



EHS BAND NEWSLETTER

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From Your Director...

The new year is off to a great start. We have a great bunch of students that are trying hard to get ready for the month of October, the dreaded month of Marching Band Competitions. We have three competitions, two of which are in town. Competitions are both exciting and scary in my mind, but it all depends on how prepared and confident you are. One of the quotes I have given them is "to be successful, you must to be responsible." They have huge responsibilities to learn their music to a superior level and be able to march their drill at that same level. I hope everyone will join us at these events to support the efforts of our students. We have a fun show that will be changing every performance until our last competition on October 30 at ZIA.

I would also like to invite everyone to come to some UNM Volleyball games. They are a kick and the students have a great time. I think the band looks, and sounds, very impressive when we use the whole band. Parents get in the games for free and the games can be very exciting.

I hope you enjoy the shows.

Go Eagles!

Mr. Sanks



From Your Booster President

And we're off—the whirlwind of marching season has begun. There is so much enthusiasm in our band this year that it's contagious to us parents, too! It's exciting to see the students working so hard, and also enjoying themselves so much. It will be competition time soon, so keep up the great work.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a HUGE thank you to all of our wonderful board members, committee chairpersons, volunteers, and band families. These individuals have cleaned, weeded and hauled trash from the marching field, cooked and served food to starving teenagers, measured and fitted uniforms, chaperoned football games, constructed show props, loaded and unloaded instruments, purchased and delivered refreshments for games and rehearsals, posted pictures and videos of the show, updated our website, and ensured the success of the Flea Market and March-a-thon. This list is only a portion of the assistance the band receives from an army of volunteers. THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU!

Our students and parents have done a super job keeping the band hydrated before games, and also during them. Please continue to encourage your student to drink plenty of fluids before the day of performances so our band is able to give it their all. Don't forget to check with who is hosting the Pasta Dinners on October 1 before POB and on October 22 before TOB. Come 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. Don't forget to wear your Eldorado Orange in the stands.

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2010 Marching Competitions

- Oct. 2 Pageant of Band at Wilson Stadium
- Oct. 23 Tournament of Bands in Las Cruces
- Oct. 30 ZIA at the UNM Football Stadium

Annual Flea Market Event

Well, we made it through the 2010 Flea Market with great success, lots of fun and a darn good profit...over \$3300. Thanks to everyone who volunteered, donated, supported and shopped! A special thanks to the Band for a wonderful performance.



But now, from the "just when you thought it was safe to go back in the water" category, I'd like to suggest that it is not too soon to begin thinking about the 2011 Flea Market.

Every year we look for ways to make this event bigger, better, and more organized and efficient. This year is no different. We are already thinking of how to make improvements for next year. The biggest problem this year seemed to be at the bewitching hour of 6:00 a.m. Next year, we will schedule the first round of volunteers to arrive earlier than the general donations. That way volunteers can deliver their own donations first, then help the general population. Seems that might streamline things a bit. If anyone has any feedback or suggestions that they think might help improve things, please e-mail them to Maggi at petton_counelis@msn.com.

One of the best suggestions following this year's event came from Dorthe Carr, who noted that the abundance of clothing this year was tremendous. There were piles and piles of it...and some of it was very nice. Dorthe suggested that we might consider the APS Clothing Bank for clothes that don't sell at the market. That is definitely something we will pursue next year.

So, start saving for next year. Given the vast amount of stuff we had to sell this year we KNOW you have room to start collecting all over again!

Thanks, again, to everyone!

Thank You!

VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone who signed up to volunteer with the various committees and events in the upcoming year.

If you have any questions about volunteer opportunities or still need to sign up please contact Sara Frederick at nmsara7@aol.com.

2010 Pageant of Bands



GO EAGLES

The first completion of the year, the 31st annual Pageant of Bands (POB), is **Saturday, October 2**. This competition is special, because it is put on by volunteers from 11 APS high school band booster programs. And some of those volunteers can be YOU!

