

The Chorus Line

www.decaturchorus.com

November 2009

Fundraising Facts.....

Rada Knives

Rada knife delivery is expected the week prior to Thanksgiving.

Candy Sales

Candy sales will be available again after Christmas.

The following people need to send a check for \$50 for candy.

Darrius Lampkin	Edith Garner
Tekeisha Garth	Toiquon Peterson
Alyssa Kelley	Isaiah Kelly (\$20 only)
Edward Tucker	Cathy Nguyen
Max Ackley	Parker Frith
Jaliah Gilcrease	Terence Hannon
Katharine White	

January Fundraiser NORTH ALABAMA ENJOY THE CITY COUPON BOOKS

Coupon Books will be available for the students to sell second semester. These books feature coupons for restaurants, retail stores, grocery stores, and entertainment (Braves games, ice skating, rental cars, space center, etc) for Huntsville, Decatur and surrounding areas.

An example will be available at the parent meeting in January.

The books cost \$20.00, half of which is profit going directly to your student's account! In order to begin this fundraiser we must have a minimum order of 300 books. The preorder form is in this newsletter and should be returned by December 1, 2009.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!!

PARENT MEETING IN JANUARY

TOPIC:

SPRING BREAK 2011

CHORUS TRIP TO

ITALY

WE APPRECIATE OUR PARENTS!!

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO HELPED WITH PICTURE DAY!

Gail Terry	Amy Shelley
Lisa Craig	Nita Woodson
Felisha Evans	Julia Green
Nancy Lykins	Kim Schuster
Leigh Ann Hurst	

PANSY VOLUNTEERS WERE WONDERFUL!

Shannon Douthit	Rob Doherty
Lisa Doherty	Amy Shelley
Nicole Shelton	Susan Neill
Kim Davis	Men's Chorus

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

We need many volunteers to make the Christmas Concert a success. Please contact Karen Spearman to volunteer on that afternoon.

256.476.7535

karenspearman@gmail.com

Chorus Calendar 2009-2010

November

- 19 All City Music Festival (Chamber Chorus Only)
Decatur Baptist Church @ 7:00 P. M.
- 23-27 Schools closed

December

- 1 Oak Park Christmas Concert (Chamber Chorus Only) 6:00 P.M. Oak Park
- 2 Civitan Performance@ Holiday Inn 12:00 P.M.
- 4 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal (during school day for all choirs)
- 6 Christmas Concert (All Choirs) 2:30 P.M.
Southside Baptist Church
- 17 Last day for students

January

- 6 First day for students
- 18 Schools closed

February

- 4-5 All State Chorus Auditions @ Southside Baptist Church
- 4 Talent Show auditions after school
- 15 Schools closed
- 18 Talent Show rehearsal (evening)
- 19 Talent Show during school day
- 25 District Performance Assessment, First Baptist Church Decatur (All choirs)

March

- 1-5 Graduation Exam
- 22-24 State Performance Assessment, Birmingham

April

- 10 Schools closed
- 15-17 All State Chorus, Samford University, Birmingham
- 19-23 Schools closed
- 30 Spring Concert dress rehearsal (during school day)

May

- 2 Spring Concert (All Choirs)
- 18 Chamber Chorus Auditions 3:30 P.M. Chorus Room
- 23 Baccalaureate
- 27 Last Day for Students
- 28 Graduation

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. 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.

CONCERT ATTENDANCE & ATTIRE

Please note that the Christmas and Spring Concerts count as the semester exam for all chorus students. Therefore, participation is **mandatory**.

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.

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

Concert attire will be checked at each performance. Students not in compliance will receive a maximum performance grade of 50 (F). Since performance grades are a major portion of the six-week's grade, a student could fail for not wearing proper attire.

