
“The Trumpeter”

The Newsletter of the W.T. Woodson Band Patrons

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February Calendar - Selected Highlights

Multiple dates	Sectionals and Band Rehearsals - see Band Director's Notes
February 11 th	Winter Guard performance @ TJHSST
February 15 th	ALL - Pre-CBDNA Concert @ 7:30pm
February 16 th	Second Gatlinburg Trip Payment Due
February 21 st	CON and SYM Band rehearsals and SYM luggage/meds check-in
February 22-24	SYM Band - Trip to CBDNA conference (ATL)
February 25 th	All-State Auditions @ JMU

From the Band Patrons' President

Dear Patrons,

I hope everyone had the opportunity to attend the District Band concert this past Saturday. All three bands had great performances. Congratulations to all the students who made District Band. We were also privileged to host the USAF Airmen of Note on Friday afternoon.

I want to thank all the parents and students who helped Woodson host the District Band event for the third year. Many families contributed food and time to make this event the great success that it was. Thanks to everyone for your contributions of food and for the people who helped with concessions, chaperoning and hospitality and to the committee chairs who just made it happen. We received many compliments from the band directors as well as parents outside of Woodson.

We have several committee chairs whose students are seniors this year and we are looking to fill those positions. Please consider volunteering to chair a committee.

Please come out to attend the Pre-CBDNA concert on February 15th.

Also, please join us on February 16th for our next Band Patrons meeting. We will be discussing several items including the CBDNA Trip.

Jim McDonald
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BAND DIRECTOR'S NOTES - *February Band News*

District Band Results 2012

Flute

Elly Meng
Cristiana Falvo
Megan Seymour
Brenna Oates

Bassoon

Amy Sitts*
Alison Fowler*
JP Clouse

Clarinet

Nikko Nolasco*
Emma Chacon*
Jiayin Xie
David Stoss
Ian Staszak
Katey Summers
Matt Rockwell

Bao Vo
Miho Moon

Bass Clarinet

Chris Hill
Kyle von Bredow

Tenor Sax

Huy Le

Bari Sax

Colin Crake*
Tori Anderson

French Horn

Will Crowley*
Joe Cradler*
Sara Amos (1st Alt)

Trumpet

Kellie Schier
Dylan Rye
Evan Lum

Trombone

Josh Brandman*

Bass Trombone

Matt McDonald

Percussion

Charlie McManus*
Nathan Ramey (1st Alt)

***Eligible to try out for
All-State**

All-State eligible students need to bring \$15 (cash) and your completed registration form to Mrs. Hall by Friday 2/10, to pay for your All-State audition. All-State etudes may be downloaded from the VBODA website www.VBODA.org

Solo and Ensemble (April 28th @ Franklin MS):

Solo - \$11.50, Duet - \$13.00, Trio - \$16.00, Quartet - \$18.00, Quintet - \$20.00, Sextet - \$24.00, Septet - \$28.00, Octet - \$32.00, Larger ensembles - \$2.50 per person.

Forms and information will be passed out in the next couple of weeks. If you desire to participate, please be looking for your selections now. Please remember that all solos must have piano accompaniment unless they were written as “unaccompanied.”

The District Band event:

I cannot thank the volunteers enough for all of the work that was done for the All-District Band event. It just confirms what I already knew, that Woodson parents always “step up” when there is a task to be done.

Thank you to the parents who donated food for the directors’ room and those who donated time to help at various jobs during the event. Thank you to the Equipment crew that came out for set-up and tear down of equipment and to the concessions committee who kept the kids fed during the event. Also, the chaperones who kept order and the hospitality team that put together a royal feast each day. Thank you to the parents who sorted all of the certificates for each school. There were also many band students who helped as well. They sold concessions, ushered at the concerts and moved equipment. I have heard nothing but Kudos about how classy the event was. THANK YOU ALL!!!!!!

Coming Up!!

