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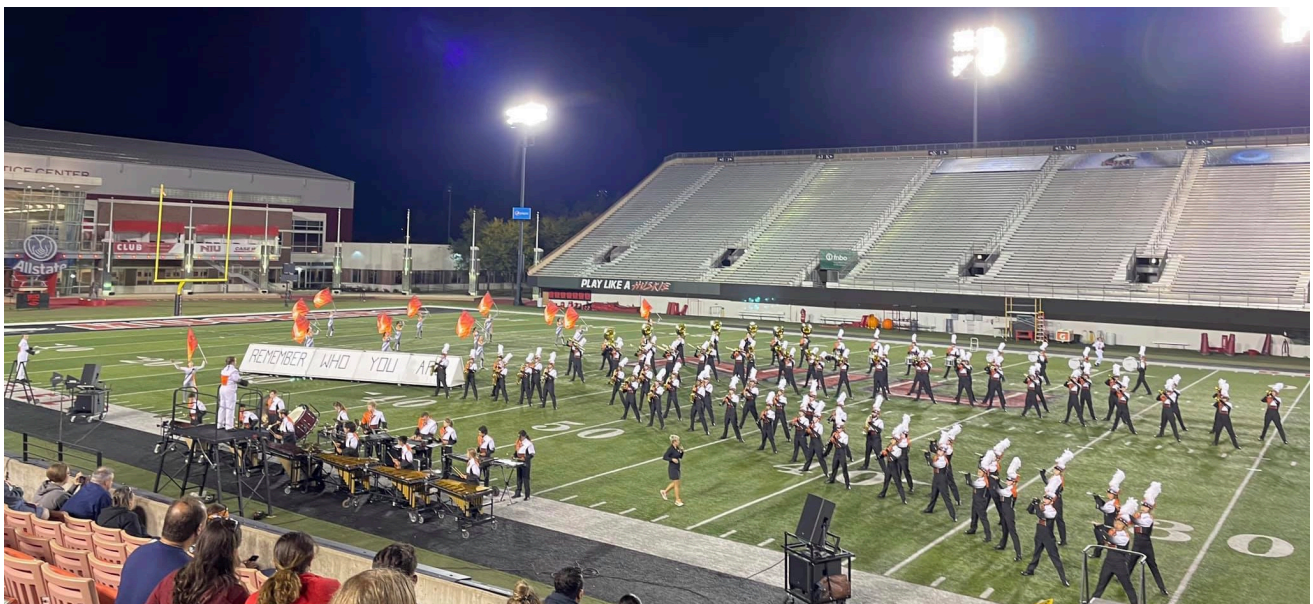
JOHN HERSEY HIGH SCHOOL BANDS NEWSLETTER

## Congratulations on a great start to our season!

Our students did an excellent job in their first competition performance in two years. We received a score of 77.60 from the judges which was the highest score of the day. Receiving the highest score of the day means that we are the overall Grand Champion of the Red & Black classic! The judges were very complimentary about the work that the kids have put into the show so far.

We were lucky to have a legendary music educator, Mr. Dave Morrison, come in to work with us for two days during the week after NIU. He provided invaluable insights and gave us many ways to tweak and improve the show.

Moving forward in the season, we will be putting the last two portions of our show (You are the future and We are better together) on the field over the next two weeks in time for our next football game. It is going to be FANTASTIC. I look forward to the Downers Grove and ISU shows which will definitely be the culmination of our marching season.



*Thank  
You!*

A big thank you to all of the parents that have volunteered in some way at the beginning of the school year. We've had 60% of parents volunteer in some way and I am very grateful for your support. Huge shout out to **Mark Fuller** who has done incredible work with organizing Road Crew and tweaking our prop design, **Amy Grabowski** for launching our HIA branded cowbells, **Jenny Stanhope** and all our uniform volunteers for their work this season to help kids look their best on the field.

