

General Notes

A Publication of the Wooster High School Music Department

Happy In Our New Home

What an absolute pleasure it is each day to walk throughout the doors of our wonderful new facility. If by some chance you haven't been through the music area and the new Performing Arts Center (*have you been under a rock?*), please find some time to come by and take a tour. Sure, there are problems here and there, but they easily become small when compared to the truly grand scale of this construction project.

We have only begun to take advantage of the many opportunities this new school affords. From top-of-the-line storage facilities to the pits (orchestras); from a marching practice field, to where one their heading; from practice large scale rooms - this is a place in which we all can take great pride.

By now many of you have heard of the sound problems in the rehearsal rooms. The loudness of the rooms makes rehearsing in the rooms impossible. This problem will be solved very soon with acoustical treatment on the walls and ceiling - Hooray! Still to be resolved is a concern over sound bleeding between the two rehearsal rooms. Hopefully this will be resolved prior to the time when the two bands split in November.

The music staff and students are truly grateful to a community that saw fit to provide for a facility such as this. We've barely begun to explore its usefulness. Let the exploration begin!

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tra pit, that handy band practice office doesn't hit on the ceiling-sound-proof rooms, to rehearsal

Inaugural Fanfare To Get Debut At WHS Dedication

The official dedication of the New Wooster High School will take place in a ceremony to be held in the Performing Arts Center on Sunday, October 16 at 1:00 PM. The ceremony will serve as a forum to recognize all of the people who played a special role in making this project happen. A highlight of the afternoon will be the premiere performance of a piece written especially for the opening of the new school. Inaugural Fanfare by Daniel Adams will feature antiphonal brass and percussion players from the Wooster High School Music Department and will open the afternoon's festivities. The Wooster High School Chorus will also perform during the program.



Marching Band Concert Is First In New Performing Arts Center



*The Wooster High School
Marching Band
In Concert*

*November 2, 1994 7:30 PM
WHS Performing Arts Center*

<i>Directors:</i>	
<i>Daniel Adams</i>	<i>Adults \$3</i>
<i>Douglas Bennett</i>	<i>Students \$2</i>

The first large scale concert in the Wooster High School Performing Arts Center is the Annual **Marching Band Concert**. This year's concert is set for Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:30 PM. The concert will feature all of the great music you've heard at pregame and halftime shows throughout the football season.

Don't miss the chance to hear all of this great music indoors in our new auditorium. Tickets may be purchased from any Marching Band member, from the High School Music Office (345-8602), or at the door. Prices are \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

Information Hotline



The new Wooster High School Information Hotline is a feature that you will be hearing a lot about in the future. At **345-5555**, it is a 24 hour link to every teacher, administrator, club or activity.

The music department will be utilizing this new service as much as possible. This includes such uses as the notification of the week's events, what to bring or wear to football games, meet-

ing times, ticket information, delayed arrival times (*due to flat bus tires!*), and more.

The touch-tone phone interface is very user-friendly. You need only know the name or group you wish to call. A short-cut is to know the **Box Number**. Here are the box numbers related to the Music Department. We hope that you will utilize this new service:

- Band** 1050
- Orchestra** 1052
- Chorus** 1051
- Music Parents** 1053

Electronic Pianos Donated

We are all delighted by the generosity of the children of Cora Gigax. Larry Gigax, Leslie Knowing, and Bruce Gigax have donated three, high-end digital electronic pianos in honor of Mrs. Gigax. The *Yamaha Clavinova* pianos will be used primarily in the sound-proof practice modules but will serve many other uses as well, including applications with computers (MIDI).

Again, we thank the Gigax family for their extremely thoughtful and useful addition to our music program.



Take Note



Here's what's happening in the Wooster High School Music Department

October 5, 6	3:00-9:00 PM	Composite Photo Sessions
October 7	7:30 PM	Away Football vs. Ashland
October 13	6:00-9:00 PM	Marching Band Practice
October 14	7:30 PM	Homecoming Football vs. Hoover
October 16	1:00 PM	Dedication Ceremony
October 20	6:00-9:00 PM	Marching Band Practice
October 21	7:30 PM	Home Football vs. Timken (Parents Night)
October 28	7:30 PM	Away Football vs. Alliance
November 1	7:30 PM	Music Parents Meeting
November 2	7:30 PM	Wooster High School Marching Band Concert
November 3	6:00-9:00 PM	Marching Band Practice
November 4	7:30 PM	Home Football vs. Orrville (Senior Show)

We hope that you'll find the time in your busy schedule to help support music in the Wooster City Schools by attending as many of these events as possible. For more information concerning any of the above events, please call the High School Music Office at 216-345-8602.



Mess Distress!

Parents, please help us to make sure that every uniform goes home and is hung neatly after every performance. We do not store uniforms that have been issued to students. After uniforms are issued, they become the student's responsibility.

We have had a number of items left in the music area after football games - especially raincoats. All parts of the uniform are extremely expensive to replace. Students have been informed that there will be a \$2 fine for neglected articles. Parents, please help us by checking for all uniform parts after performances. Thank you!



Photo Sessions Scheduled For Composite Pictures

this free photo session, students will have the opportunity to purchase pictures through various packages determined by the photographer. The photographers from *Portraits With Pride* will be back at a later date to show you proofs if you are interested in purchasing a package.

Students should come with their instrument and dressed in full uniform: **Marching Band:** "Wools" - **Orchestra:** Black Tux or Skirt - **Chorus:** Robe.

All music students at Wooster High School will be photographed in uniform at individual photo sessions on **Wednesday and Thursday, October 5th and 6th from 3:00 to 9:00 PM.** Students should sign up for a time in B126 prior to these days.

We are asking that every band, orchestra, and choir student have their picture taken for composite pictures that will be made for Marching Band, Orchestra, and Chorus. In addition to

New Music Department Telephone

We are pleased to have in place this year a phone line to the Music Department that is accessible day and night. As many of you know, the new High School phone number is 345-4000. However, the Music Department has its own number that can be dialed directly.

When you dial **345-8602** during normal school office hours, you'll be connected with the school receptionist who will then transfer you to our extension. If you dial this number after regular office hours, you will ring directly into the telephone in the Music Office. In addition, if no staff member is available to answer you may leave a message on our answering machine. We hope this will make us easier to reach and also help make our music area accessible after hours.



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Thank you for your support of Music Education at Wooster High School!