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NEWSLETTER

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Announcements / Events

- Curriculum Night - October 3rd at 6:30 - MTHS - Change: SOME Chamber Winds groups will be playing at this event. We don't have enough class time to get everyone into a small group and be able to practice enough before the event. Some students are organizing themselves into groups to play. I'm happy to help them find music but they will need to rehearse outside of class.
- Battle of the Drumlines - October 5th at 9:00AM - The drumline receiving the biggest crowd response wins \$500. Come support our line.
- Next Pep Band Concert (AKA Football Game) is October 18th.
- Jazz Symposium - October 26th - We need many student (non-jazz) and parent volunteers for this great event.

Curriculum Night - This Thursday

Please do your best to attend Curriculum Night this Thursday. It is great for several reason! 1. you get to meet your kids' teachers - all of them. 2. You get to see what it feels like to go through the day as your kid - a very condensed version. 3. You get to learn more about how to partner with the teachers.

Battle of the Drumlines - This Saturday

Our Drumline is doing a great job and they have a whole routine in the works. This is at the Alderwood Mall as part of the PEF (Public Education Foundation) "Celebrate Schools! 5K Run/Walk". The drumlines will be performing on the street between Lowes and the mall. From the materials I just received: "Audience reaction to each group will be carefully monitored, and the best received group will be awarded a \$500 gift card for the music program."

9:00 – Edmonds-Woodway HS performance

9:10 – Lynnwood HS performance

9:20 – Meadowdale HS performance

9:30 – Mountlake Terrace HS performance

9:40 – Awards

Music Booster Meeting

Thanks to all of you for attending the meeting last Thursday night. It was great to get to talk to you about the exciting things happening this year - some I planned to talk about and some just came out! I'm attaching the presentation slides in the form of a PDF for you to review. Major news to learn about: Travel for the year. There is information in the slides about the various overnight trips planned and who can participate. We will be seeking more information from families shortly so please take some time to have a conversation about these things.

Calendar Information

Please subscribe to the Band Google Calendar. It's a good idea to check out the "Reminders and Notifications" for the calendar because you can receive emails when events are changed and/or added to the calendar. Additions: October 17th, 23rd, and December 6/7 for Jazz Bands.

Pep Band Gear

We are planning on putting in a 3rd order of pep band gear soon. Please use the attached form to place your order ASAP.

Alumni Profile - Lindsay McMurray

As I learn what some of our graduates are up to these days, I will include information in this newsletter about them. If you hear things, let me know!



Lindsay McMurray graduated from MTHS in 2003. As a freshman, she played in both the top concert band and the top jazz band. I remember that during her freshman year in Jazz 1 we were entering Essentially Ellington for the first time. She was playing 2nd or 3rd trombone, but the week of our recording session the first trombone player quit! Lindsay stepped into the lead trombone spot for the recording and never left! We made it in that year. It was our first time going and was a powerful experience for everyone! This was my second full year teaching.

She played with other groups every chance she got including the pit orchestra for musicals. For her senior project she recorded a CD of trombone quartets. She played all the parts overdubbing each part as she went. But she didn't just play her regular trombone. She played soprano trombone, alto trombone, tenor trombone, and bass trombone. Keep in mind, this was in 2003 and the ability to record multiple parts like this was much different than it is now.

I hadn't seen Lindsay in a while but in 2012 she and several of her fellow Alumni formed a big band and joined us at our end of the year jazz concert at Jazz Alley. So much fun!

When Lindsay was in high school, her mom Ann served as Music Booster president. She continues to help out at many MTHS music events including the Jazz Symposium and she is often in attendance at our concerts. It is always wonderful to see her in the audience even though Lindsay graduated 10 years ago. Ann is now serving on the Edmonds School District School Board - in fact, she is the president of the board and always a wonderful advocate for music in our district.

What follows is Lindsay's bio I found on the internet. You can visit her website: www.lindsaymcmurraytrombone.com

Lindsay was born in Portland, OR but mostly grew up in Mountlake Terrace, WA. Through the music programs there she had the opportunity to tour in Germany, Switzerland, France, the Netherlands, Hawaii, California and Louisiana. She also participated in the elite Essentially Ellington Jazz Festival (2000, 2002) at Lincoln Center in New York, which selects 15 exceptional high school

jazz bands throughout the nation. Lindsay then went on to pursue a degree from California State University, Northridge where she held top positions and participated in another tour of Europe with the Jazz A Band.

In 2005, Ms. McMurray was a member of the highly competitive Disney Collegiate All-Star Band in Florida where she was coached by the finest musicians from around Florida and Los Angeles. She performed in Disney World five sets a day, five days a week. Since then, Lindsay has been an active player in the salsa scene in Los Angeles, performing with such groups as Son Mayor, Chino Espinosa y los Duenos del Son, Marco Antonio y La Essencia, and in such venues as the Conga Room, the Mayan, Mama Juanas, the Rumba Room, and the King. She also actively plays gigs in other musical styles such as jazz, classical, persian, pop, etc. After finishing her undergraduate degree in Trombone Performance at CSUN, Lindsay moved into the graduate studies program at University of California, Los Angeles. There she toured New York, Indiana, and Ohio, became a member of the Debut Orchestra (one of LA's premiere youth orchestras), and studied with Bill Booth and Pat Sheridan. Since receiving her Masters of Music Degree in Trombone Performance, Lindsay is currently residing in the Los Angeles area.

MTHS Student Profile - Alicia Smith

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!

Alicia Smith is is a Senior at Mountlake Terrace High School and is currently a band member in Chamber Winds and also in the Jazz 1 Ensemble. Alicia became interested in playing an instrument as early as the 4th grade. The interest in playing in band derived from Alicia hearing about her mom talk about her experience in being a band performer when she was in school. Alicia first thought about trying to play the clarinet, but ended up preferring the trumpet and has played this instrument through all her years in band. Her mom played the flute when she was in her school band.

Alicia and her mom are not the only musical members of her family. Both Alicia's brothers played cello for a time while in school, and members of her mom's side of the family are involved in singing groups. Alicia's grandfather sings with the Icelandic Men's Choir out of Ballard and her cousin currently sings songs for video game soundtracks!! So that next video game you are playing and singing along with, could be Alicia's cousin!

One of Alicia's favorite highlights as a student of music is when she got the opportunity to travel to New York with the Jazz 1 Ensemble to attend Essentially Ellington. Alicia says this was a once in a life time opportunity and she was beyond excited that she had the chance to go with many of her friends who were also in Jazz 1.

In her downtime, Alicia enjoys listening to all types of music and reading books. She also likes to watch Hallmark movies and watch QVC to do some shopping on line! Her favorite foods to eat are tacos and garlic mash potatoes.

When Alicia pursues further education after high school, she hopes to get a degree in literature and become a librarian. This has been a life long dream for Alicia and she is eager to continue to reach for her goal to become a librarian.

When asked what advice she might give to younger students interested in band is to stick with it. You meet so many incredible people in band, who become great friends, it helps you in school and band is all around F-U-N.





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