



# EHS BAND NEWSLETTER

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## From Your Director...

We are off to a great year with marching season in full swing. Our show is really taking shape thanks to the help of many parents getting orange barrels donated for the show and building supports for the barrels. Our soloists are doing an awesome job, the guard is better than ever, and the percussionists are playing great. The football games are fun and full of energy, as always.

Competition season is around the corner so things are going to get a bit more stressful as we enter October. Come to the games and the competitions to cheer on these dedicated students. I am certain you will enjoy the entertainment of their performances.

The jazz bands are really fun this year. We are learning some theory and ear training, not to mention trying to learn how to improvise. Both bands are going to sound terrific this year and they are a blast to work with. I am expecting great things from them this year.

I would like to thank all of the parents that help make this program operate. There are so many things to be done and we could never make it happen without our booster board and all of the caring parents that lend a helping hand. You don't get to hear it often enough, but you are greatly appreciated.

Thanks for all that you do.

Sincerely,

John C. Sanks



## From Your Booster President

The 2009-2010 Marching Season is off to a great start! There is a lot of youth and enthusiasm to our band this year. It's exciting to see the students so excited and working hard. It will be competition time before we know it! Keep up the good work.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thanks to the volunteers that have helped out the band so far... uniform volunteers, after school rehearsals, chaperoning, band camp BBQ, board positions, the Pit crew, POB reps. We can't do it without your help, thank you so much!!

We are still looking for a Liaison from Jackson Middle School. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade football game is one of the main tasks for the liaisons, and I know the people for Eisenhower and Hoover would appreciate the help. Please let me know if you can help.

Please remind your students that it's important to have their inhaler on them if they need it and to stay hydrated. It always seems that during competition month, we have students passing out from dehydration. They need to eat right, drink hydrating fluids and get plenty of rest.

If you still haven't signed up to be a member of Yahoo to receive our band emails, please do it now. Let me know if you have questions or don't understand how to go about doing that. Also, check out the band's website at [www.nmeldoradoeaglesband.com](http://www.nmeldoradoeaglesband.com) for important dates, information, forms, etc.

Come out to a football game and see the great progress our students are making on the show and definitely plan on going to one of the competitions to show your support for the EHS Golden Eagles Marching Band.

# GO EAGLES!

Sincerely,

Karen Sandoval

EHS Band Booster President



# Chair Auditions

Chair placement auditions will be held November 9, 10, and 12. The audition music is the All State music and the 12 major scales. The students should already have a scale sheet and the All State etudes; we passed them out during band camp.

In an effort to be as fair as possible, we hire adjudicators from around town who don't know our students. We will announce what day each instrument will audition after we have hired the adjudicators.

Everyone must audition during zero hour on the day of their audition because we cannot hire the adjudicators twice.



## Show Shirt & Band Booster Polo Are Now Available for Order!!

Order forms for the Band Booster Polos and Show Shirts are on the Eldorado Eagle Band website and on the order form box located on the table near the orange cabinets in the band room. Completed order forms can be placed in the order form box or emailed to [kwhippo@comcast.net](mailto:kwhippo@comcast.net). All orders are due by October 9, 2009.



"Show Shirts" are black t-shirts with the Construction Zone theme artwork designed by EHS band student Mark Gagliano and can be ordered for \$12. These shirts are for band students, parents, siblings...! What amazing artwork, Mark, thank you!

The Texas Orange Band Polo has the Band Truckin' Eagle and "Eldorado Band" embroidered on the front of the polo. It can be ordered for \$25.



## Eldorado Eagles Band Spirit Wear!

These items are available for purchase during the football games at the EHS Band table near the stadium concession stand. Coming soon are EHS Band magnets and Eldorado Eagle Texas Orange long sleeve t-shirts.

Black Zip-Up Hoodie	\$30
Ladies Black Camisole	\$12
Grey Pull-Over Hoodie	\$25
Grey T-Shirt	\$12
Orange Sweatshirt	\$15
Baseball Cap	\$15
Black Fleece Blanket	\$25
Draw String Bag	\$8
Foam Finger	\$2
Seat Cushion	\$2
Spirit Horns	\$2

Thank you for showing your support for the Eldorado Eagles Band!



