

# The Chorus Line

www.decaturchorus.com

August 2011

## *Fundraising Facts.....*

Students participate in fundraisers to pay chorus fees or to offset expenses for the Spring trip.

If you are using fundraising to pay for chorus fees, that should be in writing to Dr. Davis ASAP.

- **Pansy Sale Has Begun!**

All orders must be received by August 31, 2011. No late orders accepted.

Pick up date is October 14, 2011 at Delano Park.

Contact Lisa Doherty with questions at 256-318-2755

- **Candy Sales available Sept 15!**

Students may pick up a box of candy from the chorus room.

- **Rada Knife Sale starts Oct. 20!**

Watch the newsletter and website for more information in September. The merchandise will be available for the holidays. The sale will end on November 4.

- **Scrip Fundraiser starts!**

This is an exciting new fundraiser for DHS chorus with many advantages.

It involves no selling.

You do not spend any money outside of your regular household budget.

After the school code is made available, you may register online to purchase gift cards to businesses where you regularly spend money. They will credit a percentage of your purchase to your account with DHS chorus.

Deadline to order each will be provided soon.

To learn more go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com).

Have your relatives sign up for an account – a place exists in the account sign up for them to indicate Dr. Davis's name and the students name in which they wish their profits to go.

## Chorus Calendar 2011-2012

### August

- 23 Forms due!!
- 23 Pansy Sale begins
- 31 Pansy Sale ends (no late orders)

### September

- 2 Chorus Fee in lieu of fundraising due/Notarized form and Online Information Submitted
- 2 All State Money due
- 29 All State Show Choir Auditions, Wallace State
- 30 Ole Miss Contest Money Due (Chamber only)

### October

- 3 Trip Deposit Due(\$150)
- 14 Pansy Sale Pick Up at Delano Park
- 29 Ole Miss Contest (Chamber only)

### November

- 4 2<sup>nd</sup> trip payment due (\$150)
- 7 All State Auditions-Central Meth. Decatur
- 17 All City Music Festival  
Decatur Baptist Church @ 7:00 P. M.
- 29 Oak Park Concert (Chamber only)

### December

- 1-2 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal (during school day for all choirs)
- 4 Christmas Concert (All Choirs) 2:30 P.M. First Baptist Church
- 20 Last day for students

### January

- 5 First day for students
- 13 3<sup>rd</sup> trip payment (\$150)
- 14 All students must have \$450 in account to participate in spring trip.
- 16 Schools closed

### February

- 3 Final Trip Payment (balance)
- 9 Talent Show auditions after school
- 20 Schools closed
- 24 Talent Show during school day

### March

- 8-10 All State Chorus Samford
- 14 State Chorus Contest (need parent workers)

### April

- 11-15 Spring Trip to Orlando, FL
- 23-27 Schools closed

### May

- 6 Spring Concert (All Choirs) 2:30
- 15 Concert Chorus Auditions 3:30 Chorus Room
- 17 Chamber Chorus Auditions 3:30 Chorus Room

## Decatur Chorus Website

Please check out the Decatur Chorus website. It is packed with information, forms, and pictures for your benefit. You can access it at [www.decaturchorus.com](http://www.decaturchorus.com). One section of the website is a link to a photo sharing file on Shutterfly that is password protected. The password is "Sing," and it is case sensitive.