Eldorado needs to provide 26 volunteers to help with a variety of activities such as selling programs, manning entrances, parking cars, escorting bands, etc. Eldorado will march sometime after 2:30, so all our volunteers will be working earlier shifts: 9-11, 10:45-12:45 and 12:30-2:30. If you can volunteer, please contact Dorthe Carr at bdsmcarr@comcast.net or call 296-2701.

All volunteers will need a ticket to get into POB, so if you need a ticket, let Dorthe know. Tickets are only \$5 before September 28. They will be \$7 for adults and \$6 for students/seniors the day of POB. Thanks for all your help.

Get Connected

If you are not getting emails from the band's Yahoo Group, NMEldoradoEaglesBand@yahoogroups.com, please consider signing up now. Quite a bit of information is distributed via the group email and it's an excellent way to keep up to date with rehearsal schedules, competitions, uniform reminders, audition information, etc. Remember, we also maintain a website at www.nmeldoradoeaglesband.com and update it with schedule changes as they occur.



Sign up today with our Yahoo Group so you can keep informed on what's happening with the band. Then, remember to check your email often. Sign-up instructions are listed below:

1. Go to www.groups.yahoo.com
2. In the space "Find a Group" type in NMEldoradoEaglesBand.
3. The group will come up, click on it.
4. Click on "Join this group" (right hand side of the page near the top).
5. At this point, you will have to create a Yahoo ID if you don't already have one. When creating your id, be aware that you can make your existing email address your "default" address instead of the one you might create for Yahoo. You just need to pay attention to the instructions.

Treasurer's Report

The first statement went out on 9/1/10. 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, but if you need them mailed please let me know. Also, if payment arrangements need to be made please call me to set something up.

Earnings from POB ads should be reflected on the October statement.

Thank you,
Tara Otero
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VEGAS NIGHTS SHOW SHIRT

Congratulations to Daniel Phelps for designing the winning artwork for this year's EHS Band Show Shirt "Vegas Nights." Show shirts can be worn instead of the white band t-shirt underneath the band uniform for the upcoming three band competitions.

Parents, siblings, aunts, friends, etc. can also wear the show shirt to show their support for the EHS Golden Eagles Marching Band! Way to go Daniel!



Back of Show Shirt



Front Pocket of Show Shirt

Schedule of Events

Tuesday, September 28
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

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

Friday, October 1
Sectional Pasta Dinners

Saturday, October 2
Pageant of Bands All Day
Cleaning Receipt Due

Tuesday, October 5
Booster Meeting 6:30 pm

Friday, October 8
Fall Break—No School

Saturday, October 9
Football Game 7 pm
EHS vs. Volcano Vista

Friday, October 15
Deadline for All-State Auditions Sign Up

Friday, October 15
Football Game 7 pm
Del Norte HS vs. EHS—Middle School Night

Tuesday, October 19
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

Thursday, October 21
Mandatory Rehearsal, Dinner and Football Game
Wilson Stadium 3 pm
Manzano HS vs. EHS
Cleaning Receipt Due

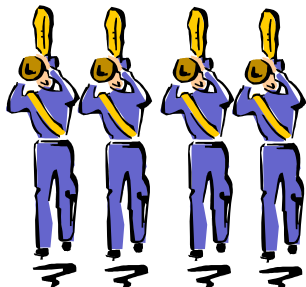
Friday, October 22
Sectional Pasta Dinners

Saturday, October 23
Tournament of Bands in Las Cruces All Day

Tuesday, October 26
Mandatory Rehearsal 3-5:30 pm

Friday, October 29
Football Game 7 pm
LaCueva HS vs. EHS—Costume Night

Saturday, October 30
Zia Marching Band Fiesta All Day
UNM Stadium
Cleaning Receipt Due



Tuesday, November 2
Band Booster Meeting 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 4
Football Game 7 pm
EHS vs. Sandia HS

