

## 05-07-09 Rehearsal Notes

### GENERAL NOTES

#### AFTER CONCERT PARTY

WSHSB Families Please Join Us to CELEBRATE! Immediately following the Spring Concert at the lower level of the Todd M. Beamer Student Center (East side Wheaton College Campus) To make this event successful each family is asked to please bring a simple snack or sweet to share. **All items must be store bought (not homemade).** These can be dropped off before the concert at the Student Center. Questions? Email Luke or Daria Skrzypczynski.

#### PROOF THE PROGRAM

Every band member needs to stop at the front table to check the spelling of their name for the program

#### LOST AND FOUND

Any items remaining in Lost and Found after May 28 will be given away or thrown out. Check the container at the front table to see if you recognize anything.

#### SPRING CONCERT FLIERS AND TICKETS

Tickets and fliers are available for our upcoming Spring Concert. They are available at practice and you can also print them from our website. Make sure people know that while printed tickets are available, they are not necessary for entrance to the concert.

If every band family would post our concert flyer at just one of the libraries they frequent, we would have over 70 fliers posted if there were no overlaps. If some are able to do more, that's even better. In addition to libraries, 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 fliers. We are depending on you to post as many fliers as possible, wherever you can get permission.

#### RECRUITING FLIERS

After our Spring Concert is over it will be time to get recruiting fliers posted. As described with Spring fliers above, we are relying on the help of **ALL 70+ band families**. Fliers will be available at band and also on our website. It is most important that these recruiting fliers are posted in places homeschoolers frequent. They should be up by early June to give people sufficient time to prepare an audition. Ask those places where you posted Concert fliers to switch to a recruiting flier sometime after May 22.

#### BAND COMMITMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR

We need every band member, students and adults, to complete the Band Commitment form for next year. On the form at the front table, please write your instrument under the primary band in which you wish to participate. All chairs will be determined from each band's individual auditions. Auditions for all Concert levels will be similar to last year with some minor changes. **AUDITIONING FOR A PARTICULAR BAND DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE IN THAT BAND.**

#### MARCHING COMMITMENTS FOR THIS SUMMER

Our Summer Marching will soon be revised for 2009. In the meantime, refer to the information that follows.

We need every band member, students and adults, to complete the Marching Commitment form at the front table. You need to indicate Yes or No in each of the parade columns. Marching Camp is June 15-19, 9am to 12pm at the DuPage County Fairgrounds.

- It is mandatory for first-time marchers to attend the entire week of Marching Camp.
- Adults are welcome and encouraged to attend Marching Camp if their schedule allows for it.
- Returning members are asked to attend all of camp to review their own skills, assist with new member training and development as well as rank leadership for the season.

Parade dates are as follows:

**Geneva Swedish Days**, Sunday afternoon, June 28, arrive 12pm

**Warrenville Independence Parade**, Friday early evening, July 3, arrive 5pm

**West Chicago Railroad Days**, Sunday afternoon, July 12, arrive 12 noon

**DuPage County Fair Grand Opening**, Wednesday morning, July 22, arrive 10:15am for check-in

**Streamwood Summer Celebration**, Saturday morning, July 25, arrive 9:30am

Invite your non-musician siblings or friends to volunteer to complete the Guard Unit, which consists of two banner carriers, rifles and up to five color guards carrying US flags. The director assigns all positions within the Guard unit. There is no age restriction for the Guard Unit, but volunteers must be physically strong enough to hold the flags/banner. All Guard Unit participants must also complete and return the registration form and attend camp. Younger siblings may march as Little Patriots.

Links to the **2009 Summer Marching Registration Form** and **2009 Summer Rental Agreement** are on **Forms/Documents**. Student and adult musicians, as well as color guards, need to print and complete a **2009 Summer Marching Registration**. The **deadline** for making Marching Commitments is **May 14**.

The cost for the summer marching trimester is \$10 per student musician. There is no charge for adults or the Color Guard Unit or Little Patriots. You will receive a \$5 refund when you return the hat. This money may be credited to your fall registration fees, or you may request a refund by check. Those renting instruments from the band must also complete a **2009 Summer Rental Agreement** and pay the \$40 rental fee for the summer trimester along with your registration.

**No check(s) will be accepted without the completed form(s) and vice-versa.**

*IMPORTANT!!! Current band members who play wind instruments, with the exception of double reeds and French horns, are expected to play their wind instrument for marching. You **may not** opt for the guard unit. Also, no wind musician will be considered for marching with percussion until the director knows how many spots will be filled in each wind section for each parade. The **director** will make the decisions regarding instrument and section needs in the marching band. Newly graduated Cadets with reservations about marching with their instrument should speak to Mrs. Wiesner-Pardee.*

## MUSIC NOTES

### Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands –

#### **WATCH THE BATON**

At practice both the Junior and Symphonic bands seem to be resistant to the director's tempo changes. Please watch the baton more attentively and yield to the director's tempos.

#### **LYRES, FLIP-FOLDERS AND MUSIC**

All wind musicians from Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic, will need to use lyres and flip folders at the Spring Concert for the combined songs. Symphonic and Senior will need them for the Star Spangled Banner (blue side). Concert Junior and Concert Senior need them for the last three songs, Salute to America's Finest, God Bless America and Stars and Stripes Forever. Remember, some titles need to be reduced.

### Junior

When Koalas Do the Conga with the Kangaroo

Schumann Suite, The

Te Deum Prelude

This is My Country

Adventure on Snake River

Over There

From 9 to 17 all but the clarinets should play at **pp**

Salute to America's Finest

Stars and Stripes Forever

Expect a retard before the Grandioso. It will come back up to speed based on the **DIRECTORS'** tempo.

Regarding beats 2, 3, and 4 of MEASURE 94:

Everyone in the entire band plays except the following instruments,

*Cornets, trumpets and trombones - First time through REMAIN SILENT (read: TACIT)*

Star Spangled Banner

Play from blue side

God Bless America

## Senior

Songs of the American Soldier

Mission: Impossible Theme

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Battle Cry Freedom

Chanteys

Regiment's Return, The

Star Spangled Banner

Play from blue side

Salute to America's Finest

Stars and Stripes Forever

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## Symphonic

Scheherazade

Sonata in Eb Major

Suite in A Minor

American Overture

American Salute

Missing Man

Salute to the Patriots

America, the Beautiful

Salute to America's Finest

Stars and Stripes Forever

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**NOTE: ALL SYMPHONIC MEMBERS SHOULD PLAN ON STAYING 15 TO 20 MINUTES PAST 9 FOR ALL REMAINING PRACTICES**