

05-27-22 Post Concert Notes

CONCERT REMARKS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Congratulations on an excellent performance! Everyone stepped up and reached inside to go that extra mile. The concerto and duet were exceptional. Thank you for all the diligence, practice and hard work you put in to make this concert and concert season a success!

Special thanks to Graham H, Ollie S and Ian G who came in the morning to unload and set up percussion. Also, my heartfelt thanks go out to all the musical helpers, Booster volunteers and especially my core team, for your support and dedication. Thank you, dear graduates, for the beautiful and meaningful gifts. I will treasure them. And thank you to the band families from myself, Mrs. Szklanecki, Mrs. Lano, Mrs. Romsaithong, Mrs. Mergen, Mrs. W-P, Mrs. Gutfeldt, and Mrs. Andrews, for the gorgeous flowers, and or gifts and cards. Your kindness is most appreciated.

Congratulations to the entire WSHSB family on another fine year. Most of all, praise God for His guidance and providential hand throughout this year. We pray for His blessing on all of you and your families.

COMPLIMENT FROM PORTILLO'S – When Mrs. Mergen went to thank the woman in charge, she commented, “What a nice group of young people!” We wanted to let you know.

SPIRIT WEAR ORDER - The online store is open to purchase band apparel. There are a variety of items available. The store will **only be open until 11:59 pm on June 2**. Here is the link <https://hyperstitch.com/category/schools/west-suburban-home-school-band/page/2/>

Band apparel orders placed by the deadline will be distributed at Marching Camp. At checkout you will have the option to have it shipped directly to your home, or group pick up. For those choosing the group option, orders will be distributed by Mrs. Angela Herrera at band camp.

ABOUT THOSE BLUE JACKETS - Graduating seniors and anyone who will not be returning to band in the fall to turn in their jackets at music turn in/rehearsal **Friday, June 3**. Please remove all band awards but leave your name taped inside the jacket. You will also need to bring \$5 cash for the cost of cleaning your jacket. We won't be able to make change so please plan accordingly. Any questions contact Mrs. Andrews.

RECRUITING and FLYER HELP NEEDED - On our Member's News page, in addition to the Music Return Forms you'll find a Summer Recruiting Flyer. Please print some and take them to **post at homeschool co-ops like Greenhouse and G.I.F.T.** In addition ask at libraries, and think of other places with community bulletin boards, such as banks, churches, park districts, grocery stores, photo copy places etc., and ask them to post flyers. **We are depending on you** to post as many flyers as possible, wherever you can get permission.

We need everyone's help in recruiting. More than ever we need new members at all levels to take the places of all our **graduated seniors and members who have left band.**

Along with posting flyers please share this information with home school parents of potential band members. There are three Instrument Fitting Dates on 6/21, 7/12, 8/23 and 9/13. Appointments must be made with Mrs. Borow.

*****BOOSTER JOBS STILL NEEDING VOLUNTEERS*****

06-03-22 – END OF SEASON TRAILER LOADING AT BOROWS

4 slots for this job

06-03-22 – FINAL COLLECTION/MARCHING KICK-OFF

1 slot for Cummerbund/Tie Collector

1 slot for Marching hat distributor

17 slots for Music collector/sorter

LOST AND FOUND – GOING, GOING, GONE Any items remaining in Lost and Found after June 3 will be given away or thrown out. Check the container at the table to see if you recognize anything.

AUDITION AID VIDEO LINK – Here is the link to the helpful YouTube created by past and present WSHSB members – LINK → [How to Audition for the WSHSB](#)

CONCERT RECORDINGS - We wish to remind you that recordings from past concerts are available to listen to. There is a link at the top of our Music Resources page. The 5/27 concert was recorded and will be added. We will alert you when that happens. Your patience is appreciated.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

June 3 – End of Year Gathering **CADETS MUST ATTEND** WITH JR, SR, SYM

Percussionists should arrive at 4:15 to set-up

5:00 – 6:00 or 7:00pm Percussion/drumline practice for Summer Marching

6:00 – 7:30pm

- Return of all band music as specified in the notes
- **Return of ALL WSHSB rental/loaner instruments (whether keeping or returning) for the ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK**
- Return of all other band property
- Marching music and hat distribution
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers

7:30 – 9:00pm

Launch of Marching Band Camp

- Preliminary marching camp kick-off and music practice - **bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder loaded with your marching music**. All marching musicians must attend this preliminary marching practice.

