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The Pride of Shaker Heights

Shaker Heights High School February 2016

A Letter from the Band Boosters Co-Presidents

What a wonderful opportunity we have tonight to hear each of the five concert bands. Because this is an international trip year, our bands do not participate in the annual Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) High School Competition. However, tonight's selections are what they typically would perform at this competition.

Future HS band events are listed in tonight's program. Please mark your calendars! For those of you who are making summer plans now, the Percussion/Raiderette & Marching Band Camp Dates are also listed.

Families of senior band students, please note that the Senior Recognition Night ceremony and reception will begin at 7 pm on Monday, April 18 in the small auditorium with a dessert reception in the lower cafeteria. Invitations will be mailed home closer to the event.

We are looking forward to an exciting trip to Spain next month! Over 250 band students along with 150 family and friends on the shadow trip will be travelling to Spain. We are grateful to have the immense support of so many faculty and volunteer chaperones to make this possible. A special thank you to Dan Crain who is the Head Tour Director, Jeff Goldsmith with Grand Tours, and Bernice Stokes and Lisa Gibson with administration who have spent endless hours preparing for this trip. Look for pictures and videos when we return at www.shakerbands.org.

Please contact us if you have any questions about the upcoming events.

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Important Band Dates

Band Trip Meeting

March 9 at 7 pm in the Large Auditorium

Required for all traveling band members, parents and shadow trip participants.

Band Trip Preview Concert

March 21 at 7 pm in the North Gym

Come hear the selections that the band will play while on tour in Spain.

Band Trip to Spain

March 23-31

SHHS Evening of Jazz

April 14 at 7 pm in the Large Auditorium

This evening at the High School, on April 14, features the High School Jazz Band, Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo.

SHHS Evening of Percussion

April 20 at 7 pm in the Large Auditorium

***note date change from printed calendar**

Come hear our percussionists play a variety of selections.

Band Senior Recognition Night

April 18 at 7 pm

Band seniors are recognized in a program in the small auditorium and a dessert reception in the lower cafeteria of the High School.

Ice Cream Social & Band Concert

April 26 at 6:30 pm

Join us on the front lawn of the High School. Enjoy ice cream while you listen to the various high school concert bands.

Stay Connected!! Get the latest Shaker Bands news!

- Like us on Facebook-**The Official Shaker Bands Group**
- Follow us on Twitter- **@TheShakerBands**
- Sign up for FeedBlitz band emails by going to the Home page on www.shakerbands.org.

August 2016 Marching Band Camp Dates!

Percussion & Raiderettes	August 8-12
Rookie Day (ALL 9 th graders)	August 12
Marching Band Camp (ALL)	August 15-19
Marching Band Preview Concert	August 19

An information packet will be sent to all High School band students early in the summer with the information they need for Marching Band Season.

Shaker Bands Travel History

In 1988, the SHHS Bands and Choir together attended a band festival in Toronto. This was the first international trip for the Bands.

In 1990, the SHHS Bands were invited to Goslar, Germany. The Berlin Wall had just fallen and the Bands traveled into East Germany and performed in Wernigerode and Quedlinburg. The students were very well-received.

In 1993, the SHHS Bands were invited to perform in England and traveled to the small village of Corby Glen and also Brighton Beach, Bath and London.

In 1995, the SHHS Bands took a Tour of Europe, starting in Amsterdam where they played in a tulip park. They also performed during the halftime of a soccer game, performing without field lines! They traveled to Bruges, Belgium, Goslar, Germany, took a Rhine cruise and ended in Paris. In retrospect, this trip was considered to be overly ambitious.

In 1998, the SHHS Bands and Choirs traveled together and visited Goslar, Germany. They visited the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp. They traveled to Paris by bus and boat and had time to really see Paris.

In 2001, the SHHS Bands traveled to Paris. They performed in the gardens of Versailles and finally were able to play under the Eiffel Tower! Other highlights included visiting EuroDisney, Paris sights and the beach at Normandy.

In 2004, the SHHS Bands traveled to Italy. They spent the first half of the trip in Sorrento, Capri and Amalfi Coast and then traveled to Rome.

In 2007, the SHHS Bands traveled to China. They started in Beijing and played together with the American-style band from Chinese Public School 166 in the Tiananmen Square Business district. They played at the Great Wall. They went to Shanghai and played to a very large and enthusiastic crowd of about 8,000 people.

In 2010, the SHHS Bands traveled across the Alps and played in Brixen, Italy, Venice, Italy, Innsbruck, Austria and Salzburg, Austria. The students visited Munich, Germany as well and spent time at the Dachau concentration camp.

In 2013, the SHHS Bands traveled to Turkey. They performed two concerts in Istanbul as well as concerts in Bergama and Ephesus. While in Istanbul, the Bands toured the Hagia Sophia, Topkapi Palace, the Blue Mosque and the Grand Bazaar. They also visited the ancient Greek cities of Troy and Assos.

Shaker Band Boosters Mission Statement

The purpose of the Shaker Band Boosters shall be to support and enhance the Shaker Heights band programs by coordinating and facilitating events, contributing financially for special activities and equipment, communicating with band families via newsletters and social media and organizing volunteers to assist with diverse events throughout the year.

Become a Band Boosters Patron!

You can make a donation to Shaker Band Boosters by downloading the Patron Form from the Band Boosters page of the website or by making a donation online at PayForIt.



Thank you for your continued financial and volunteer support of all the Shaker Music programs. You make our students outstanding!

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