



Berkner Area Orchestra Club

Welcome to Our Spring Showcase Concert

A Message from the President...

Dear Orchestra Members and Parents:

Congratulations to all of our orchestras on their outstanding performances at the 2010 UIL competition. In the following pages, you will read about their accomplishments. Celebrate with them! This is a gifted group of musicians.

As we share the evening with family and friends and enjoy the music, **the BAOC board of directors is dedicating this newsletter and concert to the memory of David Cook, Liberty Junior High Orchestra Director.** To honor him and to reinforce his passion for this orchestra program and his love of our students, we are also naming the private lesson fund The David Cook Memorial Private Lesson Scholarship Fund.

Our goal for 2009-2010 is \$1500 and so far we have raised almost \$1000. Please show your support of this program which provides financial assistance to our Berkner area junior high and high school students allowing them to receive one-on-one training and instruction.

In 2009-2010 I have had the privilege to serve as the Orchestra Board President and work with an outstanding group of parents for two years in a row. **A big thank you to the following people who are leaving the board at the end of this term:**

Amanda Aiualasit, mother of James – Newsletter and past Co-President - 6 years

Cheryl Holiwell, mother of Marisa – Historian and past Hospitality – 3 years

Carl Lorey, father of Bryce – Secretary – 2 years

Valerie Siverling, mother of Kathryn – Hospitality – 2 years

As this wonderful group of volunteers moves on we wish them well and are grateful for their contributions to the BAOC. There is a place for you on the BAOC Board of Directors. **Please contact your student's director if you are interested in serving.**

Music touches the soul and provides a backdrop for our lives. Tonight we celebrate our successes, honor our friend and mentor, Mr. Cook, and say thank you to those who serve this organization in so many ways.

Sincerely,

Lynn Hoffman

President, BAOC



**RISD Chamber
Music Fest
(Solo & Ensemble)
at Berkner HS
Sat. April 24th**

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BAOC Information



Message from Craig Needham, Berkner Area Orchestras:

It is always difficult to move on after a loss. David Cook was not only a fine musician and teacher, for many of us he was also a friend. While we can never replace Mr. Cook, we honor his memory best by continuing his work in striving for excellence in the Liberty Orchestra program. I am so proud of the Liberty students for performing at such a high level at UIL only a week and a half after Mr. Cook's passing. In the days that followed, many stepped in to help and deserve thanks, but none more than Mrs. Lattanzi for taking Liberty to contest. While we mourn, we also look to the future. Please help me welcome Mrs. Phyliss Jones-Burright to our team. Thank you, Mrs. Jones, for helping us all to heal and move on!

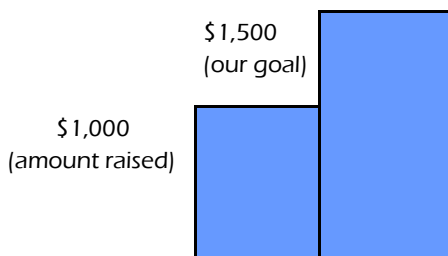
**BAOC Chick-fil-A
Spirit Days — beginning
April 7, 2010
(6:30 am til 10pm)**

*Please help us raise money for the
David Cook Memorial Private Lesson
Scholarship Fund.*

On your way home from the concert, we encourage you to stop by Chick-fil-A on Plano Road for a meal, dessert or drink.

When you make a purchase, please ask that the receipt be placed in the **red box** marked "Berkner Area Orchestra Club"..... We will receive 15% of the total receipts for our scholarship fund. Additional **Chick-fil-A Spirit Days** are **April 12, 14, 19-23, and 26-29!!**

Also, we are selling **Papa Murphy's pizza cards** tonight in the lobby— **each \$5 card gives you \$28 in discounts**, and 80% of each \$5 will go toward our scholarship fund. **With your help we can reach our goal!**



BAOC 2009-2010 Board of Directors

President	Lynn Hoffman
Secretary	Carl Lorey
Treasurer	Stacy Pitney
Asst. Treasurer	Ellen Parsonault
Publicity	Pat Fox
Historian	Cheryl Holiwell
Hospitality	Lupita Villarreal & Valerie Siverling
Newsletter	Amanda Aiuvalasit
Fundraising	Frank Baek

2010-2011 (nominees as of April 2)

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Historian	<u>position open</u>
Hospitality	Lupita Villarreal & Gwen Austin
Newsletter	Pat Fox
Fundraising	Frank Baek

Please contact any of the Orchestra Directors if you are interested in serving on the BAOB board next year.

**Visit the BAOB website at
www.berknerorchestra.org**

Berkner Ram Orchestra

Director: Craig Needham /469-593-7028 /e-mail: craig.needham@risd.org
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Berkner Ramblings....

Several members of the BHS Orchestras performed in the production of "The Sound of Music" the first week in February. Violinists were **Jackie Lin, Benjamin Su, Hunter Porter**, and **Julie Bruce**. **Gina Nguyen** and **James Aiuvalasit** played viola, and the cello section was **Evan Wright, Alyssa Anderson**, and **Colin Horton**. In addition, **Kimberly Larson** portrayed Sister Brooke and **Jeremiah Dalmacio** had a triple role as a party guest, Nazi officer, and dancer. Congratulations to everyone involved for all their hard work.