~Mr. Hile



<http://www.dgsbandboosters.com/music-bowl.html>

## 10/9 Downers Grove South Tentative Itinerary

11:30 AM - Report to Stadium for Rehearsal  
1:30 PM - Load Buses + Equipment Truck  
2:00 PM - Depart for Downers Grove South HS  
3:00 PM - Arrive at DGS | Move to stadium  
3:15-4:00 PM - Watch Performances  
4:00-4:40 PM - Dinner  
4:45 PM - Watch Lake Park perform  
5:00 PM - Change into uniform  
5:30 PM - Depart for Warm Up  
5:35 PM - Warm Up  
6:15 PM - Depart for Gate  
6:30 PM - Marching Huskies Performance  
7:15 PM - Awards  
7:45 PM - Depart for Hersey  
9:00 PMish - Arrive at Hersey and unload





### Auditions looming.....

**Audition dates for ALL band members:** (before, during, after school, until late evening): **October 25th-October 29th.** The audition will consist of a music excerpt, the scale sheet and sight reading. The etudes and scales have been available since the first week of school. Students will need considerable practice time to prepare these items. Be sure to take them to your private lessons to receive help. And if you haven't signed up for private lessons, send me an email for contact info and get moving on it. This is the largest grade of the semester for all students. Happy Practicing!



## SENIOR NIGHT REDO

Marching Band seniors and their parents will be honored before the home football game scheduled on **Friday, October 1st**. Senior parents/guardians, put this date on your calendar so you can be in attendance. It's important that every senior has someone to be with them. Please let Mr. Hile know ASAP if you are unable to attend so we can have coverage for them.



## End of Season Marching Party

Students should mark **WEDNESDAY, October 27** on their calendar to celebrate our marching season. A video, pizza, cake and MANY awards are given in a very fun evening. This event will begin at 6:30pm and will tentatively be in the Hersey Black Box again this year. The event is only for students and will cost \$5.



## Message from the President – Mark Kaiser

[hia.boardpresident@gmail.com](mailto:hia.boardpresident@gmail.com)

As we are now drifting into Fall there is only one month left of Marching Band activities. Our finish at NIU was a fantastic start to the season, but they really have only just started! We have two competitions: Downer's Grove Marching Mustang Invitational on 10/9 and State of IL Marching Championship on 10/23. *Just remember, there is always a need for "more cowbell!"* Additionally, Jazz band, home football games, and various other activities will punctuate the month. All in all, it will be a busy and exciting month for Hersey musicians!

On behalf of the HIA board, I cannot express enough gratitude to all the parents who have actively participated in supporting the band through their generous donation of time and materials. Our marching band has demonstrated their potential with their solid numbers at NIU and we look forward to more great performances in the near future. Remember, this is all possible because of **your** contributions, so we thank you and the students thank you as well!

As a quick reminder, Doris and Melissa are working hard to solidify the **In Good Taste** (IGT) event which will be held in February. If you are interested, please support them by joining the IGT planning committee. IGT will be slightly different from the previous years, but we all know from last year that they will be able to plan a fabulous event that will not disappoint! All this while helping to raise revenue for the Hersey Band. Please contact Melissa Dimitrijevic at [melissadimitrijevic@yahoo.com](mailto:melissadimitrijevic@yahoo.com) or Doris Downing at [doris@uncbusiness.net](mailto:doris@uncbusiness.net) to join the IGT planning team.

Looking forward in fundraising, we have our Lou Malnati's frozen pizza coupon fundraiser in October and also, look for the reboot of the long awaited "Cheesecake" fundraiser, which we are targeting to have orders delivered by Thanksgiving.

Thank you to everyone attending our HIA General Meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September. Mark your calendars for our next meeting on Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, comments, or ideas for the HIA board, please feel free to reach out to me at [hia.boardpresident@gmail.com](mailto:hia.boardpresident@gmail.com).