## All State Auditions

Auditions for All State will be held on either November 18 or 19 at La Cueva HS. Audition music was given to students during Band Camp. Students wanting to audition must register with Mr. Sanks by **Monday, October 12**. The cost is \$10, which will be charged to the student's account.

# UNIFORM CLEANING SCHEDULE

## CLEANING RECEIPT DUE:

Oct. 10, 2009  
Oct. 15, 2009  
Oct. 31, 2009  
April 10, 2010  
April 24, 2010

## MUST BE DATED AFTER:

Oct. 2, 2009  
Oct. 10, 2009  
Oct. 24, 2009  
March 12, 2010  
April 18, 2010



➡➡➡ Avoid a cleaning fine of \$8 by cleaning your uniform according to the schedule and turning the receipt in on time.

## PEP BAND "UNIFORM"

When the pep band plays for UNM volleyball games or Eldorado basketball games, the students should be dressed in the official band t-shirt, jeans and sneakers. No flip flops or sandals are allowed.



## POB VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Here is an opportunity to help that just could not be better! We need 30 volunteers for the day of Pageant of Bands, October 10. Your shift would be only two hours, and then you can stay and watch as many bands as you like—along with your favorite, the Golden Eagle Marching Band!

You still need to purchase a ticket (or have gotten one with your Booster membership), but you can come and go during the day. The shift times are: 7:15-9:15; 9:00-11:00; 10:45-12:45; 2:15-Close. Eldorado will be performing at 2:45. Contact one of the POB reps to reserve your time slot! Thank you for your help.

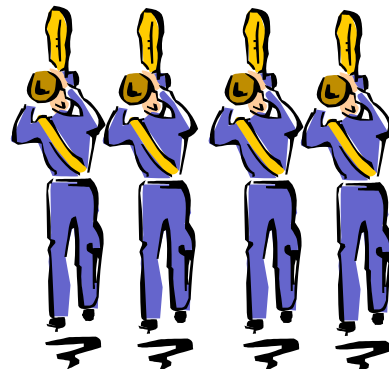
Sheryl Anello 821-3486  
Denise Lanza 293-2352

Dorthe Carr 296-2701  
Anne Zeter 237-1869

## Uniform Preparations for Competition

October is the month of marching competitions. The students must look their best. Here are some ways to maintain a great looking uniform:

It is very important that the uniform be dry cleaned before each competition. The pants should touch the top of the shoes without a buckle or wrinkle in the front crease. The suspenders can be adjusted to correct the length of the pants. Shoes need to be freshly polished. The collar liner and gloves should be washed. The white gauntlet can be wiped with a cloth dampened with mild household cleaner. If the black gauntlet gets dirty, it has to be dry cleaned.



Long hair must be completely tucked into the hat. Hair cannot hang on the collar of the uniform jacket. The hat should be dusted with a soft cloth and rubbing alcohol. Long black socks have to be worn with the uniform. The students are required to wear the band t-shirt under the uniform jacket.

If you have any questions or problems with the uniform, please contact Carol Siegrist at 328-2728 or [bc siegrist@aol.com](mailto:bc siegrist@aol.com).

## Building Renovation

Mr. Sanks has walked through the old music building and is very happy with the progress they are making. The new lighting is in, the walls are re-done and painted, the bathrooms have new tile and fixtures, the bandroom floor is finished, and there are doors and windows in the back of the room. It has really started to take shape.



The contractors hope to be done in October. Mr. Sanks is hoping for the third week in October. We all plan to start the second semester in our new building; it's all very exciting.

This is going to be one of the finest facilities in the area when it is done.

The music department wants to have an open-house for everyone when it is done. We will let you know details as we get closer.

## Treasurer's Report

The first statement went out on September 7. Many of you confirmed receipt as requested (THANK YOU), however many did not. Please email me or call me so I know that statements are being received. I prefer to email the statements to save money on postage and paper.



