

BAND NEWS 11-15

Thank you to those who were able to attend the important PARENT MEETING last Monday night. If you were not in attendance, make sure you pick up the Concert Season Calendar and the tentative itinerary for the Tournament of Roses Parade. We are extremely pleased to report that BISD has committed to help with the transportation and uniform costs, making this optional trip under \$800.00 for 7 days and 6 nights! The district has scheduled an informational meeting for all interested parents on **Thursday, January 28th at 7:00 PM** in the FAAC

If you have not paid the **4th installment of \$100.00**, please bring a check to the band hall this week or you may access pay pal on the CHARMS account to pay your balance.

We appreciate all the band students and parents who supported the BHS football team throughout the season. The football team had a great season and lost a close game last Friday against Lake Dallas. Now that the 2009 marching season is complete, there are a few things each student needs to take care of. All water bottles, flip folders, marching shoes, extra clothes and marching instruments should be at home and out of the band hall. Many "Lost & Found" items are in the band hall and will be donated to a charity at the end of the week. All students who played "school-owned" instruments during marching season need to remove any personal items from the case and check in the instrument for repair.

Concert Formal Uniforms will be assigned this week. **Students will be measured during class this Thursday, November 19th.** Boys will be provided a black tuxedo from the district and girls will be provided a long black concert dress. Students will need to purchase the following items:

Boys: tuxedo shirt for \$20.00, cummerbund & bow tie package for \$10.00 as well as black dress shoes and socks. The black marching shoes are not acceptable as dress shoes.

Girls: pearl necklace for \$6.00 as well as black closed-toe shoes and black hose. Students who already have the needed items will not need to purchase these on Thursday. For those boys who already have a tux shirt from last year, please try on your shirt to make sure it still fits and will last throughout the season. If you are planning to purchase a used shirt, cummerbund or bow tie, it is important that you know this information before we place the order on Thursday.

Now is the time for **individual practice and development**. The All Region tryouts will be held the 2nd week of December and auditions for the 2nd semester concert bands will be held December 16-18. The **entry fee of \$12.00** was due last week. Percussion concert band tryouts will be held the week following the Thanksgiving break. Check the website for additional information regarding both of these tryouts. **Sectionals will continue this week for the Symphonic Band students. Concert I Band students will have individual listening assignments on the All Region music.**

The Hurst United Soccer Association (HUSA) is sponsoring a soccer tournament Friday, November 20 through Sunday, November 21, 2009. We have the opportunity to help Boy Scout Troop 434 run the concession stand at the Hurst Athletic Complex located on the corner of Grapevine Hwy and Precinct Line. Proceeds will be split among the organizations working the stand in proportion to the number of hours worked. **Last year the payout to organizations was approximately \$11.00 an hour. This is a great opportunity for us to earn money for our band program.** Spots are awarded on a first come, first serve basis. The work is simple basic concession stand work (taking orders,

pouring drinks, collecting money, handing out food, some cooking by adults). They are looking for adult and student help. This is a great opportunity for the band students to come out have fun and make money for the band program. Students will have an opportunity to sign up on the posted sheets in the band hall. Any parent who wants to sign-up or has questions, contact Jesus Quiroga at (817) 233-2303 or by e-mail jesus.quiroga@dars.state.tx.us .

Shifts operate in three hour allotments as follows:

Friday, November 20, 2009

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

8:00 PM to 11:00 PM

9:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Saturday, November 21, 2009

7:00 AM to 10:00 AM

8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

7:00 PM to 11:00 PM

8:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Sunday, November 22, 2009

7:00 AM to 11:00 AM

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

BOA Grand Nationals Results from this weekend:

96.60 - Avon H.S., IN

95.25 - L.D. Bell H.S., TX*

95.25 - Marian Catholic H.S., IL*

94.50 - Marcus H.S., TX

94.45 - Carmel H.S., IL

92.75 - Broken Arrow H.S., OK

92.50 - The Woodlands H.S., TX

92.15 - Lawrence Central H.S., IN

90.40 - Center Grove H.S., IN

89.65 - James Bowie H.S., TX

89.15 - Wando H.S., SC

88.80 - Centerville H.S., OH

Outstanding Music Performance - Marcus H.S., TX

Outstanding Visual Performance - TIE - Avon H.S., IN & Marian Catholic H.S., IL

Outstanding General Effect - TIE - Avon H.S., IN & L.D. Bell H.S., TX

**In Bands of America Championships, in the event of a tie for placement, the tie is broken by the General Effect total score.*

Schedule for this week:

November 19 Thursday Concert Uniform measure day during class

November 19 Thursday All Region Jazz Concert at UTA – 7:00 PM

November 20-21 Friday-Sat TCU Band weekend for interested students

November 21 Saturday UTA All Region/State Clinics for interested students

November 21 Saturday Guard Design day – noon to 9:00 PM

*Symphonic Band Sectionals continue this week

Students will have a **state required fitness test** on Monday and Tuesday of next week, Nov 23-24 during class. Bring appropriate attire to run.

Mark your calendar for the **WINTER CONCERT:** December 15 Tuesday – 7:00 PM