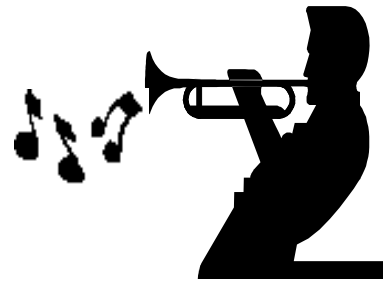




Waverly Warriors

Band Boosters News



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Greetings from the Band Directors

Larzelere Welcome

Time flies when you're having fun! Another school year is quickly coming to an end and the 2007-2008 school year has been a tremendous success for the WHS Bands. I am extremely proud of our hard working and dedicated students who made these achievements a reality. It is my hope that we have all created great memories and learned valuable lessons that we will hold on to for a lifetime.

I also wish to thank all of the parents who do so much to support their students and the Waverly Bands. This program would be nothing without your support, time, money, sweat, etc...Please take the time to share with your children how proud you are of them and their efforts.

As we begin the final marking period, the Waverly Bands are preparing not only for a busy spring but also for next year's marching band season. Please read through the following events and mark your calendars accordingly.

Jazz Night – The 2008 Jazz Night, which featured the WHS Jazz Band, the WMS Jazz Band, and Tad Weed, our featured soloist - was a huge success. I would like to thank the Waverly Band Boosters for sponsoring this event, and the students for their time and effort in preparing the concert. The evening was filled with incredible music!

Washington DC Parent Meeting – May 4 or 5 – 7:30 PM – WHS Band Room
All students traveling to Washington DC must attend **ONE** of these two meetings with at least one parent. The meeting is **MANDATORY** and shouldn't last more than 30 minutes.

Showcase Dress Rehearsal – Monday – May 12, 7:00 – 9:00 PM @ WHS Aud
In preparation for our Showcase concert, this mandatory rehearsal is needed to put the final touches on our end of the year concert.

Showcase 2008! - Wednesday, May 14 – 7:30 PM @ WHS Aud
The Waverly High School Bands perform their annual "Showcase" Concert. Don't miss the final concert of the 2007-2008 for school year. The Showcase concert features the jazz band, concert band, symphonic band, and the WHS Warrior Marching Band in addition to several small group and individual performances.

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Band Banquet – May 19 - 6:30 PM - @WHS Cafeteria

This annual event recognizes all Waverly band students will take place in the Waverly High School Cafeteria. More information to follow.

Commencement

Sunday, June 1, 2008 – 1:00 PM @ The MSU Auditorium

Students who are part of the **Full Symphonic Orchestra (with strings)** are required to play in the commencement ensemble for the graduation ceremony on June 1.

Washington DC Trip

May 23-27, 2008

93 members of the WHS Marching Band are traveling to Washington DC to tour our Nation's capitol and to march in the National Memorial Day Parade. The final payment of \$150 is due ASAP.

*****All students are required to provide a plastic garment bag to transport our marching band uniforms to and from DC. Bags will be packed in class on Monday, May 19, please bring garment bag, marching shoes, black socks, and a white undershirt to pack on or before that day.**

2008-2009 Warrior Marching Band

Plans are underway for the 2008-2009 Marching Band season. Please look for a separate mailing with further details.

Band camp is scheduled for July 27-August 2 at Camp Kimball and costs \$200. There will also be several other rehearsals throughout the summer. The complete schedule will be included in the "Marching Band Mailing" coming in May.

As usual, please feel free to come to me with questions or concerns.

Best wishes,

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CONGRATULATIONS SYMPHONIC BAND!

The Symphonic Band received a First Division Rating at the MSBOA State Band & Orchestra Festival on April 26th. The concert and sight reading performances were truly excellent. Congratulations to Mr. Larzelere and the members of the Symphonic Band! Congratulations also to Mr. Rosin and the High School Chamber Orchestra on their First Division Rating.

