

01-14-16 Rehearsal Notes

POTENTIAL MEMBERS?

If you know of anyone thinking about joining band for our second trimester, please let Mrs. Borow know a.s.a.p

LAST PRACTICE

Rehearsal on 01/21 is the last one before dress rehearsal on 01/28.

NEW SEATING CHARTS on 1/21

Everyone must check the new seating charts which will be posted on the columns at rehearsal on 1/21. The charts will be the concert seating and will included extra chairs. All must sit in their proper place.

CHECK THE ROSTER AT FRONT TABLE

It is your last chance on 1/21. We need all Junior, Senior and Symphonic members to check their name is listed correctly on the roster at the front table.

BEFORE THE CONCERT

See Music Notes about cummerbund and bowtie distribution and things to do, check and prepare prior to the concert.

LOST AND FOUND - GOING, GOING, GONE

After this week any items remaining in our Lost and Found box will be donated. Be sure to check if you are missing anything.

NIU WINDS DAY

Read in the General Notes about this great opportunity on 2/13/16 for wind players, high school age thru adult.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

January 28, 2016 – Dress rehearsal at Norris. **NO CADET REHEARSAL ON 1/28.**

January 29, 2016 – Winter Concert at Norris Cultural Arts Center, St. Charles

February 11, 2016 – SEC registration **deadline.**

March 12, 2016 – 14th annual Solo and Ensemble Contest

Sweeping/Trash Assignments for next rehearsal after Symphonic band

You must get a sub if you will not be there. 01/21/16 – Ben L and Rebekah L

SECTIONALS FOR 01-21-16

Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	Percussion	Kitchen
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	Bells	Kitchen
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	NONE	Anywhere
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	NONE	Anywhere

MUSIC NOTES

Cadets

SECTIONALS – 5-5:15pm – KITCHEN – Percussion with Mary B, practice both bells and percussion (on pads) for homework pages

FOR HOMEWORK

Work on page 19, Ex. 94, 95 and 96, and pages 20 and 21.

NOTE ABOUT THE SEC: The director encourages all Cadets to consider participating in the Solo and Ensemble Contest (SEC). Registration time has begun. See the SEC item in General Notes. You might consider #118 as your solo or #185 if you learn the necessary new notes. Additional solo and duets are near the back of the book.

Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands – CONCERT REMINDERS FOR ALL

- 1. Attention all Second Chair people** - With bad weather and all the flu and cold bugs going around at this time of year there can be many unexpected absences. All SECOND CHAIR people need to practice all solos in case the FIRST chair becomes ill and cannot make the concert.
- 2. Break in new reeds now** - Do not expect to perform well at the concert with a brand new reed. You must have a couple reeds already BROKEN-IN prior to the dress rehearsal. Have more than one ready in case of breakage.
- 3. Instruments and cold weather** - Do not put your instrument in your car until you are leaving for the dress rehearsal or concert. Cold instruments do not play well and sometimes not at all.
- 4. Cummerbunds and bowties** - Cummerbunds and bow ties will be distributed at practice on January 21. Band members must stop by the front table to pick up what is needed for their highest band. Everyone wears a bow tie. Concert Senior and Symphonic also wear a cummerbund. Do not just help yourself, but see one of the moms at the table.
- 5. Review Dress Code and check fit of clothes NOW – shirt, pants, etc** - Remember, **full concert dress is to be worn to Dress Rehearsal** and you will be observed for compliance
- 6. Lyre and Flip Folders needed for Concert** - Standing wind musicians from Concert Junior, Concert Senior need to use a lyre and flip-folder at the Winter Concert. Be sure to label. Under **no circumstances** should it be cut to fit! Rather photocopy and reduce it.
 - Concert Junior for Star-Spangled Banner
 - Concert Junior and Concert Senior for Colonel Bogey, God Bless America and Children of the Regiment
- 7. Put your music in concert order as listed in these notes**

Junior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 5:45-6:00pm - KITCHEN – Bells with Mrs. Cheng on [Greenland](#)

*******PRACTICE DAILY WITH RECORDINGS AND LINKS SENT IN 11/06/15 EMAIL*******

Star-Spangled Banner
Troika
De Colores
On the Road Again
Greenland
Üsküdar
When Koalas Do the Conga with the Kangaroos
Land of the Brave
Colonel Bogey

NO REPEATS WILL BE PLAYED

After the Trio go back to F and play through the last measure before the Trio.