June 8,9,10 –Mandatory Pre-camps – i.e. special camp sessions

at Corpus Christi Church, Carol Stream; **1-4 pm each day**

- **08 Wednesday** – Any student/adult (adults if schedule allows) totally new to marching or others as listed on our Summer Marching webpage, including any new (non-musician) students for guard unit.
- **09 Thursday** – PERCUSSION - All current and new marching percussionists
- **10 Friday** – Rank Leader Camp – for those who've been rank leaders before and volunteer to offer their services in the training of new marchers, also Senior or Symphonic band members interested in being a rank leader
Attendance on this day WILL NOT GUARANTEE your role as a rank leader in marching camp or at parades.
The director will decide and assign rank leaders based on multiple criteria including: actual marching ability, leadership skills, marching camp attendance as well as prior AND current parade commitments.

June 13 – 17 Monday through Friday - 9am to 12pm — MANDATORY FULL MARCHING CAMP
at Kane County Fairgrounds, 525 S Randall Rd, St. Charles, IL

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## **VERY IMPORTANT- Cadets must come June 3**

June 3 is the final Concert Season Meeting after the Spring Concert AND official start of SUMMER MARCHING TRIMESTER. **ALL CADETS MUST ATTEND.** Band members arrive at **6:00pm** to do returns, etc. All marching percussionists must arrive earlier at **5:00pm** for Summer Marching drumline practice.

- Return completed Cadet Music Return Form along with sheet music for Dancin' on the Bayou as well as Sanctus and Start Spangled Banner if not already returned. **The fine for any full size missing music is \$4.00.** You are expected to pay your fines when you return your music. Come prepared to do so.
- MANDATORY Return/check-in (Cadets included) of all WSHSB rental/loaner instruments **(whether keeping or returning)** for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY/CHECK.**

- Return of any/all other band property
- Music filing/organizing by parent volunteers
- **6:00pm - Cadets** coming to marching camp **MUST ATTEND** on 6/3 for preliminary marching camp practice. **Bring your instrument, lyre and flip-folder loaded with music already distributed.**

Those not marching may leave after they have completed their return(s).

**NOTE TO CADET PARENTS:** The sooner you start this, the better. Review the Junior audition requirements with your student. It would be most productive to have them start practicing now. At the top of our Audition webpage see the document "Suggested Strategy for Auditioning." Also watch the Audition Aid Video Link above. **Reminder:** Correctly performing rhythms is a large factor in audition results and overall progression as a musician. It is essential for those interested in placing higher within any band or moving up a band.

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Attention Cadets, Jr. Sr. and Sym. members

- **Arrive ON TIME, June 3. Percussionists at 5pm, wind players at 6pm.**
- It is mandatory for **ALL band members** to return -
 1. **WSHSB sheet music which must be checked-in for each band and combined**
(See last page of these notes for music to return or keep)
 2. **Any WSHSB owned instruments for the Annual Instrument Inventory and Condition Check.** This includes those who may be keeping their WSHSB owned instrument over the summer, whether for auditions and/or for marching. If you have not yet paid your summer rental fee it is now **OVERDUE.**
- **Cadets** participating in camp **MUST ATTEND** on 6/3 for distribution of any remaining summer music and preliminary marching practice.
- **Jr. Sr. Sym. Members** – Return your bow-tie and cummerbund. Please check for any extra bow ties at home. Many have gone missing.
- If you are ill and cannot attend you **MUST** get your music with the associated Music Return Form(s) and any other band property including bow-tie and cummerbund to another band member so it can all be returned on June 3.
- **DO NOT return/bring these things to the Borow house nor ask them to return them for you.**
- Those not marching may leave after they have completed all required return(s).

