



NEWSLETTER

Dear Band Parents and Students,

I hope that you all had a blessed Christmas and wish you a happy and healthy 2009 new year. This past month, the band students helped to make a happy Christmas for some local families in Wadsworth by participating in the "Adopt-A-Family" program initiated by the charity "Fish". Our students donated over \$500 in cash, an additional \$125 worth of gift cards from band parents, and other presents to help five children and four adults from two different families during this holiday season. I'd like to thank Caitlin Guenther, Jessie Hensal, and Victoria Scozzaro for going shopping for the gifts, wrapping them, and taking them to the families. These families truly appreciated the gifts that helped to brighten their Christmas. I am very proud of all our band students for their kind support and generous donations. The Wadsworth Band kids are a very special group of people.

Next Meeting of the Band Boosters:



Monday, Jan. 5, 2009

7:30 PM

WHS Library

PEP BAND

Once again, we are in the heart of basketball season and that means we need many band students to perform in the pep band for the boys basketball games and some girls games. There are five more boys basketball games left and one more girls basketball game. Students show up at 6:15 p.m. to run through songs in the band room, move to the gym at 7:00 p.m. to play in-between the JV and varsity games, and play at half-time. After halftime (approx. 8:30 pm.), students pack up their instruments and are treated to free food at the concession stand. They also get in to the game for free. We played at two girls games in December.

Fri., **Jan. 9** (boys) Wed., **Jan. 28** (girls) Fri., **Feb. 6** (boys) Fri., **Feb. 13** (boys) Fri., **Feb. 20** (boys)

SOLO & ENSEMBLE CONTEST

There are numerous students who are signed up for Solo & Ensemble Contest which will be held at Springfield High School on Saturday on Feb. 7th. I will not get the performance times mailed to me until about a week and a half before the event. Time slots range from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you want either a morning or afternoon time slot, you must call or email me before before Jan. 6th, so that I can request a time before the application deadline. Phone: 330-336-4011; Email: shadgis@wadsworth.k12.oh.us.



The fees are \$14 for a solo and \$19 for an ensemble (students in the ensemble will split the cost). All money is **due by Thursday, Jan. 8, 2009** and must be turned in to Mr. Hadgis. *Checks must be made payable to Wadsworth Band Boosters.* Students who don't bring in their money by this date may NOT participate in Solo & Ensemble Contest.

***BAND CAMP 2009***

Parents are expected to plan vacations around Band Camp (and summer rehearsals) and in order for you to plan, I am publishing next year's dates. The 2009 full marching band rehearsals for next year start on Monday, July 20th and Band Camp is Sunday, July 26th through July 31st. Band Camp is mandatory for all students joining high school band. I will always work with school coaches to make sure that the students who are in fall sports can do both sports and band. Parents may either email me or call with any questions or concerns.

Also, see the rehearsals for the Blue Tip Parade. If parents are on vacation that week with their child, they should notify me in May with a signed note excusing them from the parade and/or practices.

OTHER NOTES:

Congratulations to Allen Mathis for being selected to perform in the University of Akron's Honor Band. He was chosen from a taped audition and performed at a final concert in December at AU's Student Union Concert Hall.—*Mr. Hadgis*

Nominating Committee

If you are interested in serving on the Nominating Committee to help find those willing to be officers and committee chairs next year, contact Mary Heltzel at (330) 336-4493 or mheltzel@neo.rr.com

***May Banquet***

We are in need of volunteers to participate on the Planning Committee for the end of the year banquet which will be held in May.

Please contact Mary Heltzel if you are able to help.

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JUNE 2009

(TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thur Fri I Sat

	1	2	3	4 Students Last Day	5	6
7	8 V	9 A C	10 A T	11 I O	12 N	13
14	15 Rehearsal 6 - 8:30p.m.	16 Rehearsal 6 - 8:30 p.m.	17 Rehearsal 12:30-3:00pm	18 Rehearsal 12:30-3:00pm	19 Rehearsal 12:30-3:00pm	20
21	22 Rehearsal 6 - 8:30 p.m.	23 BLUE TIP PARADE Meet 5:00 p.m. Step-off 6:00	24 V A C A T I O N	25	26	27
28 V A C A T I O N	29	30	*There will be Color Guard rehearsals in June/July according to the instructor's schedule			

JULY 2009

(TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thur Fri Sat

			1 A T	2 I O	3 N	4
	V	A C				
5	6 V	7 A C	8 A T	9 I O	10 N	11
12	13 V Color Guard TBA	14 A C Color Guard TBA	15 A T Color Guard TBA	16 I O Instrumental Sectional Rehearsals T B A	17 N	18
19	20 Rehearsal 6:00-8:30pm. (evening)	21 Rehearsal 6:00-8:30pm. (evening)	22 Rehearsal 12:30-3:00p.m.	23 Rehearsal 12:30-3:00p.m.	24 Rehearsal 12:30-3:00p.m.	25
26 B Arrive at Kent State Sunday afternoon 3 - 4 p.m. Check-in	27 A N D	28 C Band Camp	29 A M P will be at Kent State University	30	31 On Friday Leave Camp after lunch - perform show at WHS at 3:00 p.m.	



