

# Mountlake Terrace Bands

Jazz Ensembles

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## NEWSLETTER

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#### Events This Week

- Jazz 1 Rehearsal with Steve Owen on Wednesday from 6-9. All MTHS Band students are invited to come for part or all of this. I'm including his bio in the newsletter so you can read about our special guest.
- Jazz Night 1 at 7:00pm on Thursday. Featuring BTMS Jazz Band, MTHS Jazz Ensemble 2 and MTHS Jazz Ensemble 1 with special guest Steve Owen
- Spirit Drum begins at 8:00pm on Thursday and continues (yes, overnight) until kick off on Friday. A full 24 hours!! Students are invited to Tyler Cannon's house for the sleep over. This is NOT a school sanctioned event and your student's participation is between you, your student, and Mr. and Mrs. Cannon!
- Homecoming Assembly on Friday at 12:25. Band will be playing a significant roll in the Assembly this year. We are playing the beginning, during the competitions, and have a couple of surprise performances planned. Drumline will also be featured.
- Homecoming Game at 8:00pm on Friday. Please be there no later than 7:15.
- Jazz Symposium - All Day on Saturday. We still need more volunteers!! Please contact Sherrill Leppich ASAP.

#### Jazz Symposium Schedule

At the end of this Newsletter you will find the schedule for the day's events.

#### Travel Information

Tomorrow (Tuesday) is the deadline to turn in your deposit for the Disneyland and Silverwood trips. Please, please, please, don't make us call you, email you, stalk you to figure out if you are in or out. Just take care of it and everyone will be more relaxed and happier! :) I've received MANY already. Thank you!

## **Special Opportunities**

Grammy winning and internationally acclaimed jazz saxophonist Chris Potter will be performing with the award winning Whitworth University Jazz Ensemble at the Martin Woldson Theater at The Fox in downtown Spokane on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 at 8 PM. Student and adult tickets are now on sale through Ticketswest.com, The Fox Theater, and at the door. Potter will also present a jazz clinic on Friday, November 1 at 5:15 pm in the Whitworth Music Building Recital Hall. All students who attend this clinic will receive a free ticket to the Saturday night concert!

## **MTHS MUSIC BOOSTER NEWS**

**BAND \* CHOIR \* ORCHESTRA**

THINGS ARE STARTING TO MOVE ALONG FOR THE MTHS MUSIC BOOSTERS. WE HAVE MANY EVENTS COMING UP AND NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP US MAKE ALL THESE EVENTS THE BEST EVER. PLEASE REVIEW THE LIST BELOW AND IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY SIGNED UP TO HELP, PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING AT LEAST FOR ONE OF THEM.

### **JAZZ SYMPOSIUM – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH 8:00-4:00**

Still in need of a more helping hands ~! Parents and students alike are welcome to volunteer and help us make this a great symposium for all the other schools that are attending. Let's show them the support and wonderful family volunteers we at MTHS have!

### **SWING DANCE & VETERANS CELEBRATION**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. - \$5.00**

This is our 2nd annual Swing Dance & Veterans Celebration that we will be holding at MTHS in the HUB. Last year was a great success, with fun had by everyone who attended, young and old alike. Veterans are encouraged to attend again this year, come in uniform if they can, and are invited free of charge! If you know a Veteran, please extend the invite to them.

We also ask that you send us a copy of any pictures of a Veteran in your life, in their uniform if possible. We will be displaying all pictures that we receive on our Table of Honor at the event. You can provide the photo via email or if you want to bring the original, that is fine, we will return to you after the evening is over. We want to recognize as many Veterans in our community as we can.

We are requesting donations of desserts for this evening and will also need volunteers to help make it another fabulous night of fun, music, dancing and laughter.