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### June 3 COLLECTION STATIONS

You may visit collection stations in any order and return later if the line is long. There will not be separate stations for each band, all music goes to any one music collection volunteer. **There will be one place where all fines will be tallied and must be paid on 6/3.** All those participating in summer marching will continue with the steps listed below under **For Marching Camp.**

When you have visited all necessary collection stations, those not participating in summer marching are free to go.

**1. Cummerbunds and Bow Ties** - All cummerbunds and bow ties are to be returned. Hand it to a volunteer at the table. Do not just lay it down. You need to be sure that you are checked off by a volunteer for each item you return. If it is not recorded that you returned these items, you will be billed for them.

\*\*\*\* **RULE FOR RETURNING BOW TIES** \*\*\*\*

If your bow tie is coming apart you have one of two choices when returning it –  
Make the necessary sewing repairs **with red thread** before returning it and owe nothing.  
Pay \$5 along with the unrepaired bow tie. Make it known that it needs repair

**2. Blue Band Blazers and Band-Owned Black Pants** - if you are not returning to band in the fall or if you are returning in fall but have outgrown your jacket and/or pants –

**Return jackets** to the Jacket/Pants coordinator, NOT MRS. BOROW, with \$5 cash and your name label inside. We will have the jacket dry-cleaned. We have eliminated the need for jackets to be returned dry cleaned with tag/receipt attached.

Any questions contact Mr. or Mrs. Andrews ([pkohnandrews@gmail.com](mailto:pkohnandrews@gmail.com) 630-377-1318)

**Return pants** laundered.

Those returning to band will be fitted for a different jacket and/or pants in the fall.

**3. WSHSB Band-Owned Instruments** - ALL band-owned instruments must be checked-in even if you plan to use one over the summer. Take your instrument into **Room 601**. **This is the only time of the year that we are able to re-inventory all band-owned instruments. Adult helpers must also check in** the band-owned instrument they have been using, as we need to make all of them available to incoming Cadets in the fall. **CADETS** who are keeping their WSHSB owned instrument over the summer, whether for auditions and/or for marching, **MUST come on June 3 at 6pm** for the **ANNUAL INSTRUMENT INVENTORY AND CONDITION CHECK**.

Our first priority is to provide rental instruments to new Cadets. After Cadets are taken care of, remaining band members will be accommodated. You will receive an instrument once they are inventoried and checked over. There is no guarantee that anyone will have the same exact instrument they played previously.

**SUMMER INSTRUMENT RENTALS** - If you have a WSHSB owned instrument for the summer, **marching or not**, the summer rental fee was due on April 29. If you have not yet paid it is now **OVERDUE**. Please remit by/on June 3 with a completed rental form.

**4. MUSIC RETURNS** - With the exceptions for marching camp and football game participants, there should be **no original music remaining** in anyone's folder, or in piles in your home. Keep any photocopies you made for yourself. See the list on the last page and instructions on the Music Return Forms. Unless instructed to do so, **do not keep ANY music for the future**. All music is redistributed and part assignments can and do change.

**For the June 3 Music Collection–**

**1. BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME, FORMS MUST BE PRINTED for every band for which you have music to return plus a form for returning COMBINED MUSIC.**

- a. Print only your name on the form(s) you need and bring them with you.
- b. DO NOT CHECK ANY OF THE OTHER BOXES ON THE FORMS.
- c. Instructions for returning music are on the form itself.

**2. MUSIC MUST BE ARRANGED in the order as listed on each band's Music Return form.**  
You will be sent to the end of the return line if your music is not in order.

**3. AT VILLAGE CHURCH**

- Go to any collection volunteer. There are not separate stations for each band. Return any/all music to one volunteer. Cadet, Junior, Senior, Symphonic, and Combined music each has its own music return form. Cadets only need to use their CADET form.
- Give your music w/form to the one of the volunteers at the table. The volunteer will record only those titles that are missing or damaged. There is a fine of **\$4 per full size song and \$1 for marching size**, for damaged (in our judgment) or lost/unreturned music. Bring cash or a check with you. **All fines are due June 3.**

**AMNESTY RETURNS – ODDS AND ENDS** - If you find you have any other music that should have been returned in a previous trimester or any other **originals** of titles not included in the lists below, now is your chance. Write your first and last name on a slip of paper and clip it together with your amnesty returns. Give it to the same volunteer.

