

The Chorus Line

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Fundraising News

The fundraising committee is hard at work on the February Ticket Give Away fundraiser. If you or your business would like to donate an item or service please contact Julie Leavitt at 350-6131 or 309-9692, or call Kim Davis at 227-9339 or 353-1986. Not only is this an important fund raising event for the students but it is also an excellent advertising opportunity for businesses. The item that you donate and the name of the business will be printed on every ticket.

If you have any questions, contact Rhea Fisher at 353-8011 or rcf9999@msn.com.

Chorus Participation Obligation

If you have not paid your Chorus fees, **THEY ARE LATE**. The cost of a new chorus shirt is \$10, robe rentals are \$25 and the transportation obligation is \$10 for a total of \$45. If you have not paid your fees, a payment plan **IN WRITING** needs to be delivered to Dr. Davis immediately. No student will receive credit for performance and receive a passing grade without satisfying the chorus participation obligation.

Chorus Scholarship Information

Chorus Scholarship information is now available on the Chorus website. The deadline for submitting your packet to Ms. Kellett is Wednesday, February 27, 2008. The scholarship application can be downloaded from the Chorus website.

Chorus Website

Visit www.decaturchorus.com to find out the latest information on the Spring Trip(s), Account Balances, concerts, recordings, etc. You can also find electronic versions of the Newsletter, Field Trip Permission form, and Electronic Student Information Submission of Personal Data Form.

2007-2008 Chorus Board

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| Director | Carl Davis |
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Spring Trip

Spring Trip this year is a Choral Festival at Disney World in Orlando, FL. We will be staying at the Port Orleans property. Dates for the Spring Trip are April 23-27, 2008. Cost of the trip will be \$600.00.

The tentative payment schedule is:

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| September 1, 2007 | \$150.00 |
| October 1, 2007 | \$100.00 |
| November 1, 2007 | \$100.00 |
| February 1, 2008 | \$100.00 |
| March 1, 2008 | Balance Due (Nothing Refundable) |

Please visit the chorus website for the complete refund and transfer policy concerning funds paid for the trip(s).

Dates to Remember

Nov 27 – Oak Park Christmas Concert
(Chamber Choir Only)
Dec 19 – Christmas Concert at FBC Decatur
Jan 8 – Talent Show Auditions
Jan 15 – All City Music Festival
Jan 24 – Talent Show

Proper Concert Attire

A large portion of each student's grade will come from their being properly dressed for all performances. Please remember that proper concert attire includes:

- ✓ Chorus Shirt
- ✓ Black Pants or Skirt (No Shorts)
- ✓ Black Dress Shoes (No flip-flops or bare toes)
- ✓ Black Hose or Socks
- ✓ Robe (Provided by Choral Department)
- ✓ No Earrings

Concert Attendance

We always like to remind parents at the beginning of the school of the concert attendance policy. Attendance at the Christmas and Spring Concerts is mandatory and counts as the Semester Exam Grade. The grade will be calculated as follows: 20 pts for on time arrival, 30 pts for proper etiquette, and 50 pts for correct concert attire. No out-of-town trips or other conflicts will be allowed for those weekends. If you feel you have a conflict, you will need to speak with Dr. Davis personally.

Decatur High School Chorus Christmas Concert

The Decatur High School Chorus Christmas Concert will be held on December 9, 2007 at First Baptist Church Decatur. The Concert will begin at 2:30 PM. Tickets are \$2.00 and go on sale on November 26, 2007 in the Chorus Office. Parents! We need your help with the Christmas Concert. If you can assist in setting up, tearing down, robes, taking roll, selling or taking tickets, etc., please call Dr. Davis or Mrs. Matherly at the Chorus Office.

Christmas Concert DVD Order Form

Mr. Jim Montgomery will be available to record the Christmas Concert if at least 15 people purchase copies of the DVD. If you would like to purchase a copy, please complete the order form below and return with a **check payable to Jim Montgomery**. **DVDs will cost \$20.00.**

DVD Order Form

Student Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of DVDs ordered: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Christmas Concert CD Order Form

If you would like to purchase a CD of the Christmas Concert, please return the form below with a check payable to **Decatur High Chorus** CDs will cost \$10.00.

Student Name: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

**Tentative Itinerary for Decatur High Chorus
Disney Festival
April 23 – 27, 2008**

- **WEDNESDAY:**

Leave Decatur High School 6:00PM for overnight trip to Orlando

- **THURSDAY:**

Arrive Orlando Thursday morning, eat breakfast at McDonald's and then to Disney World for the day (Park Hopper Pass for all 4 parks). Hotel check in after 3:00PM. We will be staying at Port Orleans Riverside. Disney transportation can be used to go between parks and the hotel.

Dinner at the Mystery Dinner Theatre

- **FRIDAY:**

Breakfast at Rainforest Café in Animal Kingdom

Performance will be either Friday or Saturday during the day. Time will be spent at Disney on the day when the choir is not performing.

Dinner at Downtown Disney

- **SATURDAY:**

Breakfast at Disney World

Performance or day at Disney World

Award Ceremony Saturday evening

Leave for home as soon as Award Ceremony is over

- **SUNDAY:**

Arrive back at Decatur High Sunday morning.

Automated Check Recovery

Decatur High School now uses Automated Check Recovery. All returned checks are subject to electronic redeposit without further notice. State authorized recovery fees will be assessed on all returned checks and may be debited from your checking account electronically. Your personal check made out to **Decatur Chorus** is welcome with proper identification.

Mark Your Calendar!

Christmas Concert

2:30 PM December 9, 2007

First Baptist Church, Decatur



Talent Show Dates

Auditions

January 8, 2008

Talent Show

January 24, 2008