A hearty thanks to Ellen Didler who created the wonderful website! ♪

### Next Chorus Board Meeting:

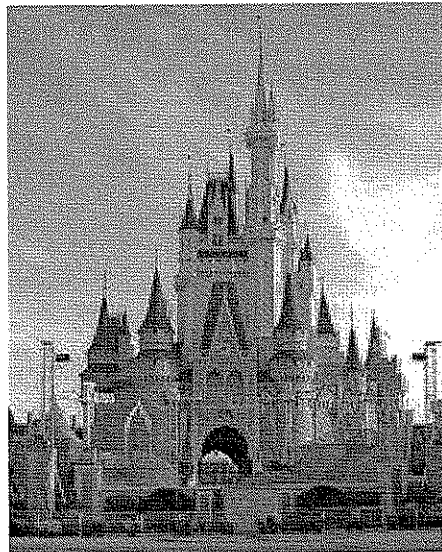
Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. @ Mi Hacienda

## Chorus Board Members

Director:	Dr. Carl Davis
Assistant:	Ginny Matherly
Secretary	Leah Archer
Treasurer	Suzanne Woller
Fundraising	Susan Neil, Tricia Scheler, Lisa Doherty, Nita Woodson, Drama Breland
Spring Trip	Jimmy Boy, Karen Suggs, Jamie Gauthier
Field Trips	Sarah Henderson
Chaperones	Karen Spearman, Missi Cranston
Robes	Lisa Greer and Lynne Newman Co Chairs (Melinda Baker)
Concerts	HELP NEEDED!!!
Talent Show/ Scholarship	Krista Givens
Mailouts	Gail Warth
Newsletter	Amy Hill
Website	Ellen Didler
Publicity	Wendy Lang Beck

# **SPRING TRIP ORLANDO April 11-15, 2012**

**MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE SPRING D.H.S. CHORUS  
TRIP TO ORLANDO, FL  
TO SING AT AN ADJUDICATED CHORAL COMPETITION**



The total cost of the trip cannot be determined until the final roster is cast. It should fall between \$650-750.00 per student. Payments can be offset with fundraisers and should be made in 4 payments.

Payment Schedule:	
October 3	\$150
November 4	\$150
January 13	\$150
February 3	calculated when final amount is determined

# Spring Trip Payment Policy

- All cancellations must be received in writing prior to the January 10<sup>th</sup> deadline. January 10<sup>th</sup> is a “use it or lose it” date. Any student with a balance of less than \$450 on January 10<sup>th</sup> forfeits all monies. The funds become nontransferable to another student on this date.
- As of January 11<sup>th</sup> all monies paid on each student’ account become nonrefundable and non transferable.
- Full payment must be received by February 5<sup>th</sup>. Failure to have all monies paid by this date will result in cancellation of you student’s space and any money already paid will not be refunded and cannot be transferred another student.
- If a student must cancel after January 10<sup>th</sup> (having greater than \$450.00 balance), that student may transfer any money paid to a “new” student. This cannot be a student already booked on the trip, in other words this “new” student must be a student who will take the place of the student who is canceling. This request must be submitted in writing. No refunds or transfers of funds will be allowed after January 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Regardless of when a student cancels, all fundraising money is nonrefundable but can and is transferable subject to the terms and conditions above.
- If the director removes a student from the trip, for any reason, then all funds will be refunded (except funds generated through fundraising.)
- The only exception to the above policy would be in the event of a school related conflict which occurs after payments have been made. In this case the decision to refund will be determined by Dr. Carl Davis, however, no fundraising money is refundable for any reason (Alabama State Law).
- To receive a refund for any overpayment you must submit a request for refund in writing to the treasurer before the end of the school year in which the trip was taken. This must be submitted online. You may find a link for this form under the “Forms” tab at the top of the website: [www.decaturchorus.com](http://www.decaturchorus.com)



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## ***IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER***

***December 4, 2011 Christmas Concert (1<sup>st</sup> semester exam)***

***May 6, 2012 Spring Concert (2<sup>nd</sup> semester exam)***

### **Concert Attire**

The dress for any chorus performance is as follows:

**Boys:** black shoes (no tennis shoes), black socks, black pants and chorus shirt. Hair must be neatly secured out of face. No earrings or other piercings.

**Girls:** black shoes (no tennis shoes and no open toed shoes), black hose (no bare legs or feet), black pants, chorus shirt. No earrings or other piercings. Hair must be neatly secured out of face.♪