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES	
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
1st: Home Football Game/Senior Night: Students arrive at 5pm	3rd: <u>First</u> Wednesday PM Symphonic Rehearsal 6-7:30pm
9th: Downers Grove Marching Mustang Invitational: All Day	5th: Panera Dine and Share Fundraiser: All day
15th: Home Football Game: Students arrive at 5pm	6th: IMEA Dist 7 Music Festival(select students): 1-5pm
18th: Monday Marching Rehearsal: 6-7:30pm	15th: HIA General Meeting/Small Ensemble Recital 7:30pm
21st: Thursday Marching Rehearsal: 6-8:45pm (No Wednesday rehearsal)	20th: District 7 Jazz Festival (select students): 1-5pm
23rd: State of IL Marching Championships at ISU: All Day	22nd: Jazz Night Club Concert - Jazz 1 and 2 7:00 pm
27th: End of Season Marching Party: 6:30pm	30th: Small Ensemble Holiday Concert Dress Rehearsal 6:30-7:30pm



A big congratulations to the band and the guard on their first competition! It was a great showing, especially as this was the first competition for 7 of the 13 guard members. Looking forward to what the second half of the season holds and keep up the hard work!

Looking ahead to November, winter guard will be starting up. Tryouts will most likely be the second week, but stay tuned for exact dates. All are welcome. You DO NOT need to be in fall guard to be in winter, and practice schedules work out so that members can be in both winter guard and concert or symphonic band. We are looking forward to being back on the floor competitively after our virtual winter season last year! If you have any questions or would like more information on winter guard, please contact Sara Reich at [herseyguard@gmail.com](mailto:herseyguard@gmail.com)



A Message from the  
Vice President  
Maureen Temple



As I sit here less than 24 hours after the Red and Black Fall Classic at NIU, I can't help but reflect on how amazing last night was, and not just because of how well the students performed. For half of the band, that was their first experience at a marching competition. As much as I'm incredibly grateful for what the band was able to do last fall in the midst of everything that was going on, it doesn't begin to compare to being able to perform in a college stadium, under the lights, with a giant crowd who understands and truly appreciates all the hard work that has gone into these performances.

The day went as well as anyone could have hoped, and that is due in part to all the parents who volunteered. From **Amy Slowinske** who created all the band camp kits so the kids could learn the drill this summer, the **prop construction parents** who have worked tirelessly to get way more than just four words on the field, the **road crew** who helped load and move all the equipment, **Amy Grabowski** for organizing the sale of the cowbells (the Hersey presence was definitely audible in the stands!), **Kim Fuller and Mark Kaiser** for creating the parent lanyards so we can all get to know each other a little easier, the **chew crew** who made sure everyone was fed while taking dietary restrictions and allergies into account, the **chaperones** who made sure everyone was where they needed to be, the **uniform crew** who took home those damp ponchos to air them out, and the **cookie bakers** who provided a sweet incentive for the students to get everything put away quickly at the end of the night, the parent volunteers are simply amazing! We absolutely could not do all that we do without your help.

But the season isn't over, and we still need a few volunteers for weekly hydration, chew crew for the other two competitions, and a uniform monitor/chaperone and hydration for the homecoming football game on October 15th. Please check out the SignUp Genius and volunteer where you can! We're also still in need of someone to chair the band banquet in May, so if you're a parent who has experienced this event before and would be willing to chair or co-chair this event, please let me know!

Maureen Temple  
HIA Vice President  
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## IN GOOD TASTE

### Join the In Good Taste (IGT) Planning Committee!

IGT is a fun evening where Hersey Band supporters - band parents, alumni, and community members - help raise vital funds for the band program. The evening will be filled with great music, cocktails, food, a silent auction and more. In Good Taste is tentatively scheduled for February 12, 2021.

Interested in helping out? Contact Melissa Dimitrijevic at [melissadimitrijevic@yahoo.com](mailto:melissadimitrijevic@yahoo.com) or Doris Downing at [doris@uncbusiness.net](mailto:doris@uncbusiness.net).

**P.S. We are looking for raffle and silent auction items.** Do you or someone you know have tickets to sporting events? Access to a vacation rental? Memorabilia? Gift cards to great restaurants? Tickets to the theatre? Museum pass? Dog grooming services? Tutoring? Cooking classes? If you'd like to donate items, please email Melissa or Doris.



### Lou Malnati's Coupon Fundraiser in October!

Help support the band by selling pizza coupons that can be redeemed at any Lou Malnati's for their frozen pizzas. Cheese, pepperoni, sausage and spinach pizzas available. See flyer on the next page for all the details!



