

# Wadsworth Band

## Newsletter



March 2005 P.O. Box 2 Wadsworth OH 44281

### NEXT MEETING OF THE BAND BOOSTERS

March 8 @ 7:30pm WHS Library \*\*All Welcome\*\* [www.wadsworthband.com](http://www.wadsworthband.com)

### *Notes From Mr. Hadgis:*

Dear Band Parents and Students,

We are approaching the busy month of March: High School & Jr. High Winter Concert-Mar. 1, Mandatory Band Boosters and Students Meeting to go on the Trip-Mar. 8, District Band Adjudicated Event-Mar. 12, Band Boosters Craft Show-Mar. 12, Community Band Concert-Mar. 13, Medina County Honor Band Rehearsal-Mar 15, Medina Co. Honor Band Performance-Mar. 17, High School Musical-Mar. 17-20, and probably another Jazz Band Performance somewhere.

#### *Our Over-Achieving Students*

Our students remain busy throughout the school year providing concerts, parades, jazz performances, solos, football half-time shows, basketball bands, and graduation music for the community to enjoy. No other group does as much as the band when it comes to community support and we do it all through MUSIC! We have a special bond of unity that connects not just the members of the group, but the audience as well.

In addition, many of our students participate in soccer, basketball, track, cross country, golf, speech & Debate, Choir, Student Council, Principal's Leadership Academy, Key Club, and much, much MORE! Many are very involved in their church youth groups, intramural sports, Science Club, acting in the High School Musical, and are on the Honor Roll. I am very proud of our kids. They continually act with respect and professionalism at every event where they perform. They supported a family at Christmas with over \$265 in gifts. I believe that they are the nicest kids in the school. We also, have many who enhance their musical experience by performing in the Cleveland Youth Orchestra, the Akron Youth Symphony, the Cleveland Youth Symphonic Wind Band, the Glassman Drum Corps, and many music camps throughout the summer.

So, spread the word about the great bunch of kids that we have from a great bunch of parents. Our students and parents create a wonderful organization that is a point of pride in our community.

#### *Numbers in Band Growing*

We have estimated that we will have approximately 115-120 musicians in band next year and 12 color guard members. That means that we will not have enough uniforms to fit every musician. We'll probably have to put our percussionists and tuba players in black until we purchase new uniforms. I'm working on possibilities in solving our situation (and it's a good situation).

#### *Symphonic/Concert Band Performances*

**March 1<sup>st</sup>** is our Jr. High & High School Band Concert at O.J. Work auditorium at **7:00 p.m.** We will have guest adjudicators evaluating our performance; Mr. Marty Lydecker from North Royalton High School and Mr. Brian Munroe from Stow High School. These judges' taped comments will help us prepare for our Adjudicated Event on **March 12<sup>th</sup>** at Wooster High School; **Concert Band at 9:00 a.m. and Symphonic Band at 11:00 a.m.** Parents, please come to hear both performances. You will hear a definite improvement at the Wooster High School performance.

#### *Special Band Boosters Meeting*

There is a mandatory meeting on **March 8<sup>th</sup>** at **7:30 p.m.** for all students and at least one parent of the students who are going on the Spring Trip – April 15-17. All details and guidelines will be discussed pertaining to the success of the trip. Forms must be signed and turned in at this meeting.

#### *Band Camp*

I am looking for a site to host our band camp in August 2005. I have called several local colleges, but have not been able to find one that can accommodate our needs as of this date. The price of Band Camp would cost each person approximately \$180.00. I will notify all students and parents when I solidify a place and date.

Please give me a call at 330-336-4011 if you have any questions or concerns.



## Booster Corner

Submitted by Sally Lewis~Band Booster President

### THANK YOU!!!

With the concession season drawing to a close it's time to thank everyone who worked so hard to make our concessions such a great success this year.

Special thanks go, of course, to Dave Thomas who worked tirelessly throughout the football, soccer, basketball and wrestling seasons. We truly appreciate everything you have done to make things go so well and so smoothly. There is no way to say "thank you" adequately.

We also want to thank the Durbins, Bill and Zenna, for helping us so much during the football and soccer seasons. Without you it would have been impossible to get everything ready for the fall sports. Bill opened the home concession stand every home game and worked with his patented smile and good nature. Zenna got the Pepsi wagon underway in the fall and never let us down when we needed her help.

Last but not least we need to thank all the people who volunteered to help in concessions this year. You know how valuable your work is to this organization. Thanks to all the regulars we knew we could rely on to fill gaps and, for some, to be there at almost every game. If we begin to name people we know we will leave someone out. And when it comes right down to it, each volunteer is terribly important and very appreciated.

Thank you. You make this organization a success.

### OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Nominations of officers are now being accepted for next year's Band Boosters Board. To hold an office you need to have been an active booster for at least one year and have a student currently enrolled in the band or color guard. To make a nomination, call Barb Papis – 330-334-4300.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The March Band Boosters meeting has been moved to Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> due to the concert on March 1<sup>st</sup>. The meeting will be in the High School Library. If your student is planning to go on the spring trip you should attend the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mr. Hadgis will be giving out important information about the trip at this meeting.

Also, since spring break is the week of April 4 – 8, the April Band Boosters meeting has been moved to Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be held in the High School Library. Last minute information about spring trip will be discussed at this meeting.

