

John Hersey High School Bands



Take Note

Newsletter of the Hersey Instrumental Association (HIA)
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Upcoming Schedule

Important dates to remember

February dates		Time
26	Jazz I&II to Jazz in the Meadows	7:30 pm
27	Steel Bands performs at Prospect Heights Library	2 to 3pm
March dates		
1	D214Hnr Band/Orchestra at FVEC	7 to 9pm
2	D214 Hnr Band/Orch Rehearsal	9am to 2 pm
2	D214 Honor Music Festival @FVEC	7 to 10:30 pm
2-6	Carnegie Hall Trip	
9	Symphonic & all Percussion ensembles rehearse	6:30 to 8:30pm
9	Trumpet audition	After school
10	French Horn Audition	After school
11	Percussion audition	After school
12	Percussion ensembles to EG Festival	10am to 2 pm
14	HIA General Meeting	7:30 pm
15	Concert Band Festival at BGHS	7:30 pm

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Carnegie Hall Trip

Director's Message • Mr. Casagrande



**NEW YORK,
NEW YORK**

Update

As of today, we have 1300 tickets distributed for our Carnegie Concert! We are well on our way to a goal of 1500 in the audience. Music is progressing very well and I am sure that our concert will be outstanding. As you know the week of March 1 will be very hectic with the trip and District 214 Honors festivals scheduled on top of each other. If your son or daughter is participating in one of the honor groups, **ensure that they are planning far ahead for the trip, as well as school and class commitments** while we are on our trip. I hope to have some logistical reminders out to families and students very soon regarding planning for our trip, including some dress code items.

Carnegie Trip Concert and Mandatory Trip Meeting

On Thursday, **February 24 at 7:00pm**, both the Symphonic and Concert Bands will present their entire Carnegie Hall concerts for families and the general public in the East Gym (looks and sounds just like Carnegie Hall...).

IN ADDITION, a mandatory trip meeting will take place immediately following the concert. At least one parent from each family is required to be at this meeting. If you are unable to attend, please contact Mr. C and an alternate meeting will be scheduled.



Hersey Instrumental Association

An affiliate of the John Hersey High School Bands

2010-2011 HIA Board

President: Sheri Hess

Vice President: Genie Menzia

Project Chair: Jill Birschbach

Treasurer: Tami Johnson

Recording Secretary: Kelly O'Neil

Corresponding Secretary: Joanel Hoijer

HIA Happenings!

President's Message • Sheri Hess

Middle of February? WOW! Time does fly when you're having fun (or you're incredibly busy!). The wine tasting event was a huge success and it was so nice to see everyone there. The entertainment was awesome and the selection of beverages diverse enough to please every palate! I am already looking forward to next year!

Our Jazz bands and percussion ensembles have been VERY busy this month and will continue to be busy throughout the winter season. Symphonic and Concert/Cadet bands are gearing up for upcoming concerts as well. The calendar is FULL of opportunities to enjoy fabulous music. Please check the calendar and support ALL these groups - I promise, you WON'T be disappointed! Time does fly and for most of us our chance to see our child(ren) perform will soon be gone. Hope to see you at many of these events! Don't miss out!

CICBF is quickly approaching! April 9th, 29 bands! Descriptions of the various volunteer opportunities were printed in last month's newsletter and are available on the website (although times may change slightly). A sign-up list will be circulated at the February 24, Carnegie Hall Preview Concert and MANDATORY trip meeting. Bring your calendar so you can sign up then. You can also send an email to Genie Menzia or I. We WILL get back to you. A gentle reminder: EVERY family is asked (really expected) to volunteer time during this event. We CANNOT do it without you!

The next HIA meeting will be held on March 14 at 7:30pm.
Hope to see you there!

Significant events in our program.....

Mr. Casagrande • Director

We have had several significant happenings in our schedule over the last month, arguably the busiest part of the year. On February 5, all three **percussion ensembles** performed at the **Vandercook Day of Percussion** to rave reviews. All groups performed extremely challenging literature for their ages. Congratulations! **Jazz Ensemble 2** made their annual trek to the **New Trier Jazz Festival** where they performed and heard great clinics. They heard a great performance by the University of Michigan Big Band. **Jazz Ensemble 1 and 2** received a clinic from **Bob Lark**, DePaul University director of jazz studies in preparation for Jazz in the Meadows.