**Cheesecakes returning this year!**  
**Fundraiser planned for November in time for the holidays.**  
**More info to follow soon!**



## Fundraiser!

October 3<sup>rd</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

PLEASE HELP TO SELL FROZEN LOU MALNATI PIZZA COUPONS TO  
SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT AND THE HERSEY BAND!

EACH COUPON IS GOOD FOR **ONE 9" FROZEN DEEP DISH PIZZA** (CHEESE, SAUSAGE, PEPPERONI, OR SPINACH ONLY) TO BE PICKED UP BY CUSTOMERS AT ANY LOU MALNATI'S LOCATION, INCLUDING ARIZONA AND INDIANA, AND WISCONSIN. GOOD FOR 6 MONTHS, THE EXPIRATION DATE WILL BE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE COUPON. AT THIS TIME, A GLUTEN FREE OPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE WITH THE COUPONS.

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**COUPONS ARE BEING SOLD FOR \$13 EACH. (\$3 TO YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT AND \$2 TO BAND FOR EACH SALE)**

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT PAM KAISER AT  
[pamela.kaiser@aah.org](mailto:pamela.kaiser@aah.org) or cell 847-624-1529

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Please turn in your orders (with payment) to the lock box in Mr. Hile's office.  
Cash or checks accepted. Makes checks payable to Hersey Instrumental  
Association

STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_

Number of coupons (\$13 each) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_



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## 2021-2022 Hersey Band Sponsorship Program

Every year the Hersey Instrumental Association (HIA) raises funds to provide scholarships, sponsor learning opportunities, host family and student social events, purchase needed equipment, and fund band programs. We invite you to support the band by becoming a sponsor. Sponsorship is open to the entire Hersey community - parents, grandparents, alums, and friends of the program!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print your name as you would like it to appear in our thank you list.)

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Level of Sponsorship and Amount: ☐ Gold \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Platinum \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Gold Level Sponsorship: Up to \$199

Includes admission for immediate family (parents & children) to all band performances including CICBF.

### Platinum Level Sponsorship: \$200 and up

Includes Gold Level Sponsorship benefits **plus** a ½ page ad in the 2021 CICBF program and fulfillment of the CICBF student ad sale requirement. The Festival Committee will contact the sponsor regarding their ad. If more than one student is designated above, **one** student will fulfill the ad requirement for every \$200 donation. Platinum Sponsors also may either (*please choose one*):

- ☐ Designate a student to receive 20% of the sponsorship amount in their band account. (If more than one student is designated, 20% of the donation will be split between their accounts)
- ☐ Give 20% of the sponsorship amount to the HIA Opportunity Fund to provide scholarships and other support to members of the Hersey Band who need assistance.

Please mail this form with a check made payable to HIA to:

*HIA Sponsorship Drive  
c/o Spencer Hile  
John Hersey High School  
1900 E. Thomas St.  
Arlington Heights, IL 60004*

Confirmation of your donation will be e-mailed to you. If you have any questions, please contact **John Weirich** at [hia.projectchair@gmail.com](mailto:hia.projectchair@gmail.com).

**Thank you very much for your support of the Hersey Band program! Be sure to follow us on social media - @HerseyBand on Twitter and Hersey Instrumental Association on Facebook!**



**THANK YOU!**

**The Scrip Gift Card Fundraiser** is a program where you can buy gift cards at face value from Scrip and a rebate from the gift card of 1.5% to 30%, depending on the retailer, goes directly to HIA. HIA then splits the fundraising rebates between your student account (80%) and HIA general fund (20%)! You can use \$\$\$ from your student account to pay for anything like band fees, private lesson fees, etc. An easy way to earn money by purchasing gift cards for stores you shop everyday!

**October Orders for physical gift cards are due Wednesday, October 6th and gift cards will be delivered Wednesday, October 13th.**

To Pay by Check: Place your order by Oct. 6th online in your account. When you check out: go to cart, under "Select Your Payment Type" choose: check (given to your coordinator) and place check in envelope marked with Scrip and your name in Mr. Hile's lock box in his office.

