



A Chorus Line

September 2009

If the music director ain't happy..... ain't nobody happy!

I want to personally welcome all the new incoming Chorus members and their parents; and welcome back the returning students and parents. This should be a awesome year of music. Thank you to everyone who attended Ready, Set, Sing last weekend. It was a great success. Thanks to all the volunteers as well. Please mark your calendars for our first Concert on October 15. See you there!
Bev Sutherland

Greetings from our President, Gaylene Stephens

I want to thank everyone for coming out to Ready, Set, Sing. It was wonderful meeting so many of our chorus parents and experiencing the enthusiasm that all of you have for the fantastic year we have ahead. It was exciting hearing all of the ideas that were exchanged and volunteers that are stepping up to the plate to cover the Booster needs. It is refreshing to see so many parents willing to step up and support our children. After all, that is why we are all here; for our children, who love to see their parents get involved.

In addition, the Boosters offer a chance for us parents to network with each other.

Whether it's chorus related; academic related or even business related. There is so much untapped potential that lies among us that we could be utilizing to partner with our amazing Choral Department. I am certain



that there are ways that we can show our support at the same time benefiting our businesses.

I hope that you will put your thinking caps on and share ideas at our first Booster meeting on

Thursday, September 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chorus room. The meeting will last no more than one hour. Your 2009/2010 executive board will be introduced as well as officers from the various choruses. There will be door prizes and excitement will abound! Besides, if you are NOT there, your name WILL BE added to a committee. JUST KIDDING!!!!

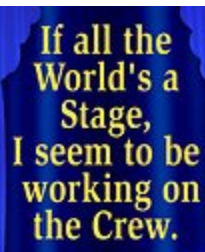
I look forward to seeing everyone on Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chorus Room.

Cast of Characters

Director: Beverly Sutherland
President: Gaylene Stephens
1st VP - Sarah Taylor
2nd VP - Lynna Dees
3rd VP - Jeanette Vasta
Treasurer - Dale Wozniak
Secretary - Kelly Householder

Please don't hesitate to contact the Chorus Board if you have any questions or concerns. You may reach the Board members from the Chorus website:

www.bloominglechorus.org



2009-2010 Schedule of Events

- 09/09/09 CHAMBER BEGINS
- 09/10/09 BOOSTER MEETING
- 09/11/09 RED WHEEL FUNDRAISER DUE
- 10/05/09 ALL-STATE CHORUS TEST & AUDITIONS
- 10/15/09 FALL CHORUS CONCERT
- 10/26/09 ALL-STATE OCTET AUDITIONS
- 12/08/09 WINTER CHORUS CONCERT
- 01/07/10-01/09/10 ALL-STATE
- 01/21/10-01/23/10 ALL-COUNTY
- 02/04/10-02/05/10 SOLO AND ENSEMBLE
- 03/04/10-03/05/10 CHORAL MPA'S
- 03/25/10 SHOWCASE OF SHOW CHOIRS
- 04/22/10-04/25/10 SPRING TRIP
- 05/06/10 CHORUS CONCERT & BANQUET
- 05/11/09 AMBASSADOR AUDITIONS

FUNDRAISING

ONGOING:

PROGRAM ADS - THIS IS WHERE YOU CAN REALLY MAKE SOME MONEY! GO INTO YOUR COMMUNITY AND SELL ADS TO LOCAL BUSINESSES. THEIR ADS WILL BE SHOWCASED IN OUR CONCERT PROGRAM AND WILL BE SEEN BY MANY LOCAL RESIDENTS. YOU CAN EARN UP TO 70% ON THIS FUNDRAISER. DOWNLOAD A FORM AT OUR WEBSITE WWW.BLOOMINGDALECHORUS.ORG OR PICK ONE UP FROM MS. SUTHERLAND

CONCESSIONS - SUPPORT THE BOOSTERS BY PURCHASING FOOD AND DRINK ITEMS BEFORE THE CONCERTS AND DURING INTERMISSION. YOU WILL FIND CANDY, CHIPS, COOKIES, SODA AND WATER. THE CONCESSION MONEY GOES DIRECTLY TO THE CHORAL PROGRAM TO PURCHASE MUSIC.