AUGUST 2009

(TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thur</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
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Conflicts with sports will be worked out between Mr. Hadgis and the coaches						
DCI COMPETITION - MASSILLON STADIUM EVERYONE SHOULD GO TO THIS AMAZING SHOW! IT STARTS AT 6:30 P.M. (not required, but highly encouraged)						
2	3 ⇒ Rehearsal 9am - Noon Go to Massillon DCI	4 Rehearsal 6 - 8:30 p.m.	5 PICTURES 7:45 a.m. !!!! Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	6 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	7 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	8
9	10 Rehearsal 6 - 8:30 p.m.	11 Rehearsal 6 - 8:30 p.m.	12 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	13 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	14 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	15
16	17 Rehearsal 6:00-8:30 pm	18 Rehearsal 6:00-8:30 pm	19 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	20 Rehearsal 9 am - Noon	21 X (Vacation)	22
23	24 1 ST Day of School	25 Night Rehearsal 6:00-8:30 pm	26	27 Night Rehearsal 6:00-8:30 p.m.	28 1 st Football Game Stow- H	29
30	31					

Once school begins, the Marching Band rehearses every Tuesday & Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. One of the weekly night rehearsals in October most likely will be cancelled.

2009 FOOTBALL GAMES:

- Aug. 28 - Stow (Home)
- Sep. 4 - Nardonia (Home)
- Sep. 11 - Medina (Away)
- Sep. 18 - Revere (Home)
- Sep. 25 - Green (Away)
- Oct. 2 - Copley (Away)
- Oct. 9 - Tallmadge (Homecoming)
- Oct. 16 - Highland (Away)
- Oct. 23 - Cloverleaf (Home)
- Oct. 30 - Barberton (Away)

BAND SHOWS:

To Be Announced



Wadsworth Band Booster Minutes

Tuesday, December 1, 2008

7:30pm WHS Band Room

Attendance – 26

- 1) Ken Luna, vice-president, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone (due to Mary's absence).
- 2) Steve Hadgis report
 - Spring Trip – 2 performances (one being the studio session) but second place still to be determined. Once confirmed, an itinerary will be sent. Concert uniforms will be taken to Disney.
 - Pep band sign ups for basketball games. Meet at 6pm for warm ups and 7pm for show time. Student volunteer based.
 - Students will perform Monday during school for the Children's Hosp Fundraiser sponsored by Howard Hanna.
 - Concert – Tues Dec 9th. Volunteers needed to help haul equipment back to the high school after the performance.
 - Jazz Band will perform Wed at the Galaxy for the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Party.
 - 8th grade party will be Friday night, Dec 12th from 6-9. Please encourage your kids to go and welcome the 8th graders. It will be the band room as well as east gym – many activities planned.
 - Dec 16th and Dec 19th – pep band needed for basketball.
 - Dec 13th – Jazz band plays at Summit Mall from 1-2:30pm. Always a lot of fun. Also the Middle School Jazz band will perform at Barnes and Noble – a percentage of \$ from books bought will go to the WHYS.
 - Kettle Band sign ups will be available to the students.
 - Schedule for summer dates have been passed out. Please schedule vacation around the schedule. If you have to miss something, miss the parade as the practices before and after band camp are very important.
- 3) Financials - Kathryn Stark
 - Last month's report had an error and was fixed.
 - Concessions were billed this month but items used last month.
 - Current student accounts posted. If you do not have the appropriate form to take money out of the account, please write a note describing how much (and why) to take out and SIGN the form. You can put it in the drop box in the band room.
 - At the time of the meeting, credit to the student's account included Century catalog sales (if it was turned in on time) but not fruit sales. If a check comes back with "non-sufficient funds," that money will be taken back out of the student's account or it will be charged to the student.
 - Financials approved by Ken Stout, seconded by Polly LaHue



(Minutes, continued)

4) Fund Raisers – Ken Luna

- Fruit pick up will be Dec 3rd. Starting at 3pm, volunteers are needed to help unload the truck and sort fruit. Seniors can get “senior hours” by helping.
- Students must pick up their fruit between 5:30-7:30pm.
- We are still missing about 6 payments for catalog sales.
- Payment for fruit will be due by Dec 10th. Please mark clearly on the envelope what the checks are for – make checks out to Wadsworth Band Boosters.

5) Concessions – Jan Croyle

- Still need volunteers for January
- LuAnn Gresh spends a lot of time making phone calls for volunteers. Please make sure you return those calls even if with a “no” response.

6) Chaperones – Greg Steinkerchner

- Parent volunteers needed to help unload equipment at the high school after concerts.

7) Trailer

- Graphics designed by Ken Luna
- Vinyls were donated and installed on the trailer by Mike and Lynn Sommers. Thank you!

8) Secretary – Diane Steinkerchner

- The master volunteer list has been updated. Please continue to volunteer.

9) Concert Uniforms

- Still need a volunteer to head committee. Lisa Jones did a wonderful job of keeping records of everything. Please let us know if you are interested.

10) Night at the Races

- A lengthy discussion took place as to whether we should continue with this fundraiser. Ticket sales were non-existent and horse sales were very low. These two areas require the most work and unfortunately, only a few people were doing the work for 146 students.
- Where are we having the most difficulty – is there a problem with the alcohol/gambling; is there a lack of time; are there other reasons?
- A vote was taken and the majority wanted to continue. A common thread stemmed from everyone not realizing everything was due by Dec 10 (including tickets). We extended the date to Dec 15th. Long emails have been sent because so much information needed to get out there. Please make sure you read them. A short, bullet point email will be sent with what is due when.

Next meeting will be January 5th in the library at 7:30pm

Meeting was adjourned. Motioned by Jan Croyle, seconded by Polly LaHue.

Minutes submitted by Diane Steinkerchner, secretary of Wadsworth Band Boosters

November minutes will be approved at the next meeting.



2008-2009 Band Booster Executive Board

Officers:

President: *Mary Heltzel*

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Treasurer: *Kathryn Stark*

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Concessions Coordinator: *Jan Croyle*

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Chaperones: *Greg Steinkerchner*

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