

# BLUE DEVILS

## "DEVIL'S PRIDE"

Booster Club Newsletter

May 2009



### A FEW STATISTICS ON THE 2009 CORPS AS WE HAVE IT

*(Not all forms have been returned as yet, so the numbers are a bit different occasionally)*

While the Corps will be comprised of 150 members, we have complete information on 148.

#### BRASS:

24 Euphoniums : 23 M / 1 F  
 16 Mellophones : 11 M / 5 F  
 24 Trumpets: 21 M / 3 F  
 12 Tubas: 12 M (11 with 1 spot still open)



#### PERCUSSION:

5 Bass: 4 M / 1 F  
 13 Pit: 8 M / 5 F  
 9 Snares: 9 M  
 4 Tenors: 4 M

40 **GUARD**: 20 M / 20 F (1 male spot open)

#### DRUM MAJORS: 3 M

**The members come from 26 states and Japan:**

|       |      |         |
|-------|------|---------|
| AZ 8  | KY 1 | PA 4    |
| CA 80 | MI 1 | TX 8    |
| CO 2  | MS 1 | UT 2    |
| FL 4  | NC 1 | VT 1    |
| GA 1  | NE 2 | WA 9    |
| IA 1  | NJ 2 | JAPAN 5 |
| ID 1  | NV 3 |         |
| IL 1  | NY 1 |         |
| IN 2  | OH 1 |         |
| KS 1  | OR 5 |         |

#### AGES:

16 - 2  
 17 - 3  
 18 - 18  
 19 - 28  
 20 - 38  
 21 - 49  
 22 - 10

#### YEARS IN "A" CORPS:

1 year - 71  
 2 years - 55  
 3 years - 16  
 4 years - 6  
 1 year - 1

#### AGE-OUTS: 45

23 One year: 18 M / 5 F  
 24 Multi years: 16 M / 8 F

Euphoniums: 7  
 Mellophones: 6  
 Trumpets: 5  
 Tubas: 5

Bass: 2  
 Pit: 4  
 Snares: 3  
 Tenors: 1  
 Guard: 12 (5 M / 7 F)



### LET THE SEASON BEGIN

June 13 will be another extremely busy day around Concord. We will start the day by having individual Corps member and sectional pictures taken by Alan Parker - Jolesch Photography.

Noon time will find everyone enjoying another fantastic array of food at the annual Family Day Lunch at the park.

Then off to the Diablo Valley College stadium in the evening to enjoy performances by the *Blue Devils Corps, Mandarins, Renegades, SCV* and the *SCV Cadets*.

Tickets for the event are \$10 General Admission and children

under the age of 8 will be free. Precision West will not be a judged show but a chance to get a glimpse of what we can expect later on.

It's a busy, busy day - but it is really quite a fun day as well.

## Tour

**June 19** - Leave on Tour

**June 20** - Corps at the Crest - Walnut, CA

**June 21** - Western Corps Connection - Riverside, CA

**June 26** - Mid-Cal Tour of Champions - Clovis, CA

**June 27** - **DCI West**

**Championship** - Stanford, CA  
Stanford University in Palo Alto, CA. Tickets are available for this event through DCI.

Participants: **Blue Devils** - **Santa Clara Vanguard** - **Bluecoats** - **Blue Knights** - **Troopers** - **Mandarins** - **Blue Devils C** - **Blue Devils B** - **Santa Clara Vanguard Cadets** - **Velvet Knights** - **San Francisco Renegades**

**June 28** will be at Stockton, CA at the University of the Pacific. Participants: **same corps as at the Stanford show.**

**July 2** - Bakersfield, CA



## COMING UP:

The Booster Club will be providing PB&J for the Corps during all-days (*started May 19 and will continue until the Corps leaves on tour*).

We certainly appreciate the work of the "PB&J Committee" in getting some donations as this can get to be a fairly expensive item.

Many thanks to Yvonne Moss who has taken on the responsibility (again) of making sure the PB&J is available each and every day and handling the clean up.



Once again, the Booster Club will be hosting an "All You Can Eat Steak BBQ" for the Corps on Sunday, June 7 as our way of saying thank you to them and to make sure they have a fantastic dinner during all-days.

This event has always proven to be a great big hit with the members. Jim Serena always makes sure there is enough food for everyone.

The new members are always overwhelmed with the great steaks and food - plus the fact they can go back for second, thirds, etc. There are always desserts aplenty.



