyone is standing at the 3-point line wanting to shoot, but no one is willing to rebound or play defense. We might win sometimes, but the better-balanced teams will always beat us.

What I am asking is that everyone consider what is best for the team.

Will me continuing to play the instrument that I am now make the biggest impact on our success? Or could I do more by switching to an instrument that the band needs? FYI - 4 of our 6 trombones switched to trombone AFTER they came to Don Lugo. If you (the band student) would like to change instruments let me know ASAP. We will work with you over the summer to make the transition.

Every Wednesday night during July from 7-9pm we will have a rehearsal. We will work on conditioning and music. Wear shoes you can run and march in. Percussionists are to come at 6pm for a sectional before the rehearsal. Each week from now until the end of July, every musician needs to attend his or her weekly sectional. Contact your section leader for specifics. Enjoy your summer vacation and I look forward to a great year, which includes our defending the title of STATE BAND CHAMPIONS. This will take place on Saturday November 22, 2008. A complete calendar will come out later this summer.

See you soon (band camp starts August 18th)

Musically yours,

Mr. B



**July Booster Meeting will be
Monday, June 30 at 7:00**

See you there!

ATTN ALL STUDENTS!

APPAREL ORDER

We will be placing the apparel order in July. All new students must order the Wednesday night practice shirt and the pride shirt. All students must order the travel shirt. Turn in your apparel order form at Monday's booster meeting.

You can find the order form in the back of the parent handbook on the Website or use the enclosed form.

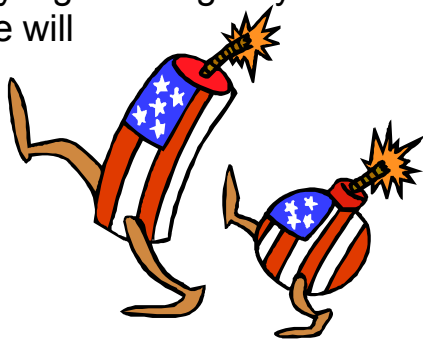
PARENT HANDBOOK

The parent handbook was sent home with your student the last day of band camp Friday, June 20

Please review the handbook and return the signed student contract the first day of band camp Aug. 18. We will have copies available at Monday's booster meeting

Attention Musicians

Every Wednesday night during July from 7pm-9pm we will have rehearsals.



Please support our Fireworks Booth July 1st ~ 4th on Euclid just south of Riverside.

Your next Fairshare payment of \$150 is due June 30.

Your next EAST COAST Spring Trip payment of \$300 is due June 30.



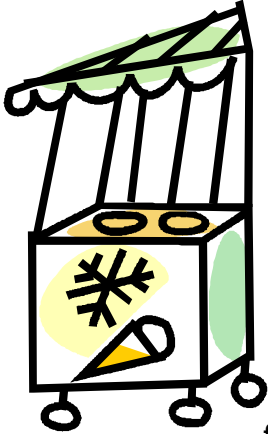
You may make payments on line using Paypal at the booster web site

www.donlugobandboosters.com

Thank you for making your financial commitments on time.

Snow Cones!

Concerts in the Park
Snow Cone booth



The students will be selling snow cones each week during the Concerts in the Park series at City Hall. Please come out and join the DAL band family as we enjoy music and snow cones under the stars.

Each section is assigned to work a show, schedule as follows

July 10 ~ Flutes and Clarinets

July 17 ~ Horns and Trumpets

July 24 ~ 1/2 Guard

July 31 ~ 1/2 Guard

Aug. 7 ~ Low Woodwinds

Aug 14 ~ Percussion

March A-Thon



During band camp, your student can raise money to help pay for their fairshare.

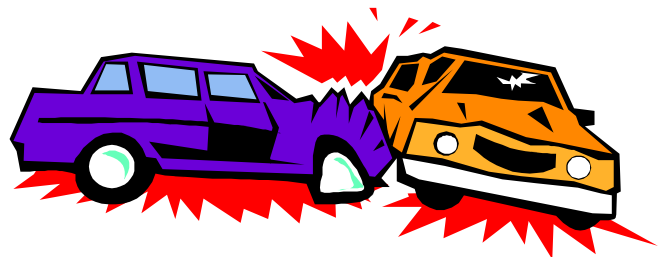
As part of their conditioning for marching season they will run 1 mile and practice marching for 1 mile daily.

Enclosed is a form for your students to solicit donations. This is a great way for your kids to help with the financial obligation required to

belong in marching band. 100% of the money you raise will go towards your fairshare account. The top two students who raise the most money will each win a ticket to Disneyland!

Demolition Derby
Snow Cone & Funnel Cake booth
July 12

Last year we had a lot of fun! We will have a volunteer sign up sheet at the meeting to work our booth and supply ice. Please sign up at the booster meeting if you can help.



Key Dates for July



- ★ June 30 Apparel Orders Due
- ★ 1st ~ 4th Fireworks Booth
- ★ 10, 17, 24 & 31 Snow Cones at Concerts in the Park 6:00pm
- ★ 12 Demolition Derby at Chino Fairground Snow Cones and Funnel Cakes
- ★ 7 ~ 11 Colorguard camp @ Chino HS - Cost \$150.00
- ★ 18 ~ 20 Leadership camp