Friday, November 5
UNM Volleyball Game 7 pm
Pep Band #1

Monday-Wednesday, November 8-10
Chair Placement Auditions

Thursday, November 11
Veterans Day—No School

Thursday, November 11
UNM Volleyball Game 7 pm
Pep Band #2

Saturday, November 13
UNM Volleyball Game 7 pm
Full Pep Band

Wednesday & Thursday, November 17-18
All State Auditions
La Cueva HS

Friday-Sunday, November 19-21
District VII Honor Band Rehearsals and Concert

Tuesday, November 23
Uptown Jazz Concert

Wednesday-Friday, November 24-26
Thanksgiving Break—No School

Tuesday, November 30
Jazz Band Concert 7 pm

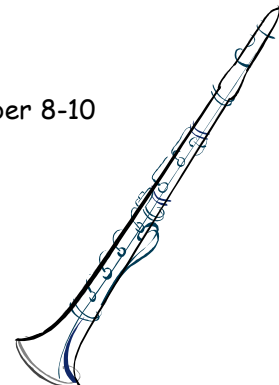
Wednesday, December 8
Band Concert 7 pm

Wednesday-Friday, December 15-17
Final Exams

Monday, December 20-Friday, December 31
Winter Break—No School

Monday-Tuesday, January 3-4
Inservice Days—No School for Students

Tuesday, January 5
Band Booster Meeting 6:30 pm



Chair Placement Tests

The chair placement tests are mandatory playing tests on the All-State audition etudes. Our three concert bands will be set up according to competency results of these placement tests.

We hire adjudicators from the NM Symphony, UNM, and local musicians to come in and audition the students. These auditions are impossible to make up because we cannot bring the judges in a second time.

The students must play the chromatic scale the range of the instrument, two major scales (two octaves), and the two All-State etudes at the proper tempo. The students received all the music needed for this audition at band camp or during the first week of school.

The auditions will be held during zero hour, November 8, 9 and 10. We will post the day each section will need to attend. Please mark your calendars and keep practicing!

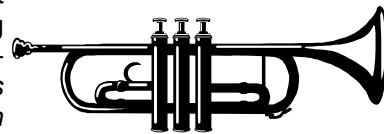


UNM BAND CONCERTS

At Popejoy Hall

Sep. 27, 7:30 pm, UNM Wind Symphony

The University of New Mexico Bands begin the academic year featuring John Marchiando, Principal Trumpet of the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra and professor of trumpet at UNM, performing Richard Rodney Bennett's *Elegy for Miles Davis* and *La Virgen de la Macarena*. The ensemble will also perform *Dragon Rhyme* by Chen Yi, *Celebration* by Edward Gregson, *Toccata and Fugue in D Minor* by J. S. Bach and *Sounds, Shapes and Symbols* by Leslie Bassett.



Oct. 12, 7:30pm, UNM Jazz Bands and Symphonic Band

UNM's two Jazz Bands will share a concert with the Symphonic Band. The Jazz Bands will play new and classic standards and are under the direction of Glenn Kostur. The Symphonic Band will perform Bernstein's *Candide Suite* and Bolcom's *Song for Band*.

Oct. 27, 7:30pm, UNM Wind Symphony

Program yet to be announced.

UNIFORM CLEANING SCHEDULE

CLEANING RECEIPT DUE:

Oct. 2, 2010

Oct. 21, 2010

Oct. 30, 2009

MUST BE DATED AFTER:

Sept. 24, 2010

Oct. 15, 2010

Oct. 23, 2009



Avoid a cleaning fine of \$10 by cleaning your uniform according to the schedule and turning the receipt in on time.



Good Luck in Competition!



EHS Golden Eagles Marching Band!

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- volunteer opportunities for parents!
- this year's show shirt!
- Pageant of Bands!
- uniform cleaning dates!
- chair placement auditions!
- and lots more!

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