If payment arrangements need to be made, please call me to set something up. Earnings from POB ads and entertainment book sales should be reflected on the October statement.

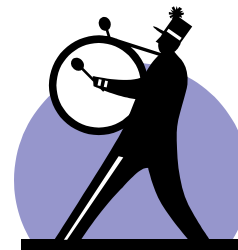
Thank you,  
Tara Otero  
859-2944  
[ehsbandtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ehsbandtreasurer@gmail.com)

## Band Flea Market and Marchathon Day Success!

And... Please Help: New Band Flea Market Family Needed to Continue the Tradition Next Year!

On behalf of the Band Boosters, **Thank You!** to everyone who helped make the Flea Market and March-a-thon a great success on August 22! Both events were lots of fun! Because of everyone's contributions and efforts, our earnings were fantastic:

- ◆ Flea Market - \$3,182.28 (up \$830.08 from last year)
- ◆ March-a-thon - \$418.81 (up \$59.04 from last year)
- ◆ **TOTAL - \$3,601.09 for the general fund**



Also... since our student graduates in '10, a family or a pair of families is needed to take over as the Flea Market leaders for next year. You'll inherit the in-depth "Band Flea Market advertising, planning and supplies kit," and we'll be happy to meet with you and give you a detailed walkthrough of the materials and the steps that have been used over many, many years for making the Flea Market a success.

Most of the preparation for the event occurs in the summer and during Band Camp; however, the volunteer family(ies) will need to be established by early spring.

If you think you may be interested, just let us know and we'll give you more information (no pressure!). Please consider helping the band in this way, especially if you will be a band family for the next few years and can continue leading the event for that time. This has been great fun for us; and historically, the event has provided a wonderful social and money-making start to each school year!

Thank you,  
Shelley and Bill Kleinschmidt  
345-5324 or [shell.klein@comcast.net](mailto:shell.klein@comcast.net)

# Fun-raising Eagle Style!

*Fun-raising is FUN, fun-raising is FUN, fun-raising is FUN!!*

In true Eagle family style, the EHS Band has had great fun-raising participation this year! Bravo, Congratulations, Fabulous, Awesome! To date, we have had the Flea Market, March-a -thon, POB Ad Sales and the Entertainment Books sales . . . and we have just completed the first month of school!

The goal is to offer a variety of fundraising opportunities throughout the year. This will help curb the cost of band participation and help students earn the money needed for their account. We have multiple fundraisers scheduled, something to fit every lifestyle and budget. And, we always welcome new ideas! Look to Yahoo Mail for complete details.

## Important Upcoming Fundraising Reminders:

**MELLOY DODGE Raffle Ticket Sales:** This is a spectacular opportunity to earn \$\$\$\$ for individual student accounts. And if you purchase a ticket, you may even win a new DODGE TRUCK!! How cool is that??? Dodge graciously donates a new \$40K truck to raffle, and only a handful of NM high schools participate in the drawing. Each raffle ticket is sold for \$5 and 100%—YES 100%—goes directly into your student's account. Don't miss this opportunity. *Get your tickets today! \$\$\$\$\$\$*

**SEPTEMBER 30: Readers Digest Magazine Sales** are due. Please check Yahoo Mail for details about turning in orders and money.

**DON'T FORGET to Sign Up for Smith's Earn & Learn** before 9-30-09. FREE MONEY, FREE MONEY, FREE MONEY!

**ALBERTSON'S CARDS** are available from Mrs. Herrera.

Fundraising Activities are being coordinated by Jennifer Beck-Herrera, please contact her with any questions or suggestions. Phone numbers are 323.9610 or 452.6421. Email is [jbeckherrera@yahoo.com](mailto:jbeckherrera@yahoo.com).



## VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone who has signed up as volunteers. October is a busy month for the band and we can use all the volunteers we can get. If you are interested in volunteering please contact

Sara Frederick at 238-4699  
or email at [nmsara7@aol.com](mailto:nmsara7@aol.com).



