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# Shaker BANDS

The Pride of Shaker Heights

## Woodbury School December 2017

### From the Band Boosters Co-Presidents

Welcome to the first Woodbury Elementary School Band Concert of the year!! For 5<sup>th</sup> graders, this is their first band concert and for 6<sup>th</sup> graders this is the continuation of the Shaker Bands tradition. Hopefully you have heard your child practicing at home and will now be amazed at how good they sound together!

Communication with parents is a priority for us. There are multiple ways to stay informed:

1. **Shakerbands.org** This is the official Band website where you can find all information on the Shaker Bands program. Here you will find information pertaining to concerts, band attire, private music instructors, updates from the directors and more.
2. **Newsletters:** The Fall Woodbury Band Boosters newsletter was sent home with your child last month. If you missed it, you can read it on the Woodbury Bands page of Shakerbands.org. There will also be a Band Boosters newsletter in every concert program.
3. **Facebook:** We encourage you to *Like* "The Shaker Heights Woodbury Bands" Facebook page.
4. **Woodnet:** Watch for band announcements in the Woodnet- the weekly Woodbury e-newsletter. If you do not already subscribe to the Woodnet, you can sign up to receive it by going to [Shaker.org/PTOnews.aspx](http://Shaker.org/PTOnews.aspx)
5. Join us at the Band Boosters Meetings. Dates and times are posted at [Shakerbands.org](http://Shakerbands.org).
6. Your Woodbury Band Boosters representative is Hannah Mendelsohn. You can contact her with questions at [hbmendelsohn@icloud.com](mailto:hbmendelsohn@icloud.com).

Since your child is in band, you ARE a Band Booster. The Shaker Band Boosters mission is to support and enhance the school district's band programs in grades 5-12 with volunteers and financial support. In the past few years, band boosters funding at Woodbury has provided a new recording and sound system for the band room, the name tags for all the students for their instrument cases, and financial support for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade instrument trials. If you would like to support our bands financially by becoming a Band Patron, please fill out the form in tonight's program. Patron donations are tax deductible and you will be recognized in all future concert programs for this school year. You can also support our bands by ordering from or dining at Donatos on specific dates - see more information in this newsletter.

**The Shaker Bands ARE the Pride of Shaker Heights.** We want to thank you on behalf of the students and staff for your patronage, volunteerism, and overall support. We look forward to a very musically successful year together.

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# Important Band Dates

- Jan. 18**      **Woodbury/Middle School Jazz Band Concert**  
Middle School Auditorium at 7 pm
- April 24**      **Ice Cream Social & Band Concert**  
High School Front Lawn at 6:30 pm
- April 26**      **Woodbury Evening of Jazz**  
Woodbury Auditorium at 7 pm
- May 1**          **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert**  
High School North Gym at 7 pm
- May 2**          **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert**  
High School North Gym at 7 pm

## Band Notes

### Private lessons

Private lessons are an excellent way to improve musical skills. There are many highly qualified private music instructors. A list of private instructors is available from [shakerbands.org](http://shakerbands.org) on the Woodbury Bands page, under Links on the right-hand side.

### Repairs

Check instruments for any needed repairs. Rental instruments and newly purchased instruments often have a warranty repair period. For those instruments not covered by a repair agreement, Academy Music will provide a weekly pick-up/repair/delivery service through the Woodbury Band office. Make arrangements for payment and pick-up with Academy Music.

### Tools, tools, tools

Tools for your student to be more successful, regardless of his/her grade level, include the following items: a metronome/tuner, music stand, extra reeds, valve/slide oil and a cleaning kit for his/her instrument. These items can be easily purchased at your local music store.

## *From the Woodbury Band Directors*

The tradition of the Shaker Band Program is strong from Woodbury through the High School. As the primary site for band students entering the program, the Woodbury Band Department is proud to be a part of such an excellent program. At Woodbury, there are 531 students in eight concert bands and one jazz band. We look forward to making great strides with each of these bands this year.

*Tom Deep, Kristin Koterba, Joseph Kulikowski, Gianna Tyrrell --Woodbury Bands*



### **Meet Tom Deep- Lead Woodbury Band Director**

Mr. Deep was born in New Castle, Pa. He was raised in Kent, Ohio and is a graduate of Kent Roosevelt High School. He received his bachelor's degree in Music Education from Kent State University in 1988.

His first teaching job was at Riverside High School in Painesville Township, Ohio, where he taught for nine years. During that

time, he completed his Master's Degree in Music Education at VanderCook College of Music in Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Deep has begun work towards his Ph.D. in Music Education at Case Western Reserve University and hopes to complete his degree some day in the future. His principal instrument is the euphonium. Mr. Deep was hired in 1997 by the Shaker Heights City Schools system. Mr. Deep had directed the Shaker High School Wind Ensemble through 2013. He was also responsible for planning the Shaker Bands' international trips to Germany (1998), Paris (2001), Rome (2004), China (2007), Austria (2010), and Turkey (2013). He currently has the pleasure of teaching at Woodbury Elementary School.

Mr. Deep lives in Concord, Ohio with his wife Debbie (1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Boulevard Elementary school), his sons Matthew (20) and Michael (17).

### **For Band Activities, Videos & Information**

**shakerbands.org**

Click on the Woodbury tab.

Woodbury Bands also have their own Facebook page, The Shaker Heights Woodbury Bands.

### **Donato's Pizza Doughnation Nights**

Visit Donato's Pizza on Van Aken from 4-8 pm on the following dates and mention that you are with Shaker Bands. They will *doughnate* 20% of the cost of your order to the Shaker Bands. Donato's can be found at 20116 Van Aken Blvd. (283-3333).

December 7  
December 21  
January 25  
April 19  
May 3

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

## **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 filling out the patron form in this program, downloading the patron form from the Band Boosters page of the website or by making a donation online at PayForIt.

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## **SHAKER HEIGHTS**

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