



# SHS BAND BOOSTER NEWSLETTER

~ From Many, One ~

MAY 2019

## A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

**Karla Frantz**

### Congratulations to the Class of 2019

On behalf of the entire Band Booster organization, CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2019! We're so proud of you, and wish you all the very best in your future endeavors. And to the entire Schaumburg High School Band, another AWESOME JOB this year!!

The SHS Band has a lot to be proud of, with all the accomplishments we achieved this year. From winning best high school marching band in the 2018 Septemberfest parade and delivering a fabulous marching band performance during this year's Earth, Wind & Fire half time show to fabulous ratings at Solo & Ensemble and an outstanding Jazz N Joe performance, all of which

culminated to the grand finale of pit orchestra with the spring musical, Anything Goes, and outstanding performances at the Band Awards Concert.

And to the Band Boosters...all of you did an amazing job this year. The tremendous assistance with band events, fundraising, and projects like this newsletter showed real Saxon Pride, and I want to thank each and every one of you who participated. I look forward to as much fun and adventure next school year, including our upcoming spring break trip to Hollywood!

Have a great summer everyone!

**From Many One!**

**Karla Frantz**

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### SHS Band Booster Board

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Wed., May 22:  
Freshman Info Night,  
7:00 PM  
SHS Auditorium
- Sat., May 25:  
Drumline/Front Ens  
Auditions  
(Percussion)  
Call time: 10:00 AM  
Band Room
- Jun. 4 thru Jun. 24:  
Jazz Improvisation  
Camp, M-Thu 1:00-  
3:30 (Register on SHS  
Website)
- Mon, July 8:  
Sectionals begin  
Mon & Weds, 1-4  
Percussion, 1-5  
SHS Auditorium
- Sat. July 27: Marching  
Band Uniform Fittings  
Call time: TBA  
SHS Auditorium
- Mon. July 29 thru  
Fri. Aug. 1: Band  
Camp (SMB)  
Call time: 9:00 AM  
SHS Auditorium

## From our Band Student President

It is now two weeks from the end of the semester, and the Schaumburg High School Band has rounded out the year with several accomplishments. These past few months saw the conclusion of our jazz season, classical season, and many more events. As we finish out the year, we hope to reflect on our success and prepare for next year's marching season which will start in July.

This past February was extremely busy for the Schaumburg Band. As we finished our last two games of the pep band season, we were also preparing for two upcoming concerts: Band-O-Rama and Band Aid. The Band-O-Rama Concert features the Wind Symphony as well as the junior high bands; every year it is an opportunity for the junior high students to meet, play with, and watch the Wind Symphony. Specific to this year, the junior high students and Wind Symphony played everyone's favorite tune, Invicta, which was a treat in itself and a great way to close the concert. Soon after the Band-O-Rama Concert, the Schaumburg High School Band put on the annual Band Aid Concert. The purpose of this concert is to raise money for a specific foundation that the students are passionate about. This year the students chose to make the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention the beneficiary of the Band Aid Concert. At the concert itself, two speakers from AFSP were able to come and give information about their foundation. After the speeches from the two speakers, a beautiful night of music-making featuring all four bands ensued.



The end of February and beginning of March featured Jazz in the Meadows, Jazz 'n Joe, IHSA Solo and Ensemble, and Chamber Night. At Jazz in the Meadows, the Combo, Lab Band, and Jazz Ensemble performed. The music at this festival was then carried into the annual Jazz 'n Joe Concert at Schaumburg High School. Held in the cafeteria made into a quasi jazz coffee lounge, the Choraliers, D54 Jazz Band, and all of the Schaumburg Jazz Bands performed. This year's featured artist was Mark Colby who gave clinics and played with the students. The Jazz Ensemble would get to work with Mark Colby one more time, for they were invited to open for him at the Jazz Showcase in April. Outside of the jazz realm, the Schaumburg High School Band was also focused on the IHSA Solo and Ensemble Festival and Elk Grove Day of Percussion.

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## From our Band Student President continued...

These festivals allows students from the neighboring high schools to prepare their choice of classical literature and perform in front of a judge. This year, the students performed extraordinarily at both festivals, for there were over 50 Superior ratings, 2 Best of Day nominations, and one perfect score. In commemoration of all of the amazing playing, a Chamber Night was held at Schaumburg High School. This is the first year that the Chamber Night has been held, and it was a concert that featured the best performances from both festivals.

In April, there was the Hersey Concert Band Invitational and the musical, Anything Goes. At the Hersey Invitational, high schools from the northwest suburbs prepared music that would be judged and scored. This year the Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band competed and were able to enjoy a day jam packed with music. In addition to performing and attending a clinic, both bands had the opportunity to listen to other high schools as well as the Elmhurst Symphonic Band. Once the Hersey Invitational was finished, the bands began preparing for the final Awards Concert. At this same time, 10 students were chosen to play in the pit for this year's musical. After a month of preparation, the pit - alongside the cast, tech, sponsors, and everyone involved - put on a magnificent show.

The Wednesday after the musical was the Band Awards Concert. All four bands performed in the gym, and the concert concluded with an awards ceremony, speeches, and the playing of the Alma Mater. A reception was then held in the cafeteria to celebrate the end of the year; there was cake, an end of the year slideshow featuring photos from the entire year, and an opportunity for seniors to give gifts to underclassmen. Now, post awards concert, the bands are preparing music for graduation which be held on May 21st at the Sears Centre.

