# 01-05-17 Rehearsal Notes

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## IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

**SEC** Registration time has begun

January 26, 2017 - Dress rehearsal at Norris. NO CADET REHEARSAL ON 1/26.

January 27, 2017 – Winter Concert at Norris Cultural Arts Center, St. Charles

February 16, 2017 – SEC registration deadline.

March 18, 2017 – 14th annual Solo and Ensemble Contest

# Sweeping/Trash Assignments for next rehearsal after Symphonic band

You must get a sub if you will not be there. 01/12/17 - Zachary K, Anthony Y

## **SECTIONALS FOR 01-12-17**

Cadet	5:00-5:15pm	NONE	Anywhere
Junior	5:45-6:00pm	NONE	Anywhere
Senior	6:45-7:00pm	NONE	Anywhere
Symphonic	7:45-8:00pm	NONE	Anywhere

# **MUSIC NOTES**

SECTIONALS - 5-5:15pm - NONE - ANYWHERE

FOR HOMEWORK - Work on pages 20 and 21. We will review Exercises 77, 83 and 88/ Page 42 - rhythm lines 17 and 21

**NOTE ABOUT THE SEC**: The director encourages all Cadets to consider participating in the Solo and Ensemble Contest (SEC). We will start taking registrations January 5. See the SEC item in General Notes. You might consider #118 as your solo or #185 if you learn the necessary new notes. Additional solo and duets are near the back of the book.

# **CADET PERFORMANCE SONGS**

In your daily practice pay special attention to the following songs for the Spring Cadet Performance. This list will grow as songs are added.

77 - Sakura, Sakura

97 - Trombone Rag

# Notes to Junior, Senior, and Symphonic bands – TUNE BEFORE BAND

Tune your instrument before your band time begins. All are encouraged to bring their own labeled, tuner with them to band. Otherwise, tuners may be available at the front table.

# **ALL CONCERT BANDS - CONDUCT AT REMAINING PRACTICES**

For our remaining practices thru the Dress Rehearsal and Concert it is the director's goal to play through all songs without stopping. All band members, in every section, will be expected to conduct themselves as if they

are at the Concert. Although we will not be in "Concert Dress", there is no reason we cannot behave as though we are. If we do this now it should make the actual dress rehearsal go very smoothly. This includes things such as:

- Make sure you have tuned before you sit down
- Observe concert demeanor with no talking, as if on stage. This includes between songs too.
- Hold your instrument properly while waiting for the director to step on the podium.
- Sit erect and bring your instrument up as the director mounts the podium.
- Bring instrument to your mouth when director raises her arms.
- Sit upright on your chair, both feet on the floor, without your back touching the backrest while playing.
- Do not look around, hang your head down or slouch in your chair during long rests. You should sit still
  like a statue, facing the director. This is especially true during the Symphonic Duet. The slightest
  movements can be a distraction to the audience.

# Junior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – 5:45 - 6:00pm KITCHEN – NONE 5:45 - 6:00pm UTILITY ROOM – NONE

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/12 EMAIL\*\*\*\*\*\*

## Star-Spangled Banner

Trumpets without helpers at C. You must tongue faster to keep up on this passage.

Trumpets are entering very late throughout

Trumpets and or low brass – the pick-up to C is EVEN 1/8 notes and must be played that way.

This is different than the pick-up to A which is a dotted eighth and sixteenth.

# Te Deum Prelude

2nd and 3rd trumpets at beginning

#### Guantanamera

NOTE TO LOW BRASS – Play loud and strong

NOTE TO BASS DRUM - Bass must be played MUCH LOUDER

# Step to the Rear

3rd clarinets at A, staccatos and wrong notes

Baritones and trombones at B

New World Symphony

Mark crescendo at measure 31 as mp rather than mf

**Discovery Overture** 

Tu Ungane

ALL - Last 4 measures

God Bless America

Brass at 19

Paul Simon

Percussion at 50

## 6:50 - 7:10, All Junior band plan to stay later each week for combined music practice w/Senior band

## Senior (see notes above)

SECTIONALS – **6:45-7:00**pm KITCHEN – NONE **6:45-7:00**pm UTILITY ROOM - NONE

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## Water Music

In general – stronger SOLI entries

ALL 28 & 29

3rd trumpets and all clarinets at 29 - need to play together precisely

Trumpets at 61

Trombones at 65

Triad

**ATTENTION** Measures 4 and 75 – After the cut the director will give two beats to reset the tempo before the pick-ups to measures 5 and 76.

Add a Rit. for the last three measures

Lauda Anima

Flutes and 1st clarinets at 28 and 29

Flutes, clarinets and French horns at 55

2nd French horns at 40

Trombone 53 to end

53 to 57, carefully confirm correct notes especially 2nds and 3rds

Dixieland Parade

Hall of Fame

Tempo 120

Isle of Calypso

NOTE TO OCEAN DRUM - Stand in front of bells

**Declaration Overture** 

All at opening and presto parts

Trumpets without helpers, play opening in tune and more precisely in unison, watch director

Trumpet solo at 5 after E must be louder and stronger

Percussion alone at F

Clarinets at B play at f not mf, at L enter at f

Percussion at K

All at L watch for wrong notes

Flutes five after L

God Bless America

Paul Simon

7:50 - 8:10, All Senior band plan to stay late each week for combined music practice w/Symphonic band

# Symphonic (see notes above)

SECTIONALS - 7:45 - 8:00pm - KITCHEN - NONE 7:45 - 8:00pm - UTILITY ROOM - NONE

7:50 - 8:10, All Symphonic band plan to come early each week for combined music practice w/Senior

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*PRACTICE DAILY WITH LINKS SENT IN 10/12 EMAIL\*\*\*\*\*\*

Abduction from the Seraglio

Divinum Mysterium

Mad Swan - Talbots' duet

While listed here in the probable performance order, at rehearsals it will be played last. See the last point in the Notes to Jr, Sr and Sym above, about sitting still.