HONEY BAKED HAM - HBH PUNCH CARDS AVAILABLE FOR \$10 EACH AS A FUNDRAISER FOR STUDENTS TO EARN \$5 FOR EACH CERTIFICATE SOLD.

SEASONAL:

RED WHEEL CHEESECAKE

DUE 9/11/09



VILLAGE INN PIES



A COMPLETE LIST WILL BE COMING SOON!

Chorus Boosters



I hope everyone had a great summer! Chorus Boosters has a great year lined up for you to participate in. In order to benefit the Music Department, we will be continuing the "Brown Bag Drawing" this year, concessions will be offered during the concerts, and DVD's will be offered for sale. Don't worry if you didn't sign up during "Ready Set Sing!"

You can still join!

We look forward to your participation. By joining Bloomingdale Chorus Boosters:

1. You help your student(s) by being interested in their activities
2. You help the Music Department and Ms. Sutherland by helping to provide additional funds for music and/or equipment that is needed but not funded under the school budget and

3. Last, but not least, you also help yourself by having a seat reserved for you in the Bloomingdale Chorus Booster section of the concerts at Bloomingdale Senior High School.

We have a lot of opportunities to volunteer to help make this year a great year. If you have limited time but would love to help out, we need people to help sell candy and drinks during the concerts. This only involves a short amount of time before the concert and during intermission. Please contact Tonya Parker- Concessions' Chairperson, if you are able to help! Thank you!



We even have opportunities for people with no time! The "Brown Bag Drawing" always needs items to be donated for the drawings at the fall concert and winter concert. If you have a business that would like to donate an item, gift card, or have a gift closet that has something you could contribute for our drawing at one of those concerts we would greatly appreciate the donation. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Open House on September 10th. We will be having door prizes! Hope to see you there!

-Sarah Taylor- First (1st) Vice President



SENDING IN MONEY FOR YOUR STUDENT'S ACCOUNT?

To insure that your student's account is credited properly, please include the student's name in the memo section at the bottom of your check. All checks should be made out to: Bloomingdale Chorus Booster or BCB. All monies should be received in an envelope. Envelopes are available from the student's class treasurer or any envelope from home will work. Written on the envelope should be students name, what the check is for, and the amount. This insures proper crediting of your student's account.

Choir Spotlight

Hello Chorus Family: My name is Danielle Stephens and I am the 2009/2010 Advanced Ladies Chorus President. I am super excited as we begin a new year with a great group of extremely talented young ladies. The officers had several meetings over the summer and I am confident that we have a strong, talented, ambitious, and motivated officer team this year.

This past Saturday, following Ready, Set, Sing, our officer team hosted an "Advanced Ladies Social" at Medard Park. Through this social, we hoped to catalyze some "choir bonding" and help the ladies to get to know each other a little better. I am very proud to say that we had a good turnout including quite a few of our parents. We participated in numerous activities ranging from Twister, to an inventive version of four corners. The game challenged the ladies to take a step out of their comfort zone and get more comfortable with each other, all while getting to be a little silly. The returning choir members had the chance to get to know some of the new faces in Advanced Ladies this year, and the new members had a chance to get a little more comfortable with their new chorus members. It was an overall success, and I look forward to the many socials to come. It is going to be an exciting year for the Advanced Ladies Choir and I look forward to seeing what the year has in store for us! ♪Danielle Stephens♪



Advanced Ladies



Begging for Pictures!!!! I know all you Moms and Dads out there take pictures of your precious singers and their friends. Please share any Chorus pics you have with us! We would like to use them on the website and in the newsletter. Email them to: Kelly@Bloomingdalechorus.org