Dr. Robert Rumbelow, Director of Bands at the University of IL, conducted the Symphonic Band on their concert with BGHS and WHS on Feb. 16.

On March 16, the Concert/Cadet Band will perform and rehearse with **Prof. Dan Farris from Northwestern University**, as they participate in the District Concert Band Festival with BGHS and WHS.



Wine Tasting Fundraiser a huge success!

Mr. Casagrande • Director



On Saturday, February 5, we hosted our Third Annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser and it was bigger and better than ever. We raised over \$5000 for the band program and all 121 participants seemed to have a great time. LOTS of great auction items were donated – thanks to those of you that contributed. Special thanks to our committee of committed parents that spent so many hours pulling this together. The Metropolis was a wonderful venue. Thanks to all of you that participated and we look forward to next year's event.

A committee for next year's event will be formed over the summer – if you are interested in helping, please see Mr. C.

No Auditions in March!

Mr. Casagrande • Director

...except



**for Trumpets (3/9),
French Horns (3/10) and
Percussion (3/11).**

These students will perform a short etude, an excerpt from Symphonic Band music, scales and sightreading.

SOLO ENSEMBLE APRIL 13

Mr. Casagrande • Director

We will again host our own Solo and Ensemble Festival at Hersey on April 13. We'll provide a set of accompanists and a flat fee for everyone this year. In addition, our policy is that **everyone** that takes private lessons in the Hersey band should be participating in Solo/Ensemble. Registration is over and payments should be completed, as well. Students are not required to use accompanists provided by band. Students will receive a class grade for their solo or ensemble. Any student not in lessons and not in solo ensemble will need to submit a recording of an etude to be assigned in March.

Hersey again posts large number of 1st chair players in District 214 Honor groups

Mr. Casagrande • Director

On Wednesday, March 2, at 7:30PM at the Forest View EC, District 214 will host its annual Music Festival featuring the best band, choir and string students in District 214.

Congratulations to the following 1st chair students:

Erin Wells (O)	Colin Marusek(O)
Mike Price (B)	Mike Obstoj (O)
Melissa Neff (B)	Peter Siepiora(B)
Mary Casagrande (B)	

Congratulations to our Illinois All-State representatives!

Mr. Casagrande • Director

On January 26-29, five Hersey students represented our band program in the Illinois All-State ensembles. Thousands of musicians from across the state auditioned for these positions. Students took another audition when they arrived in Peoria and were placed in chairs and parts. Congratulations to these students:

Erin Wells 1st chair all - state band,
Michael Plankey - 1st chair Honors bass clarinet,
Melissa Neff - 3rd chair Honors trumpet
Tyler Kamp - 2nd chair Honors baritone
Peter Siepiora - 5th chair Honors tuba

Band Decal Fundraiser

Jill Birschbach • Project Chair

Students and Parents, show your support for the Hersey Bands and purchase a vehicle decal! They are only \$3 each. Get one for each of your cars! Decals will be available for purchase on the evening of the trip meeting, which is Wednesday, February 23rd. If you would like to purchase decals before that date please contact Jill Birschbach @ 847-818-9353.



Thanks for lending a hand...

Genie Menzia * Vice President

On behalf of the HIA, I would like to thank the following individuals for their help this past month.



Thanks to Caryn Skebelsky, Greg Fechik, Laura Polfuss, June Lingner, Rick Johnson, and Cindy Jones for spending your Saturdays with the Jazz Bands and the Percussionists as they showed off their talents at Purdue, New Trier, and Vandercook.

Thank you Danny and Laura DiVietro, Janice Casagrande, Joanel Hoijer, Sue Wilke, Sue Milanez, Sharon Swanson, and Denise Dawson for organizing and running this year's Wine Tasting Fundraiser. I would also like to thank those who helped with all the miscellaneous jobs from stringing lights to pouring wine. Because of your hard work and commitment to the band you provided us all with a wonderful evening...perfect for breaking up the middle of winter.