The second weekend of February, **Thomas Baek** represented BHS in the **All-State Symphony Orchestra** conducted by Benjamin Zander of the Boston Philharmonic. The Symphony is the most prestigious orchestra at TMEA, and we are so very proud of Thomas for making this group.

BHS hosted all the RISD orchestras at pre-UIL. The following week they all got to perform at "the real deal," way out at John Horn High School in Mesquite.

BHS ORCHESTRA RESULTS FROM 2010 UIL CONTEST

Symphony String Orchestra: Sweepstakes
 Symphony Full Orchestra: Sweepstakes
 Philharmonic Full Orchestra: Excellent in Concert, Superior in Sightreading
 Concert String Orchestra: Sweepstakes

BHS ORCHESTRAS ROCK!!!!



The Symphony Full Orchestra and strings from the Lake Highlands HS Orchestra performed a wonderful program for the Council of PTAs concert, which was held on March 23rd in the BHS Auditorium. Stealing the show was this year's **STRINGMAN**, senior **Bryan Co!**



*Right after tonight's concert we are loading up our buses and heading for the mountains of **Winter Park, Colorado!** Expect lots of photos!*

Upcoming events:

Saturday, April 24 – Solo & Ensemble contest at BHS, exact times given to individual performers

Saturday, May 8 – Orchestra banquet at the Oak Ridge Country Club, 7-11 p.m.

Tuesday, May 18 (new date) – Senior Recognition Night at BHS, 6-9 p.m.

Tuesday, May 25 – Berkner Grand Finale Concert, BHS 7 p.m. This includes the famous Senior Slide Show, so be sure to bring tissues!

Monday, June 7—BHS graduation (Symphony to perform) at Garland Special Events Center, 7 p.m.

Apollo Junior High Panthers

Director: Lynne Thornton/469-593-8015/e-mail: lynne.thornton@risd.org
Associate Director: Jody Cies/469-593-8016/e-mail: jody.cies@risd.org



Apollo Orchestra Notes
March 2009

Symphony Orchestra earns Sweepstakes at UIL! Congratulations!
Concert Orchestra earns Excellent Ratings at UIL! Congratulations!



This spring will be a very busy time for the Apollo Orchestra students. Some of our upcoming events include:

Cluster Concert – April 7 at Berkner High School

RISD Chamber Music Fest – (Solo & Ensemble) - April 24 at Berkner High School

Peak Music Fest – May 5 - Symphony Orchestra students and afterwards a fun trip to the Main Event.

Sixth Grade to Sandy Lake Fest – May 11, Performance is at 1:00 pm.

**Third and Fifth Period Concert Orchestra students to Sandy Lake Fest – May 12,
Performance is at 2:15 PM**

Symphony orchestra with the Band - Recruiting Show for the 5th graders – May 13

Apollo Spring Concert – May 19 in the Apollo Cafeteria

Hawaiian Falls – May 29



Liberty Junior High Patriots



Director: David Cook /469-593-7836 / e-mail: david.cook@risd.org

Patriot Notes.....

A message from Teresa Reinke, Assistant Principal at Liberty Junior High, describing the Advanced Orchestra's day at UIL

Good morning! We had a very rocky start to the UIL competition. The bus did not show up! So Chris and Chris stopped their rehearsals and we all loaded up kids in our cars to drive them and their instruments over to LHFC. I never realized how many school zones were along Audelia! And the things that you learn when you have kids in your car! :-)

Did you know that Ross is considered a Teddy Bear? Almost like Santa Claus without the beard. There goes Ross's tough guy image! :-)

We arrived right at 4:30 which was our warm up time. We got into the warm up room and they were kind enough to give us the entire 30 minutes to warm up. Our kids took the stage and looked like pros! In the audience was Ros and Del Cook. At the end of the performance, they received a standing ovation. We then went to the sight reading room. You would have thought that they had been playing that piece for several days instead of just having seen it for 7 minutes. They played beautifully! Then one of judges, who knew Dave very well, spoke to our kids. Needless to say, we were all in tears by the time she was through speaking about Dave and his love for his kids as well as the priceless gift that he has given them.

We then exited the room to go wait for results. After a grueling 10 minutes, Janet came in with a big box and announced that we had won SWEEPSTAKES!!!!!! Congratulate our Advanced Orchestra kids on a great job. And of course, we could not have done all of this without the help of Janet Lattanzi. Her sensitivity in taking over the class made the transition a little easier for the kids. Her humor with the kids could turn the tears and sadness into laughter. How blessed we are! Enjoy your day!