## WEBSITE

*Need to know what is going on?*

*Visit us at:*

[www.nmeldoradoeaglesband.com](http://www.nmeldoradoeaglesband.com)

*The website is updated regularly with important information for parents and students.*

*Visit early and visit often!*



## *Schedule of Events*

Friday, October 2  
Football Game 7 pm  
EHS v Mayfield

Tuesday, October 6  
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

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Booster Meeting 6:30 pm

Wednesday, October 7  
Deadline for All State Auditions Sign Up

Thursday, October 8  
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5 pm  
Wilson Stadium

Friday, October 9  
Fall Break—No School

Saturday, October 10  
Pageant of Bands All Day  
*Cleaning Receipt Due*



Tuesday, October 13  
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

Thursday, October 15  
Mandatory Rehearsal, Dinner and Football Game  
Wilson Stadium 3 pm  
Highland HS v EHS  
*Cleaning Receipt Due*

Saturday, October 17  
Zia Marching Band Fiesta All Day  
UNM Stadium



Tuesday, October 20  
After School Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

Saturday, October 24  
Football Game 1:30 pm  
EHS v Los Lunas HS

Tuesday, October 27  
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

Friday, October 30  
Football Game 7 pm  
EHS v Manzano HS  
Costume Night—Middle School Night

Saturday, October 31  
Tournament of Bands All Day  
Las Cruces  
*Cleaning Receipt Due*

Tuesday, November 3  
Band Booster Meeting 6:30 pm

Wednesday, November 11  
Veterans Day—No School

Saturday, November 14  
Duke City Drum Off  
West Mesa HS



Wednesday & Thursday, November 18-19  
All State Auditions  
La Cueva HS

Friday-Sunday, November 20-22  
District VII Honor Band Rehearsals and Concert

Tuesday, November 24  
Uptown Jazz Concert

Wednesday-Friday, November 25-27  
Thanksgiving Break—No School

Wednesday, December 2  
Band Concert 7 pm

Wednesday-Friday, December 16-18  
Final Exams

Monday, December 21-Friday, January 1  
Winter Break—No School

Monday, January 4  
Inservice Day—No School for Students

Tuesday, January 5  
Band Booster Meeting 6:30 pm

Wednesday-Saturday, January 6-9  
All State Rehearsals and Concerts  
UNM

Wednesday-Sunday, April 14-18  
Spring Trip to Branson, Missouri



## Calling All Chaperones!!

If you plan on helping chaperone ANY band event you MUST get fingerprinted by APS.

### *What to do?*

- Download the form from the Band web site & fill out the top portion.
- Get it signed by Principal Sandoval.
- Take it to APS @ City Center, Room 105E between 8:00 & 3:45 M-F.
- Pay the \$29.95 (no cash or personal checks).



Once approved it will be delivered to the principal's secretary. Please get a copy of the form for Cheri Stromberg, Booster VP in charge of chaperones, and keep a copy for your own records (it's good until your kids graduate).

Email questions to Karen Sandoval at [ksandoval3@comcast.net](mailto:ksandoval3@comcast.net) or call APS Fingerprinting at 889-4864

## 12th Annual Duke City Drum Off

Saturday, November 14  
West Mesa High School

The Duke City Drum Off is an annual event involving some of New Mexico's finest high school marching drumlines! The drumlines perform anywhere from five to ten minutes of warm ups, cadences, or music from their marching band show while judges critique them on their musicianship and technical skills.

Upon completion of all high school performances, there is an exhibition performance exposing students to ensembles of higher caliber for entertainment and educational purposes.

Finally, there is an awards ceremony where there are participation plaques, caption awards, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies.

As representatives of the New Mexico National Guard, the 44th Army Band ultimately hopes to strengthen public awareness of the guard, promote educational activities, and to perform its mission in a musical capacity.

## Good Luck in Competition! EHS Golden Eagles Marching Band!



# What's Inside?

Read about . . .

- *volunteer opportunities for parents!*
- *how to get your show shirt or band polo!*
- *chair placement auditions!*
- *All State auditions!*
- *uniform cleaning and care!*
- *the latest update on the Music Building!*
- *and lots more!*



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