Barnum and Bailey's Favorite

# **ALL MUST WATCH THE DIRECTOR CAREFULLY!**

Be ready for big tempo changes starting at the half-note before E, second time through. The tempo will change abruptly to slow and then 8 or 9 after E will accelerando.

Trumpets and trombones must watch closely as you have moving lines.

Theme from Spiderman

Percussion in general

Illiad

At 157 start at mp rather than mf

La Paloma

Candide. Overture to

At rehearsal we will play it really slow and then fast

**ATTENTION - Trumpets** must enter strong from the first beat in measures 47 and 271 and not just trickle in.

God Bless America Paul Simon

QUIZ – Percussion

**ATTENTION LEAD SNARE**: At three before the end the director wants you to click sticks to keep the beat.

Star-Spangled Banner

# **GENERAL NOTES**

## **BAND REMINDERS**

There is no gum chewing at band. Dispose of it properly before coming to band. Also, if you eat right before you play, chances are pretty good you'll get food particles/residue in your wind instrument which could possibly ruin it. It's best to play with a "clean" mouth.

#### **IPHONE 5 FOUND**

An IPhone 5 with a Mickey Mouse case was found in Cornelius Hall after band. Contact the director if it is yours.

## **POTENTIAL MEMBERS?**

If you know of anyone thinking about joining band for our second trimester, please let Mrs. Borow know a.s.a.p.

## CHECK THE ROSTER AT FRONT TABLE

We are preparing the program for the winter concert. We need all Junior, Senior and Symphonic members to check their name is listed correctly on the roster at the front table.

## WINTER CONCERT TICKETS AND FLYERS

While tickets and flyers are available at the front table at band they are also available on our website (**Forms/Documents**). Make sure people know that while there are printed tickets, they are not necessary for entrance to the concert.

If every band family would post their three flyers we would have **hundreds of** flyers posted. 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 flyers. **We are depending on you** to post as many flyers as possible, wherever you can get permission. **ONLY 3 WEEKS until the concert!** 

# **ONLY TWO PRACTICES REMAIN**

Rehearsals on 01/12 and 01/19 are the last two remaining before dress rehearsal on 01/26.

#### **POST- CONCERT PARTY**

The post-concert party will be at the St. Charles Portillo's (across from Charlestown Mall) after our Winter Concert on Friday, January 27, 2017.

# **SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST (SEC)**

Our annual Solo and Ensemble Contest is an exciting and much anticipated musical event. Our 16th SEC will be held on **Saturday, March 18, 2017**. Registration has begun and the registration deadline is **February 16**. SEC Arrival time will start at 8:30. Location will be the **Village Church of Bartlett at 601 West Bartlett Rd.**, **Bartlett, IL.** ALL band members, Cadet through Symphonic, are encouraged to participate in the SEC. Students have the opportunity to prepare solos and/or ensembles of their choice and perform them for a judge who then rates their performance. There is no competition; rather, students strive for their personal best. Judge's decisions are final.

If you need ideas for music to perform there is a JW Pepper Solo and Ensemble music catalog at the front table for reference. Another resource is <a href="http://www.stantons.com/">http://www.stantons.com/</a>. Click on <a href="Instrument Solos, Ensembles, Methods">Instrument Solos, Ensembles, Methods</a> under Browse Categories at the top of the page. Many titles have a recording you can listen to. The band also owns a collection of solos and ensembles which you may borrow by enquiring at the front table. A reminder to Cadets, Juniors and Seniors - You may use a solo from your Essential Element book if you like. Cadets might consider #118 as your solo or #185 if you learn the necessary new notes. Additional solo and duets are near the back of the book.

We have had particular recommendations from the judges. These can help guide your choices for solos in particular.

- 1. Preferably, all solo piece(s) would be classical and not contemporary/popular.
- 2. Ideally, all students should play with an accompanist. First choice would be a pianist, second choice a CD.
- 3. In general, judges have observed that students frequently are playing music below their level/ability. Students should be playing more challenging pieces.

With point two above in mind, the director also asks that any accomplished pianists in our band consider volunteering to play as an accompanist for one or more SEC solo entries. Please submit your name at the front table.

There are separate solo and ensemble registration forms for Wood-Brass and Percussion. Forms are available on our SEC webpage as well as FORMS/DOCUMENTS. **Please turn in your form and registration fee together**. You may contact Mrs. Tara Romsaithong (using your directory) with any questions.

It is of the utmost importance that participants carefully read the <u>SEC Rules</u>. THERE ARE CHANGES, especially point number 9. It is also highly recommended that you also read the <u>SEC Helpful Tips</u> document which includes proper conduct, etiquette pointers and more.

Due to the complexity involved in scheduling, **NO SPECIAL TIME REQUESTS WILL BE GRANTED**. Therefore, all members are expected to reserve their day for the SEC, ensuring their availability for any/all times. See our SEC webpage for more information.

If your family is participating, we ask that you strongly consider volunteering for part of the day. See <u>The WSHSB Sign-up Schedule</u> for any jobs which remain open.

#### **OBOE MUSIC FREE FOR THE TAKING - FLUTES TOO**

Mrs. Borow has a box of oboe music which could also work for flutes. It's all free for the taking. She will bring the box to band again on January 12. After that it will be given away elsewhere.