- After all music is returned, whether or not you owe anything, bring all your form(s) to the Tally, Fees and Fines person.

## **TALLY AND FINES**

There will be one person collecting all music return forms and fines, marching registrations and rentals and fees.

## All Marching Camp participants

For June 3 practice, you must bring your instrument,  
lyre and flip-folder LABELED with your name  
AND

Flip-folder should be loaded with marching and/or band music you are to keep.  
See list on last page.

**After** you have turned in all music, bow ties, and cummerbunds, rental instruments for inventory check, etc., anyone participating in marching camp needs to do the following –

- **Forms and Fees** - All outstanding summer marching registration and instrument rental forms and fees must be turned to the Tally and Fines person. Remember - No checks will be accepted without a completed form and vice-versa.
- Check your band folder for any additional music that might be there.
- Wait patiently for music collections to be completed before practice begins.
- **Summer Percussion equipment will be distributed at the drum line rehearsal and taken home the evening of June 3.** Be sure to take carriers, lyres, snares, cymbals, basses and beaters home with you as well. You will be personally responsible for the safe keeping of the equipment while in your care and you must return it in the fall.

**DRESS CODE FOR CAMP** - There are to be **no short-shorts or tank tops**, and no low-cut, skimpy or tight-fitting tops worn to camp. There should be no bare midribs or shoulders. Everyone must wear good shoes that cover and support your feet, **no sandals or flip-flops.**



### Music to Return or Keep – Be Sure to Print Your Music Return Forms

**If the spring concert was your last performance with the WSHSB and you are not returning to band in the fall, return all your music on 6/3.**

#### CADET

Dancin' on the Bayou  
Sanctus  
Stars and Stripes Forever

#### JR

Victory Overture  
Activity March  
Satin Doll  
Sanctus  
On the Road Again  
Song of the Telegraph  
Volga Boat Song CUT  
Schumann Suite CUT

#### SR

Overture for Winds  
Air for Band  
Convoy!  
La Ultima Noche  
Sabre Dance  
Swedish Hymn of Praise  
Andrew Lloyd Webber in Concert  
Springtime Festival CUT  
Adios Muchachos CUT  
Hymn of Thanksgiving CUT  
Jamaican Holiday CUT  
Jamaican Jaunt CUT  
Sunnyland Overture CUT

## SYM

Light Cavalry  
Nettleton  
Lohengrin  
Jump in the Line  
We're Not Gonna Take It  
Carnaval in São Paulo  
76 Trombones  
Pilatus  
Amparito Roca Cut  
Light Cavalry – *Reed* CUT  
Fourth of July Polka CUT  
Land of a 1000 Dances **KEEP ONLY** for football game participants,  
**(only open to marching camp participants)**  
Le Regiment de La Sambre CUT  
Lift High the Cross CUT

## COMBINED BANDS- Return all Combined music below if NOT doing summer marching and/or football games

Star Spangled Banner - **keep for Football games (only open to marching camp participants)**  
God Bless America - **keep for summer marching**  
Salute to America's Finest  
Stars and Stripes Forever

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KEEP ALL MUSIC DISTRIBUTED ON 5/13 for summer marching and/or football games (only open to marching camp participants). Email director if missing titles

FOR PARADE:

God Bless America – **Already have. Everyone marching needs to keep this song.**
And Dance
Spirit of America
On Wisconsin
Cadences - **Percussion only**

FOR FOOTBALL GAMES (only open to marching camp participants):

Star Spangled Banner – **Already have. Keep only for football games.**

Stand cheers -

Rah Rah
Quick Stand Pak

Songs below to be played during game/halftime - probably in the stands

Hey Song
Think
Rawhide
Swanee
Tijuana Taxi
Sweet Caroline
Land of a 1000 Dances

Symphonic already has this last song and should keep it if participating in football games. If time, it will be passed out to rest of musicians.