### **POINTSETTIA FUNDRAISER**

Starting 11/4/13, we will begin our annual Poinsettia Fundraiser. All band members are encouraged to go out to family, friends and neighbors, asking them to purchase a beautiful Poinsettia, for only \$10.00~!! This is in a 6-inch pot, wrapped in colorful foil to help decorate any space in your home or at work, for the upcoming holidays. These poinsettias have been a HUGE hit in the past, as they are very large and come from a local business that we have worked together with for many years. Remember, these fundraisers are to help offset costs of travel, equipment, clinicians and much more. So don't delay, gather your poinsettia orders right away, once we get started. Order forms will be emailed out on 11/4 and all orders will need to be turned in by November 22nd. Delivery will be on Saturday, December 7th.

If you can volunteer, donate or need more information on any of these events, you can contact Sherrill Leppich at 425-478-1989 or email to [mthsmusicboosters@gmail.com](mailto:mthsmusicboosters@gmail.com).

## Steve Owen

Steve Owen is a nationally recognized composer, conductor and saxophonist. He is a Phillip Knight Professor of Music and Director of the University of Oregon's award-winning Jazz Studies Program. A respected educator, Owen has presented clinics at MENC conventions across the nation and has directed All-State jazz ensembles in Colorado, Connecticut, Arizona, Texas, Nevada, California, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Minnesota, as well as Oregon. Steve is the founder and co-director of the Oregon Jazz Festival – an annual workshop for college, high school and junior high jazz ensembles – and the University of Oregon Summer Jazz Improvisation Camp. Steve is on the faculty of the University of Kansas' Jazz Camp.

As Director of Jazz Studies, Owen teaches courses in jazz composition, arranging, improvisation, repertoire study and pedagogy. He directs the Oregon Jazz Ensemble and one of the University of Oregon's jazz combos. Recognized for their excellence in interpretation and performance of the wide variety of styles associated with jazz, University of Oregon ensembles perform annually at every major jazz festival and education convention in the Pacific Northwest. The Oregon Jazz Festival has been selected the "Outstanding College Big Band" at the Reno Jazz Festival each year that the group has attended over the past ten years. The group performed at the 2005 International Association of Jazz Educators' Convention in Long Beach, California and was a 2008 "Downbeat Award Winner" in the College Big Band Category. In 1991, Owen was one of two winners of the Ersted Award – the University of Oregon's top faculty award for distinguished teaching. In 2007, Owen was likewise honored with the University's "Excellence in Teaching Award".

A composer and arranger of national prominence, Owen's works have been performed by: Bobby McFerrin, Dave Weckl, Anne Marie Moss, as well as, the nation's finest college and professional jazz ensembles. Steve's compositions are featured at numerous jazz festivals nationally and internationally – including performances from 1986 – 2000 at the International Association of Jazz Educators conferences. Recent commissions have resulted in pieces premiered in Germany by the HR Big Band, in Taiwan by the Taipei Jazz Orchestra and in the jazz festivals around the United States. Owen's own new CD – "Stand up Eight" – has recently been released by Origin Records (OA2). As a saxophonist, Steve appears regularly as a soloist at high school and college festivals. He also is featured on two Big Band albums: Dan Cavanagh's "Pulse", and Dan Gailey's "What Did You Dream".

Steve's music is published by UNC Jazz Press and Heritage JazzWorks.



## MTHS Student Profile - Kyle Henderson

*Sherrill Leppich, Music Booster President, is helping to interview current students for this newsletter as a way of helping us all get to know each other. Thanks Sherrill!*

**Kyle Henderson** is new to Mountlake Terrace High School this year as a sophomore. Last year Kyle attended Stanwood High School and is new to the Edmonds School District.

Kyle is very interested in performing in the arts and started to become interested in playing an instrument in the 6th grade. His first instrument of choice was the trombone and continues to play this instrument in the Symphonic Band at MTHS.

Kyle's love of music and performing started when he was fairly young, about 8 years old. At



that time, his dad was part of a Barber Shop Chorus and Kyle would go with his dad to performances and rehearsals. As his interest started to grow, his Dad approached the director of the Barber Shop Chorus to see if Kyle could sing along. The Director agreed in allowing Kyle to sing and he became the youngest singer to perform with this group.