If you haven't already done so, please contact Sheri Hess to let her know how you can help at the upcoming Chicagoland Invitational Concert Band Festival. There are still volunteer spots that need to be filled. We count on each family to volunteer, even if it's only for an hour or two. This event is run entirely by our band parents and we need everyone to help out to make the day run smoothly. It's a very busy, but fun day, and a great way to meet many other band parents. Hope to hear from you soon.

Welcome to Our Incoming Freshman—The Class of '15

Mr. Casagrande • Director

Plan to attend the Orientation scheduled for Monday, April 11, 6:30-8:30pm

We welcome next year's incoming Freshmen to our band tradition at Hersey!

All incoming *parents and students* should plan to attend the Incoming Freshman Orientation on

Monday, April 11th

6:30-8:30pm

JHHS Band Room

This includes students and parents that may have older siblings already in the program. Take a few minutes to read about our program in the upcoming newsletters that will be sent to you. **Take particular note of the summer calendar enclosed** and feel free to email Mr. C with any questions at scott.casagrand@d214.org.

THE AUGUST SCHEDULE HAS CHANGED SLIGHTLY. Welcome!

MANNA GIFT CARDS FUNDRAISER

Laura Hynes Manna Program Co-chair
Kelly O'Neil Manna Program Co-chair

Due to the band trip the March Manna orders will be due on **TUESDAY, MARCH 1**. Think ahead and start your planning for St. Patrick's Day, Spring Break and Easter. Wouldn't it be nice to pay for private lessons, the band banquet or next year's fees from the money in your student account? It's not too late to get started!

To place your first order, please contact Laura Hynes to receive your password and instructions. Once you have placed your order online, submit a check payable to HIA in the Manna mailbox. The next ordering/check deadline is **Tuesday, March 1 at 3:00 p.m.** Pick up will be on Wednesday, March 9. If you have any questions about the Manna program, please contact one of the co-chairs via herseybandinfo@herseyband.com

CICBF WEBSITE NOW LIVE!

Jill Birschbach • Project Chair



Once again, we are hosting a website for the **Chicagoland Invitational Concert Band Festival (CICBF)**. This site will be a great resource for the Hersey band family and for visitors who will be attending the festival.

Please take a moment to visit the site. Click on the "Chicagoland Fest" tab on the band home page of the [Hersey band website](#).

Festival Beverage DONATIONS NEEDED

Sharon Swanson • Food Co-Chair
Lisa Farrington • Food Co-Chair

The **CICBF** is all day on Saturday, April 9th at Hersey. This is the band's biggest fundraiser, and most of the funds come through the food and beverage sales. The committee is asking for donations of any of the following beverages. These can be brought to the band room.

Name Brand Sodas (*diet/reg*)

Nestea Iced Tea

Snapple—flavors: (*no diet*)

Raspberry, Peach, lemonade

Any brand water

Propel

Gatorade



Gift Cards to Jewel (*for supplies: i.e. plates, napkins, etc*)

Bring Soda...Bring Water...Bring Soda...Bring Water...Bring So

CHICAGOLAND BAND FESTIVAL CD ORDER

Peter Hynes • CD Committee chair



A Wonderful keepsake...A great gift (mother's day/father's day)...
What a terrific way to keep the memories of the band's performance last.
Buy a CD of the music performed at the festival. You can play it in your car or share it with friends...



Pre-orders will be taken before the festival for \$15 (*such a deal*)

CD Sales at the festival will cost \$20

Send in your order with your check payable to HIA

Use the Order form found on page 6



**John Hersey High School
Chicagoland Invitational Concert Band Festival**

CD Order Form for Students

At the Festival, your band's performance will be professionally recorded and mixed by Harkins Productions to create an audio CD for purchase.

To be recorded and included on a CD and preserve this wonderful event for your memories:

- a) **Schools with ONE band must have a minimum of 10 CDs sold.**
- b) **Schools with TWO bands must have a minimum of 20 CDs sold, in advance of the event to cover the recording/production costs.**

Don't miss out on this opportunity to have a professionally mixed CD of this memorable event. Do you have a relative who may want a CD? If your selected band doesn't sell the minimum required, that band cannot be included on the CD. Take advantage of our **pre-event discount rate of \$15**. Orders placed the day of the event will be \$20.