God Bless America
Children of the Regiment

6:50 – 7:10, Junior members plan to stay later each week prior to dress rehearsal

Combined songs practice with Senior band.

Senior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 6:45-7:00pm - NONE – ANYWHERE

*****PRACTICE DAILY WITH RECORDINGS AND LINKS SENT IN 11/06/15 EMAIL*****

6:50 – 7:10, Senior members plan to come early each week prior to dress rehearsal

Combined songs practice with Junior band.

De Janeiro Daze (PERC ONLY) with Symphonic band

March in F

Irish Suite

Danzon

Italian Holiday

White Eagle - A Polish Rhapsody

Swedish Hymn of Praise

Colonel Bogey

NO REPEATS WILL BE PLAYED

After the Trio go back to F and play through the last measure before the Trio.

God Bless America

Children of the Regiment

7:50 – 8:10, Senior members plan to stay late each week prior to dress rehearsal

Combined songs practice with Symphonic band

Symphonic (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 7:45-8:00pm - NONE – ANYWHERE

*****PRACTICE DAILY WITH RECORDINGS AND LINKS SENT IN 11/06/15 EMAIL*****

7:50 – 8:10, Symphonic members plan to come early each week prior to dress rehearsal

Combined songs practice with Senior band

De Janeiro Daze (PERC ONLY) with Senior band and after Symphonic band

Star-Spangled Banner

Happy Birthday – small ensemble

Bleak Midwinter, In the

Scherezade

Libertango – clarinet ensemble

Bugler's Holiday

Entry of the Gladiators

DYNAMIC AND TEMPO ADJUSTMENTS

Dynamics – At 33, play at *f* rather than *ff* and also play at *f* in the Trio at 70 first time through.

Save the *ff* at 70 for the second time through for a big finish. This is even more important for percussion.

Tempo – At approximately 94 the director will conduct at a slow the tempo through the Fine and continue at the D.S. through approximately 70 where the tempo will increase.

WATCH THE DIRECTOR!

Land of Make Believe

Clarinet Polka

Pines of Rome, The

Colonel Bogey

NO REPEATS WILL BE PLAYED

After the Trio go back to F and play through the last measure before the Trio.

God Bless America

Children of Regiment

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## GENERAL NOTES

### SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST (SEC)

Our 15th SEC will be held on **Saturday, March 12, 2016**. SEC registration deadline is **February 11**. **The SEC webpage was updated on 1/11/16** and now includes two brand new documents. Please take the time to review them.

It is of the utmost importance that participants carefully read the [SEC Rules](#). It is also highly recommended that you also read the [SEC Helpful Tips](#) document which includes proper conduct, etiquette pointers and more.

### WINTER CONCERT TICKETS AND FLYERS

Time is running short for posting Winter Concert fliers and distributing tickets. Make sure people know that while there are printed tickets, they are not necessary for entrance to the concert. **We are depending on you** to post as many flyers as possible, wherever you can get permission.

### MARCHING PINS AND CROSSROADS PINS

All summer marching participants should pick up their pin at the front table. Also, all participants who braved the weather to perform at the Crossroads Crusaders' Homecoming game have earned a pin which should be picked-up at the front table as well.

### POST- CONCERT PARTY

The post-concert party will be at the St. Charles Portillo's (across from Charlestown Mall) after our Winter Concert on Friday, January 29, 2016. We are looking for a show of interest. There is a sign-up sheet at band at the front table and only a handful of families have signed-up so far.

### BAND APPAREL ORDER AND MORE

The band apparel order was at rehearsal on 1/14. If you did not pick-up your order please do so. There are also **EXTRA ITEMS FOR SALE** at the front table. The EXTRA items include t-shirts (\$8) long-sleeved t-shirts (\$11), Polos (\$12), pullover hoodies (\$22) and zip-up hoodies (\$24) - various sizes in blue, black and red. Please help support the band.

### NIU WINDS DAY

The first annual **NIU Winds Day is Saturday, February 13, 2016**. This all-day festival will be filled with coaching, rehearsals and performances for high school students, college students and adults who play flute, oboe, clarinet (including bass clarinet), horn and bassoon. Winds Day has evolved from NIU's successful Clarinet Cornucopia festivals, and represents a new opportunity for wind players to work with NIU faculty and participate in a great day of music.

For complete information and/or to register for the day use this link → [NIU Winds Day](#)