Please plan to attend both these meetings.



## Music In Our Schools Month 2005 *Music: The Heart of Education*

March marks the annual celebration of music in our nation's schools. First held in 1973 as a Music In Our Schools Day, this celebration has grown to a Music In Our Schools Month. MENC: The National Association for Music Education, the nearly 100,000 -member sponsoring organization, has announced that this year's MIOSM theme is Music: The Heart of Education. According to MENC President, David Circle, "A quality music education program should be at the core of every child's educational experience, at all levels of their development."

Since 1838, when music was first authorized as a regular subject of instruction, decision makers have agreed on the importance of music education. In 1994, the *National Standards for Arts Education* were accepted by Secretary of Education Richard Riley. More recently, in December of 2003, the state of Ohio adopted *Academic Content Standards in the Fine Arts* (which include music). The release of arts education standards reaffirms the arts as being essential to the education of every child. As they are implemented, the standards will provide greater access to higher quality arts education for all American children.

Recent studies show that students who participate in the arts out-perform their non-arts peers on the SAT. In addition, participation in music education increases children's creativity, self-discipline, critical thinking, and self-esteem. New research indicates that music may be the nutrient that can enhance the development of abstract thinking skills. The study of music and the other arts also provides students with a sense of their cultural heritage



The Central Intermediate School Instrumental Music Department is proud to present its annual Spring Concert featuring the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Bands on Tuesday night the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2005 at 7pm in the OJ Work Auditorium. The Bands are under the direction of Mrs. Amy McArtor and Mr. Samuel Mayes. Admission is **FREE** and ALL are welcome .

**Wadsworth Central Intermediate School  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Members  
Medina County Solo and Ensemble Results  
January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

Piano Soloists:

Monica Borsani "I"  
Joanna Drury "I"  
Jonathan Hill "I"  
Paige Marty "I"  
Sarah Miracle "I"  
Mariel Reynolds "I"

Instrumental Soloists:

Monica Borsani "I" Flute Solo  
Jenny Bryan "II" Flute Solo  
Brittany Ellis "II" Alto Sax Solo  
J. J. Gnatowski "I" Snare Drum Solo  
Jonathan Hill "I" Trumpet Solo  
Laura Jansen "I" Flute Solo  
Paige Marty "I" Alto Sax Solo  
Sarah Miracle "I" Alto Sax Solo  
Eric Olson "I" Mallet Solo  
Brianna Palitto "I" Flute Solo  
Emily Prather "I" Trumpet Solo  
Renee Romano "II" Flute Solo  
Katrina Romanoff "II" Flute Solo  
Katy Smoyer "I" Flute Solo  
Katie Walker "I" Flute Solo  
Allison Wetshtein "I" Flute Solo  
Jessica Wetshtein "I" Flute Solo

Instrumental Ensembles:

Sixth Grade Flute Trio "II" (Allison Custer, Regina Povirk, Melanie Galek)  
Sixth Grade Trumpet Duet "I" (Jonathan Hill, Ashley Bowers)  
Sixth Grade Flute/Clarinet Trio "I" (Hannah Cullman, Marissa Hout, Elizabeth Sulka)  
Sixth Grade Alto Sax Quartet "II" (Sarah Miracle, Steven Manning, Paige Marty, Phillip LaHue)  
Sixth Grade Flute/Oboe Trio "I" (Hannah Smith, Brianna Palitto, Hannah Gibson)  
Sixth Grade Clarinet Trio "II+" (Abbey Sweigert, Claire VanFleet, Taylor Gilger)  
Sixth Grade Snare Drum Duet "I" (Collin Morrison, Eric Olson)  
Sixth Grade Percussion Trio "II" (Layne Connolly, Sammi Petit, Hayley Douglas)  
Sixth Grade Alto Sax/Trombone Trio "I" (Matt Abel, Andrew Whitman, Jordan Brenneman)

Overall students participated in 33 events; 25 received a "I" rating and 8 received a "II".

"I" is a superior rating, the highest possible.

"II" is an excellent rating, the second highest possible

**Wadsworth Middle School Band News**

As always, our middle school students have been busy getting ready for our March 1 concert as well as our other spring performances. Students are invited to participate in the OMEA District 6 Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event on Saturday April 9 at Cloverleaf High School. We always encourage our students to participate in Solo and Ensemble, however this year it falls on the Saturday of our Spring Break, so many students will not be able to participate. But to those who have that date open, they should take advantage of this great experience.

Interested students should contact Mr. Foster or Mr. Hadgis and let them know ASAP whether they would like to be in an ensemble or step up to the challenge of performing a solo. The cost to perform is \$10.00 for a solo and \$13.00 for an ensemble divided among the members of the group. Deadline to register is March 5, so sign up soon.

In jazz news, the jazz band participated in the Green Jazz Festival on February 19. All of our students had a great time and came away from the festival with a better understanding of jazz music and a little more knowledge on how to be a jazz musician. They will be performing for the Book Fair on March 15 at 6:00 at the middle school as well as our own high school and middle school jazz festival on Tuesday, April 19 at O.J. Work Auditorium. If you have any questions or concerns about the bands at the middle school or about the upcoming concerts feel free to call Mr. Foster at 330-335-1410 ext. 3153.

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