Wednesday, 2/8	CON	Clarinets	2:30-4:00
Thursday, 2/9	CON	Horn/Alto Sax	2:15-3:45
Friday, 2/10	CON	Oboes	2:30-4:00
Monday, 2/13	CON	Low Brass/Low wdws	2:30-4:00
Tuesday, 2/14	SYM	Full Band w/ trombone Soloist – Joe Jackson	2:30-4:00
Wednesday, 2/15	All	Pre-CBDNA Concert*	7:30pm
Thursday, 2/16	SYM	Full Band (snow date)	7:00-8:30
Friday, 2/17	SYM	Percussion w/ Doug Wallace	2:30-4:00
Tuesday, 2/21	CON	Full Band	2:30-4:00
	SYM	Full Band (updated!!)	6:30-8:00
		luggage/meds check-in for CBDNA trip	8:00pm
Wednesday, 2/22	SYM	leaves for CBDNA conference	3:30pm
Saturday, 2/25		All-State Auditions @ JMU	TBA
Monday, 2/27	ALL	USMC Band Brass Quintet (5 th return)	
	CON	TBA – Sectional	2:30-4:00
Tuesday, 2/28	CON	Full Band	2:30-4:00
Wednesday, 2/29	SYM	TBA	2:30-4:00
Thursday, 3/1	CON	TBA - Sectional	2:30-4:00
Monday, 3/5	CON	Full Band	2:30-4:00
Tuesday, 3/6	SYM	Full Band	2:30-4:00
Wednesday, 3/7	ALL	Pre-Festival Concert	7:30pm
Thursday, 3/8	CON	Full Band – 6 th Return	

District Band Festival @ Centreville H.S.

Friday, 3/9	CON	Festival performance	4:00pm
Saturday, 3/10	SYM	Festival performance	8:15pm

Note: Students are expected to attend all sectionals and rehearsals as part of your quarterly grade. Every effort will be made to help solve your conflicts but they must be taken care of **in advance**, not “the day of” or after the sectional or rehearsal is over!

You cannot makeup what is missed at a sectional so don’t miss them. **Make-up/Open** is to make up sectionals cancelled due to weather. It is not for students who don’t show up to a scheduled sectional.

TBA dates will be filled only if needed for weather or a section that needs extra work.

Sectionals: Students should be checking the sectional schedule on the Band website and on Blackboard. These are very important if we want to play our best. Students should also watch for reminders in the *Banana News* each week!!

Pre-CBDNA Concert – Only Symphonic is performing but all Concert band members are required to attend for credit.

Congratulations to Matt McDonald for earning the rank of Eagle Scout. This is a very big honor and just proves that we have high-achievers in the Woodson Band.

Gatlinburg Trip Information 2012

Dates:	April 19-22, 2012	
Total Cost:	\$485.00	
Payment Schedule:	January 19 th	\$185 (past due)
	February 16 th	\$150
	March 15 th	\$150*

Make checks payable to W.T. Woodson Band Patrons. Because this is a performance/competition all students in Concert II and Symphonic and jazz band are expected to travel with the band to Gatlinburg. Concert I students may go only if they are on performance status in the class. Any financial concerns need to be brought to the attention of the Band Director immediately.

**The final payment will most likely be lower than \$150.00 and we will let you know about that before it is due. By purchasing scrip, we can lower the total trip cost for all students.*

Just a reminder that all students who enrolled in Concert and Symphonic Band are a part of a performing group and are counted on to be at every performance. The spring trip is not just a fun trip but it is a performance and a competition as well. Any financial problems should be brought to the attention of the director if needed. No student will be excluded for financial reasons.

CBDNA/NBA Conference trip:

Donation letter: A reminder to pass on the donation letter if you know of an appropriate business who might donate. Thank you in advance!!!

Uniform information for Atlanta:

Gentlemen will report to luggage check-in with the following:

- Laundered/pressed tux shirt on a hanger. Please do not pack this in your suitcase. Shirts brought in that are wrinkled or dirty will be sent back with the student and must be washed and pressed that night to be returned the next morning.
- White undershirt

- Correct black socks and polished black shoes.
- A NICE casual outfit to wear on Thursday when we rehearse at Kennesaw State. Jeans are okay as long as they are not torn. See itinerary for more info.

Ladies will report to luggage check-in with the following:

- Black knee hi's
- Cleaned black concert shoes
- Black hair tie
- A NICE casual outfit to wear on Thursday when we rehearse at Kennesaw State. *Jeans are okay as long as they are not torn. See itinerary for more info.*

WINTER GUARD NEWS

Congratulations to the Winter Guard team winning 2nd place in the A2 Division at the Lee Davis High School Competition in Richmond on January 21st. The guard consists of nine members, seven returning from fall or previous winter seasons, and two new members. The next performance is on Saturday, February 11th at Thomas Jefferson High School, 4:10 p.m. Come out and support the Guard!

