

Update for Week of November 29-December 5, 2004.

The next Members update will be on December 5, 2004. Please tell your students to pay extra close attention this week at band. If there is any news, it will need to be communicated verbally at band. Thank you for your cooperation.

General Band News:

On a sad note, our condolences go out to the Johnson family, on the loss of Debbie's mom, Mrs. Shafer. Please remember to keep the Johnsons in your prayers.

Congratulations and many thanks to all who participated in the Wheaton Light Up Parade!!! It was an excellent turnout and performance. The weather was really great and we received many compliments on our performance, which, this year, led in Santa Claus! Great job, Patriots!!!

Regular practice resumes this Thursday, at the regular times. This is the last practice before our Yorktown performance.

The Yorktown Performance is Saturday, Dec. 4th, from 2 to 3 pm. Please be there not later than 1:30. Dress code includes the usual white tops/ black bottoms, as specified in the WSHSB handbook. No jackets or cummerbunds will be worn. Bow ties may be included if we are able to distribute them on time. While all members should bring their stands and music, in an effort to save space, members should choose a stand partner. Sharing a stand and music should make movement more efficient.

All families should realize that, while we have enjoyed four formative years in this venue, this may be our last Yorktown appearance, due to WSHSB size.

*Song line-up for Yorktown is listed below.

Holmstadt Minutement Performance (Friday Dec. 7th) – due to an overlooked conflict in Mrs. Borow's schedule, we are trying to move this performance start time up a half hour, from 1:30 to 1:00. Mrs. Borow hopes to announce the final time on this performance at this Thursday's practice. Stay tuned, Minutemen....

BOOSTER NOTES

Would someone like to volunteer to make participation certificates for the Cadet members to congratulate them on completing their first semester in band? We'd need them for the Jan. 20th practice. Please contact Helen at volunteer@wshsb.com if you are willing to take this task. Thank you!

Well Wishers – those who want to have well wishers published in the Winter Concert Program need to get them and the payments into Mrs. Wiesner before the end of the year. This also holds for those families who chose to sell a well wisher in lieu of registration payments. Please remember to get those in on time.

Concert Band note: We need MORE students in the assigned sections to make the appropriate animal sounds to increase the volume. Musicians need to play more quietly yet so that these sounds can be heard.

YORKTOWN LINE-UP

Cadets:

Christmas Fun

Wassail March

Name That Christmas Carol

Concert Band:

(Note: the following three Yamaha ensembles are to be played as previously practiced and indicated in prior notes – without bells or percussion accompaniment)

Silent Night (flute-oboe-bassoon)

Angels We Have Heard On High (clarinets – saxes)

Hark the Herald Angels Sing (brass)

African Bell Carol

Need A Little Christmas

Christmas Spectacular

Symphonic Band:

Most Wonderful Time of the Year

Sleigh Ride

Hallelujah Chorus