Hurry! Orders are due back to your band director by March 31.

CDs will take 5 - 7 weeks for delivery and will be mailed directly to your band director for distribution. If your band does not meet the minimum number of orders, your check will be returned to you. For questions, please contact Peter Hynes at lphynes@yahoo.com or 847-788-1413.

Please write legibly and complete all fields.

Checks may be made payable to: **Hersey Instrumental Association.**

Student Name: _____

School: _____

Quantity: _____ @ \$15 each for a total cost: _____

Your e-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Please allow 5 to 7 weeks for delivery. All orders will be mailed to your band director for distribution. If your band does not meet the minimum number of orders prior to the event, you will not receive a CD and your check will be returned. Order due date is March 31.

Band Camp 2011 - 2012!!

Mr. Casagrande • Director

Next Fall, the marching band will be competing in three competitions, to be determined. In August, particularly 8/8-8/12 we will be learning 75% of what is performed throughout the Fall season. A small portion of the June rehearsal time will be spent preparing for the July 4th parade. A majority of the June rehearsal time will be spent preparing Fall season material and fundamentals. Therefore, regardless of attendance at the July 4th parade, June/July rehearsals are EXTREMELY important.

Absences from Summer dates:

In the event of family vacations that conflict with June rehearsals, an explanation of conflict should be directed to Mr. C from the parents. Any summer camps are also excused; notify Mr. C immediately. Students should make sure that job schedules, etc. are adjusted. **August band camp rehearsals are mandatory for all. Freshmen are STRONGLY encouraged to not miss June rehearsals.**

Please adjust calendars and avoid conflicts with the following dates, **particularly in August**

Next Year's Home Football Games:

9/9	vs Barrington
9/23	vs. Prospect
9/30 Homecoming	vs. Buffalo Grove
10/6 (Thursday)	vs. Wheeling

Competitions: TBA

June (Students excused from these June/July dates in the event of family vacation)		
1	6 to 9pm	All incoming Freshmen only and section leaders
9	5:30 to 9pm	Available Section Leaders
	6 to 9pm	Freshmen
27	5 to 8pm	Section Leader Session/Dinner
28	5:30 to 9pm	Section Leaders
	6 to 9 pm	Freshmen only
	6 to 9pm	Battery percussion only
29	5:30 to 9pm	Section Leaders
	6 to 9pm	ALL MEMBERS
30	5:30 to 9pm	Section Leaders
	6 to 9pm	ALL MEMBERS
July		
4	9am	Report Parade
August		
3 (Wed)	3 to 4:30pm	New Section Leaders
4(thurs)	8am to 5pm	ALL Section Leaders
	12:30 to 5pm	ALL Freshmen
8 - 12	12pm to 9pm	ALL
16	5 to 9pm	Section Olympics
17 & 18	5 to 9pm	ALL
	9 to 11pm	Band activity
19	5:30pm	Picnic/Parent Fall Preview
23		First day of school

HIA Board Nominations

Sheri Hess • President

The HIA Board Nominations Committee is working on a slate for the 2011-2012 school year. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Sheri Hess.

Music cleanses the understanding; inspires it; and lifts it into a realm, which it would not reach if it were left to itself.

~Henry Ward Beecher

CONCERT BAND FEST—VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Genie Menzia • Volunteer Coordinator

We are already in the process of recruiting volunteers for the upcoming Concert Band Festival (April 9: set up, April 10: festival). Those who attended the last HIA meeting were able to get first pick of the volunteer slots.

This is a huge undertaking and **each family is expected to volunteer time during the Festival**. Below is a list of job descriptions and shift times. [E-mail Sheri Hess](#) with your volunteer request soon to get your first preference. This list of jobs/times may change VERY slightly as April gets closer but you will be notified if any change affects you in any way. Confirmation of your job assignment(s) and a reminder will be sent.

Homeroom Monitor – Each band is assigned to a homeroom. Homeroom monitors are stationed in various locations with a master key to lock and unlock the doors as the bands arrive and leave for the day's scheduled activities. In addition, the homeroom monitors provide guidance and answer simple questions for bands and guests. This job is ideal for parents who don't mind some "down time" during the day.