CHAPERONE NEWS

Thanks to those chaperones who assisted with All-District weekend. Thanks to the chaperones who have signed up to assist with the Pre-CBDNA concert, February 15th.

We will need chaperones for assistance with both the Concert and Symphonic band participation at Band Festival at Centreville High School on Friday, March 9th and Saturday, March 10th. Time and specific information to be announced at a later date. We will need 4-6 chaperones per day, though you will not be needed all day, only for approximately 6 hours or less.

We will also need 4 chaperones to assist with the Band Pre-Festival Concert on Wednesday, March 7th at Woodson. We will need your help from approximately 6:30 to 9 pm.

If you can assist with any of these events, please email Stefan at: WTWBandChaperones@gmail.com.

Thanks again for all of your assistance throughout the entire year.

Stefan & Chris

FIRST AID News

For the upcoming CBDNA/NBA trip to Atlanta, please make sure your medication forms are up-to-date. If there are any new medications your students are taking, please make sure to have the forms filled out by his or her doctor in advance, so there are no problems at the medication check-in.

Medication check-in for the CBDNA/NBA trip will on **Tuesday, February 21st from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the hallway between the two cafeterias**. Please bring all medication in their original bottles with dosage and instructions for use.

If you have any questions please contact Chris Schwarz at CSchwarz129@gmail.com.

HOSPITALITY NEWS

Hospitality help is needed for the Pre-CBDNA/NBA Symphonic Band Concert on Wednesday, February 15th, at 7:30 PM. We are asking families to bring finger-food desserts for after the show. We are in need of two helpers to help set-up before the concert and clean-up after. Please let me know if you are willing to assist. Email me at marilynsitts@msn.com

The Hospitality Committee wants to thank all the parents who supported the All-District Band event this past weekend. It was fabulous and the band directors greatly appreciated our support. Special thanks goes out to Laurie McManus for her making the room look beautiful. In addition, special thanks go out to Pete and Loren Brandman for their computer skills in making sign-up so easy.

Since my daughter is a senior, I will need a replacement for Hospitality Chair. This is a fairly easy and fun job. If you are interested and willing, please contact me and I can give you more information and you can "shadow" me to make it easier. Email me at marilynsitts@msn.com. Thanks for considering this.

Concert Uniforms

Our next event will be **Feb. 15 Pre-CBDNA/NBA Concert 7:30pm Symphonic students only**
Please clean and press tux shirts, bring clean socks and t shirts. We will collect those items after the concert to store in the red bag in preparation for the CBDNA trip on the 22nd.

We will need 5-6 volunteers to help with uniforms on the 15th and a few on the 22nd. Please email us at wtwbanduniforms@gmail.com

March 7th will be the next concert for all students.

Thank you, Chrissy Rabayda and Annette Landers

**Purchase Scrip Gift Cards before and after
the Pre-CBDNA Concert, February 15th –
What an easy way to support Woodson Bands!**



What is scrip?

“Scrip” is gift cards -- the same cards that you would purchase directly from retailers and restaurants. They can be used anywhere gift cards are accepted.

How does scrip generate revenue for Woodson Bands?

The Band Patrons buy the gift cards at a discount and re-sell them to you for full face value. The discount—from two to fifteen percent or more—is revenue for Woodson Bands.

**Purchase select cards before and after the Pre-CBDNA concert on February 15th or order any
of the *hundreds* available online at www.shopwithscrip.com
(Enrollment Code: 787DC8EF2145)**

Questions? Sue Mickelson
smickelson0961@yahoo.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for 2012-13

Committee	Current Chair	email address	Need Replacement for 2012-13?	Replace by when?
Cavalier Cards	Chrissy Rabayda	rabayda@verizon.net	YES	ASAP
Chaperones	Stefan Schwarz	wtwbandchaperones@gmail.com	YES	Need shadow ASAP
Fall Color Guard Team Mom	Juli Wagner	denjuli@gmail.com	YES	June-12
Hospitality	Marilyn Sitts	marilysitts@msn.com	YES	June-12