

General Notes

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Plans Underway For Disney World Appearance

With the weather starting to become cold, it's hard to believe that a trip to sunny Florida is on the way. But for Band and Orchestra students, winter will pass very quickly with the anticipation of their trip to Disney World in Orlando. The April trip represents the second invitation to perform in four years for the Instrumental Music program at Wooster High School.

Six buses carrying over 300 people will depart Thursday afternoon on April 13th and will return the evening of Tuesday, April 18th. Students will take part in such events as marching in a parade down Main Street, USA in Disney's Magic Kingdom; performing at Epcot (Orchestra); enjoying Blizzard Beach; taking in the sights at Disney's new Animal Kingdom and Disney-MGM Studios; and much more.

The next trip payment of \$150 is due by November 18th. \$300 must be accumulated in every person's account by this day. The final balance will be due on February 17 and will be approximately \$170 (for a total of approx. \$467). The exact amount of the final payment will be announced after the rooming lists are finalized in late January.

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Before you decide to room with your best buddy, check to see if he snores...

Sign-ups for rooming assignments will be posted in the very near future. Students should be thinking about three other people they would like to room with. If students don't come up with four-person rooms, the directors will assign as necessary. Chaperones, please remember that we need you to confirm your assignments as well. Your November payment should reflect the additional costs for two and three person rooms. If you still have questions about this, please call Mr. Adams (345-8602).

WHS Hosts OMEA Event

Again this year, the Wooster High School Music Department will host the Ohio Music Education Association District 6 Band and Chorus Adjudicated Event. Thousands of students will fill the halls, classrooms, and performing areas of the school on Friday and Saturday, March 10th and 11th.

We hope to find the same success that we experienced the last time we hosted. Students, parents, and teachers all worked together to make it a well organized Adjudicated Events. A great deal of pride comes from being such gracious hosts and working so hard to make a potentially hectic situation run like clockwork.

In addition to the chance to *take our turn* at hosting, we will also reap the benefits of profits for our Music Department from concessions throughout the event. And, of course, our bands and choirs will be participating, so this is also an excellent opportunity for music lovers to stop in throughout the two-day event and listen to fine musicians from our school and schools in our area and surrounding counties.

Parents and students, soon you will be asked to commit yourself to a time slot within those two days. Take advantage of this rewarding opportunity. It's fun, and your time is needed to make this work.

Vocal Music Department Notes

Quarter-An-Order Dinner Kicks Off School Year

Mrs. Mason would like to extend her thanks to all the parents who donated food and came to the Quarter-An-Order Dinner and Welcome Concert. Additional thanks goes to all who attended and offered contributions. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carroll are to be commended for all of their help in making the event a success.

Looking Ahead To Next Month's Concert

The Vocal Music Department's Winter Concert is on December 16, 1999 at 7:30 PM. It will feature the seventh and eighth grade choirs from Edgewood along with the Mixed Chorus and Concert Choir from Wooster High School. Some specialty groups, soloists, and guests will appear as well.

Calendar Addition!

Orchestra and Choir students and parents, please add the following date to your calendar: **Monday, December 13 at 12:45 PM at Fisher Auditorium.** The annual performance for the Rotary luncheon was originally cut from the budget last year. Rotary will fund the transportation, so the Senior Luncheon performance is back!

Auditions - More Fun Than Your Average Flu Shot

Well, with the end of Marching Band season comes one of the most dreaded of all happenings on the Wooster High School Band calendar... AUDITIONS! By now, the dust has settled and students are beginning to put the experience in perspective.

Placement in one of the three WHS concert bands is taken very seriously. The instrumental music staff feels very strongly that each student be in an environment where they can best develop and refine their skills as musicians. The Freshman Band was an addition to our course offerings four years ago. The increased numbers in our program necessitated the addition, but at the same time gave us the opportunity to focus even better on the individual needs and abilities of our students. Concert Band and Symphonic Band continue in their respective roles to push 10th through 12th grade students to even higher levels. We are indeed fortunate to be able to offer this fine, focused program to our students.

The important thing for every student to remember is that their placement in an ensemble is neither a badge of importance nor a mark of defeat. Rather, it is an opportunity to set them up for the best possible success. Congratulations to all the band students who worked hard and prepared for their auditions - it was time well spent!

The WHS Drama and Music Departments
present the musical...

"110 In The Shade"

November 13-14, 20-21



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What's happening in the Wooster High School Music Department

November 1		<i>Freshman, Concert, Symphonic Bands Begin</i>
November 8		<i>Band Sectional Rehearsals Begin</i>
November 13, 14, 20, 21		<i>Production of "110 In The Shade"</i>
December 1, 2	6:00-8:00 PM	<i>Band/Orch. Uniform Distribution</i>
December 4	8:30-2:00 PM	<i>Music Parents Pancake Breakfast</i>
December 4	12:00 Noon	<i>Tuba Christmas</i>
December 14	7:30 PM	<i>Orchestra Holiday Concert</i>
December 16	7:30 PM	<i>Choir Holiday Concert</i>

Thank you for your participation in the above events.
Your involvement in our music program is what makes it so great!



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