After performing in the play "Annie", when he was 12 years old, the director of the play started up a small touring group, asking Kyle to join them and they were accepted to perform in Disneyland. This trip is one of his favorite highlights in his musical career to date. The group he was part of, "One Voice", performed at Disneyland, and toured to many other places performing as well.

In his down time, Kyle enjoys listening to Classical music. His other favorite past time is to act and sing, when not practicing or performing his trombone. He is currently part of the Drama Department at MTHS and will

be participating in the upcoming musical "Sympathy Jones", performing as the character "Tic Toc". Watch for this upcoming musical at MTHS in January 2014 and come watch Kyle perform! Kyle hopes to study acting when he finishes high school and would like to become a drama teacher.

Kyle enjoys reading fantasy books, loves Italian food and his favorite movie is the musical "Dr. Horrible Sing Along Blog".

When asked what advise he would give to a younger student who might consider joining band, Kyle would like to tell them that it is a great experience and to join as soon as you can. "Once you get involved in band", said Kyle, "you get close with the other students and it becomes sort of like an extension of a family,"

## Jazz Symposium 2013 @ Mountlake Terrace High School

In The Theater:						In The Band Room:		
Warm-up	Performance	Clinic	Finish	Large Ensembles	Clinician		Combos	Clinician
7:40	<b>8:00</b>	8:20	9:00	Lynnwood High School 2	Todd Mahaffey	<b>8:00</b>	Edmonds Woodway 1	Dawn Clement
8:00	<b>8:20</b>	8:40	9:20	Madronna K8 School	Steve Korn	<b>8:20</b>	Hamilton 1	Dawn Clement
8:20	<b>8:40</b>	9:00	9:40	Lynnwood High School 1	Steve Owen	<b>8:40</b>	Eckstein 1	Dawn Clement
8:40	<b>9:00</b>	9:20	10:00	Edmonds Woodway High School 2	Todd Mahaffey	<b>9:00</b>	MTHS 1	Dawn Clement
9:00	<b>9:20</b>	9:40	10:20	Hamilton International School	Steve Korn	<b>9:20</b>	JAM SESSION	Dawn Clement
9:20	<b>9:40</b>	10:00	10:40	Alderwood Middle School	Steve Owen	<b>9:40</b>	Edmonds Woodway 2	Dawn Clement
9:40	<b>10:00</b>	10:20	11:00	Washington Middle School Fiddlers	Todd Mahaffey	<b>10:00</b>	Eckstein 2	Dawn Clement
10:00	<b>10:20</b>	10:40	11:20	Meadowdale MS	Steve Korn	<b>10:20</b>	MTHS 2	Dawn Clement
10:20	<b>10:40</b>	11:00	11:40	Edmonds Woodway High School 1	Steve Owen	<b>10:40</b>	Hamilton 2	Dawn Clement
10:40	<b>11:00</b>	11:20	12:00	Washington Middle School Jazz Band	Todd Mahaffey	<b>11:00</b>	MTHS 3	Dawn Clement
11:00	<b>11:20</b>	11:40	12:20	Eckstein	Steve Korn	<b>11:20</b>	Lynnwood HS	Dawn Clement
	<b>11:40</b>			BREAK		<b>11:40</b>	JAM SESSION	Dawn Clement

### 12:15-1:15 - Steve Owen with Mountlake Terrace Jazz Ensemble 1 - "Performance and Clinic" in the Theater

	<b>1:20</b>			JAM SESSION	Steve Korn			
1:20	<b>1:40</b>	2:00	2:40	Roosevelt High School 2	Steve Korn	<b>1:40</b>	JAM SESSION	Dawn Clement
1:40	<b>2:00</b>	2:20	3:00	Meadowdale HS	Todd Mahaffey	<b>2:00</b>	Edmonds Woodway 3	Dawn Clement
2:00	<b>2:20</b>	2:40	3:20	Mountlake Terrace High School 2	Steve Owen	<b>2:20</b>	MTHS 4	Dawn Clement
	<b>2:40</b>			JAM SESSION	Steve Korn	<b>2:40</b>	Edmonds Woodway 4	Dawn Clement
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