Gorbe's Corner

HAPPY SPRING! As usual, we have a busy one ahead of us

The largest concert of note for the Middle School and East is our Spring Concert, featuring the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade bands as well as our Middle School Jazz Band. This will again be in the High School Gymnasium set up as a "concert in the round" with both sides of the bleachers open to hold the large audience we always have for this concert. The end of the concert will feature almost 300 students playing at once a tune that is dear to Waverly's collective heart, so it will be a concert that should not be missed. It will all happen on May 7th at 7:30 PM. Please have your student arrive at 7:15, no earlier, no later (MS Jazz Band at 7, please). The Middle School students should wear their band polos with their black pants and shoes, and 5th and 6th grade students should be dressed nicely (no jeans or athletic shoes).



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Gorbe's Corner – Continued

The Middle School Jazz Band has just recently finished performing for Jazz Night, and if you were there, you saw one amazing concert. Every year I am amazed at the quality of guest artists we bring in to perform with our middle and high school groups, and this year was no different. Mr. Tad Weed was amazing on the piano, and our special additions of our own Mr. Rosin on bass and MSU professor Randy Gelispie on drums made this a performance that shouldn't have been missed. I'm sure that next year will be great as well, so check the band calendars for Jazz Night early next spring.

The Middle School Jazz Band does have a few more performances of note. On April 29th we will be performing before the NJHS Induction Ceremony starting at about 6:30 and ending as the inductees enter the Little Theater at the Middle School. We will also be playing just before the 8th grade recognition ceremony on June 4th at 6:30 as well. Also, as stated earlier, we will also be performing at the Spring Concert on May 7th at 7:30, probably up in the balcony of the Gymnasium again, since that seemed to work well last year.

Also coming up is our annual reward trip to Cedar Point. This year we have about 70 students and parents from the 7th and 8th grade bands (and another 80 students from the middle school choirs and orchestras) attending our trip on Friday, May 30th to the funpark in Sandusky, Ohio. We will be leaving at 5:45 AM and return about midnight that day. This is a chance for some fun in the sun in one of the best parks in the nation.

I also would like to congratulate those students that applied to and we accepted in the MSBOA district 8 Junior High Honors band: 8th graders **Seth Carlisle** - Bass Clarinet, **Jacob Miller** - Trombone, and **Logan Raterink** - Oboe, and 7th graders **Adam Epstein** - saxophone and **Wesley Canady** and **Danielle Brodberg** - both trumpet. They will be going to Okemos HS on May 17th and 18th to learn and perform an entire concert in two days with many of the other outstanding students in the area. Good job middle school students!

ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR YEAR, AND THANKS FOR THE SUPPORT!

*David Gorbe,
Waverly East and Middle School Band Director*

Congratulations are in Order!

Big congratulations to our Middle School and High School Solo & Ensemble Participants.



Middle School: Kevin Rubino, Dean Reik, Tommy Quinn, Randy VanAsperen, Samuel Feichtenbiner, Shyvonne Rusher, Brittanie Stalling, Sam Simmons, Victoria Bordayo, and Ayla Stiffler.

High School: Alex Allred, Amanda Bielecki, Andre Blair, Luke Bunge, Alex Chapman, Allison Dolehanty, Chelsea Dyer, Allison Epstein, Sean Fichtenbiner, Andrew Gallup, Andrew Herrbach, Amie Jones, Marla Koenigsknecht, Peter Koenigsknecht, Sydney McIntosh, Natasha Meyer, Josh Nuss, Matt Pike, Kara Politi, David Richter, Eric Rogacki, Jenny Roost, Margot Saxena, Dia Sticker-Gatson, DeAnna Stickler-Gatson, Jenny Sturdevant, Caroline Thompson, Debbie Vogt, Aaron Wade, Angela Wright

High School – State Solo & Ensemble: Allison Dolehanty, Margot Saxena, Sydney McIntosh, Marla Koenigsknecht, Dave Richter, Chelsea Dyer, Caroline Thompson, Angela Wright, Andrew Gallup, Andre Blair, and Eric Rojacki

Ink Cartridge Recycling!



Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Jim Annis we are once again collecting used ink cartridges for recycling. Mr. Annis has found a new source that will pay for each cartridge we turn in. Please send in your used cartridges to the Band rooms for collection.

Each year, over 600 million ink cartridges are consumed in the United States. A small fraction of empty ink cartridges are recycled, but many more end up in landfills. Leaking ink from used cartridges can pollute the environment, and the plastic they're made of will take many generations to decompose. Up to three quarts of oil are needed to produce a single printer cartridge. (earthtonesolutions.com)

Check Your Student Account Balance on the Web!

Remember, you can check your Student Account Balance ANYTIME on the Band Web Site, <http://www.waverlyband.org>

You will need your student account number. Don't know it? Send an e-mail to Karen Shippy at KShippy@live.com

Vote!

Its Booster Board Election Time. We will be electing our 2008 – 2009 Officers at the May 13th meeting. Please return the ballot – or better yet, bring it in person to the meeting! **We are also in need of several Volunteer Chairpersons for next year.** These are highly rewarding opportunities to help the band, with a more limited time requirement. Please help us make the Waverly Bands even better for your student!

We will also be voting to adopt the following change to the Booster's Bylaws:

Proposed Bylaw Change (to be voted on at the May meeting)

Article VI – Executive Committee

New Section 5: Reimbursement of Expenditures

Approvals

Expenditure will require the following approvals prior to purchase:

Under \$200 = Treasurer and President approval Over \$200 = Board approval

Expenditure Reimbursement

Any expenditure will require a paid receipt or invoice before reimbursement is made. In lieu of a paid receipt or invoice; a voucher, statement of purchase or vendor quote can approved for reimbursement by the Treasurer and/or President.

Pre-approved items may not require approval.



Upcoming performances, rehearsals, and activities

May	4	Sunday	7:30 pm	DC Trip Parent Meeting – Band Room	WHS
	5	Monday	7:30 pm	DC Trip Parent Meeting – Band Room	WHS
	7	Wednesday	7:30 pm	5 th -8th Grade Concert, Gym	WHS
	12	Monday	7:00 pm	Showcase Dress Rehearsal – Auditorium	WHS
	13	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Boosters General Meeting, Band Room	WHS
	14	Wednesday	7:30 pm	SHOWCASE CONCERT – Auditorium	WHS
	19	Monday	6:30 pm	HS Band Banquet	WHS
	23	Friday	7:00 pm	MB Leave for DC	WHS
	27	Tuesday	10:30 am	MB Returns from DC	WHS
June	1	Sunday	1:00 pm	Commencement – Full Orchestra	
July	27	Sunday	TBA	Marching Band Leaves for Camp	WHS

Be sure to check the web site, <http://www.waverlyband.org> for updates to the Calendar



NEW – Concert Audio on the WEB

Waverly has started a concert podcast site - see the link in our Sites and Sounds page. Included is the February MS Band Concert with more to come!

Marching Band Uniform Pillows

The Marching Band Uniform Pillows have finally arrived. We apologize for the delay, we were told it would take 3-4 weeks to make them, and it was actually 3-4 months. We still have more of the old uniforms that can be made into pillows. We are sending out a batch so we will have them available for immediate sale in the fall. You can still pre-order a pillow if you want to be sure to get one this fall. Forms are available on the Band web site, <http://www.waverlyband.org>



Guess Who Else is Marching with Us in the National Memorial Day Parade?

Check out the National Memorial Day Parade web site at <http://www.nationalmemorialdayparade.com>

The Waverly High School Marching Band will be marching along with...

- Actors Joe Mantegna, Gary Sinese, and Mickey Rooney
- General Frederick Franks, Lt. Gen Jack Stults, Brig. Gen. R. Steve Ritchie
- Miss America 2008, Kirsten Haglund (from Michigan!!!)
- Bob Feller, Navy Vet and baseball Hall of Famer
- Recipients of the Medal of Honor, our nation's highest military honor
- The 307th Army Band
- Hundreds of active duty service members and veterans from World War II through Operation Iraqi Freedom