Chorus Board Members

Director:	Dr. Carl Davis
Assistant:	Ginny Matherly
President	Randy Tidwell
Secretary	Julianne O'Hara
Treasurer	Diann Hammon
Fundraising	Susan Neil, Patricia Scheler,
Spring Trip	Jenipher Patterson, Kelley Holloway
Chaperones	K.Spearman, S.Henderson, L. Archer
Robes	E. White, K.Suggs, A. Robbins, L. Newman
Concerts	Margie Tidwell
Talent Show/ Scholarship	Stephanie Mayfield
Pictures	Mitch Schuster
Mailouts	Robin Higdon
Newsletter	Amy Hill
Website	Ellen Didier

SPRING TRIP CHICAGO MARCH 24-28, 2010



Thursday, March 25

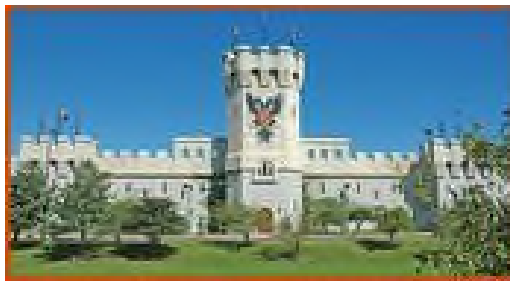
- Museum of Science and Industry
- Lunch at Gino's, Ed Debevic's or Hard Rock Café
- Chicago Bulls Game

Friday, March 26

- Navy Pier
- Shop Magnificent Mile
- Dinner Cruise on the *Spirit of Chicago*

Saturday, March 27

- Sears Tower
- Performance Time
- Medieval Times Dinner Show, Awards Ceremony, and Dance



Payment Schedule:	
November 1	\$150
December 1	\$150
January 1	\$150
February	calculated when final amount is determined

Decatur High Chorus
Decatur City Council of PTAs
302 4th Avenue NE
Decatur, AL 35601

BULK RATE
US POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT NO.
669

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Mailing Address
Street Number and Name
City, State 98765-4321

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

December 6, 2009

Students arrive at 2:00

Performance at 2:30

Purchase your tickets now to avoid standing in line. Send \$2.00 per ticket, cash or check, in a sealed envelope with your student's name on it.

NEW LOCATION.... **SOUTHSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH**

709 9TH Avenue, SE
Decatur, AL



Christmas Concert CDs and DVDs

You may order CDs and DVDs from the upcoming Christmas Concert. DVDs are \$20.00 and CDs are \$10.00 each. If you would like either one, you can fill out the appropriate order form below and send the form and the check to the Chorus office in a sealed envelope with your student's name on it.

Christmas Concert DVD Order Form

If you would like to purchase a copy, please complete the order form below and return with a check payable to DHS Chorus. DVDs will cost \$20.00.

Student name: _____ Number of DVDs ordered: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

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If you would like to purchase a copy, please complete the order form below and return with a check payable to DHS Chorus. CDs will cost \$10.00.

Student name: _____ Number of CDs ordered: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

COUPON BOOK PREORDER FORM

Send no money at this time for coupon books!

Student Name: _____ Chorus period: _____

Please reserve me _____ books to sell. Phone number: _____

Parent name: _____

Address: _____

Many students are actively fundraising for the 2010 Spring Trip to Chicago; many others are fundraising for the 2011 Spring Trip to Italy. To keep our accounting in order, we need clarification on participation in the various trips. Please turn the following form in by Monday, December 7, 2009. At that time we ask that the decision be final concerning where fundraising dollars are to be spent. Your signature indicates that you agree and understand the form below. All questions should be directed to Dr. Davis.

FUND RAISING DESIGNATION FORM

_____ My student _____ will participate in the Spring 2010 Chicago trip. All fundraising dollars should be in his or her account for this trip.

_____ My student _____ will NOT participate in the Spring 2010 Chicago trip. All fundraising dollars should be in his or her account for the Spring 2011 Italy trip. All fundraising dollars should be attributed to his or her account for the Italy trip. I understand that should my student become unable to attend the Italy trip his or her fundraising dollars could be used to defray chorus fees but will not be refunded. Payments made by parents that are not from fundraisers would be refunded prior to the final notification date.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Please remember that money raised through fundraisers cannot be refunded. You may designate your funds to another student or donate them to the general chorus fund, but you may not receive a cash refund.