Shifts available (four volunteers per shift unless otherwise indicated): 10 to 1 pm ♦ 1 to 5 pm ♦ 5 to 9 pm ♦ 9 to 10 pm (only one volunteer needed)

Set Up Crew (Friday Evening) – A great deal of set-up/prep takes place on the Friday prior to the festival. Volunteers for this shift will perform a variety of jobs including: moving furniture, clearing rooms, setting up rooms with chairs and stands, setting up performance venues, hanging signs, setting up concessions area, etc. Most jobs involve physical labor, some heavy, some light. We will need 25-30 volunteers. Shift runs from 5 to 10 pm (as you are able—if you can work some portion of that timeframe, please let us know).

Clean Up Crew – As possible, clean up will start taking place as soon as areas are no longer in use for the festival (some homerooms, warm-up rooms, concessions area, et. al.). If you are able to do both set up (Friday) and clean up (Saturday) it is very helpful (but certainly not required). Clean up generally takes until 11 pm. We will need 20-25 volunteers. Shift runs from approximately 8 to 11 pm

Stage Coordinators – The performance area stages need to be set up per the specifications of each band. There are two performance venues, so two coordinators will be required. Students will assist with the set up under the supervision of the coordinators.

Shifts available for Carter Gym (one volunteer per shift): 11 to 3 pm ♦ 3 to 6 pm ♦ 6 to 9 pm

Shifts available for Black Box Theatre (one volunteer per shift): 9 to 1 pm ♦ 1 to 4 pm ♦ 4 to 7 pm

Warm-up Room Monitor – Bands are provided with a room in which to warm up prior to their performance time. The warm-up monitor helps to keep the bands on schedule by keeping directors aware of the time. Shifts available (two volunteers per shift): 10 to 1 pm ♦ 1 to 4 pm ♦ 4 to 7:30 pm

Clinic Monitor – Each band will receive a clinic with after their performance. The clinic monitor helps to keep the clinicians on schedule by keeping track of the time.

Shifts available (need three volunteers per shift): 10 to 1 pm ♦ 1 to 5 pm ♦ 5 to 9 pm

Band Monitor – Student guides will lead each band from the warm-up area to the performance area. Band monitors keep bands out of the performance area until the stage is set.

Shifts available (need one volunteer per shift): 10 to 1 pm ♦ 12 to 3 pm ♦ 1 to 4 pm ♦ 3 to 6 pm ♦ 4 to 7:30 pm ♦ 6 to 9 pm

Band Hallway Monitor – The band hallway will be one of the most trafficked areas of the day (with bands, staff and guests). The band hallway monitors provide directions to those using the area.

Shifts available (need two volunteers per shift): 10 to 1 pm ♦ 1 to 5 pm ♦ 5 to 9 pm

CD Sales – A CD of many of the day's performances is produced in the weeks following the event. The CD sales volunteer will accept order forms and payments for CD orders.

Shifts available (need one volunteer per shift): 9 to 1 pm ♦ 1 to 5 pm ♦ 5 to 9 pm

CONCERT BAND FEST – VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (CONTINUED)

Ticket Sales – Tickets are sold near each performance venue. Ticket sales volunteers sell tickets (or take in free admission letters), hand out programs, distribute admission wristbands and monitor guest entry into performance venue.

Shifts available for Black Box Theatre (need two volunteers per shift): 10 to 1:30 pm ♦ 1:30 to 5:30 pm ♦ 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Shifts available for Carter Gym (need two volunteers per shift): 12 to 3 pm ♦ 3 to 6 pm ♦ 6 to 9 pm

Food Sales & Kitchen Help – These volunteers will do a variety of activities including selling food, baking cookies, re-stocking food products for sale, cleaning tables, etc.

Shifts available: 8 to 11 am (need two volunteers) ♦ 9 to 11 am (need six volunteers) ♦ 10:30 to 2:30 pm (need four volunteers) ♦ 1 to 5 pm (need seven volunteers) ♦ 11 to 3 pm (need two volunteers) ♦ 5 to 9 pm (need seven volunteers) ♦ Kitchen Clean up 8:30 to 10 pm (need four volunteers)

Cookie & Water Sales – Two “kiosk” areas are set up for snack and water sales. Volunteers for this job will sell items and bake cookies at their site.

