

11-13-08 Rehearsal Notes

GENERAL NOTES

CHRISTMAS PARADES' SUPPLIES, ETC

There is only one practice left before the [Wheaton Light-a-Holiday](#) parade on Friday, November 28, while the [West Chicago Frosty Fest](#) is not until Saturday, December 6. If you are not memorizing your music, you will need a lyre, flip-folder and a clip-on or headband light. All must wear a Santa Hat (large enough to cover ears is good). Some like fingerless gloves. You might also want to get hand-warmer packets (for hands and/or instruments) and maybe a string or two of battery-operated lights.

We remind you that **ALL CADETS** as well as parents and siblings of any band member **ARE WELCOME TO MARCH WITH US**. If you have jingle bells bring them along to shake while you are marching. We also need up to 9 color guard volunteers for the Wheaton parade. Please email Mrs. Wiesner-Pardee if you would like to help in the color guard. More specific details are in the Handbook, page 11.

JACKET AND PANTS FITTING

Now is the time to check if you have everything you need for our upcoming performances at Yorktown and our Winter Concert. In the Handbook review the Concert Dress Code and Jacket and Pants Fitting on page 14 and the Yorktown dress code on page 15.

The fitting date is next **Tuesday, November 18**. There is a sign-up sheet at the front table. Otherwise, you need to contact Mrs. Helen Herbst if you need to exchange or pick up a jacket or pants. You should not just show-up. She needs to know how many people to plan for and how many volunteers to recruit for assistance. She can also give you the time for the fitting and directions to the Borow's.

TIME FOR SEC "STATEMENT OF INTENTION"

The SEC (Solo & Ensemble Contest) will be Saturday, March 14, at the Lutheran Church of the Master, Carol Stream, IL (1 mile north of North Avenue on Kuhn Road). The time will probably be from 10 to 3pm. For more general information about the contest, see our SEC webpage. (Forms will be updated shortly.)

At this time we need to know your intentions for the Solo & Ensemble Contest. This is not registration. That comes later. For now you need to complete the "Statement of Intention" form at the front table. You'll need to supply your name, instrument, and indicate solo or ensemble. Each ensemble should choose a representative and only that person should sign-up on behalf of the ensemble. The Statement of Intention tells us how many students *plan* to participate, and for how many events we will need to have judges.

If you haven't yet chosen music to perform there is a [JW Pepper Solo and Ensemble](#) music catalog at the front table which you may look at for ideas. Another resource is <http://www.stantons.com/>. Click on [Instrument Solos](#), [Ensembles](#), [Methods](#) under Browse Categories at the top of the page. Many titles have a recording you can listen to. A reminder to Cadets, Juniors and Seniors - You may use a solo from your Essential Element book if you like. The director strongly encourages ALL band members, Cadet through Symphonic, to participate in the annual SEC.

NO CADETS OR CONCERT SENIOR ON DECEMBER 11

Our last practice before Christmas break is on December 11 and will probably be somewhat different than usual. While cadets normally do not have rehearsal on this day, this year neither would Concert Senior. The director is thinking about having Concert Junior come from 6 to 7pm as usual, followed by Symphonic for two hours from 7 to 9pm. We will confirm this arrangement as the date gets closer. In either case Cadets do not have rehearsal on December 11.

A CONCERT TO ENJOY

The Salvation Army Chicago Staff Band presents Sounds of the Season with The Lakeside Singers Saturday, November 29th 2008 - 7:00pm, Edman Chapel, Wheaton, Illinois.

This concert will be recorded. Pre-school children will not be admitted.

For more info and complimentary tickets go to <http://www.usc.salvationarmy.org/usc/www.usc.nsf/vw-dynamic-arrays/80256D0300503A9786256BBC00697EB3?openDocument>

MUSIC NOTES

Cadets

FOR HOMEWORK –

The rehearsal on 11-20-08 will be the last rehearsal before the Cadet Performance on December 4. It is very important that you continue practicing daily through the Thanksgiving break.