Congratulations to:

ALVARADO, JESSICA
BAE, ESTHER
CASADOS, MERLYN J
CHEUNG, DAVID M
COLLINS, LUCY N
DICARLO, ALEXANDRA H
FERNANDEZ, JACQUELINE
FISHER, MILAN L
KAM, HIU CHING
LEE, RICHARD K
PATINO, ODALLIS L

PHAM, NANCY T
PHAM, Y H
RIVERA, ROCIO L
RUSSELL, ZACHARIAH E
SHIN, HEE J
SORDIA, ARELY S
THAN, MINH THU D
TRAN, TUAN A
WINTERS, MATTHEW B

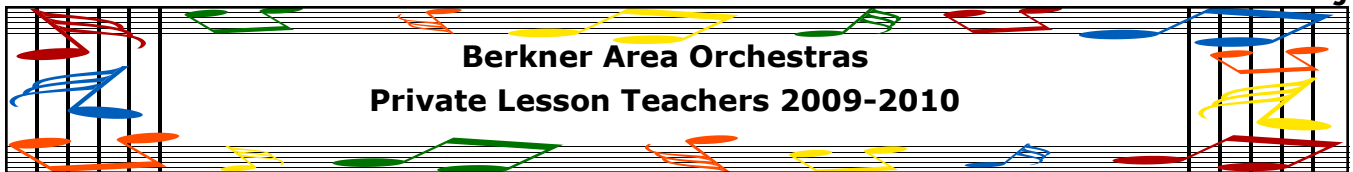


Mr. David Cook

August 4, 1949—March 1, 2010

WE WILL MISS YOU!!!!





VIOLIN/VIOLA

Ronald Houston (near Rich. Med. Ctr.).....972-423-0566
 Inga Kroll (BHS Area).....972-437-6559
***Larry Lattanzi (BHS Area).....214-868-6925**

VIOLIN/VIOLA

Janell DiCarlo (Liberty).....972-669-1048

VIOLIN/VIOLA/CELLO/BASS (Through book 4 of Suzuki)

David Large (Grove/Highland, near Terrace Elem.).....972-907-1530

VIOLA

***Sarah Myers.....972-490-5305**

CELLO

Beth Conway.....972-414-3818
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 Adam Eason.....281-467-3661
 Jim Higgins.....972-699-9219
 Brian Magnus.....214-995-8993

BASS

***Scott Sheffler.....214-477-5659**

***Bold denotes teachers who come to the schools.**



Berkner / Apollo / Liberty

Combined Orchestra Spring Events Calendar 2009–2010

Date	School	Event	Time	Location
February 10-13, 2010	BHS	TMEA/All-State Orchestra	TBA	Berkner HS
February 23, 2010	BHS	Pre-UIL Concert	TBA	Berkner HS
February 25, 2010	Liberty	Eisemann Festival—Pre-UIL Concert (Advanced Orchestra)	TBA	Eisemann Center
February 25, 2010	Apollo	Eisemann Festival—Pre-UIL Concert	TBA	Eisemann Center
March 8-9, 2010	BHS	UIL Orchestra Contest	TBA	John Horn HS
March 10 or 11, 2010	Liberty	UIL Orchestra Concert & Sight reading Contest (Advanced Orch)	TBA	North Garland HS
March 10 or 11, 2010	Apollo	UIL Orchestra Concert & Sight Reading Contest (Symphony/Concert)	TBA	North Garland HS
March 12-19, 2010	All	SPRING BREAK		
March 23, 2010	BHS	Council of PTA's Concert (Symphony) - rehearsal the evening before, 5-7pm	TBA	Lake Highlands HS
April 7, 2010	All	Berkner Area Spring Showcase Concert	6:30 p.m.	Berkner HS Auditorium
April 7-11, 2010	BHS	Spring Trip to Winter Park, CO	Depart after Showcase concert	Winter Park, CO
April 24, 2010	All	RISD Chamber Music Festival	TBA	Berkner HS
May 5, 2010	Apollo	Peak Music Festival (Symphony)	TBA	Murchison Performing Arts Center at UNT
May 8, 2010	BHS	BHS Orchestra Banquet	7:00-11:00 pm	Oakridge Country Club
May 11 & 12, 2010	Apollo	Sandy Lake Music Fest May 11 (6th grade) May 12 (3rd & 5th period/Concert)	TBA	Sandy Lake
May 10 & 12, 2010	Liberty	Sandy Lake Music Fest May 10 (Beginners) May 12 (Intermediate & Advanced)	TBA	Sandy Lake
May 13, 2010	Apollo	5th grade recruiting concert-Symphony	TBA	Apollo
May 18, 2010	Liberty	Liberty Cluster Spring Concert	7:00 p.m.	Liberty Gym
May 19, 2010	Apollo	Spring Concert	7:00 p.m.	Apollo Cafeteria
May 18, 2010	BHS	Senior Recognition Night	6:00-9:00 p.m.	Berkner HS
May 25, 2010	BHS	Berkner Grand Finale Concert	7:00 pm	Berkner HS
May 28 -date tentative	Liberty	End of School Trip	TBA	TBA
May 29	Apollo	Hawaiian Falls Fun Day	TBA	Hawaiian Falls, Garland
June 7, 2010	BHS	Graduation /Symphony performing	7:00 p.m.	Garland Special Events Center