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Symphonic Band To Perform At State Conference

Every year the music teachers from throughout Ohio get together at the Ohio Music Education Association Professional Conference. This year, they will be treated to a performance by the Wooster High School Symphonic Band.

Last year's Symphonic Band prepared an audition tape and application to perform at the January, 1998 convention. This past August the band learned of their acceptance to perform at the Professional Conference to be held in the Columbus Convention Center. They will play an evening concert in the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency in downtown Columbus.

The WHS band is one of five high school bands from throughout the state, and one of only two high school bands to perform an evening concert. The performance is scheduled for Thursday, January 22 in the Hyatt Grand Ball-



Brenden Miller and Mary Cicconetti will be featured in the performance by the WHS Symphonic Band. They will perform as soloists in Aaron Copland's "Quiet City".

room.

Some of the other 60 ensembles performing at the conference include The Ohio State University Concert Band, University of Akron Symphony Orchestra, Cleveland Youth Wind Symphony, and the Ohio State Uni-

versity Men's Glee Club.

Due to changes in the audition procedure this year, the Symphonic band will begin rehearsals earlier this year, on November 3. Then they will begin working on their program which includes, *Quiet City* by Aaron Copland (featuring Mary Cicconetti on english horn and Brenden Miller on trumpet), *Old Home Days* by Charles Ives, *Pathfinder of Panama* by J.P. Sousa (with guest conductor Nancy Ditmer), and *Polka and Fugue* from "Schwanda, The Bagpiper" by J. Weinberger.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Wooster High School music students to showcase their talents as well as for the students to experience the grandeur of the State OMEA Conference. Congratulations, Symphonic Band.

Show Stoppers Audition Results

Congratulations to those students who auditioned for the WHS Show Stoppers.

Soprano

Emily Schmidt
Yvonne Barker
Amy Gardner
Andrea Zuercher
Julie Karger
Kristen Cosentino

Alto

Brenda Coffee
Heidi Pettyjohn
Stephanie Watts
Adelia Sykes
Karoline Beyer

Tenor

Karen Lewis
Steve Euga
Lars Preece
Adam Rowe

Baritone-Bass

Alan Sands
Dan McCurdy
Chris Butdorf

Plans Well Underway For Spring Instrumental Music Trip To Toronto

Approximately 300 Band and Orchestra students and chaperones will travel to Toronto, Canada this spring. Six chartered buses will leave the high school on Thursday afternoon, April 30 and will return Sunday night, May 3.

Highlights of the trip include a downtown performance by the WHS Orchestra in Nathan Philips Square; a performance by the WHS Marching Band at the Skydome for a Toronto Blue Jays game (*pending baseball schedule*); a tour of the Skydome; a performance of Andrew Lloyd Weber's *Phantom of the Opera* at the Pantages Theatre; a performance of Agatha Christie's *Mousetrap*; a visit to the CN Tower; and the Ontario Science Center; and more.

Information will be sent home with students throughout the year, so parents, please keep checking with your son or daughter to make sure you receive all materials.



A deposit of \$100 will be due on November 4. This is one of three payments that are discussed in a letter that is being distributed at the beginning of October.

We all look forward to this great opportunity to discover many of the cultural benefits of a visit to Toronto. Parents, if you have any questions, please give us a call.



WHS Marching Band In Concert

The Wooster High School Marching Band will present a concert of music performed during the 1997 football season. Scheduled for 7:30 PM on October 28 in the Performing Arts Center, the concert will feature selections from the "TV Show", the *Homecoming/Script "Wool!" Show*, and the "Senior Show". Special guest will be Mike Hallet, new football coach of the Wooster High School Generals.

Tickets are \$3 (\$2 for students) and are available from any band member or at the door.

Rental Fees



Please remember that all students who use a school instrument are responsible for a rental fee of \$3.00 per month. This fee needs to be paid by the end of the school year, however, it may be paid *at any time throughout the year*. Please make checks payable to Wooster City Schools. All money may be given to Mrs. Kunkler in the music office for proper forwarding. Thank you.



Take Note



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

October 24	Senior/Parents Night - Alliance Football Game
October 28	7:30 PM Marching Band Concert
October 31	Uniform Turn-In after Orrville Football Game
November 3	Freshman, Concert, Symphonic Bands Begin
November 4	8:00 PM Music Parents Meeting
November 30	5:00 PM Tree Lighting/Carol Sing
December 3/4	6-8:00 PM Uniform Distribution
December 16	7:30 PM HS/MS Orchestra Holiday Concert
January 7/8	Jazz Band Auditions
January 15	7:30 PM Winter Band Concert
January 16	Citrus Sale Begins
January 22	7:00 PM Symphonic Band at OMEA Conference
January 29	7:30 PM Music Faculty Recital
February 3	8:00 PM Music Parents Meeting
February 21	OMEA Solo & Ensemble

For more information concerning any of the above events, please call the High School Music Office at 216-345-8602.



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