It seems as if the Schaumburg High School band is always busy. Whether it be band camp in the summer, football in the fall, basketball in the winter, jazz in the spring, or classical all year-round, the band is busy. The directors are constantly pushing the students to become better musicians, and with the help of the boosters and parents, the Schaumburg High School band always achieves greatness. It has been an immense pleasure to be a part of this band, and I have enjoyed every moment from freshman year to now. The lessons I have learned, fun I have had, and friendships I have made during my time with the Schaumburg High School Band are invaluable; as a result, I am forever grateful for this experience. Thank you for allowing this band to flourish, and I wish the best for the Schaumburg High School Band in the coming years.



Jazz Lab Band, Jazz & Joe

Schaumburg High School Music Department  
Presents:

# Band Chamber Night



Tuesday, March 19, 2019  
7:00 p.m.  
Carl Weimer Auditorium





Schaumburg High School  
Music Department Presents

# BAND AWARDS CONCERT

Wednesday, May 1, 2019  
7:00 pm  
Main Gymnasium



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Tues., Aug 6:  
Freshman Kick-off  
(WS)  
Call time: 9:00 AM  
SHS Auditorium
- Tues., Aug 6:  
Schaumburg Boomers  
Pre-Game (SMB)  
Call time: 5:00 PM  
SHS Auditorium
- Fri., Aug 30: Football/  
York, (SMB)  
Call time: 5:45 PM  
SHS
- Mon., Sept. 2:  
Septemberfest Parade  
(SMB)  
Call time: 9:00 AM  
SHS

## FROM THE DIRECTORS' PODIUM...

We are excited to announce that the Saxon Marching Band 2019 halftime show will feature music from famous Soundtracks of Hollywood. The show will feature works of great movie composers such as John Williams, Danny Elfman, and Michael Giacchino. Music will include selections from Harry Potter, Star Wars, E.T., The Nightmare Before Christmas, and The Incredibles. We look forward to bringing this music to the field next fall!

As we approach summer, here are a few reminders and opportunities for students:

The District 211 Jazz Improvisation Camp runs from June 4 to June 24, 1:00pm to 3:30pm. This camp will provide an introduction to jazz improvisation as well as learning the nuances of jazz style. The camp is open to all incoming freshmen through seniors and provides an excellent opportunity for students to learn about jazz style and improvisation before jazz band auditions in the fall.

With summer comes the opportunity to participate in many great music camps in the area. Ball State University (Bands of America), Elmhurst College, Northern Illinois University, Illinois State, University of Illinois, and Birch Creek (in Door County, Wisconsin) are among the organizations that host great camps for concert band, jazz band, marching band, and percussion. Please consult a band director for more information regarding summer music camps. These camps



are an excellent way to get a feel for many local college campuses and immerse yourself in music for a few days to a few weeks.

There are also several great opportunities to see live performances in the Chicago area this summer. It's important to seek out professionals playing your instrument. If you are looking for a relaxing night out, check out the Chicago Symphony Orchestra at Ravinia as well (students get in free with their school ID). There are also several drum corps competitions in the area, including the Cavalcade of Brass in Lisle on Friday, July 5th, and the Tour of Champions at NIU on Saturday, July 13th.

A reminder of this summer's schedule:

Sectionals will begin July 8th and run on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1pm to 4pm (percussion 1pm to 5pm).

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## From the Directors' Podium continued...

Uniform Fittings will be held on Saturday, July 27th. Please see the uniform news portion of this newsletter to see the specific times and information for your student. If parents are interested in lending a hand, we would love to have you! Please contact Mrs. Loch with any questions.

Band Camp will be held Monday, July 29th through Thursday, August 1st from 9am-6pm and Friday August 2nd from 12pm-8pm. Friday will feature our inaugural Parent Showcase where parents will have an opportunity to preview the show under the lights on the football field!

Finally, we would like to thank all of our students, parents, boosters, private teachers, administrators, bus drivers, maintenance staff, and all others who have helped us throughout this school year. This was a

fantastic year and it is truly an undertaking we could not accomplish without all of you. We wish the very best to our graduating seniors and their families - please mark your calendars for Friday, September 27th (Homecoming/SMB Alumni Band) and Friday, December 13th (Pep Band Alumni Night) and we hope to see you soon. For returners, we look to another great year together.

**“From Many, One.”**

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**CHECK OUT OUR SHUTTERFLY PAGE!!**

<https://schaumburgbandboosters.shutterfly.com>

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## Uniform News

Thank you to everyone that helped with band uniforms throughout the school year. Whether you shined a shoe, hemmed uniform pants, fixed hair, fitted a student for a uniform, cleaned a hat, plumed or deplumed a hat; all uniform jobs are important and your help is very much appreciated. We are truly "From Many One" when we all work together!

Uniform Fitting Day is on **Saturday, July 27th** in the Schaumburg High School Auditorium. The first fitting of the day starts at 8:00 am, and runs until 6:00 pm. Parents are welcome to wait, leave and come back, or help out. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me. If you have a conflict with the scheduled time for your student, or have any questions, contact me at [jerntamfbn@juno.com](mailto:jerntamfbn@juno.com).

On Uniform Fitting Day, please have your student wear a t-shirt and athletic shorts, and arrive at their designated time. Plan on being at SHS for one hour.

Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band girls – please have them bring the all black, closed-toe dress shoes they plan to wear with their formalwear.

Thank you for your support!

Tammy Loch



**Don't miss an important date!**

**Download the 2019-2020 calendar:**

**<https://www.schaumburgband.com/calendar.html>**

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