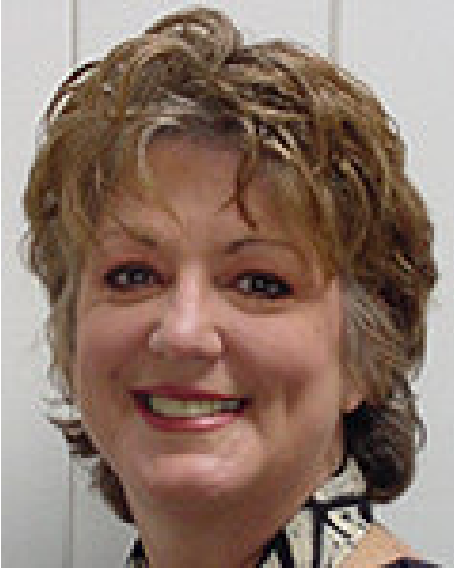
The "Property of Blue Devils" shirts have been ordered and will be distributed to the Corps prior to the first event as a group. People often ask if they can purchase a shirt; however, the shirts are specifically for the marching Corps members and are not available to anyone else.

## CONGRATULATIONS ARE DEFINITELY IN ORDER:

It has been announced that **Shirley Stratton Dorritie** will be inducted into the DCI Hall of Fame. Shirley was a member of the BD Guard and then served as an instructor for several years.

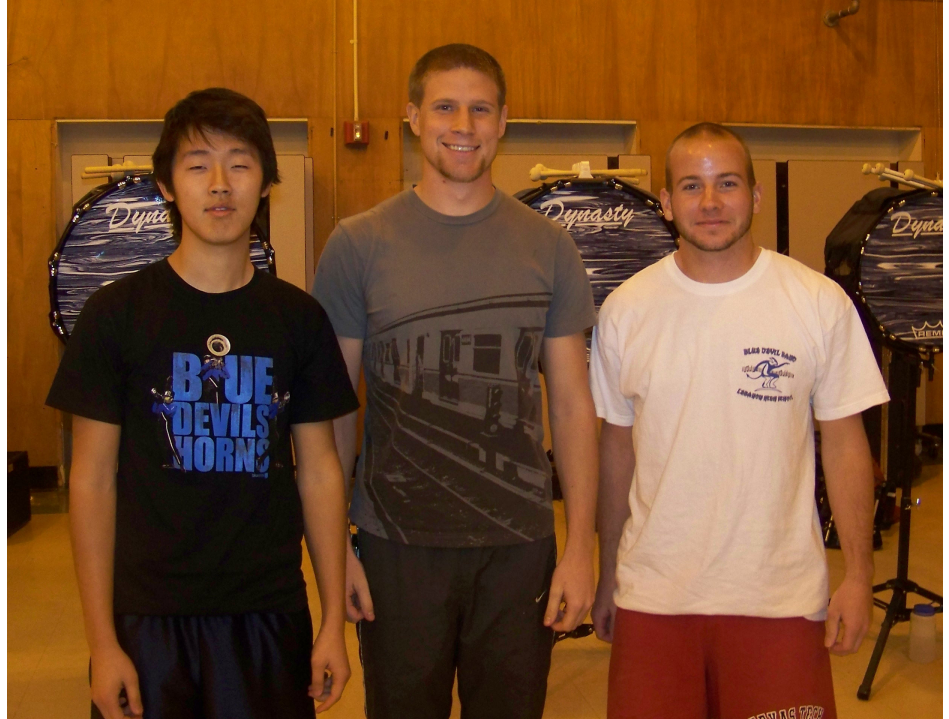
There is a great nomination letter on the BD site by Michael Cesario. We cannot agree more





with everything said about Shirley as an instructor and as a person. We have always been highly impressed with Shirley's ability to produce guards that were outstanding - and just totally impressed with Shirley herself.

Shirley now joins the other 11 Blue Devil associates in the Hall of Fame (*Pete Emmons, Mike Moxley, Wayne Downey, Scott Chandler, Rick Odello, Tom Float, Fred Sanford, Jim Ott, Jack Meehan, Dave Gibbs and Stephanie Lynn*).



• 2009 drum majors: Jon Lee - Brian Howard - Andrew Rogers



**NEXT MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 2**

**I-HOP Restaurant**

**Martinez, CA**

**7:00 P.M.**

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