You can continue to order e-gift cards online and pay online if you prefer. Please contact Theresa Nishimura at [theresa.nishimura@gmail.com](mailto:theresa.nishimura@gmail.com) with any questions.

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#### **Link your bank account**

- \$0.15 fee on each transaction
- To get set up, go to your **Dashboard > Payment** and follow the instructions to enroll by either instantly linking your bank account or entering your bank information manually (manually entering your information will take 1 - 2 business days to process).

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**Attention Hersey Band Families – Do you shop at Amazon? Do you know that you can designate a portion of your Amazon purchase price to benefit Hersey Instrumental Association by using AmazonSmile every time you shop?**

#### **What is AmazonSmile?**

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## **TENTATIVE 2021-2022 Band Calendar**

\*These dates may change, for the most up-to-date calendar visit [herseyband.com/calendar](http://herseyband.com/calendar)  
and subscribe to the google calendar

**Highlighted dates are changes to previous calendar**

### **October**

1	Football Game	Report 5pm
4	IMEA District VII Auditions (select) Due	
9	Downers Grove Marching Mustang Invitational Afternoon and Evening	
15	Homecoming Football Game	Report 5pm
16	Drumline Plays at XC Meet	
18 (Mon)	Marching Rehearsal	6-7:30pm
21 (TH)	Thursday night rehearsal (No Wednesday)	6-845pm
23	State of IL Marching Championships	All day/late night
27	End of the Season Marching Party	6:30pm

### **November**

3	First Wednesday PM Symphonic Rehearsal	6-7:30pm
6	IMEA Dist 7 Music Festival(select students)	1-5pm
15	HIA General Meeting/Small Ensemble Recital	7:30pm
20	District 7 Jazz Festival (select students)	1-5pm
22 (Mon)	Jazz Night Club Concert - Jazz 1 and 2	7:00 pm
30(Tues)	Small Ensemble Holiday Concert Dress Rehearsal	6:30-7:30pm

### **December**

3	ALL – Holiday Concert Dress Rehearsal	3:30-6pm
5(Sun)	Holiday Concert	1 and 3pm
17	Holiday School Assembly	9:00 am

### **January**

4 (tues)	Class resumes	
5	First Wednesday PM Symphonic Rehearsal	6:30-8:30pm
21-22	Jazz I & II to Purdue University	
26-29	IMEA All-State at Peoria (select)	

### **February**

5	Jazz Ensemble II to New Trier Festival	All Day
12	In Good Taste Adult Fundraiser	7-10
16	Symphonic Band Festival w BG/WHs	7:30 pm
22	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester auditions begin	
26	Jazz I to Jazz in the Meadows	All Day/Early Evening

**March**

1	Dist 214 Honors Music Festival @ Forest View (select)	7:30 pm
5	Percussion to Elk Grove Percussion Festival	Morning and/or afternoon
9	Concert Band Festival @ BGHS	7:30 pm
12	Jazz 2 and Combos to MUNDELEIN JAZZ FESTIVAL ALL DAY	
18	Spring Break begins	
28	Classes resume	

**April**

6	Symphonic Band Rehearsal	6:30-8:30pm
7	Dress Rehearsal w/Guest Conductor TBA	7-8:30pm
8	Chicagoland Band Festival Set-up	PM
9	Chicagoland Concert Band Festival	All Day/Evening
	All students AND parents (1 per student) help	
20	Solo and Ensemble Contest at Hersey	4-8:30pm
25	Spring Jazz Concert	7pm

**May**

1 (Sun)	Spring Music Dept Concert	3PM
7	Symphonic Band to Superstate	All Day/Evening
9	Concert Band concert with Thomas feeder schools	7pm
16	Night of Percussion dress rehearsal	
17 (Tues)	Night of Percussion	
18 (WED)	Graduation	
20	Formal Band Awards Banquet	
23	HIA General Meeting	7:30pm
27	Last Day of School	
30	Memorial Day Parade (?)	

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