Shifts available (need four volunteers per shift): 9 to 12 pm ♦ 12 to 3 pm ♦ 3 to 6 pm

Greeters – Greeters are assigned to front and rear entrances for the purpose of providing directions to assigned homerooms for arriving bands.

Shifts available (need two volunteers per shift): 9:30 to 12:30 pm ♦ 12:30 to 3:30 pm ♦ 3:30 to 5:30 pm ♦ 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Thanks in advance for volunteering to help! If you have any questions or the shift times don't quite work out, we can work with you on this.

Look for more information coming soon!

Good Luck

John Hersey Bands

on your Performance

at

Carnegie Hall

in

New York City

Friday, March 4, 2011

THE BIG HOUSE T IS BACK!

THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE BEEN PART OF THE BAND FAMILY FOR A WHILE WILL REMEMBER THE “WELCOME TO OUR BIG HOUSE” T-SHIRT THAT WAS SOLD A COUPLE OF YEARS BACK. BY POPULAR DEMAND, WE PLAN TO SUBMIT AN ORDER FOR THIS YEAR’S FESTIVAL. PSSST....CASAGRANDE = “BIG HOUSE”

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO GET A BIG HOUSE T TO WEAR WHEN YOU VOLUNTEER AT THE BAND FESTIVAL IN APRIL. WE ASK ALL BAND VOLUNTEERS TO WEAR SOMETHING “HERSEY” AND THIS SHIRT IS PERFECT FOR THAT EVENT!

HERE’S THE DEAL:

SIZES AVAILABLE: S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL

PRICES:

S, M, L, XL	\$10
XXL	\$11.50
XXXL	\$12



DUE DATE FOR ORDERS: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

DELIVERY DATE: APRIL 4 (ESTIMATED)

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Size	Quantity	Price	Total
Small		\$10	
Medium		\$10	
Large		\$10	
X Large		\$10	
XX Large		\$11.50	
XXX Large		\$12	
		Grand Total:	

Checks may be made payable to: Hersey Instrumental Association. Please submit order form in envelope marked “Big House” in the locked box in Mr. C’s office. For questions, contact Jill Birschbach (gjbsch@comcast.net or 847-818-9353).

2010-2011 JHHS Band Calendar

February

20 (sun)	Jazz 1 to Fitzgerald's w/ Rob Parton Band	6pm
24 (thurs)	CARNEGIE HALL CONCERT PREVIEW AND MANDATORY TRIP MEETING	7:00PM
26	Jazz I and II to Jazz in the Meadows	All day to early evening
27	Steel Bands perform at Prospect Hgts Library	2-3pm

March

1 (Tues)	D214 Honor Band and Orchestra Rehearsal at FVEC	7-9pm
2	D214 Honor Band and Orchestra Rehearsal	9am-2pm (bus provided)
2	District 214 Honors Music Festival at Forest View (select students)	7:30 pm
2-6	CARNEGIE HALL TRIP! Depart Wednesday PM, Return Sunday PM	
9	Symphonic Band and all percussion ensembles rehearse	6:30 -8:30pm
9	Trumpet auditions	After school
10	French Horn auditions	After School
11	Percussion auditions	After school/early evening
12	Percussion Ensembles to Elk Grove Percussion Festival	10-2
14	HIA General Meeting	7:30 pm
15	Concert Band Festival at BGHS	7:30 pm
19	Spring Break begins	
28	Classes resume	

April

8	Chicagoland Band Festival Set-up	pm
9	Chicagoland Concert Band Festival (will need lots of student and parent help)	All day
13	Solo and Ensemble at JHHS	PM
26	Spring Jazz Concert (Jazz 1 and 2) With Bob Lark	7:30pm

May

7	Symphonic Band to Superstate (if selected)	All day to evening
9	HIA General Meeting	7:30 pm
18	Spring Band Concert	7:30 pm
20	Formal Band Awards Banquet	
27	Night of Percussion	
30	Memorial Day Parade	

June

4	Graduation	
10	Last Day of School	