1. Work on pages 18 and 19.

We will go through these pages if time remains after going through the Cadet Performance songs.

DECEMBER 4, PERFORMANCE LINE-UP

We will practice using podium etiquette -

Director steps off podium – Instruments down

Director steps on podium – Instruments upright, to one side

Director raises arms – Instruments up in playing position

22 Split Decision, **A**-Woodwinds, **B**-Brass (*repeat one time, although not written that way*)

24 Listen to Our Sections

25 Lightly Row

30 London Bridge , **A**-Woodwinds, **B**-Brass

31 A Mozart Melody

53 Aura Lee, **A**-Woodwinds, **B**-Brass

54 Frère Jacques, **1**- Brass, **2**-Woodwinds

55 When the Saints go Marching In

56 Old MacDonald Had a Band

57 Ode to Joy

77 Sakura, Sakura

78 Up On a Housetop

79 Jolly Old St. Nick, **A**- Brass, **B**-Woodwinds

38 Jingle Bells (*ENCORE*)

Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands –

TO ALL PERCUSSIONISTS

For the remainder of this trimester – If you need any part besides snare or bells you are to see Mrs. Pfauth for it. Do not ask Mrs. Wiesner-Pardee for those additional parts.

Junior (see notes above)

SECTIONAL: 5:45 – 6pm, percussion on Strange Pursuit, with Mrs. Pfauth

PRACTICE WITH RECORDINGS

On 11/12/08 all recordings made by Mr. Molica were emailed to everyone. Save these to your computer and use them in your daily practice.

Red EE pages 6 and 7, and chromatic scale in back of book

We Need a Little Christmas - *Wheaton and West Chicago parades and Yorktown*
Christmas Spectacular - *Wheaton and West Chicago parades and Yorktown*
Greensleeves - *Yorktown*
Good King Wenceslas - *Yorktown*
Christmas Fun - *Yorktown*
Slavonic Pageant
European Folk Tune Suite

[Quizzes at measure 43](#)

Barbara Polka
Strange Pursuit

[Percussion quiz](#)

[Trumpets need a straight mute. This was on the list of supplies in the Handbook page 7.](#)

Hungarian Dance No. 5
March of the Lilliputians
March Triumphant
Children of the Regiment
Repsz Band

NOTE

The two songs above will be played by the combined bands at our Winter Concert. The director is aware they may be very challenging for Junior band members. She suggests you practice them at a slower tempo. Don't get discouraged; just do the best you can. Remember you still have over two months before playing them at the concert along with the other two bands.

Senior (see notes above)

SECTIONAL: 6:45 – 7pm, trumpets on [Brighton Beach](#) with Mrs. Stevenson

We Need a Little Christmas - *Wheaton and West Chicago parades and Yorktown*
Christmas Spectacular - *Wheaton and West Chicago parades and Yorktown*
Once in Royal David's City - *Yorktown*
African Bell – *Yorktown*
Christmas Prologue – *Yorktown*
Brighton Beach

[Watch the dynamics. Do not drag at the trio, measure 75.](#)

Conquista
Slavonic Dance No. 8
Czech Suite

[Clarinet quiz on last four measures of Festival Band movement](#)

Military Polonaise

[Quiz – flute measures 4-8](#)

Children of the Regiment
Repsz Band March
Air for Band
Moravian Hymn Setting, A

Symphonic (see notes above)

SECTIONAL: 7:45 – 8pm, tubas on [Masque](#) - B to C, H, I, M, eight before K and three before L

We Need a Little Christmas - *Wheaton and West Chicago parades and Yorktown*
Christmas Spectacular - *Wheaton and West Chicago parades and Yorktown*
Let it Snow!/Winter Wonderland- *Yorktown*
Sleigh Ride- *Yorktown*
Christmas Festival- *Yorktown*
Moldau, The

Sing My Tongue, Alleluia
Masque
Slavonic Dance #1
Amparito Roca
In a Gentle Rain
Clarinet Polka
ENSEMBLE - Song of the Meadowlark